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## Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time November 11, 2012

The LORD keeps faith forever,  
secures justice for the oppressed,  
gives food to the hungry.

— Psalm 146:7

### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11

7:30 AM Bridget Belford  
9:30 AM People of the Parish  
12:30 PM Ana Julia Perez & Lidia Aurora Tineo  
(Hispanic Mass)

#### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12

9:00 AM Victoria Tepko

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13

9:00 AM All Soul's Intentions

#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

9:00 AM Fred & Jerry Valentino

#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15

9:00 AM William "Bill" Decker

#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16

9:00 AM Catherine Sosky

#### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

4:30 PM Nicole Prosseda

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

7:30 AM People of the Parish  
9:30 AM Deceased Priests, Brothers, Deacons and  
Sisters who have served our Parish

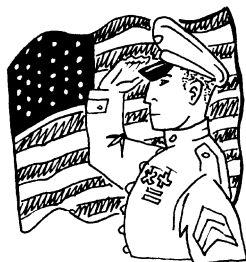
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**SANCTUARY CANDLE THIS WEEK:** In memory of  
Bonnie Burke Sitrler requested by Paul & Terry Troiani.  
**PEACE CANDLE:** In memory of Frank & Walter Kutza.  
**RESURRECTION CANDLE:** In memory of Florence  
Johns requested by Joselle.  
**BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE:** In memory of  
Frances Bushman.

**THE ALTAR BREADS AND ALTAR WINE** that will be  
consecrated at all our Masses this week are in memory of  
Charles & Claire Zampini given by Leanne Wello.

**THE ALTAR FLOWERS** are in memory of Bridget  
Belford requested by her family.

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Veterans Day

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### PARISH SUPPORT

November 4, 2012 offering

Adults	\$5602.00
Youth	39.00
Loose	480.00
	\$6121.00

All Saints: \$1134.00/Additional World Mission: \$160.00  
The Second Collection next Sunday will be a diocesan  
offering for Matthew 25.

Thank you for your generosity!

### FROM THE VICAR GENERAL

**In the wake of the devastating effects of Hurricane Sandy, the Catholic Church of the Diocese of Harrisburg will take up a special collection in all our parishes the weekend of November 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. Checks may be made payable to your parish with a notation in the memo line "Hurricane Sandy". These funds will be administered by Catholic Charities and Catholic Relief Services. God bless you for your generosity as we help our brothers and sisters in their time of need of emergency assistance and long-term rebuilding.**

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### PARISH DATEBOOK

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11

**POLISH POTTERY BINGO:** Parish Center, doors  
open at 12:30 PM. First game at 2:00 PM.

#### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 12

**BIBLE STUDY/SHARING:** 7:00 PM meeting room.

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13

**YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSAL:** 3:45 PM  
**THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** will meet at  
7:30 PM at their home, 1416 W. Front Street.

#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 14

**ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL:** 7:00 PM.

**THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE:** Last day to  
donate food in meeting room for food cupboard.

#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15

**YEAR OF FAITH PROGRAM:** 6:30 PM in church.  
Lesson 1- The Revelation of God Become Man.

#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16

**BLUE ARMY HOLY HOUR** will be prayed at  
8:00 AM.

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

**CCD:** Classes in session: 10:40 AM to 11:55AM.  
Enrollment for Confirmation @ 9:30 AM Mass.

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD**

**Next Sunday, November 18**

**Saturday, 4:30 PM**

Eucharistic Ministers: Panzak, Canouse, Monatesti  
Lector: Belford  
Altar Servers: 6  
Greeters: Kubitsky

**Sunday, 7:30 AM**

Eucharistic Ministers: Wolfe, Troiani, Edwards  
Lector: Troiani  
Altar Servers: 5  
Greeters: M & W Andrzejewski

**Sunday, 9:30 AM**

Eucharistic Ministers: Dudasko, Dante, Marston  
Lector: Kalie  
Altar Servers: 4  
Greeters: P & J Kachurka

**ATTENTION LECTORS!!!!**  
**Your new Liturgical books are in the Sacristy.**  
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**Memory Care and Thought Stimulation Program**

The program will be at Maria Joseph Manor in Danville starting November 12, 2012 with pre-registration required @ 570-275-4221 Ext: 2016. It is a free, open to the public, program for older adults.  
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**HOLY ANNUNCIATION ORTHODOX CHURCH**

1228 Second Avenue in Berwick will be having a free lecture by Dr. Maria C. Khoury on November 13, 2012. The topic of her presentation will be the Christian presence in the Holy Land today. Refreshments will be served and babysitting is free. Please see the bulletin board for more information.  
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**ST. COLUMBA CHURCH**, located on the corner of 3<sup>rd</sup> and Iron Streets in Bloomsburg, is holding its 8<sup>th</sup> annual "Winter Fest Craft and Food Festival", Saturday November 17<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Features include 30 craft vendors, homemade food, dollar tree and a silent auction. As a bonus children from St. Columba School will be entertaining us throughout the day. *Come, do your shopping with us!*  
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**VOCATION AWARENESS:**

"Out of her poverty she has put in everything she had." Will you respond with generosity should the Lord choose you for priesthood or the consecrated life? Call the Office of Vocations (717) 657-4804 ext. 282, or email: [frrlavoie@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:frrlavoie@hbgdiocese.org)

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Veterans Day; Remembrance Day (Canada)  
Monday: St. Josaphat  
Tuesday: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini  
Thursday: St. Albert the Great  
Friday: St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude  
Saturday: St. Elizabeth of Hungary  
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**THE POOR**

As Christians, we hear a lot about the witness and service that we are called to render to the poor among us. However, the poor also have a witness and a service to render to us. Like the actions of the widow in today's Gospel, the openness and generosity of many of those who are poor, even in the midst of their own poverty, bear witness to the fact that, ultimately, we can depend only on God. Giving one's all witnesses that God will give all to anyone who trusts in divine goodness.

The poor or disadvantaged also serve. They serve judgment on our individual and corporate ways of acting. If people are sleeping in our streets, that is a judgment on our priorities regarding others. At the same time, the poor can act as mediators of salvation. When they care for others they can redeem our indifference and insensibility, lead us to care as well, and save us from ourselves.  
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**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

New religious faith gives fresh lenses for viewing human customs, and the wisdom to transform them. In the ancient world, the Romans feared the dead. Funeral customs were designed to hasten the departure of souls to the next world. Cremation was the rule, although burial increased in popularity in the second century. Procession from the place of death to the place of cremation or burial was the most important part of the funeral. Those who carried the funeral bier carried it low, close to the ground, to promote the soul's departure to the nether world.

Christians, on the other hand, did not fear the dead, but cherished them as they consigned them to Christ's love and protection. Gradually, they began to reject customs rooted in fear. Christians carried their dead to their resting places singing, with the bier carried high, away from the ground and toward the heavens. For the Christian, the grave was a sign of hope and a place of remembrance. Superstitious Romans feared burial places, and so the Christians cherished them as places of remembrance and prayer, and in time, even celebrated the Eucharist there. In November, many of us visit the cemetery for prayer and the autumn clean-up. By cherishing our dead, we are responding in faith to a vital part of our Christian tradition.