



"That the dead will rise even Moses made known in the passage about the bush, when he called 'Lord' the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob; and he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive." - Lk 20:37-38

Readings for the Week of November 11, 2007

Sunday: 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14/2 Thes 2:16-3:5/Lk 20:27-38 or 20:27, 34-38
Monday: Wis 1:1-7/Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday: Wis 2:23-3:9/Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday: Wis 6:1-11/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday: Wis 7:22b-8:1/Lk 17:20-25
Friday: Wis 13:1-9/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Lk 18:1-8
Next Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a/2 Thes 3:7-12/Lk 21:5-19

Stewardship Reflections

"...he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive."— Luke 20:38

Jesus makes it clear that resurrection life will transcend current existence, and the children of God will imitate the angels in their complete absorption of Him. Loving God, teach me the ways of the angels and lead me on the path of the resurrection.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Adults: How are my priorities revealed by how I choose to spend my time? Is there anything I might need to change about this?

Children: What one thing can I do this week that will bring a smile to someone's face?

Religious Education News

Religious Education Classes for grade 9 begin Sunday, Dec. 2nd, running from 11am to noon.

Confirmation Day Sat. Nov. 17: Students - please arrive by 3pm for a class photo; Sponsors - please arrive by 3:30.

Next Sunday, November 18th is our Grade Level Mass for those students in Grade 3. All of our families with children in this grade level are invited to attend the 9am Mass at St. Joachim's.

There will be **No Religious Ed. classes today, Sunday Nov. 11th.**

Attention 4pm Mass Attendees

Confirmation will be celebrated on Saturday, November 17th at the 4pm Vigil Mass. For the regular 4pm attendees please be aware there will be reserved seating for the students and their sponsors. This Mass will be very crowded, please plan accordingly.

RCIA

There will be no RCIA meeting on Veterans' Day. If you are interested or you have questions please call Kathleen McCabe 978-281-4820 ext. 0121.

Thanksgiving Day Mass



The Parish Thanksgiving Mass will be celebrated in St. Joachim Church at 9am on Thanksgiving Day. Please join us with your family and be gifted with a loaf of bread to be shared at your family dinner.

Reflections by Father Bullock

(Prior to his passing, Father Bullock transcribed his reflections for inclusion in our parish bulletin. We will continue to share them with you in the coming weeks.

There's a great deal of symbolism in the 4th chapter of John: the Samaritan woman and the well. But there's reality as well: the obvious dependence on the well for water and the physical difficulty of drawing water. Occasionally we experience drought conditions and speak of conservation of water, but people can still turn the tap, and water will flow. For a well-dependent people, the situation was far different.

Lyndon Johnson grew up in a remote part of Johnson County, Texas, which lacked electricity. Wells were the only source of water. Johnson ran for Congress on the platform of bringing water power and electricity. No one believed he could do it, but elected him anyway. And get it done, he did: a dam built and electric lines run to every part of that barren county. Regardless of anything else, they never forgot him for that! Years later, a biographer spoke to an older woman about Johnson. She asked him if he noticed how bent her shoulders were. He had indeed, not just in her but in all women her age. She explained that wells were 75-100 feet deep. Water had to be hauled up by a pulley and rope, harnessed to the shoulder, and pulled like cattle. It was mostly done by the women and sooner or later shoulders were bent. Then Lyndon Johnson took the burden away, and shoulders need no longer be bent.



Among much else, this is one of the things that Christ is for the woman at the well and those like her. Some of the extremists among the Pharisees had been laying heavy burdens on the shoulders of people, making salvation a difficult and iffy matter. Christ is offering the running, living, abundant water of His grace, His love to those willing to accept Him. He is lifting the burden and sharing the carrying of it with them, if they will accept Him and walk with Him.

It is the same promise being made today if we, also, choose to walk with Him.



Holy Family Parish gratefully acknowledges the following donations in memory of:

Stefano Adelfio
Rosalia Favazza

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Joe & Grace Favazza

Albert J. Cranston
Vita & John Lefavour

Bustiano Frontiero
Frances D'Amico
Phyllis Quince

Pamela Wagner
Carmella Frontiero

Host & Wine

The Host & Wine for November was donated in loving memory of:

Michael Mortillaro
From Wife & Children



Coffee and Donuts

Coffee and donuts are being served in the **Rockport Community House, next door to St. Joachim Church, immediately after the 9am Mass.** If you would like to volunteer to serve coffee in the weeks to come, please call Jean Dugan 978-283-9256.

Fresh coffee and donuts are also being served **after Mass on Sundays at St. Ann Church** in the parish hall.

Thanksgiving for Seniors

Parishioners of Holy Family will host a Thanksgiving dinner for the seniors of Cape Ann on Wednesday, Nov. 21st beginning at noon at the Gloucester Elks Lodge, Atlantic Rd. Sign up sheets are at the back of either church. Those wishing to volunteer for food or services, please leave your name and phone number on the sheets or call Jack Olson 978-546-7240. For reservations, transportation, or meal deliveries, please call the parish office by Sunday, Nov. 18th at 978-281-4820. For any other information please call Jack Olson. Thank you for your continued support of this senior dinner. The seniors have always expressed their gratitude for providing such an enjoyable day. They appreciate the food, the entertainment, and the company of their friends & neighbors.



In Loving Memory

We commend into God's care those who were buried from our Parish recently:

Mercurio Joseph Mocerì
Cheryl McCarthy

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Christmas Fair Requests

THEME BASKETS are needed for our Wheel of Fortune game at the Christmas Fair. Again, we appeal to your generosity. With 100+ baskets we can provide a full day of fun at the fair and a substantial donation to our parish. All items must be new and unused. Value of baskets should be approximately \$25. We need baskets for children (crafts, toys, games, winter wear, etc.) as well as adults (bath, kitchen, holiday, etc.) Please bring baskets to the parish hall on Friday, November 30, day or evening. For further info, call Jeanne at 978-281-1915.

CRAFT TABLE – If each parishioner could donate just one item to the craft table, it would be greatly appreciated. With everyone's help, we can make this our best fair ever. Thanks to all!

Parish Women's Guild Update

The Guild meets November 13 at 7pm in the Parish Hall. A short business meeting to discuss the upcoming Christmas Fair on December 1 and other business will be followed by a Social, a night of Trivia with Lenny Linquata of the Gloucester House testing our knowledge of Gloucester. All are welcome at this fun-filled and informative night. Members are asked to bring a friend.

Dues are now being collected for the year (Sept. 2007- Aug. 2008). Cost is \$10.

Cell Phone Courtesy

It is a genuine wonder of our times that modern technology like cell phones and PDA's have become common-place in our lives and true conveniences of daily living. Sometimes, they are so common, that we forget that we even have them with us or that they are turned on... ready to ring / beep / chime away at a moment's notice. This is all well and fine at most moments in our lives, but can be a real distraction during church services. Therefore we would like to make a gentle request: **when in church, please silence the ringer on your cell phone, pager, or PDA.** Most devices these days offer a "silent" feature or vibration setting that will not disturb others who are seated around you. If, in a genuine emergency, you must take a call, please show consideration for your fellow parishioners by completely leaving the building before answering the phone. Making ourselves "less available" to the outside world for an hour or so will help enable everyone to be more available to God. Thank you for your attention to this simple matter of courtesy to one another.

Fuel Assistance

The Action Fuel Assistance Program will begin Nov. 1st. For information please call 1-800-696-9276

The Clothes Shop

The Thrift Shop, formerly located in St. Mary Chapel, has been moved to the basement of the St. Ann School, and renamed "The Clothes Shop". Entrance to the shop may be made by way of the school yard. Signs will show the way. Hours are Wednesdays 6pm-8pm and Saturdays 10am-1pm. Members of the Holy Family Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul volunteer their time and efforts to keep everything running smoothly. Space allows only clothing to be available and donations may be left in the receptacle in the school yard. All revenue received from the sales is used to help families in need in the community. So when you see the "Open" sign stop in and see what we have to offer, there may be a bargain just for you in our new "Clothes Shop"! Any questions, please call 978-283-7391.

Mass Intentions
November 10-18, 2007

Saturday, November 10, 2007
4 p.m. (St. Ann Church).....**Remembering All Who Have Died**

Sunday, November 11, 2007
8 a.m. (St. Ann Church).....**Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary**
9 a.m. (St. Joachim).....**Pro Populo**
10 a.m. (St. Ann Church).....**Rosalia Giambanco**
From Children
11 a.m. (St. Joachim Church).....**Seamus Densmore**
From Family

Monday, November 12, 2007
9 a.m. (St. Joachim Church).....**Frank S. Halcarz**
Dave & Lynn Lane

Tuesday, November 13, 2007
9 a.m. (St. Joachim Church)

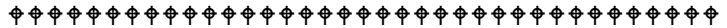
Wednesday, November 14, 2007
9 a.m. (St. Joachim Church).....**Theresa Dube**
Peter & Moyra Coley

Thursday, November 15, 2007
9 a.m. (St. Joachim Church) **Lillie & Thomas Malone**
The Dugan Family
A Special Intention

Friday, November 16, 2007
9 a.m. (St. Joachim Church)

Saturday, November 17, 2007 **Confirmation**
4 p.m. (St. Ann Church).....

Sunday, November 18, 2007
8 a.m. (St. Ann Church)..... **Capt. Gus, Frances & Nicholas Demetri**
From Family
9 a.m. (St. Joachim).....**Pro Populo**
10 a.m. (St. Ann Church) **Capt. Giuseppe Saputo**
From Wife & Family
11 a.m. (St. Joachim Church).....**William & Rose Morrison**
Edwina MacDearmid



Mass Intentions For 2008

Mass Intentions for January through June 2008 are now being accepted by calling or stopping by the office.

Nursing Home Mass Schedule

Seacoast – 3pm Monday, November 12
DenMar – 3:30pm Monday, November 19 – Anointing Mass
Golden Living Center – 3pm Monday, November 26

Holy Spirit Prayer Group

The Holy Spirit Prayer Group meets **Thursdays at 7pm in St. Joachim Church, Rockport.** Questions? Call Louise 978-281-3645.

Eucharistic Adoration

Mondays – 7 to 9 pm (St. Joachim Church)
7:30 pm – Chaplet of Divine Mercy
8 pm– Rosary

Eucharistic Adoration has resumed on **Thursdays at St. Joachim Church, Rockport 9:30am – 1:30pm.** To sign up or for more info, call Angela 978-283-5701.



Rosary

The Rosary is being said **Wednesday nights at 5pm in the Mother of Grace Club** (48 Washington St., Glou.). Please join us!

Liturgy Committee

Liturgy Committee will meet Tuesday, November 13th at 7pm in the Parish Office

Last Weekend's Collection

Mass	Attendance	Collection
4 pm	142	\$1,315.10
8 am	235	2,394.00
9 am	194	1,781.30
10 am	334	1,958.43
11 am	186	999.15
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Weekly Offertory:		\$8,447.98
Office Offertory:		446.00
Total Offertory:		\$8,893.98

November 2006 average collection: \$7,265.00
All Saints Day Collection \$875.91

Thank you to all who have responded to our "Three More per Week" Campaign. By contributing the value of an "extra carton of milk" you helped us surpass our November 2006 average collection total by over \$1,600! **Thank you for your support.**

Next week's second collection will be directed toward the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. The CCHD is our nation's largest fund for self-help projects, working to end poverty and injustice in the United States.

Thank you to all who contributed to the All Souls collection. Your deceased loved ones will be remembered in Masses during the month of November.



Grand Annual News

As of Tuesday, **Nov. 6th** our total raised was **\$61,010.** With **only 10% of our parishioners responding** we have achieved 81.35% of our \$75,000 goal.

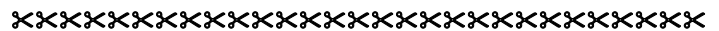
We want to thank those who have contributed thus far to this year's campaign. If you have yet to participate, we hope you consider a contribution and give what you can. Remember, all Grand Annual contributions are tax-deductible, stay within Holy Family Parish, and will be used to meet local needs. **We appreciate your generosity!**

Health Care Ministry Team

A meeting of the Health Care Ministry Team will be held Tuesday, November 13, from 7-9pm in the Faculty Room of St. Ann School. Please be prompt. If unable to attend, please call Anna Maturro at 978-281-4820 ext. 103 or email.

Bulletin Deadline

Please have all items for submission to next week's bulletin in our office by **NOON ON TUESDAY.** Items submitted after that time will be considered for the following week.



Holy Family Parish Registration

If you wish to register as a member of Holy Family Parish, please print the following information and deposit in the offertory.

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____
Comments: _____

We look forward to hearing from you!

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