

OUR LADY OF PROMPT SUCCOR CATHOLIC CHURCH

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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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PARISH MEMORIAL MASS: Our annual Memorial Mass is being celebrated this weekend at the 4:00 P.M. Vigil Mass for all members of our parish family who have died within the past year. We encourage all parishioners to remember our deceased loved ones.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Wilson Archie Ardoin
Donald James Armand, Sr.
Maretta Ann Benoit
Ruth Gauthier Bergeron
Raymond Joseph Brasseaux
Virginia 'Ginnie' Ruth Brasseaux
Thomas Kimball Brocato
Isabelle Verzwylvelt Cataldie
Sophie Jean Testa Chestovich
Helen Mickel Collins
Alfred E. Cook, Sr.
(LT. Col, Ret.) Hugh Dufour
Mark Jerome Daiy
James 'Big Jim' J. Dupree, Sr.
Elizabeth Alberson Faulk
Mary Jane Flynn Finley
Adam Christopher Jeansonne
Melinda LaJaunie
Mark Anthony Mathews
Mabel Elizabeth 'Betty' Mayeux
Paul Dean Parkins
Richard Jeffrey Pias
Maria del Pilar Lorio
Nancy Claire Kennington Riche
James 'Tookie' Lawrence Rougeou
Robert Mark Rozanski
Peggy Dean St. John
Leroy Seaux
(LT. Col., Ret.) John E. Setnicky, Sr.
Elsie Marie Smith
Elaine Elizabeth Thomisee
Thomas Ray Wells
Ruth 'Hope' Wemple
Tracy Pias Wiltse



ARE WE A WELCOMING COMMUNITY?

"In the sixth century, St. Benedict codified the practice of hospitality in Chapter 53 of his rules for the ordinary Catholic, stating that 'All guests who present themselves are to be welcomed as Christ.' " – from *Company's Coming: A Spiritual Process for Creating More Welcoming Parishes*

WEEKLY PARISH EVENT CALENDAR

Monday, November 6

10:00 A.M. Outreach Prayer Group (St. Timothy Center)
6:30 P.M. Men's ACTS (MR)

Tuesday, November 7

8:00 A.M. School Club Pictures (DPC)
3:00 P.M. Girls on the Run (OH)
3:00 P.M. St. Cecilia Choir (Music Room)
6:00 P.M. Adult Choir (Music Room)
6:30 P.M. RCIA (Youth Room)

Wednesday, November 8

5:00 P.M. Parish Supper (DPC)
5:45 P.M. Joyful Noise Choir (Music Room)
6:00 P.M. Divorce Support Ministry (MR)
6:00 P.M. Catholic Medical Association (L)
6:15 P.M. Junior High Youth (DPC-Fr. Menard Room)
6:25 P.M. CCD (School)

Thursday, November 9

3:00 P.M. Girls on the Run (OH)
6:00 P.M. Knights of Columbus Council 8029 (MR)
6:30 P.M. Adult Faith Formation (DPC)

Friday, November 10

9:00 A.M. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (Church)
10:00 A.M. Mass at Brookdale Assisted Living

Saturday, November 11

4:00 P.M. Holy Land Olive Wood products on sale after Mass

Sunday, November 12

7:00 A.M. Holy Land Olive Wood products on sale after all Masses
9:00 A.M. Joyful Noise Singers sing at Mass (Church)
10:30 A.M. Children's Liturgy (L)
2:30 P.M. Divine Mercy Chaplet (Church)
5:30 P.M. Children's Liturgy (L)
7:00 P.M. High School Youth (DPC)

**Madonna Room (MR) Lourdes (L) Fatima (F) Notre Dame (ND)
Divine Providence Center (DPC) Olinger Hall (OH)
St. Timothy Center**

'HOSPITALITY SUNDAY': You, your family and friends are invited to our first Sunday social which will now be "Hospitality Sunday," this Sunday following the 9:00 A.M., 10:30 A.M. and 5:30 P.M. Masses in the foyer of the Divine Providence Center. "Hospitality Sundays" are about gathering to welcome our guests, new parishioners, and to spend time visiting with each other. In addition to the more accessible location, you will find more variety and healthier choices in food and drink. Please plan time in your Sunday to stop by and be hospitable to a friend and a newcomer. – Renee Aldridge, Coordinator of Program Development and the OLPS Welcoming Committee

OLPS SCHOOL
BULLDOG BYTES

SCOUT PICTURES: On Tuesday, Nov. 7 all Scouts will take their pictures at school. Please wear your complete uniform to school.

BULLDOG BASKETBALL: OLPS basketball is hosting a tournament this week. You can catch some exciting basketball on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The concession stand will be stocked with great favorites! Come support our Bulldogs!

VETERANS DAY: OLPS would like to thank all Veterans who have given so much for us. May God abundantly bless you and your families.

THE ALTAR CANDLES AND SANCTUARY LIGHT will burn this week in loving memory of **ART VISCONTE** by his wife.

THANK YOU: A big thank you to all the parishioners who came out last Sunday in support of our annual Trunk or Treat Halloween carnival. Your creative efforts added a fun dimension to the day. Congratulations to Seth Soprano, “cereal killer,” winner of the costume contest and Chris and Michelle Lemoine, “The Circus,” winner of the trunk contest. Thanks also to Mrs. Merrilyn Norem and the OLPS School Beta club who provided additional support and candy donations. – Jennifer Tichenor

THE COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSION is once again sponsoring a Giving Tree for the Christmas Cheer program. The Giving Tree will be set up in the foyer of the church beginning next weekend, Nov. 11-12. If you wish to sponsor a family, please choose an envelope from the tree. **Please be sure to sign for the family you choose. Leave your name and telephone number next to the selected family’s name on the sign-up sheet.** If you have any questions about the program or your chosen family, call Chris Bayone at 955-1222. Thank you for your generosity!

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT: WELCOMING COMMITTEE – Have you noticed a new and fresh spirit in our parish in recent months? We have been encouraged us to reach out more, not only to each other, but also to guests and visitors. You might have noticed welcome bags for visitors in the vestibule of the church and a weekly thought in the bulletin regarding the importance of hospitality. We are also contacting everyone personally who registers at OLPS and presenting them with a welcome gift from the parish, along with an updated booklet with all parish ministries, organizations, programs, and services with contact numbers. Come join us at our new upcoming Hospitality Sunday for guests and parishioners this Sunday, Nov. 5! We hope everyone will join in this effort to become a more welcoming community. If you would like to help, please contact Sid McDaniel at sidoniemcd@gmail.com
“It’s one thing to be greeted by the pastor, but to have the person in the pew next to you make you feel welcome...now that gets your attention!” (Welcoming the Stranger, Franciscan Media)

OLPS YOUTH

JUNIOR HIGH: Our Junior High group (grades 7-8 from all schools) meets on Wednesday from 6:15 to 7:30 P.M. in the Divine Providence Youth Center. For more information, contact Rebekah Brocato at 447-7861 or 445-9748, ext. 228.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH NEWS

YOUTH GROUP: High school youth meets on Sunday after the 5:30 P.M. Mass in the Divine Providence Youth Center. For more information, call Ben Lesnfsky at 445-9748, ext. 228 or email youth@olpschurch.org.

‘CHILDREN OF HOPE’: The next First Friday holy hour will be Friday, Dec. 1 from 3:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. in church. The program includes Eucharistic Adoration, prayers, music, rosary and meditations for children especially in grades two through six.

ALL SOULS MEMORIAL: The names of our deceased loved ones will be placed on the altar to be remembered at all Masses during the month of November There are envelopes at each door of the church for your convenience. Please place them in the collection basket or return them to the church office.

BOOK OF LIFE: During the month of November the church calls us to a special remembrance of the faithful departed. You are invited to write the names of your beloved deceased in the “Book of Life” which is in the church foyer through Nov. 30.

OUR SEMINARIANS: Deacon Luke LaFleur, Pontifical College Josephinum, Columbus, OH; David Keran, Notre Dame Seminary, New Orleans

OUR PERMANENT DEACON CANDIDATE: Bill Aldridge

PLEASE PRAY for all our service men and women serving at home and abroad, among them **Michael Adamson, Paul Arbour, Jesse Barth, Chad Bordelon, Luke Borrel; Bobby Bounds, Beau Bradford, John Paul Brumley; Shawn D. Bryant, Gregory Carbo II, Ray Constantino, Scott Deville, Billy Dove III, Dirk Erickson, David Fields, Chaplain Father John Gabriel, Carl Greene, Zach Jeansonne; Michael Kelley, Dustin Martin, Victor Odom; Jared Slay, Francis Jerome Vanderlick, Michael Ware, Nicholas Waters, and William Whisenant.** If you know someone serving whose name is not on our list, please contact the church office.

OLPS PARISH SUPPERS are held every Wednesday from 5:00 to 6:30 P.M. in the Divine Providence Center. The Knights of Columbus Council 8029 prepares the suppers. Meals are \$5.00 per plate. Take outs are available, but you are encouraged to stay and eat in the Center and visit with other members of our church family. You may check the bulletin online at www.olpschurch.org for the updated menu. **November 8 Menu: Beef tips and gravy, rice, salad, and dessert.**

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Fr. Daniel P. O'Connor, Pastor

Fr. John Wiltse, Parochial Vicar

Fr. Joy Retnazihomoni, In Residence

Fr. Chris Nayak, In Residence

Mary Floyd, Parish Manager

Colleen "Dee" Gilbert, Bookkeeper/Margaret Shiver, Receptionist

Jo Tassin, Principal of OLPS School

Linda Perot, Director of Music Ministry

Josh Blakesley, Associate Director of Music Ministry

Grae McCullough, Music Minister

Ben Lesnefsky, Director of Youth Ministry

Rebekah Brocato, Coordinator of Junior High Ministry

Michelle Lemoine, Director of Religious Education

Renee Aldridge, Coordinator of Program Development

Sarah Duncan Mealer, Church Nursery Coordinator

Brandon Callahan, Maintenance Supervisor

Michael Upton, Finance Council Chair + John Lyons, Pastoral Council Chair

Maria Olagues, School Council Chair

SACRAMENTS/LITURGY/DEVOTIONS

Mass: Saturday 4 PM

Sunday 7, 9 & 10:30 AM; 5:30 PM

(Nursery Available for 9, 10:30 AM & 5:30 PM for Newborns through 3 yrs.)

Weekdays: 6:30 AM & 5:30 PM

Saturday: 8:00 AM

Holy Day of Obligation: Vigil - 5:30 PM

Holy Day: 6:30 AM; 12:05 P.M. & 5:30 PM

Children's Liturgy of the Word (For ages 4 - 8 yrs.)

Sundays at 10:30 AM & 5:30 PM

Sacrament of Penance: Saturdays 3:00 - 3:50 PM; Sundays 5:15 - 5:25 PM and Weekdays before Mass

Sacrament of Baptism: Baptismal Preparation Class by appointment.

Register in advance by calling the Church Office (445-3693).

Baptisms are ministered by appointment.

Sacrament of Holy Eucharist: For the sick and homebound.

Contact Renee Aldridge at the church office, 445-3693.

Anointing of the Sick: Please contact our Parish Priests at 445-3693.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: The Blessed Sacrament is exposed from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM every Friday in the Church.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION PROGRAMS

CCD - Wednesdays during the School year,

6:30 - 7:30 PM

Junior High - Wednesdays during the School year,

6:30 - 7:30 P.M.

MASSSES OF THE WEEK

SUN., NOVEMBER 5:

7:00 A.M. Joseph Marien Jr. (anniv.)

9:00 A.M. David Ezernack; Living and Deceased members of the Gueringer and Gagnard Families; Theda Hodges Cahill; Tom Stafford; Casey Morris; Gen Boyne; Willie Pugh; Jean Tompkins; Bob and Jim Foster

10:30 A.M. Our Parish Family

5:30 P.M. Anne Eversull

MON., NOVEMBER 6:

6:30 A.M. All Souls

5:30 P.M. Alma and Gus Voltz, David and Wallace Voltz, Gus Voltz Jr., Kathleen and John Hooe

TUES., NOVEMBER 7:

6:30 A.M. Pat Aertker

5:30 P.M. All Souls

WED., NOVEMBER 8:

6:30 A.M. George and Johanna Vanderlick

5:30 P.M. Clyde and Ronnie Buford

THURS., NOVEMBER 9:

6:30 A.M. Jesse Hyde Sr., Mae Hyde and William Hyde Sr

8:00 A.M. Hazel Roberts

5:30 P.M. Felice L. Viguerie (anniv.)

FRI., NOVEMBER 10:

6:30 A.M. Lawson Keppinger

8:00 A.M. Deborah Ann Dupuis

5:30 P.M. Anne Eversull

SAT., NOVEMBER 11:

8:00 A.M. Sophie Chestovich

4:00 P.M. Chase Michiels (anniv.); Tracy Wiltse; Vincent Provenza (anniv.); Josephine Chestovich; Jerry and Gerry Flynn; Michael G. Lemoine (anniv.); Louis Van Mol; Deceased members of the Judy Gardner Family; Kirby Moras Sr. and John and Margie Mathews; Casey Morris; Deceased members of the Hebert and Naus Families

SUN., NOVEMBER 12:

7:00 A.M. David Schexnyder

9:00 A.M. Bob Foster and Jim Foster; David Ezernack; Living and Deceased members of the Gueringer and Gagnard Families; Michael G. Lemoine (anniv.); Charles and Michael Anderson; Sophie Chestovich; Joe and Verna Carbo; Al Beach and deceased members of the Verzwylvelt and Beach Families

10:30 A.M. Joe King and Fran McGinty

5:30 P.M. Our Parish Family

READINGS FOR NOVEMBER 12: Wisdom 6:12-16; Psalm 63; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13

IN MEMORY: HIRAM 'HYMIE' BRADFORD II; JIM FOSTER; HELENA LEDET; DAVID POE

Please pray Mr. Bradford (father of Mr. Beau Bradford); Mr. Foster; Mrs. Ledet (mother of Mr. Tim Ledet Sr.); Mr. Poe (father of Mrs. Betsy Lanclos) and for those of our parish who have recently died and for the consolation of their families.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Janna Adams; Father Terry Allen; John Asfar; Deborah Baker; John 'Lad' Baker; Jeanne Bonnette; Leona Brogdon; Debbie Carbo; Lois Carbo; Theresa DeBona; Vincent Drago; Jennifer Duncan; Marie Finley; Connie Fiorenza; Frances Floyd; Kyle Fowler; Mattie Lou Furby; Bill Giddens; Bishop Ronald Herzog; Tom Hirschak; Monsignor Ronald Hoppe; Jack Huble; Sister Pat Kimball; Kenneth Lachney; Debbie LaFleur; Angel LaJaunie; Andrew Ryan Lemoine; Joseph Loden; Mike Lofton; Father F. J. Lyons; Mary Beaubouef Lyle; David W. Michiels; Monica Milling; Richard Norem; Hazel Slocum; Lurline Stone; Gustavia Thibeaux; Baby Elliott Trahan; Anna Troia; Sister Virginia Lee Vanderlick; Sarah K. Vincent; Jacob Williamson; Lenora Yeager; Victoria Young; and all the homebound of our parish community.

GIFTS REPORT - CHURCH SUPPORT

Income needed for Oct. (five Sundays)	\$108,750.00
Gifts on previous weekends in Oct.	\$83,359.00
Gifts given last weekend	\$17,530.00
Amount UNDER for Oct.	\$7,861.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

AUTOMATIC BANK DRAFT and payment by credit card are available for our contributions to church support. If interested please contact Mary Floyd at the church office by calling 445-9748, ext. 201.