COMMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED; ALL SOULS' DAY

This celebration is rooted in ancient Christian tradition, since the 2nd Century of the Catholic Church. Saint Augustine asked us to pray for the deceased, not only on the day of the anniversary of their death, so that no one might be forgotten. We say in our Creed: "I believe in the resurrection of the body". The Catechism of the Catholic Church (Nr 989) echoes the Letter to the Romans 8,11 which says: "... The One who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also....". Why do we pray for the deceased? A clear answer is given in 2 Maccabees 12,44-46: "for if he were not expecting the fallen to rise again, it would have been useless and foolish to pray for them. But if he did this with a view to the splendid reward that awaits those who have gone to their rest in godliness, it was a holy and pious thought. Thus, he made atonement for the dead that they might be freed from this sin". Since the 1915 Apostolic Constitution of Pope Benedict XV, all Priests are granted the privilege of celebrating 3 Masses on this day. Today's Celebration brings our attention to hope, hope of the resurrection based on the gospel of St Luke (Lk 23,35-43) in which Jesus says: "Today, you will be with me in Paradise".

CEMETERY VISIT IN NOVEMBER

During the month of November, every Catholic is asked by law to visit a cemetery. If followed properly, Indulgence is attached to this ancient pious practice.

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE SATURDAY NOVEMBER 1, 2025 ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM.

Below are the deceased parishioners whose funeral masses took place at OLA church since November 1, 2024.

Steve Kepic Elaine Wohkittlel
Vito Shimkus David Gruss
Carol Van Fleet Raymond Franko
Clarence Evans Mary Ann Ketcher
Mary Cole Benjamin Holbert

Theresa Bede

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY NOVEMBER 2, 2025 ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM.

Below are the deceased parishioners whose funeral masses took place at SML church since November 1, 2024.

Frances Mollusky Nicholas Lori Pierce Margaret Nauroth Elinor Dougherty Brandon Gardner

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY NOVEMBER 2, 2025 ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM.

Below are the deceased parishioners whose funeral masses took place at SP church since November 1, 2024.

Marianne Juszczak Mary Ann Sabuack Florence Gardowski Melsenia Crea Patricia Webster

SLEEPING BAGS FOR HOMELESS VETS

Join us to make sleeping bags for homeless veterans at St Patrick Parish Hall on Saturday, November 8 from 10am to 4pm. Donations for the veterans of Men's Boxer shorts (new) sizes small to XXL, women's briefs sizes 7-9, Hand warmers, waterproof gloves, toothpaste, and paper plates.

Donations to make the sleeping bags: Men's ties, blankets, comforters, sheets, and fabric. Donations may be placed in the blue barrel in front of the Parish Hall or brought to the event on November 8th. For more information, call Joan at 570-468-6903

ST. PATRICK BINGO NEWS

Bingo continues every Thursday. Please volunteer. Call Rita 570-575-9874. Make a homemade dessert or entrée. Call Bernice at 570-947-1677. Thanks for your support

NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK NOVEMBER 2 TO 8

Today November 2nd, Leave a Mark Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Scranton at 5p.m to kick off National Vocation Awareness Week. It is an opportunity for young Catholics to worship the Lord, listen a bit more intentionally to his voice, and discern how they can leave a mark on the world. Here is a short prayer that we can pray this week: God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

LITURGICAL MINISTERS / LECTORS SCHEDULE

November 8 & 9

Eucharistic Ministers

4 pm (OLA) Michele Zajac 9:00am (SML) Bob Andrews 11 am (SP) Cynthia Singer

Musicians

4 pm (OLA) Maria Fay 9:00am (SML) Danny Williams 11 am (SP) Maria Fay

Lectors

4 pm (OLA) Becky Mozeleski 9:00am (SML) Don Ames 11 am (SP) Barry Singer

Altar Servers

4 pm (OLA) Jace Biglin 11am (SP) Kali Harvatine

Shadow – Emma Evans

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

Nov 3 – Disciples of Mary at SML, 6:45pm

Nov 6 – Prayer Shawl Ministry at SML, 5:30pm

Nov 6 – Bingo at SP, doors open, 5pm, bingo, 6pm

SP/OLA FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Thank you for all of the donations for our First Annual St. Mary's, OLA, and St. Patrick's Family Faith Formation Halloween Party! It was a success! We have more events with the children of all three parishes coming up! Julie Harvatine - jwharv03@gmail.com.

11/9/2025 - Class

11/16/2025 - Class

SML FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

. Kerry Pieretti - redlightgreen343@gmail.com Nov. 9 Class Nov. 16 Class

PUBLICATION OF BANNS

It's our pleasure to publish the banns (third of three) for the intended wedding of Sarah Weisenhfluh and Joshua Bauman. This wedding is to take place at OLA church at 1 pm on Saturday November 8. Please, pray for this couple, the future Mr. and Mrs. Bauman.

OLA FALL FESTIVAL WRAP UP LUNCHEON

The wrap up luncheon for all workers of the festival will take place at OLA Hall on Sunday November 9 at 1pm. If you plan to come, please call the office at 570-563-1622 to let us know that you will be there. Thank you.

URGENT REQUEST

To all Parishioners: each of our Parish is in urgent need of a Roman Missal (it's the book that we use on the Altar for all prayers during Mass). The ones we have now have their pages torn apart, outdated and don't have the prayers for the newly proclaimed Saints (for instance: St John Paul II, St John XXIII, St Paul VI, and 18 other Saints). Please call the office to donate to this noble cause for your respective Parish.

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday (November 4) St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

8:00 am (OLA) Ben Janssen

By Lucy Ziman

Wednesday (November 5) Weekday

8:00 am (SP) Marianne Juszczak

By Aline J. Price

Thursday (November 6) Weekday

8:00 am (SML) Ellie Dougherty

By Pat Stead

Saturday (November 8) The Vigil of The

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

4:00 pm (OLA) Mary Leiber

By Tom & Debbie Lowrie

Sunday (November 9) The Dedication of the

Lateran Basilica

9:00 am (SML) JoAnn Petranchak

By Thomas & Geraldine Walsh

11:00 am (SP) The Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary

By The Legion of Mary

The Sanctuary Candle at OLA

Burning this week for Health & Blessings for all workers and participants of the OLA Fall Festival. *By A Friend*

The Sanctuary Candle at SML

Burning this week for Health & Blessings for all workers and participants of the SML Basket Raffle. *By A Friend*

The Sanctuary Candle at SP

Burning this week for Health & Blessings for all workers and participants of the SP Fall Festival. *Bv A Friend*

WEEKLY OFFERINGS (COLLECTIONS)

SP Weekly \$ 2,417.00 Loose \$ 185.00 OLA Weekly \$ 2,162.00 Loose \$ 190.00 SML Weekly \$ 1,170.00 Loose \$ 98.00

May the Lord reward your generosity. .

CHRISTMAS PARTY SAVE THE DATE!

All members of Fr. Arbo's flock, please mark your calendars. This very special event will be at St Patrick's Hall on December 14 at noon. There will be further details in upcoming bulletins.

OUR SAINTS AND THE EUCHARIST

St Gerard Majella (among many other things is the Saint Patron of expectant mothers, of protection of children, and of those falsely accused): at age 8, (which was the practice then), he was afflicted for not being able to receive communion, but God heard him and sent Saint Michael the Archangel to go and place a Communion on this tongue, to Gerard's astonishment and delight.