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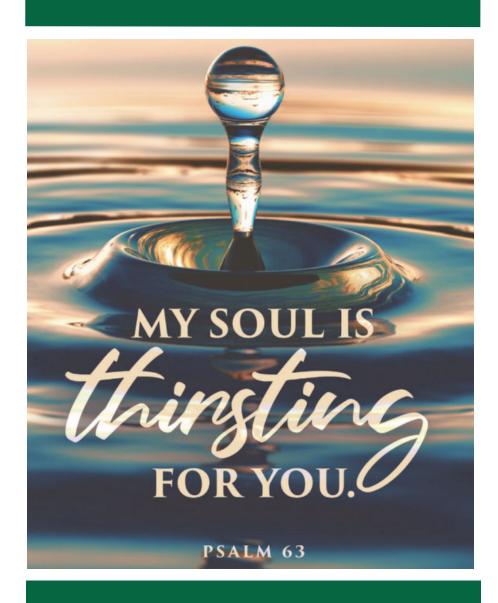
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THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

NOVEMBER 12, 2023



MASS SCHEDULE: SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: 4:30 P.M. Sunday Mass: 8:30 A.M., 10:30 A.M. and 5:30 P.M.

<u>weekday mass:</u> Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday, 8:30 a.m.; Wednesday

AND THURSDAY, 7:00 A.M.

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR



Hi, everyone! I realize this has been a disappointing week. As you know, after all of the prayers, sacrifices and hard work, Issue 1 still passed. I awoke Wednesday sick to my stomach as I am sure you did, too. How could this possibly pass? How are we promoting abortion in such radical ways (or even at all) in our society? I took this frustration, disappointment and even anger to prayer Wednesday morning. A few things came to mind from that time in prayer.

First, I thought of the movie "The Patriot" with Mel Gibson. Towards the end of the movie and in one of the final battles, the British are closing in heavy on the Americans and the Americans begin to retreat and give up. Right at this moment Benjamin Martin (Mel Gibson) runs and grabs the American flag and begins to run back into battle while shouting to all the American soldiers to press forward. This is a major turning point in the movie and eventually leads to the American victory. It is a great moment of feeling defeated but pressing forward in that feeling with hope, perseverance and strength. I believe God was reminding me of this scene to apply it to our current situation this past week after the passing of Issue 1. It can feel like total defeat and a time to retreat and remain in a dark place. But Jesus calls us to press forward, to always have hope and to persevere. This is one of the great Christian trademarks. We persevere in trial, darkness and persecution. We never give up hope, no matter what! We can do this because Jesus has died and rose for us and has defeated sin, the devil and death. In Christ we always have the ultimate victory because Christ is victorious. We must always remember that God has the final word even if He permits evil to permeate society. We must always remain hopeful in Christ.

Second, out of my prayer hour Wednesday morning I was reminded that this is revelatory of where American society is. As I have said before, we no longer live in a Christian culture, world and society. The society around us has returned to pagan living and values. Society is truly secularized. This past week revealed that. It's a reminder of the current culture in which we live. Again, this does not mean we just surrender to the fallen world, but rather we push harder into Christ and our Christian values. It reminds us that we need to pray even more, we need to own our identity even more, and we need to evangelize even more, and better.

Lastly, the Holy Spirit reminded me of our larger story. Israel spent most of their time in exile, struggling to remain faithful to God. They were God's chosen people and suffered greatly. Christianity was illegal for the first few centuries and was born out of a man who was put to death on a cross. We even say the seedbed of the Church is the

MASS INTENTIONS

Cabrini, Virgin
8:30 a.m....Ryan Patrick Kelly

Monday, November 13, 2023 - Saint Francis Xavier

	Tuesday, November 14, 2023 - Weekday 8:30 a.mGail Jira-Spatz Dunn
	Wednesday, November 15, 2023 - Saint Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
	7:00 a.mAnthony DeLollis Month's Mind - Carol Anne Frank
Thursday, November 16, 2023 - Saint Margaret of Scotland; Saint Gertrud	
	7:00 a.mSally Page First Anniversary - Ryan Krebs First Anniversary - Terrance Coughlin
	Friday, November 17, 2023 - Saint Elizabeth of Hungary 8:30 a.mFrank and Mary Snyder Month's Mind - Joseph Scharf
	Saturday, November 18, 2023 - The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul
	8:30 a.m

Sunday, November 19, 2023 - Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m	For the Parish	
10:30 a.m		
5:30 p.m	Maria Mancuso	
Vigil Light - Anna Konkowski		
Month's Mind - Phillip V	Vard	

First Anniversary - Cathy Farley

Next week our special collection will support the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. More than 37 million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face in bringing permanent and positive change to their communities.

blood of the martyrs (Tertullian). What we are going through in the secularization of society and loss of Christian morals is not foreign to our story. Rather, it's a reminder that we have been here before. And in a very mysterious way, we even grew stronger through the suffering. Jesus reminds us to "take up our cross and follow Him." If we are going to be His disciples, it will demand us to give all to Him even when it may seem all is lost. We must press forward, remain faithful to Christ, pray more, go even deeper in our faith, know who we are even more, and be even better at spreading the faith. We must find ways to still love and support pregnant women and help them when they are struggling with their pregnancies. We must keep going forward with hope and charity. Have a blessed weekend!

God bless, *Fr. James*





PLEASE PRAY for all those in need of prayers, especially: Therese Armstrong, Dennis Balis, Dolores Barcik, Virginia Bellitto, Joseph Blasko, Joshua Blouir, Rebecca Bondra, Joanne Buss, Dorothy Cale, Joe Candio, Leroy Ceccardi, Kathleen Copus, Lamont Cunningham, Cheri Davenport, Ann Davis, Barbara Davis, Adele Deka, Mary Demerest, Ted Derbin, Mary Ann Diegidio, Anthony DiFranco, Betty Dukes, Ehrman Family, Tom and Laverne Eggert, Michael Eppolito, Audrey Fischer, Mary Kay Foth, Mary Ellen Frabotta, Ray Frabotta, Frank Gambosi, Margaret Galus, Paulee Goins, Shirley Gregg, Lindsey Gries, George Hamed, Betty and Carole Haydocy, Maddy Heller, Helen Hocevar, Edward Holicky, Kevin Hoogenboom, Dan Houlahan, Dennis Houlahan, Dolores Jacobs, Eileen Jones, Rosemary Kancler, David Kirchner, Robert Kozak, Evelyn Krause, Susan Lee, David Lenczewski, Lee Letterle, Maria Liotta, Anthony Lupica, Martin Mawyer, Andrea "Dolly" McHugh, Luella Merecki, Adam Milewski, Diana Miller, Cindy Milne, Catherine Minnick, Mark Morgan, Linda Muha, Susan Murphy, Richard Neubert, Tyler Pappadakis, Richard Pavlish, Jim Pearl Jr., Marian Ponyik, Kara Ponzo, Jackie Rice, Gloria Rossi, Margaret Schillero, Regis Schilling, Janice Schnurr, Rita Schnurr, Rachel Schoonmaker, Richard Sega, Ashley Skuhrovec, Josephine Snyder, Eric Stopar, Andrew Sugalski, Bernie Szczepanski, Alana Shaffer, Charlotte Vercek, Bill Watkins, Richard Witt, Vickie and David Wojcik, Deacon Carlos Rivera and all the sick of our parish.

(Please notify the Parish Office, 330-467-7959, to add or remove a name from the list.)

Our loving prayers are extended to the families of Suzanne Weiner, Frank Mueller and all our faithful departed. May their souls rest in peace.





This past week at Life Teen we had 100 teens attend our Life Night and Confirmation prep! We talked about the lives of the saints, and we were blessed to have one of our core member volunteers share about how he was cured of his physical blindness as an infant because his

grandparents wrote a letter to St. Padre Pio when Padre Pio was still alive on earth. Prayer works!

We are also super excited for our Fall Retreat happening this weekend! If you are reading this, please pray a Hail Mary in hopes that it changes lives and that it works for the salvation of souls.

Life Teen will not be meeting this Sunday, November 12 due to the retreat, but will resume on November 19.

God bless you! Matt

THE CATHOLIC CEMETERIES ASSOCIATION offers free, safe and compassionate monthly Grief Support meetings and Memorial events throughout the year. Upcoming support/ gatherings: Nov. 5 3 p.m. - Cemetery Sunday Masses, Nov. 19 - Free Monthly Grief Support 3-4 p.m. In-Office; 5-6 p.m. Virtual, Nov. 20 3 p.m. - Graveside Prayer for Deceased Priests - Holy Cross Brook Park https://am1260therock.com/event/graveside-prayers-for-deceased-priests-2/

For details, visit: https://www.clecem.org/Information/Bereavement.aspx.
For more information or questions, call Rhonda at 216-930-4866.

THEOLOGY ON THE ROCKS Food, Fellowship and Faith for Adults on Monday, November 20, Fr. Joe Koopman will speak on "Critical Issues in Bioethics: A Catholic Response." at Our Lady of Cedars, 507 Massillon Road, Fairlawn, Ohio. Doors open at 7 p.m, Speaker at 7:30 p.m. There is a \$15 admission that includes light appetizers. A cash bar is available.

BEING A CATHOLIC MAN This month we will be meeting on November 11 and 18 from 7:15 - 8:30 a.m. in Bedell Commons. We will be viewing videos including the meaning of Thanksgiving and other current topics relevant to the Catholic faith.

All men are welcome to come join us. Each session will involve a stand-alone topic and missing a week will not preclude you from participating in the current week session. Coffee & light breakfast is available. We meet early so that you do not have to give up other weekend activities. Interested in learning more? Contact Steve Barath at sebarath@roadrunner.com



ADORATION

Weekly community Holy Hour in the church. Join us Monday nights at 7:30 p.m. The sacrament of Reconciliation is available starting at 7:30 p.m.

The Adoration Chapel is open after the morning Masses until 9 p.m.; spend time with Jesus if only for a few minutes.

We are in need of an adorer for Tuesdays at 7 p.m., Saturdays 3:00-4:00 p.m. and Saturdays 7:30-8:30 p.m. starting 12/2. We are looking for a long term sub on Fridays at 7:00-8:00 p.m. starting November 10 through April 26.

If you are interested if in becoming a substitute or guardian or sharing an hour with someone, please contact Doug Lippitt, or sign up at the website: https://adorationpro.org/barnabasoh

Doug Lippitt (234)400-9416 -or- douglip@netzero.net



There are 12 principles a Boy Scout lives by which are a c t u a l l y considered the Scout Laws. The 12th Principle is, "A Scout is Reverent."

On Sunday, November 5 six Scouts from Troop 575 were honored at



the Diocesan Court of Honor Mass. The awards presented were Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius XII. Five of the Scouts were also honored with Pillars of Faith award, which is achieved by earning all four religious emblems. Those pictured have earned a combined total of 32

religious emblems. Three of our Scouts served as altar servers for the Mass (pictured are Owen Cashdollar, Charlie Nalley, Casey Edgehouse, Riley Edgehouse, Alex Aguilar, Eli Kubec, Garrett Walters and Liam Walters.

10/29 781 MARIANNE WESOLOWSKI

10/30 880 MIKE ARKO

10/31 008 no winner

11/1 103 no winner

11/2 948 no winner

11/3 744 JEAN MORREALE

11/4 761 no winner

Lotto tickets for July - December 2023 are available at the Parish Office for \$10 each. Good luck, and thank you for supporting this Capital Improvements Fundraiser.



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Entering the month of November, our attention changes from the festivities of Halloween to the peaceful tranquility of late autumn. A few token leaves remain on the trees, and there appears to be a

Thanksgiving feel to the air with the holiday on the horizon. It is the calm before the hustle bustle of the Christmas season and a wonderful time for the students in the Junior High to be growing and learning.

The 8th grade Algebra classes have been hard at work since the start of the school year solving equations, graphing linear equations, and solving and graphing inequalities. Culminating their first quarter studies, the 8th grade created beautiful stained-glass graphing projects, combining math skills and a flair for the arts as well. All of the 8th grade students are building their math repertoire in preparation for high school next year.

In 6th grade Language Arts, the students have been working diligently on their writing and reading. During English class, the 6th graders have been sharpening their paragraph writing skills in anticipation of more complex writing projects. A class favorite is the Wednesday writing prompt assignment. Timed or not, the students love to respond and share their ideas with the class.

In reading class, the 6th graders love to read, and we read a lot! The 6th graders keep track of all of the books they read throughout the year and are challenged to read different genres throughout the year. In addition, the students have learned how to thoroughly annotate a text as well as analyze the story elements of literature to see how they contribute to the plot and characters of a story.

During this month of thanks, we as a school community show our gratitude for those who have sacrificed much on our behalf, notably our veterans and active service members who we honor on Veterans Day. The students of St. Barnabas also give back to the community during this time by way of organizing and donating to a food drive benefiting those in most need. It is through these acts of thanksgiving and generosity that we acknowledge the reason for this special time of year and make the most of it before the arrival of the Advent and holiday seasons.

Join the Church of the Resurrection on a Marian Journey to Fatima, Spain & Lourdes May 24 – June 5, 2024. Experience the presence of the Virgin Mary as we visit the shrines of Fatima and Lourdes. We will also travel through Spain on visits to the birthplaces of St. Teresa of Avila and St. Ignatius of Loyola. Leading us on this pilgrimage will be Rev. Dan Schlegel. For further information, please contact Ken at kennyb7@gmail.com or call 216-570-7111. Also visit our website

www.pilgrimages.com/badalamenti/fatima/

This week in your daily prayers please remember **Seminarians at St. Mary and Borromeo,** who are discerning the call to the priesthood: Anthony Donatelli, Jon Hawkins, Jeff Lindholm, James Parisi, Brian Peters, Kyle Rosser



Notes from the Blue Army

In 2016 Fr. Ed Looney interviewed Susan Tassone, who is recognized as one of the leading scholars on Purgatory. One question he asked was, "What is the consensus in our Catholic tradition about Purgatory?"

Tassone explained, "There are three key points everyone agrees on: First, the fire described by the saints is a positive fire. It is not the physical fire as we know it; rather Purgatory is an inner burning, a spiritual fervor for the love of God. The soul in Purgatory saw God in all His glory and now they are unable to be with Him so they burn "interiorly" for God. It is God's burning love—His longing for souls that create their longing for Him! Second, is that the holy souls need our prayers, especially in this priority: Mass, Rosary, Stations of the Cross, Eucharistic Adoration. There are indulgences that are attached to these devotions that we can apply to the suffering souls. I call them the four Pillars of Devotion. Third, when someone has died we feel grief and sorrow. We want to do something. I have published the most powerful ways to assist the holy souls that include a collection of prayers, devotions, meditations, writings, scripture, etc., that are the perfect means to show our love for the holy souls. The souls are most concerned about our salvation, especially their families. They become powerful intercessors for us throughout life. The Catechism tells us as much in paragraph 958. The more we pray for them, the more powerful their intercession is for us. Never stop praying for the holy souls!"

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In the Gospel today, Jesus talks about what it means for us to be prepared for His coming and our place in the Kingdom. It is a warning to us thought that we remain

vigilant and prepared to receive Jesus who will return at the end of time to welcome us into His Kingdom although we know not the time nor the day. We are also reminded of the foolish virgins who were unprepared to meet Jesus the bridegroom. One author writes that there are 86,400 seconds in each day for us to get ready for the day when Jesus will come to us. Can you and I imagine our age x the days we live = the many days and years we are still given to worship Him, to perform good deeds, and meet Him in prayer and sacrament? The five foolish virgins squandered their time whereas the five wise virgins made the best use of every moment in preparation to meet Jesus. And they are rewarded by being able to enter the banquet hall while the foolish virgins were locked out. It seems that Jesus wants to tell us that we must prepare and be prepared for His coming, not only for His final coming, but for the everyday encounters that can change our lives today. How can we prepare? We are just a few weeks away from the season of Advent where we will begin our time of preparation for the birth of Jesus. Being wise and prudent means not waiting until the last moment to respond to God's graces but to carry our lamps of faith, of charity, our acts of love, sharing and service to others. It is here where our lamps will burn brightly and the oil of our good deeds will not be used up. Then we will be welcomed at the banquet of eternal

Reminder: There will NOT be a December 8 meeting. December 15 is our Christmas luncheon at Gambitta's Party Center: doors open at 11:30. Joan has your tickets. Amish country: December 11. The bus will leave a little earlier: 11:30 a.m.. Parking is in the middle of the parking area. School is in session.

SVDP NEWS ST. VINCENT DE PAUL AND YOUR DONATIONS OF TIME, TALENT, AND TREASURE

On Halloween October 31, 10 volunteers served 85 hot meals to residents of the Ohio City neighborhood. They were joined by a St Barnabas teen and his Mom who helped in preparing food and serving those gathered at the church. As usual our own kitchen staff prepared the delicious Sloppy Joes which are truly welcomed and appreciated.

THE GIVING TREES ARE NEXT WEEK. Help us to provide hope and joy to the needy in our community. Your gifts are provided to local families in need, Boys Hope Girls Hope, Cleveland Christian Home, Rosemary Center, HM Life, Applewood Centers, Open M and El Salvador Mission. All gifts/gift cards will need to be returned to the Gathering Space or Parish Office by Monday, December 4. Thank you for your support of this project. Please see the Giving Tree insert in today's bulletin for information.

TURKEY COOKERS ARE NEEDED FOR THANKSGIVING **AND CHRISTMAS.** Please cook and donate an extra turkey for the holidays! Holiday meals for Thanksgiving and Christmas will be provided to needy people in Slavic Village by Holy Name Parish for the upcoming holidays. This is one of the most important ways to reach out to the needy people in Slavic Village. They are counting on the generous people at St. Barnabas to help again this year. It is a wonderful way you can volunteer and do it within your own time frame. Turkeys need to be cooked in advance separating the white meat, dark meat, and juice for gravy and packaging each in freezer bags- and brought to the Parish Office for freezer storage. The deadline for Thanksgiving is Friday, November 17th. The Christmas Deadline is Friday December 18th. Please call Bernie at 330-468-1848 or Laura at 330-908-1527 if you want to participate. As always, your generosity is greatly appreciated.

NEED SOME HELP FOR THE HOLIDAYS? Your SVDP is here to help. Holidays may be financially stressful due to high inflation at this time. If you could use some help with Thanksgiving and Christmas food and/or Christmas gifts, please call the Parish Office at 330- 467-7959, press "7", and leave your confidential message or send an email to SVDPofStBarnabas@gmail.com to leave your message. Your call will be returned in 48 hours. Please do not hesitate to call.



PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN The Diocese of Cleveland's "Protecting God's Children" program is a continuing effort to instruct and inform everyone about

the protection of children from sexual abuse. To report any past or present suspected inappropriate behavior toward children by priests, deacons, religious, lay ecclesial ministers or personnel associated with the Church, please contact the Diocesan Response Service Office at 216-334-2999 email at response_services@dioceseofcleveland.org. You are also asked to immediately inform local authorities about inappropriate behavior.

SAINT BARNABAS PARISH CALENDAR **NOVEMBER 12 - NOVEMBER 19, 2023**

Sunday, November 12, 2023

9:30 - 12:30 p.m. Family Program - Cafe, PC 10:30 -11:30 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the Word

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Family Mass

1:00 -4:00 p.m. SBAA Basketball-Parish Center

Monday, November 13, 2023

9:00 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. Adoration - Church 3:00-4:30 p.m. Monday Prayer Group

4:00-9:00 p.m. SBAA Basketball- Parish Center

5:30-6:30 p.m. Crusade Prayer Group 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Cub Scouts - Cafe

6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Men's Fellowship - Pope John Paul Room

Rosary Group - Gathering Space 6:30-7:00 p.m. Renewal Leadership Team - PJP 6:30-8:00 p.m. 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. Holy Hour and Reconciliation - Church 9:00 - 11:00 p.m. Men's Basketball - Parish Center

Tuesday, November 14, 2023

8:30 -11:00 a.m. Walking With Purpose Bible Study -Bedell

9:15 - 10: 00 a.m. Church Care - Church

8:30 - 11:00 a.m. Walking With Purpose - Bedell 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. SBAA Basketball- Parish Center 6:00 - 6:45 p.m. First Communion Meeting - Bedell 6:30 - 7:00 p.m. Rosary Group - Gathering Space 6:30 - 7:45 p.m. PSR - Church, Bedell, School, Cafe 6:30 -8:00 p.m. EDGE

8:00 -10:00 p.m. SBAA Basketball - Parish Center

Wednesday, November 15, 2023

2:45 - 3:30 p.m. Music Ministry Children's Choir 4:00 -9:00 p.m. SBAA Basketball-Parish Center

6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Divorce Support Group - Faculty Lounge

6:00-9:00 p.m. Boy Scouts - Cafe

6:30 - 7:00 p.m. Rosary Group - Gathering Space 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Women's Fellowship - PJP 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Music Ministry - Church 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. St. Ignatius Bible Study - ANN Wednesday AA - Bedell Commons 8:00-9:30 p.m.

Thursday, November 16, 2023

4:00 - 9:00 p.m. SBAA Basketball- PC 6:00 - 8:30 p.m. Walking With Purpose - FL 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. RCIA - Bedell Commons 6:30-7:00 p.m. Rosary Group -Gathering Space

7:00 - 8:00 p.m. Blue Army-Chapel 9:00 - 11:00 p.m. Men's Basketball. - PC

Friday, November 17, 2023

8:30 a.m. -10:15 a.m. School Patriot's Pen Mass - Church 4:00 -9:00 p.m. SBAA Basketball-Parish Center

6:30 - 7:00 p.m. Rosary Group

Saturday, November 18, 2023

7:00 - 11:00 p.m. SBAA Fundraiser

7:00 a.m.-8:45 a.m. Being a Catholic Man - BC 3:30 - 4:15 p.m. Reconciliation-Church 4:00 - 12:00 am Pro Life Christmas Sale

6:00 - 9:00 p.m. SBAA Basketball - Parish Center

Sunday, November 19, 2023

12:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. ProLife Christmas Sale 7:45 - 10:00 a.m. Science Olympiad - PC

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Children's Liturgy of the Word - BC, ELC

4:00 - 9:00 p.m. SBAA Basketball - Parish Center



LIGHT OF HEARTS VILLA

We appreciate all the advertisers who ADVERTISERS support our Sunday Church Bulletin.

PRO-LIFE

THANK YOU TO ALL who worked so hard to prevent Issue 1 from passing this past Tuesday! Your prayers, Mass attendance, Adorations, and fasting were a blessing, as were the heartfelt homilies from Fr. James and Deacon Mike. Much appreciated are those who put signs in their yards, attended rallies, made phone calls, & passed out information. NOTE: Election results were not in at the time this article was turned in, but whatever the outcome, we will continue to work & pray to soften hearts to see the dignity of all human life, especially the preborn, so that abortion will become unthinkable.

BABY SHOWER ended Oct. 31 and all items have been delivered, and check requests for the monetary donations have been put in, to Womankind, Zelie's Home, and Embrace Clinic & Care Center. These pregnancy centers were amazed and so appreciative of the generosity of St. Barnabas parishioners! We unloaded the playpen 4 times, plus collected many large items from around the playpen. Most of the wish list items were there. We delivered many, many packages of diapers and wipes to all 3 places. The handmade blankets, hats, & outfits were beautiful! A big thank you to all who helped sort, carry, & deliver the items and provide the playpen.

NEXT WEEKEND, Nov. 18-19 is our Annual Advent & Christmas Sale after all the Masses. We will have tables in both the school breezeway and the gathering space. We can accept cash or checks, but not credit/debit cards. (Checks can be made out to St. Barnabas Pro-Life.) ADVENT: round and square Advent calendars, Advent wreaths, and boxed 4-count and 5-count Advent candles.

CHRISTMAS: Nativities, ornaments, "Keep Christ in Christmas" auto magnets, Christmas cards, Christmas novena chaplets, gift boxed baby Jesus.

GIFTS & RELIGIOUS ITEMS: statues, Rosaries & containers, jewelry, scarves, crucifixes, holy water bottles, car visor clips, mugs, note cards, and more.

CHILDREN'S ITEMS: coloring & activity books, crayons, puzzles, punch-out nativity sets.

PRAY the Rosary for Pro-Life intentions every Saturday after the 8:30 am Mass.

Free Crisis Pregnancy Support:

www.CrisisPregnancySupport.com

Life Coaching Course: email Lauren@LifeCoachMama.com PREGNANT & NEED HELP?

ZELIE'S HOME, 440-886-2620, www.zelieshome.org;

EMBRACE CLINIC & CARE CENTER, 330-825-1900, www.embraceccc.org;

WOMANKIND,

216-662-5700.

www.womankind/cleveland.org;

HEARTBEAT INTERNATIONAL, 1-800-712-HELP (4357), www.OptionLine.org; BIRTHRIGHT, Parma Hts. 216-661-6400, Lakewood 216-800-8086, Cleveland 216-486-2800

The Book of the Names of the Dead

REMEMBERING THE DEAD

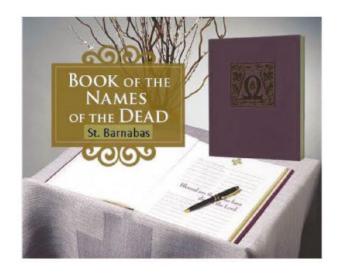
Christian communities remember the names of their dead. These names are heard in the Prayer of the Faithful during Mass and in the chanting of the Litany of the Saints at the Easter Vigil. The names of the deceased are seen on holy cards, memorial cards, and grave markers. Masses are prayed for the repose of souls. These rituals and practices serve to keep the memory of those who have gone before us in faith present in our minds and hearts

MONTH OF ALL SOULS

The origins of the solemnity of All Saints (November 1) and the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls Day, November 2) are connected. Honoring the dead dates to prehistoric times and finds expression in various parts of the world, with tributes given to deceased loved ones and veneration of those most worthy offered on the day of their birth. In the pre-Christian Celtic religion, November 1 and 2 were the celebration of their new year, when dead souls would return for a visit.

From the beginnings of the Church, Christians have cherished the memory of those martyred for the faith as icons of Jesus Christ. The small shrines built where the martyrs' remains were buried became places of prayer and pilgrimage. On the anniversary of a martyr's death, the *dies natales*, or birth into the new and heavenly Jerusalem, was commemorated at the tomb, with Eucharist celebrated at dawn on their graves. The martyrs became venerated as disciples and imitators of Christ.

All the saints are celebrated each year on November 1; however, most Christian traditions of honoring the dead are linked with All Souls Day on November 2. On this day, we remember our own loved ones who have gone before us in faith. These tributes extend beyond the day itself and last through the month of November, the Month of All Souls. The days are now at their darkest; crops have been harvested; leaves have changed colors and are falling to the ground; the weather turns cold and bitter, while the readings of the liturgy direct our thoughts to the end times, when Christ will return in his full glory restoring the fullness of salvation to all of creation. What a perfect time to remember our beloved dead!



THE BOOK OF THE NAMES OF THE DEAD

During the Month of All Souls, we give a place of honor to a book in which community members and visitors write the names of their beloved dead. The Book of the Names of the Dead was inspired by the ancient practice of recording the dates of the deaths of loved ones in a necrology, a public record or registry of death. This practice provides the living with an opportunity for healing and consolation in the face of grief.

The Book of the Names of the Dead will be displayed from the solemnity of All Saints until the beginning of Advent. It is left open for people to write the names of their deceased loved ones and for others to read the names, remember, and pray for the repose of their souls The Book of the Names of the Dead will be in the front of the church, in the area of the tabernacle.

Remembering all of these men and women who have gone before us, "marked with the sign of faith," helps us better understand and appreciate our faith in the Christ our risen Lord who conquers sin and death and brings new life to all.

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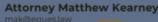


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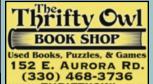


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