



## Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time November 4, 2012

You shall love the LORD, your God,  
with all your heart,  
and with all your soul,  
and with all your strength.

— Deuteronomy 6:5

### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4

7:30 AM People of the Parish  
9:30 AM Deceased members of the C.C.W.

#### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5

9:00 AM William "Bill" Decker

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

9:00 AM Elizabeth Pirnick

#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

9:00 AM Walter Kertesz

#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8

9:00 AM Special Intentions Madeline Spencer

#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9

9:00 AM All Soul's Intentions

#### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10

**4:30 PM** William "Bill" Gray

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11

7:30 AM Bridget Belford  
9:30 AM People of the Parish  
12:30 PM All Souls (Hispanic Mass)

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**SANCTUARY CANDLE THIS WEEK:** In memory of Nell Bull requested by Mary & Stan Kowalchick.

**PEACE CANDLE:** In memory of Eleanor Durso requested by Rose Chiki.

**RESURRECTION CANDLE:** In honor of our children requested by Joe & Ann Kondrcek.

**BLESSED MOTHER CANDLE:** In memory of Dorothy Valunas requested by Rose Chiki.

**THE ALTAR BREADS AND ALTAR WINE** that will be consecrated at all our Masses this week are in memory of Elizabeth Pirnick given by her family.

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### THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE



**Food Drive!!**

This year once again we will be using the plastic or paper bags obtained from your local supermarket. Please fill

them with non-perishable food items such as peanut butter, cereal, macaroni & cheese, etc. Please drop off your bags in the meeting room by **November 14**. We will take the collected food items to our local food bank to be distributed to the needy in our community.

### PARISH SUPPORT

October 28 offering

Adults	\$4333.00
Youth	40.00
Loose	502.00
	\$4875.00

Additional World Missions: \$496.00

The Second Collection next Sunday will be a parish offering for Thanksgiving Love of Neighbor.

Thank you for your generosity!

**LENTEN APPEAL** payment for November is now due. For proper credit please send payment & coupon to Diocese of Harrisburg, HCAS-LA, 4800 Union Deposit Road, Harrisburg, PA 17111-3710.

### PARISH DATEBOOK

#### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5

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

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

**YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSAL:** 3:45 PM

#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

**LADIES COUNCIL:** 6:00 in the meeting room.

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

#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 8

**PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING:**

6:30 PM in the meeting room.

#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 9

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

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11

**CCD:** Classes in session: 10:40 AM to 11:55AM.

Confirmation parent enrollment prep meeting  
Noon in classroom 8.

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

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### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
Daylight Saving Time ends

Tuesday: Election Day

Friday: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Saturday: St. Leo the Great

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD

### Next Sunday, November 11

#### **Saturday, 4:30 PM**

Eucharistic Ministers: Canouse, Wharton, Koser  
Lector: Morrison  
Altar Servers: 4  
Greeters: Panzak, Rinehimer

#### **Sunday, 7:30 AM**

Eucharistic Ministers: Marston, Pierce, Kilcullen  
Lector: Ferentz  
Altar Servers: 5  
Greeters: M & R Crake

#### **Sunday, 9:30 AM**

Eucharistic Ministers: Dudasko, B & D DeLuca  
Lector: Stephens  
Altar Servers: 6  
Greeters: Carter & Dent

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**Election 2012** – In the Catholic Tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a

moral obligation. This includes exercising the right of voting. Catholic voters should use Catholic teaching to examine candidates' positions on issues and should consider candidates' integrity, philosophy, and performance. The US Bishops have said that it is important for all citizens" to see beyond party politics, to analyze campaign rhetoric critically, and to choose their political leaders according to principle, not party affiliation or mere self-interest." To help Catholics develop well-informed consciences to aid them in addressing political questions, voter resources have been prepared and are available via a link on the right side of the home page of the Diocesan website at [www.HbgDiocese.org](http://www.HbgDiocese.org). A Voter's Guide will be included in the October 26 issue of *The Catholic Witness*. Election Day is **NOVEMBER 6**. Mark your calendar then pray; inform your conscience and **VOTE!**

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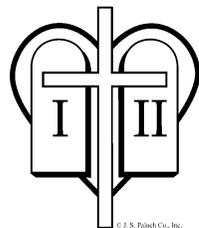
### **ST MARY'S YEAR OF FAITH PROGRAM**

The program begins Thursday, November 15 @ 6:30 PM in the church. We will present one-hour lessons monthly authored by Father Robert Barron. This Catholicism Adult Formation Program is available to the community. Father Barron created the program to enhance and support the Church's mission to evangelize and teach the content of the Faith. This program not only explains what Catholics believe and why, but also displays in breathtaking, visual detail the richness of the Church's global nature.

## **VOCATION AWARENESS:**

"He is able for all time to save those who approach God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them." Are you being called to help others approach the mercy of God as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call the Office of Vocations (717) 657-4804 ext. 282, or email: [frrlavoie@hbgdiocese.org](mailto:frrlavoie@hbgdiocese.org).

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## **LOVE GOD**

As we near the end of the liturgical year we listen to Gospel readings from the final stage of Jesus' ministry—his teaching in Jerusalem. This Sunday Jesus is in conversation with one of the scribes of the temple.

In a rare occurrence Jesus and the scribe agree on the two greatest commandments—to love God with all your being and to love your neighbor as yourself.

In today's selection from Deuteronomy Moses gives this teaching to the Israelites as the core of their life of faith and prayer, and Psalm 18 echoes this prayer with the words, "I love you, O LORD, my strength" (Psalm 18:2). Jews and Christians agree that our greatest responsibility is to love the one and only God, and that we cannot claim to love God without loving our neighbor as ourselves.

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## **TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

Both the history and the theology of this Friday's feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome make its liturgical ranking more understandable. The early Christians were forced to worship secretly until the year 313, when the Emperor Constantine made Christianity the official religion of the Roman Empire. Christians were then free to worship openly. The first public consecration of a church took place eleven years later; that church, built by Constantine, is known today as St. John Lateran.

Until the fourteenth century the Lateran Basilica was the official seat of the bishop of Rome and it is still the cathedral of Rome. Today's feast, then, reminds us that although our parish is our local and primary church, we are related in a special way to the universal Church, which is symbolized by the "Mother Church" in Rome. Indeed, the inscription over its east entrance reads, "Mother and Head of All Churches in the City and throughout the World." It provides us with a physical reminder that we are all members of the same Body of Christ.



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