## THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 8, 2020

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	Sat.	11/7	4:00 PM	Theresa DeFalco by Ross Graham
	Sun.	11/8	11:00 AM	Rupert and Bette Sweet by the Turris
	Mon.	11/9	7:00 PM	Kaylin Rodriguez by Ruth and John Rodriguez
	Tue.	11/10	7:00 AM	Walter and Helen McCarro by Their Daughters and
				Their Families
	Wed	11/11	7:00 AM	All Veterans of the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine
				Corps, Navy, and National Guard
	Thur.	11/12	7:00 AM	Father Joseph Mattey by Mary Ann McGeehan
	Fri.	11/13	7:00 AM	George and Grace Komishock by Michele and Marty Kimmel
	Sat.	11/14	4:00 PM	John and Anna Starruick by Mark and Theresa Starruick
/	Sun.	11/15	11:00 AM	Rose and John Iacurci by Their Daughter Joan

## Last Weekend:

Sunday \$5,410.00; Loose \$71.00; Dues \$1,523.00; Care and Education of Priests \$118.00; All Saints Day \$372.00; World Mission Sunday

\$47.00; Human Development \$30.00; Religious Retirement \$21.00; Ascension \$5.00; Assumption \$5.00; Immaculate conception \$16.00; Poor Box \$206.05

CANDLES ON THE ALTAR are in Memory of George and Grace Komishock by Michele and Marty Kimmel





CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE - Ornaments will be available on the Giving Tree starting next weekend. If you aren't attending church in person and would still like to participate, call Janet in the parish office 570-636-3035 or just stop in to get a gift tag. If you prefer to purchase a Walmart Gift Card, just bring it to the

office. We will match it to a gift tag and you're all set. We have gift boxes here in the office. Please bring your gift-wrapped item with the ornament attached <u>BUT NOT</u>

<u>TAPED</u> and place it on the altar or bring it to the parish office by <u>SUNDAY</u>, <u>DECEMBER</u>

6th so that we can organize and distribute the gifts in time for Christmas.

Many tags list multiple items. You are **NOT** expected to purchase all of the items. You can choose from the gifts listed. The gift should be in the price range of \$25.00.

MOST IMPORTANT: If you find you are unable to purchase the gift or if you lose your ornament or if your gift will be delayed, PLEASE call the parish office and let us know. Not buying the gift or not letting us know that it will be late means that we have to go out at the last minute and try to find the item and purchase it so that no child is forgotten on Christmas morning.

SINCERE THANKS to everyone who showed up to help with the Annual Parish Grounds Clean Up. Your help was invaluable and so very much appreciated.



## A MESSAGE FROM FATHER MIKE:



In the past week both parishes have had beautiful celebrations to commemorate those of our Parish who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith. It was touching to see so many family members present for these liturgies. As a large Bell rang for each name, a feeling went through them of missing their loved ones very much.

During the month of November we are called to remember our family and friends who have died. But there's also a message in this week's gospel for each one of us. We know neither the hour nor the day. The challenge this week is to ask yourself are you prepared to meet the Lord?

## A VIEW FROM THE PEW, THE POWER OF FORGIVENESS.



I read a recent article in the National Catholic Register titled "The Power of Forgiveness: How Lives Are Changed and Transformed." The author, Patty Knap, used a few examples of forgiveness to make her point. One really struck me. The story was told by Peggy Clores, whose father wanted her to know what a special person her mother, Yvette Assael, was. Yvette was a

Greek Jew who survived the Auschwitz concentration camp along with her two older siblings, though her parents were killed in the Nazi camp. After the war while in London, she was leaving a bakery with her husband when she spied a beggar. She reached into her bag of baked goods and approached the man. She froze and realized he was one of the guards at Auschwitz. One couldn't blame her if she turned away or did something else in rage, but she gave him something to eat and walked away. What she said to her husband while they walked was a

Powerful lesson in forgiveness, "I was torn between pity for the agony of his starvation and the evil we all endured from him. I then realized that if I didn't forgive him, if I didn't somehow find the strength to forgive all of them, they would have then taken the rest of my life from me." Is there someone you need to forgive? It truly is the beginning of healing.



THANKSGIVING DAY VETERANS' DINNER - The American Legion Post #473 is hosting a Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, November 26th, at 12:00 PM. All interested veterans should sign up by Sunday, November 15th. We will be offering Eat-In dining as well as Takeout. Current CDC regulations and practices will be

strictly adhered to during this event. This includes occupancy rules which is why we are asking that you sign up by this Sunday, November 15th. There is no cost for this meal. It's our way of saying, "Thank you for your service" and that you are appreciated. Each veteran may bring 1 guest. When signing up, please indicate if you are bringing a guest and your dining preference. You can come to the Legion or call 570-636-1292 to sign up. We look forward to seeing everyone this Thanksgiving!





PARKING LOT MASS: All weekend Masses at the Church of Good Shepherd (Saturday 6:00 PM, Sunday 8:00 AM and 9:30 AM) will be available over your car radio. We ask that you park in the lower lot (to the left of the church)



and tune your car radio to FM 98.3. You will be able to listen to the Mass

over your radio in the comfort of your car and remain socially distant. At the end of Mass an Extraordinary Minister will come to the parking lot to distribute Holy Communion. If you bring your envelop those will also be collected. Spread the word!