

**THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER**

November is traditionally the month in which we center on those who have died. We pray for those who have died – that they might attain the reward of heaven – and we pray with those who have died and attained heaven - that they pray for us. In that spirit, the month of November offers us a few opportunities to pray together:



**FEAST OF ALL SAINTS  
Sunday, November 1, 2009**

“Follow the saints, because those who follow them will become saints.” Clement I

**ALL SOUL’S DAY – NOVEMBER 2, 2009**

What gentle life affirming hope we gain by reading the lives of those blessed souls that have passed before us. When we are troubled, they comfort us; when we are weary, they exhort us. If we stumble, they admonish us, and when we shirk, they lovingly rebuke us. What better guidance can one seek for living a Christian life?

**MASS OF REMEMBRANCE**

Each November we gather as a parish community to remember all those who were buried from our church in the past year. At 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 21, 2008, we will celebrate the life of each person that we have buried from the parish since last November 1<sup>st</sup>. Their families have been invited to be with us and a reception, prepared by our Bereavement Group, will follow the Mass.

**BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE**

Beginning this weekend, we will have our Book of Remembrance at the front of the Church. Please inscribe in the book the names of your deceased loved ones. They will be remembered at all our Masses during the month.

**FLOWERS IN MEMORY**

We will have a bouquet of fresh flowers each week of November on the Book of Remembrance Table. If you would like to donate a bouquet in memory of a loved one, please call the Parish Office with the names of the loved ones you would like remembered. We would like to have four donations of \$30.00. Please do not just send in a donation as we may have too many people offering.

**ALL SOUL’S DAY ENVELOPES**

You are invited to include the names of loved ones on the All Soul’s Day Envelopes available in the church. These envelopes will be placed on the altar during the month and all will be remembered.

**MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR PRIESTS**

During this Year for Priests, a special Mass for all deceased priests will be held on Tuesday, November 17<sup>th</sup> at St. John the Evangelist Church, Chelmsford, and Thursday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at St. Michael Church, No. Andover – both at 7:30 p.m. This is a wonderful opportunity to gather and pray for the priests who served us so well in the past.

**FROM FR. BOB**

**ONE MORE THANK YOU** - The Memorial Liturgy for my father was well attended and a wonderful support for me. I am so appreciative of all of you who made the effort to attend and to pray with me. I want to thank the Bereavement Groups from both parishes who jointly put on such a fantastic luncheon. So many of my friends who attended mentioned what a great “spread” it was – and it was!!! Thank you and God bless you all. Now please pray that I can work out all the arrangements to get my mother back home, up here in the area in the coming months. The sooner the better!

**GOOD TIMING** - Last Tuesday we received a notice from the Archdiocese that they were suspending Communion by the cup until after the Flu Season. Also, they suggested not shaking hands during the Sign of Peace. We were ahead of the notice. Thank you all for understanding.

**GRAND ANNUAL DRIVE** - Please return your Grand Annual contribution as soon as possible. This is an essential need that we have in order to keep up with our ordinary operating expenses. Your help is most appreciated. I want to also continue to ask you to use electronic giving through your bank in order to make your contribution on a regular basis. Information is available by calling the Office.



**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Monthly Adoration will take place on Friday, November 6, 2009 and every First Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. **We hope that you will sign up for a specific time as we must have someone present at all times** and we also hope that many people will drop by for a visit and a moment of prayer before the Lord. We are asking that this Adoration moment center on both a prayer for Vocations and also your own personal needs. Let us pray for one another.



<b>Offertory Collection</b>	<b>\$4,356.00</b>
<b>Mission Collection</b>	<b>\$1,787.00</b>

**The second collection this weekend is the Grand Annual Collection.**

The second collection next weekend will be the monthly Parish Support collection.

**Please note that if you do not use offertory envelopes or Electronic Giving, we are unable to keep a record of your donations for tax purposes.**

**BULLETIN DEADLINE**

Items for the bulletin should be submitted to the Parish Office no later than 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, preferably by email to [p.duquette@comcast.net](mailto:p.duquette@comcast.net).

**THANK YOU**

Our deepest appreciation to Green Mountain Coffee and employees Jim Koutroubas, Roger Tuthill, George Christo, Paul Lafond and Paul McNamara for their generosity in cleaning the parish grounds.

We also wish to offer our appreciation to Sue Dery, her committee, members of the Parish Club, the young people from our Youth Ministry and Religious Ed. Program who volunteered, and especially all of you who attended our Bean Supper last Saturday. As always the food was excellent.



St. Vincent de Paul Society Members, Ste. Marguerite d'Youville Conference, will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 5, 2009 in room 101 of the Parish Center.

The St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry is in need of the following non-food (toiletry) items: shampoo, conditioner, body wash, bars of soap, tooth paste, brushes, mouthwash, disposable razors, shaving cream, q-tips, deodorant for men & women, hand lotion, body lotion, denture cleaner and/or adhesive, etc. If you would like to donate these items please drop them off at the Parish Office or place in the food donation box in church.

Some members of our parish community turn to us for assistance at this time of the year and we are more than happy to assist them. If you know someone in our parish who is in need this Thanksgiving, please call the Parish Office at 978-957-0322



**600 CLUB DRAWING NEXT SUNDAY**

Ste. Marguerite d'Youville 600 Club Drawing for April will take place next Sunday, November 8, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. Please join us in the Parish Hall for a pancake breakfast from 8:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. Door prize for this drawing is \$100.00. You must be present to win door prize.



**TURKEY RAFFLE**

The **Annual Turkey Raffle** will be held at 6:00 p.m. next Saturday, November 7, 2009 in the Parish Hall. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. Join us for fun, food and a chance to win some turkeys, hams, miscellaneous prizes and door prizes.

All are welcome. We are still in need of donations and prizes. If you would like to donate a new item or make a donation, please bring it to the Parish Office no later than Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

In addition to the regular raffles, special raffles will be held for a Sony Cyber Shot Digital Camera, Panasonic HI-DEF Blue Ray DVD Player, and a block of \$2 Scratch Tickets. Tickets for these special raffles are \$2 each or 3 for \$5 and are available at the Parish Office or at the Turkey Raffle. Thank you for your generous and continued support of the largest Parish Club fundraiser of the year. See you at the raffle and please bring a friend.



**FALL FESTIVAL & CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR**

Ste. Marguerite d'Youville's Youth Ministry  
**3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL & CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR**  
Saturday, November 14, 2009 - 8am-3pm, Rain or Shine  
Parish Center, 30 Goodhue Ave., Dracut.

For more information, please contact:  
Roma Fauvel at 978-957-3113 or [romafauvel@yahoo.com](mailto:romafauvel@yahoo.com)

Do you have 2 hours to spare on Sat. 11/14/09. We are looking for volunteers to assist with our raffles (Basket, 50/50) and in the kitchen. If you are interested and available please contact Roma Fauvel at 978-957-3113.

**COLD CAMP OUT**

Our Confirmation Prep Candidates and Peer Leaders will have the opportunity to experience first-hand the harsh realities of Teen Homelessness. Next Saturday, Nov. 7, 2009, students will be braving the cold and sleeping out. Yes, outside in the cold in 'cardboard houses'! We are asking that you help support them by sponsoring them with either a flat donation or sponsor them hourly. Please help support our teens in this effort. For more information please contact Roma fauvel at 978-957-3113.



**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY**

The annual Children's Christmas Party, sponsored by the Parish Club, will take place on Sunday, December 6, 2009.

Children, infant through 7 years of age are invited to this annual festivity. There will be games, prizes, goodies and a visit from Santa. (Bring your camera if you would like a picture with Santa.) If you plan on bringing your child(ren), please fill out the information below and return form to the Parish Office (or place in Offertory Collection) no later than Monday, November 30. **Children must be registered and present to receive a gift. No phone registrations will be accepted.**

Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Childs Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Boy Girl

Childs Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Boy Girl

Childs Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Boy Girl

**Please register your children as early as possible to facilitate the planning of this function.**

**NOVEMBER 1, 2009**

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**BREAD AND WINE DONATION**

This week, at all Masses, the gift of Bread and Wine is given in memory **of Albini & Yvonne Thellen**. Please remember them in your prayers.

We invite parishioners to donate the Bread and Wine for consecration at all Masses for a given week. This can be a personal donation or in memory of someone. The person donating or person(s) remembered will be listed in the bulletin on the weekend and will cover all Masses for that week. Suggested offering for this gift is \$50. Please call the Parish Office at 978-957-0322 to schedule this special memorial.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

***We are now taking Mass intentions for January through June 2010. Please call the Parish Office with your intentions.***

**This Weekend – October 31 & November 1**

**Saturday**

4:00 p.m. Alphonse Larose (11<sup>nd</sup> Ann.)

**Sunday**

7:30 a.m. Judith Lessard

9:00 a.m. Deceased Members/Family of  
Men's Club/Parish Club

11:00 a.m. Katherine Laferriere

**Weekday Masses**

Monday	7:30 a.m.	All Soul's Day
Tuesday	7:30 a.m.	Frances Drouin and Donna Whiteside
Wednesday	7:30 a.m.	Nellie Gaschel
Thursday	7:30 a.m.	M/M Alphonse L. Thibeault and M/M Leo J. Cloutier
Friday	7:30 a.m.	Mary & Stanley Swerchesky
Saturday	7:30 a.m.	Doug Willett

**Next Weekend – November 7 & 8**

**Saturday**

4:00 p.m. Joseph & Anna Proulx

**Sunday**

7:30 a.m. Christopher Vieira & Ernesto Lourenco

9:00 a.m. Therese Masse

11:00 a.m. Paula Thibeault

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

Giving comfort! The Prayer Shawl is given to a person as a means of bringing God's love, comfort and peace. The recipient can wrap themselves with the shawl and it gives them comfort and warmth. We have an ample supply of blessed shawls. If you know of someone who would benefit from receiving a shawl, please call the Parish Office at 978-957-0322.