

## **Church of St. Richard**

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### October 29, 2017 🕆 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Confessions: Every Saturday 3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. 1<sup>st</sup> Fri. Devotions: 8am Mass, Adoration All Day, Benediction & Sacred Heart Novena 4:00pm Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator: Ms. Wendy S. Krisak, M.A.,NCC, LPC- Direct Phone: 800-791-9209 Diocesan Safe Environment Coordinator - Sister Meg Cole, S.S.J., M.S., LMFT - Telephone: 610-332-0442, Ext. 19

St. Richard's Welcomes All!! The No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church; no matter what your current family or marital situation; no matter what your past or present religious affiliation; no matter what your personal history, age, background, race, ethnicity, etc.; you are Invited, Welcomed, Accepted, Loved and Respected at the Parish of St. Richard's!

 Daily Mass Intentions 
 <sup>↑</sup> (Masses are at 8:00 a.m. unless otherwise noted.) Masses in BLUE in satisfy obligation for Holy Day of All Saints Monday - Ignatz & Lois Lemonovich by Vicky Karnish Tuesday \*\* 6:00 p.m. \*\* - Janice Miller ~ 20 Years in Heaven by Prayer Group Wednesday \*\* 8:00 a.m. \*\* - Christine Stokes by Len, Marion, Bob & Dr. Jenna Stokes-Jenkins \*\* 4:00 p.m. \*\* - Izzy Tancredi by Stanley & Joann Dombrowski Thursday - Judy Zukoski by Mom Celia Friday - Members of Purgatorial Society

Saturday - Dominic Sleva by Family

#### Saturday **P** November 4<sup>th</sup> - 4:00 p.m.

Intention - Timothy Thomas O'Brien by Tim & Megan Demko Lector - Beth Bialek Eucharistic Ministers - Sheral Bamford, Nancy Brylewski Altar Servers - Olivia Eckert, Ignatius Neifert, Isidora Neifert, Gretchen Pucklavage

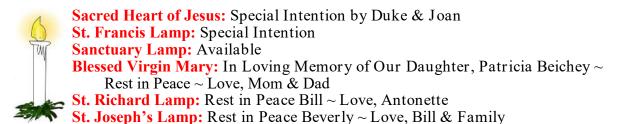
#### Sunday **†** November 5<sup>th</sup> - 8:30 a.m.

Intention - Anna & John Kowalick by Weber Family Lector - Gale Kufrovich Eucharistic Ministers - Jack Hurst, Tony Liscusky Altar Servers - Noah Hayes, Lillian Stoyer, Kenna Wonsock

#### Sunday <sup>♣</sup> November 5<sup>th</sup> - 10:30 a.m.

Intention - Bill Burke by Neverosky Family Lector - Patty Sleva Eucharistic Ministers - Terry Purcell, Virginia Purcell Altar Servers - Bree Dobeck, Maggie O'Rourke

Responsorial: I love you, Lord, my strength.



**Sunday Collection:** From October 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> Weekend: Regular: \$2,344; Other: \$291 and Mission Sunday: \$800. From October 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> Weekend: Regular: \$2,451 and Other: \$246. Your continued and generous support is most graciously appreciated.

**Extra Collection:** *Next* weekend, November 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>, there will be an extra collection for the Monthly Supplement. Kindly put this into the second collection.

**Choir Practice:** Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 p.m. and every Wednesday, up to and including Wednesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome!

**Bible Study:** Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

# Dear Padre

OCTOBER 29, 2017

How do our prayers actually help people who are deceased? I keep thinking it should be the other way around: The deceased should pray for us! After all, they have it made—and we don't.

From the early days of the Church, there has been a tradition of remembering those who have died. In the fourth century, Bishop Cyril of Jerusalem noted in his catechetical instructions how, in the eucharistic prayer, we remember those who have died in two different ways. First, we remember those special ones who have fallen asleep, the fathers and mothers of our faith, the prophets, the apostles, and the martyrs. And we ask that God enable us to share in their inheritance, thanks to their prayers and intercessions for us. This is still the case. At every Mass, we remind God that we rely on Mary and the saints to intercede for us.

But also at every Eucharist, since the early days of the Church, when we pray for those who have died, we are reminded that love lasts more than a lifetime. It reaches out across time and space, and even across the divide of death. When we have loved, we yearn for the beloved to live on, not just in memory but in a place that is beyond suffering and tears. And we yearn to see that loved one again. This is one of the most telling reasons why we pray for the dead. It tells us something about ourselves as men and women made in the image of God, God's children who wish what God wishes: that no one be lost, that all be redeemed.

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Religious Education: Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. ~ Religious Education Class/Child Safe Lures Class Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. ~ Religious Education Class

**Please Remember the Sick & Shut-ins in Your Prayers, and Especially:** Ann Balas, Joe Bones, Nina Day, Sam Geissinger, William Godanis, Jr., Dee Harvan, Dr. Francis Kane, Jack Kehler, Francis Keiser, Nora Keiser, Vaal Kester, Joseph Klatka, George Koval, Marie Koval, George Kufrovich, Joe Kufrovich, Dorothe Schmerfeld, Ellie Setlock, Gene Soult, Dominic Streisel, Elaine Sweeney, Marilyn Tolan, Tom Whalen, Kevin White, and Celia Zukoski.

**Eternal Rest Grant Upon Them, O Lord:** John Vilcheck of Hometown. Please include him in your prayers

Sacrament of Baptism: Benjamin Gregory Sinn, son of Gregory Sinn and Melissa Hanlon, was initiated into the family of God and the family of the Church of St Richard on Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>. We congratulate the grateful parents and joyfully welcome Baby Benjamin Gregory and family into our parish.

**All Souls Day:** Kindly fill out the "All Souls" envelope included in the Offering Book, with the names of souls you would like remembered in a special way for the month of November by the presence of their names on our altar. You can return the envelope in any Sunday Collection.



**New York City Bus Trip:** Wednesday, November 29, 2017 ~ All of the tickets for the Radio City Music Christmas Spectacular Show are sold; however, there are still quite a few seats available for the "Day on Your Own". Bus will depart St. Richard's parking lot at 7:00 a.m. and leave New York promptly at 6:00 p.m.

to return. Money is due as soon as possible as everything had to be pre-paid. If paying by check, please make payable to "St. Richard's".

Sweepstakes Tickets: Tickets can be purchased for a \$20 donation. The tickets are for the entire month of December 2017 and are based on the PA Big 4 evening drawing; Monday through Saturday. Both straight and box combinations win! We need sellers and for every five tickets you sell, you get one free!! Please see Father for more information or to get tickets. We usually have many winners.

**Chosen, Blessed, Shared:** Make sure to remember the retired priests of our Diocese by making a gift to the Endowment Fund for the Care of Retired Priests. This special fund is used to directly support retired priests in good standing including the future costs of their health care, insurance, housing and sustenance. Please return your gift using the envelope you received in the mail or from the brochures in the vestibule. These envelopes may be returned in the mail or in the Collection basket at Mass. Your generosity supports retired priests from all 5 counties in our Diocese!



**CYO Basketball:** Any parish boy, or girl, in grades 4 through 8 interested in playing basketball for CYO this year and parents interested in coaching, please e-mail Amy at <u>am.day@hotmail.com</u> or send a text to 570-778-5897. Registration fee is \$65. Deadline is November 23<sup>rd</sup>.

24<sup>th</sup> Annual Thanksgiving Breakfast: St. Mary's Center, 620 W. Pine Street, Mahanoy City, Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:00 a.m. Ticket donation: \$8.00 per person. Deadline to get tickets is November 16<sup>th</sup>. Menu includes pastries, ham, eggs, home fries, coffee and tea. Tickets are available in the Rectory. Sponsored by Mahanoy Ministerial Association.



Special Intentions by M & J Konidas Special Intention for Deacon John by Wife Ellie Special Intention by Donna Kamenas Special Intention for Edward, Emily, Jackie & Edward, Jr. Special Intention for Lauren & Paul Special Intention for Mary Progress for Ryan by Gram Bam In Loving Memory of Jack Schaar by Loving Wife Liz Prayers for the Johnson Family by Sleva Family Special Intentions for Dante by Sleva Family Special Intentions for Allishia & Brian by Mom & Dad In Loving Memory of Daniel Jr. ~ Love, Mom & Dad Celeste ~ Rest in Peace by Class of '65 Special Intention by Sharon Successful Surgery for Marie by Sharon & Josh Special Intention by The Neveroskys For Children, Grandchildren & Great Grandchild by Nan For All Parish Personnel & All Our Military by Margie Kufrovich For Health of Joe by Mom In Thanksgiving for Keeping Everyone Safe on Their Vacations by Margie Kufrovich In Thanksgiving for a Safe Delivery & Beautiful Baby Girl for Jessica ~ Love, Aunt Marge Intentions of Dee & Bob by Margie In Loving Memory of Steve Hercek In Loving Memory of Charlotte M. Bowman In Loving Memory of My Al ~ Love, Fran For a Healthy Baby & Safe Delivery for Jessica by Aunt Margie & Family Special Intention for K, G, L-B P-B by Mom For My Mom to Find a Good Job ~ Love AJ For Living & Deceased Members of Yanacek & Harvan Family by Bob & Dee Special Intentions by Joann & Steve Souchak Special Health Intentions for John Angelo by Vicky Karnish Special Intention for Joe & Kathy Provznick by Frank & Dolores Vitek Special Intention

Special Intentions by Higgins Family

Special Intention by John & Jean Intention for Mitch & Ricky by Mams & Unc. Intention for Lisa & Family by Mom & Jeff Intention for Jeff by Mom Intention for Regina Intentions of Marcella, Jessica, Rochelle ~ Love, Mom & Dad Good Health Upon Uncle Jim & BaBa ~ Love, the Family Good Health & God Bless Kufrovich Family ~ Love, Jones Family God Bless My Neighbors & Friends by M. Jones Special Intention by Duke & Joan In Loving Memory of John ~ Rest in Peace ~ Love, Niki Prayers for Good Health for K.W. by Roy & Anne In Memory of Rosalie Gorman by Book Club Girls Rest in Peace Bill O'Brien ~ Love, Louise & Bruce Special Intention by Patty Special Intention Health of Suzanne, EZ, Bob, Pat & Vaal by Lou & Margie For All Our Relatives & Friends by Lou & Margie Special Intention by Lou & Margie Special Intention & Prayers for Maria by The Brunis Special Intention & Prayers for Maria & James by The Brunis Prayers for Safe Travel by The Brunis Special Intention & Prayers for Jeannie, Nicole, Rachel, Laura & Jennifer by The Brunis Special Intention & Prayers for Cara by The Brunis Special Prayers & Healing for Father Whalen by The Brunis Successful Surgery for Ivan, Jr. by The Brunis In Loving Memory of Norman Fetter ~ Rest in Peace by Peg Schaediger In Loving Memory of Paul Krukas by His Family Special Intention for Amy Special Intention by Sue & Jay Thank You St. Jude for Prayers Answered by Mary In Loving Memory of Helen ~ Love, Tom Healing for Paula Hood by Michelle Pyrdsa Successful Treatment for Paul Malloy by Donna & Paul Peca Special Intention for Grandchildren by Marianne Special Intention for Cheryl & Bob by Marianne