We Remember...

Anne Armstrong Thomas Biviano **Betty Bolton** Dianne Castle Margaret Corcoran Donald Dixon **Bill Dommett** John Druke Carolyn Fitzpatrick Susan Fraim Marge Frazee Stanley Germain **Owen Gilmore Owen P. Gilmore** Robert Googin Carl Guldy Patricia Haley Jean Hastie Nancy Holland Jerry Howley Dan Hudson Al Keilen Jodi Kohli Daniel Kutik John LaFave, Jr. Teresa Madden Betty Maliga

Dan McCann Helen Milin Alvin Mistur Trudy Moore Joan Mouring Patricia Murphy John Neary Sean O'Hara Mary Roickle Rose Ryan Jean Schelah Ephraem Michael Slocum Ignatius Marie Slocum Al Weiner Stanley Werbela **Barbara** Wheler Fred Whipple Gary Wilbur Willie Williams Jo Ann Willingham Ronald Ziemba

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen. November 1, 2020



For the week of November 1-8, 2020

Sunday, November 1 ~ 9:00am Mass	
Alfred Jones	req by Suarez Family
Michael Chiovaro, Jr.	req by Kozak Family
<u>Thursday, November 5 ~ 6:45am Mass</u>	
Ralph Guldy	req by Family
<u>Thursday, November 5 ~ 11:00am Mass</u>	
Dan Goris	req by Family
Sunday, November 8 ~ 9:00am Mass	
Anne Gensler	req by Family
Joan Cantwell	req by Family

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

The sick: Richard Blouin, Jeannie Keefe, Bev Thorp, Peter Winnewisser, Mary Colligan, Paul Egan.

The deceased: John LaFave, father of Tom, grandfather of Grace; members of our parish and community.

Parishioners: in nursing homes and who are homebound.

Women and Men: Both at home and abroad serving in our military.



Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp is burning for the Glory of God and Sam Ferris req by Sandy Cardillo.

For Special Intentions req by Jillson Family.

St. James Cemetery ... will be closing on the 20th of November at 12 noon, weather permitting. <u>ALL items</u>, pots,



plants, knick-knacks, flags, plant holders, artificial flowers, <u>ALL items</u> must be removed from grave sties. If you go and your items have already been removed, check down by the maintenance building to claim. We will hold all items until the 20th. After that date, anything left will be disposed of. The cemetery gates will be locked on Monday, November 30th for the season. Thank you for your cooperation.



Please help us to reach our assessed goal... of \$45,221.00. We're asking all parishioners to prayerfully consider making a contribution. There are contribution envelopes in the parking lot entrance for your convenience or you can

place your contribution in an envelope marked "Hope Appeal" and mail it to the Parish Office. <u>Please make your checks</u> <u>payable to Hope Appeal</u>. Every little bit helps!

Election Day is Tuesday, November 3!! All Polls are open from 6:00am to 9:00pm Important voter information, for more information visit the Madison County Board of Election's website at: www.madison.county.pv.



Election's website at: www.madisoncounty.ny.gov/BOE

St. James is no longer a polling location for Districts 4 & 5. The new polling location is the Cazenovia Public Library on Albany Street.

A Year of Vocations ... Bishop Lucia has declared that beginning on Saturday, November 14, 2020 through Sunday, November 21, 2021 to be a year of Vocations. The workshop below is open to anyone interested in learning more about Vocation Ministry. To register or for more information go to vocations-syracuse.org.



Date: November 14, 2020 9am-3pm Location: Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception 259 E. Onondaga St. Syracuse, NY 13202

HUNDREDFOLD WORKSHOP PURPOSE

To equip Catholic laity to form a vibrant vocation ministry that promotes vocations to the priesthood, marriage, and consecrated life in their parish.

What you will learn:

- What is a vocation ministry?What is the recipe for a vocation-producing parish?
- How do we start and sustain our ministry?
- How do we invite our youth to discern a call?

Make a Concrete Plan for Your Parish Ministry:

- Choose realistic activities in the areas or Prayer, Education, Youth, and Affirmation
- Discuss how to celebrate various dates such as National Vocation Awareness Week
- Set goals and leave with a concrete plan of action!

Rhonda Gruenewald is the author of *Hundredfold: A Guide to Parish Vocation Ministry*. Based in Houston, Rhonda has been invited by many bishops to help start Vocation Ministries in their diocesses. Audiences love her charm, wit, and wisdom—not to mention her practical know-how about reaching young people with a pro-vocations message.

Find out more at www.vocationministry.com



For more information or to register, please visit

vocations-syracuse.org



FIRST READING:

After this I had a vision of a great multitude, which no one could count, from every nation, race, people, and tongue. They stood before the throne and before the Lamb, wearing white robes and holding palm branches in their hands. (Rev 7:9)

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PSALM: Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face. (Ps 24)

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SECOND READING:

We do know that when it is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. Everyone who has this hope based on him makes himself pure, as he is pure. (1 Jn 3:2b-3)

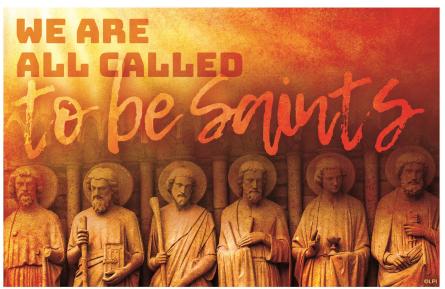


GOSPEL: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven." (Mt 5:3)

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WORSHIP & MEDITATION



GOSPEL MEDITATION Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

I remember as a child the meticulousness my father would bring to a task. Whether it be tending to a chore in the yard, repairing something, or painting a room, the tiniest of every detail demanded his attention. He had great patience. I benefited greatly by his example and remember these lessons well. We all need examples to follow. It is important to identity folks who excel at simple things and show us how to do things well. There are those among us and those who have gone before us who serve as these models and witnesses. They are ordinary people who in their "extraordinary ordinariness" capture our attention and allow us to see things more clearly.

These are the prophets, martyrs, teachers, witnesses, heralds, and innovators who bring a single- minded devotion to God to even the simplest of tasks they perform. They have an openness to being used and become vessels of Divine justice, mercy, and presence. They call us to the "more" of life and point us to the Gospel in all of its simplicity and splendor. They remind us of the little ones of the Kingdom and the values we all need to cultivate and possess. They are the poor in spirit, the meek, the merciful, and the peacemaker who often are rejected not only by those who have far different agendas but by those you think would welcome them.

All of the saints in heaven and on earth form this cloud of witnesses who journey with us as we make our way through life. They offer us inspiration, wisdom, intercession, and support. They direct us toward true happiness and remind us that we are all called to be saints. All it takes is desire, love, and fidelity. There is much we can learn from the official saints of the church. Their guidance is ever before us and ever with us. But there is also a lot to learn from the unofficial saints of the church. They sit beside us every Sunday, are our neighbors and ordinary people we meet every day. Because of the devotedness of their faith, they remind us to keep going, remain focused, and cultivate purpose and meaning, and give voice to those who have none. The inspiration is all around us.

Pay attention to the details. Do what you do with great love. Know that you are not alone. Believe that you can persevere. Have great faith.

