



Saturday, November 14, Weekday

4:00 p.m. †Stephen & Rose DelleDonne (An.)

Sunday, Nov. 15, 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. †Ann Lamanna & For the Parish

10:30 a.m. †Angela & Mary Scanga (An.)

Monday, November 16, Weekday

8:30 a.m.. †Orlando Capretto

Tuesday, November 17, Elizabeth of Hungary

8:30 a.m. †Joseph Nemitz (An.)

Wednesday, November 18, Weekday

9:00 a.m. All Souls

Thursday, November 19, Weekday

8:30 a.m. †Jack Danley

Friday, November 20, Weekday

8:30 a.m. †Thomas Morea

9:00- -12 N Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, November 21, Presentation of the BVM

8:30 a.m. †Ray Detman

4:00 p.m. †Joseph Tarosky

Sunday, Nov. 22, Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

8:00 a.m. Living & Deceased of our Parish

10:30 a.m. St. Gertrude Rosary Society



Servers Schedule

November 21 & 22

4:00 p.m. -Deana Callipare & Jordan Kiebler

8:00 a.m. -Amy & Eric Bennardo

10:30 a.m. -L. Emmerson & J. Reynolds

*This Week at
Saint Gertrude Parish*

Sunday, November 15

C. C. D-9:15 a.m.~ YM-5:30 p.m.~ Bingo-7 p.m.

Tuesday, November 17

Rosettes meeting 6:30 p.m. ~ church hall

Wednesday, November 18

CMA~PTG meeting 7 p.m. ~ church hall

Thursday, November 19

Spaghetti Dinner 4 ~ 7 p.m.

Friday, November 20

9 a.m. - 12 N Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, November 21

Confession ~ 9 a.m.

ROSETTES ~ meeting on Tuesday, November 17 at 6:30 p.m. in the church hall. The Rosettes have been a very strong organization; based on spiritual, community and social development of young parish girls. The members will have fun and at the same time learn to give of their time and talents.



To everyone who donated clothing and household items for the St. Vincent de Paul "twinning" project. The SVDP Store

truck was completely full when it went to Sutton, West Virginia. The recipients were very, very grateful. We appreciate your generosity. AND, a huge thank you for the recent generous donations to the Poor Box. We have been inundated with calls for help, and we will use all the money to help the needy.

Giving Thanks! Fr. James would like to have a food procession during the offertory at Mass on November 26, Thanksgiving Day. Please bring non perishable food items for St. Vincent DePaul Society. During the offertory, we will process to the altar and place our items there. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

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dear Padre

Is my confession valid?

I stole money from my company and confessed it to my priest, who gave me absolution. Now I find out he stole money from our parish. Do I need to confess this to someone else to be absolved?

Leo

Dear Leo,

You needn't confess again regardless of what your priest did. The Church teaches that "the sacraments act *ex opera operato*...." by the very fact of the action's being performed, ie, by virtue of the saving work of Christ, accomplished once for all. (As Saint Thomas Aquinas said,) the sacrament is not wrought by the righteousness of either the celebrant or the recipient, but by the power of God (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1128).

When a sacrament is celebrated, it's not just about the priest and the person receiving the sacrament. It's also about the community of the Church and the power of Jesus Christ. Because priests are representatives of Christ, they are called to be holy men, so we have the right to expect our priests to be holy. Unfortunately, priests are also human, and they also sin. The Church recognizes this and teaches that even so, the grace of the sacrament is still there.

Priests who have committed serious sin must confess their sins to another priest before they celebrate the sacraments, and your pastor may will have confessed his sin before he celebrated the sacrament with you.

But even if he didn't, the sacrament is valid. Your sins were forgiven you in the same way the bread and wine were consecrated into the Body and Blood of Christ. Patrick Keyes, C.Ss.R.

**Tithing: God's Plan for Giving:
November 7 & 8**

Sunday Offertory.....	\$5,927.00
Loose Collection.....	519.00
Children.....	6.00

*God bless and
Thank you for your generous support!*

SANCTUARY LAMP

In memory of Louis Cocco by Richard & Dorothy Kardos.

MEMORIAL CANDLES

In memory of Mildred Ashbaugh by the family
In memory of Marino Manganello by the family

PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS who are hospitalized, invalids or seriously ill at home: Sylvia Adams and all the sick who need our prayers.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DINNER: on Tuesday, December 1 at 6 p.m. in the church hall catered by Starr Catering at a cost of \$15. per person. ~ guests are welcome. Punch and appetizers will be available before dinner. Make reservations before November 23 by calling Ellen Odasso at 845-3051 or Josephine Moliterno 567-7359. Entertainment: "On With The Show."

Providing Contact Person for Child Sexual Abuse - If you have a concern about sexual abuse of a child or young person by anyone in a parish or diocesan position—clergy, volunteer or paid staff, please contact Bishop Brandt's delegate for matters of sexual misconduct. He may be reached at 724-837-0901, Ext. 221.

TODAY ~ a series of monthly classes on Benedictine spirituality will continue on Sunday, November 15, from 3 p.m. to 4:25 p.m. in Brownfield Room 202 of Saint Vincent Seminary. The topic will be "*Hospitality in Benedictine Spirituality*," and Oblate Liz of Latrobe will be the presenter. The OBLATES OF SAINT BENEDICT will meet at 6:45 p.m. The topic of discussion will be Chapter 11, entitled "*Humility*," from the book *The Path of Life*, with emphasis on knowing one's weaknesses and trusting in God's mercy. All Christians who seek to enhance their journeys of faith with the help of the time-tested way of the *Rule* of Saint Benedict are welcome to attend.

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Next Sunday a Second Collection ~ For nearly 40 years, the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) and The Catholic Relief Services (CRS) has embodied Catholic social teaching through pursuing justice and upholding the dignity of the human person. CCHD & CRS funds community projects led by low-income individuals. As more Americans feel the weight of the economic crisis. CCHD & CRS needs your support in next week's collection more than ever. Thank you for your generosity.

**Choir Notes**

CONGRATULATIONS to the Junior Choir. They performed at the Howard Hanna Benefit for the Children's Hospital Free Care Fund at the Clarion Hotel on November 15. Remember it is not too late to join Junior Choir. They practice on Tuesdays at 4:30 p.m. in the church. If you would like the Junior Choir to sing for your event, please call 724-727-2542.

The **ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY** will be preparing Thanksgiving food baskets for the needy in our community, but we need your help!! Please place any non perishable food and/or paper products in the boxes at the entrances to the church. We will be making the baskets Thanksgiving week. And as always, monetary donations will also be accepted for turkey vouchers. Thank you for your continued support.

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New unwrapped gifts for Torrance Residents can be dropped off at the rectory during office hours. Deadline Thursday, December 3. Questions call 724-727-3969.

PHONE TREE FOR PRAYERS ~ if you want to be placed on the "Phone Tree for Prayers" for any need, just call Fran Milie 412-780-0164 or Josephine Moliterno 724-567-7359.



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SUNDAY

Church Hall ~ Doors open 5:15 p.m.

Jackpot 59 no's

Bring a friend or two along and enjoy an evening out!