

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday, November 13th

Hospitality Committee Meeting—7 PM

Tuesday, November 14th

Gospel Faith Sharing—11:30 AM

Saturday, November 18th

Ladies of Charity Thanksgiving Food Distribution
9 AM to Noon (2)

Saturday & Sunday, November 18th & 19th

Giving Tree Envelopes Distribution—After all Masses
Sign -out is requested

Sunday, November 19th

Taming Technology Session—9:45 AM (2)

Topic: "The Modern Time Crunch"

High School "GIFT" Program—5:45 (3)

Legend

Church (1)
Religious Education (3)

Padua Hall (2)
Ewald Center (4)

NOVEMBER MASS INTENTIONS WILL BE FOR THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

"AND I WILL GIVE THEM REST"

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Millie Snead
and all deceased members and their families.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Please pray for all members of our parish serving
our country both here and overseas.

ARCHDIOCESE DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL NEEDS HOLIDAY BAZAAR

Looking to do some Holiday Shopping? Hoping to sit down to a full turkey dinner that is completely prepared for you? Come join us at the Center for Deaf Ministries in Landover Hills for the Annual Holiday Bazaar and Turkey Dinner **November 18th. The Bazaar is from 11—5 and the Turkey Dinner from 12—4. Raffle Tickets:** Win a cash prize—First Prize \$500!! These tickets sell for \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. Our lucky winner will be announced at 4:00 pm on Saturday, November 18th. (Need not be present to win..!) All proceeds go to the Department of Special Needs Ministries of ADW.

For more information call or email:

301-853-4560, specialneedsministry@adw.org.

Raffle tickets are available in St. Anthony's parish office.

FROM THE PASTORS DESK

Meeting A Saint

Dear Brothers and Sisters of St. Anthony's,

The other day while going through some papers on my desk I ran across this little poem. This poem which is entitled "Anyway" touched my heart as it probably did many years ago: hence, that's why I saved it. I will relate it to you but before I do this I would like to give you a little background. This poem was found hanging on the wall in Mother Teresa's home for children in Calcutta, India. It is similar in content to another poem written by Kent Keith which appeared in the New York Times in 2002. Whatever the case may be, this poem demonstrates the proper attitude we need to carry on the mission of Jesus in our own lives. I found it helpful when confronted with discouragement that can happen along the way when trying to follow the way of Jesus in this secular world. This world that we live in doesn't understand the mission of Christians and can sometimes mock us for standing up for our beliefs.

Years ago, I met Mother Teresa in Washington, DC while I was saying Mass at one of her missions. I have always enjoyed doing ministry with her sisters and continue to do so. I tell them the story of meeting Mother, and on that occasion, I squeezed her hand too hard and she uttered a few words of rebuke to me. So goes it when you are meeting a saint, their humanness shines forth beautifully. At any rate, here is that poem:

"People are often unreasonable, illogical and self-centered;
Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives; Be kind anyway.

If you are successful, you will win some false friends and some true enemies; Succeed anyway.

If you are honest and frank, people may cheat you;
Be honest and frank anyway.

What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight; Build anyway.

If you find serenity and happiness, they may be jealous;
Be happy anyway.

The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow;
Do good anyway.

Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough;

Give the world the best you've got anyway.

You see, in the final analysis, it is between you and your God;

It was never between you and them anyway."

Scripture says time and again that: "We do it for God rather than men."

Peace, In Christ Jesus, Fr. Stack

FAITH FORMATION AND "GIFT"

Building God's Kingdom

Come and share your ideas about how you do this in family life. Fill the chart in the hallway of the Religious Education Center.

Progress reports

Progress reports will be distributed this weekend to children in Grades 1-8.

"GIFT"

The high school "GIFT" program will be meeting next Sunday, November 19th, at 5:45 in the Religious Education Building. Snacks and drinks to share are welcome.

Confirmation Service Opportunity

Students in the Confirmation class and 8th grade are invited to volunteer and help at the Ladies of Charity Thanksgiving food distribution, Saturday, November 18th from 9:00 to 12:00 PM in Padua Hall.

LADIES OF CHARITY

Thanksgiving Food Box Distribution will take place on **November 18th from 9 AM to 12 PM**. Everyone is welcome to volunteer to help with distribution.

During the month of October the Pantry distributed food to a record 275 households which represents 705 people. Thank you so much for your generous support!

TAMING TECHNOLOGY

The next session of "Taming Technology" presented by parents...for parents, grandparents and all interested parishioners, will be held on **Sunday, November 19th at 9:45 AM in Padua Hall**. The topic will be: "The Modern Time Crunch" - Insights into how technology has turned us into multi-taskers and an argument for the "importance of boredom" so we can better care for our emotional, social, and spiritual lives.



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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Vicki Baxter, John Bell, Sam "Bo" Bradley, Marlene Bradshaw, Bill Carroll, Helga Cuevas, Luis Cuevas, Jean Davis, Sig Degitz, Luke Engler, Jo Finch, Anthony Fowler, Taylan Fowler, Louise Floren, John P. Flynn, Noah Christopher Haas, Marie Heaton, Maslynn Holmes, Cory Honoker, Kayla, Johnston, Shirley Kallal, William Kallal, Rick Kollinger, Brian Lloyd, Donna Lynch, Mark Mann, Walter Matziet, Kelly McCarley, Jennifer Melanab, Margie Edwards Morgan, Joanne Nielsen, Mary Ogle, William Owens, Doris Pettko, Darley Phillips, Payton Phillips, Ray Pyles, Jonathan Rieger, Carolyn Ritch, Joel Rivera, Grayson David Rodriguez, Wayne Romanek, Kristy Salek, Bunny Tate, Betty Theurer, Claudia Toone, Susan Vilcheck, Pat Waak, Richard Walton.

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—NOVEMBER 19TH

First Reading: Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

An encomium for a good and worthy wife, this passage from Proverbs extols all the virtues which a worthy wife possesses—fidelity, industriousness, skill, charity to the poor, and fear of the Lord.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

Once again, Paul reassures the Thessalonians, who are anxious about the coming of Christ, that they need not fear being unprepared because they are "children of light."

Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

Jesus narrates the parable of the talents—in the story, the silver pieces given to the three men. Two of the men invest their coins and double their worth, but the third buries his coins in the ground and earns no return. The message of Jesus is that we must use to the fullest the talents we have received.

GOSPEL QUESTION

How can you be ready to meet Christ when you least expect it?

CONTRIBUTIONS

As always, we are most grateful for your generous contributions to our parish.

November 5th — \$9,060.00

All Saints—\$4,495.61

Retired Priests of ADW—\$1,835.41

*You are
Children
of the Light*

