

November Birthdays

Joseph Afram (8th)
Edwin Yahir Alvarado Garcia (10th)
Yun Hi Davis (12th)
Frank Dennany (12th)
Millie Budney (13th)
Nat Garcia (15th)
Les Leslie (15th)
Jodi Aerts (15th)
Christ Afram (19th)
Michael Afram (22nd)
Nurium Jamery Garcia Alvarado
(24th)

November Anniversaries

Don & Maureen Smith (6th)
Ray & Bev Moyer (12th)
John & Sheila Seaquist (17th)
Arnie & Kay Johannes (25th)

Our Lady Of Peace Catholic Church



Please continue to pray for the sick of our Parish. To add someone to the prayer list, call Fr. Jim or email Bonnie Toth at: bonnie3871@gmail.com.

Dylan Anderson
Robert Berry
Patricia Bonnewitz
Millie Budney
Michael Burke
Sandra Burke
Julie Byron
Toni Capute
Deacon John Carey
Riordan Cavoris
Jim Croushorn
Justin Curtis
Alessia & Sofia DeStefano
Carol Donato
Islea Duncan
John Evans
Jack Fisher
Linda Gardner

Elizabeth Gillam
Lorraine Brennen Gilliam
Lynn Goss
Kathleen Hamilton
Jeanne Harper
Holly Hewitt
Jeannine Iannaco
Pablo Ignacio
Patrick Ignacio
Meja Irvin
Leslie Jarrett
Marge Lent
Paul Lent
Carolyn Martin
Kimberly Martin
Greg Moore
Kathleen Moore
Beverly Moyer

Chris Moyer
Ray Moyer
Don Notestein
Patsy Notestein
Angel Ortiz
George Perry
Gary Peters
Laurie Peters
Frank Powell
Nelson Sanchez
Princess Sanchez
John Seaquist
Ray Servis
Jane Sliwinski
Margaret Smith
Chere Tew
Jim Tew
Fred Toth

Amy Tracy
Charles Watson
Danielle Weedon
Laura Williams
Louise Williams
Michael Williams
Travis Williams
Betty Jo Wolfram

The Financial Corner

Collection for October 20: \$765.00
Attendees: 71

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November 3, 2024
31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Holy Eucharist
Sunday 8:30 AM; Tuesday 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM
Thursday 12:15 PM

Bulletin news and requests for mass cards: contact
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A PASTORAL MOMENT WITH FR. JIM

As we just celebrated the Feasts of All Saints and All Souls, I would like to share my feelings from the heart.

Some of you might remember Scott Roberge. Scot loved to eat and his diet rivaled Ryan Neal's, another parishioner at that time. There was no meal time for Scott as all of life was full of delicious food. Scott was also a manic Yankee fan, and to the delight of Jeff Neal (a Red Sox fan), Jeff could get Scott to "go off" and react whenever the team from the Bronx lost to the team from Boston. It was lots of fun to watch the dynamic. As many of you know, Scott died in a tragic car accident on Good Friday 2013.

The joy of Scott's life lives on for those of us who knew him. Scott was fond of Holiday Lake. He would stay in the water for hours. We would go in swimming in shifts, but Scottie was still there throughout the entire day (except for meal time!). For me, Holiday Lake is a "thin place." In his book, *Anam Cara* [a book on Celtic Spirituality], John O'Donohue talks about spaces and places where the eternal life and our temporal life come very close. We even experience those who have died in our hearts. Let me quote Helen Keller. "The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched - they must be felt by the heart." (Thank you, Diane Bradish, for the quote.) So, that captures the concept of the "thin place" between Heaven and earth. Holiday Lake is that thin place where I experience Scott Roberge.

"On this mountain he will destroy the veil that veils all peoples. "Isaiah is referring to our thin place as a "veil." Veils are thin and we can almost see the loved one on the other side. A year after Scott died, I was swimming at that lake. When I got out of the water, Scott's dad Tom asked: "Scott was right there with you. Did you see him?" Where have you experienced such a space? When did you feel the presence of one who died?

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

Grief & Loss Workshop: Saturday, November 9, 10 am to 1:30 pm. Coffee, tea and a light lunch will be provided by the Justice & Peace Ministry. The Justice & Peace Team will prepare coffee, tea and lunch. Contact Eileen Brennen if you plan to attend. (abbasgirl24522@yahoo.com).

Birthday and Anniversary Lists: My lists are in dire need of updating, especially for our new parishioners. Please see me after masses or send me an email (bonnie3871@gmail.com) so I can be sure your special day is not overlooked.

Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers: The November schedules are ready. Please be sure to get your copy. If you need to make any changes, please see Bob Burke.

Advent Liturgy Planning: The Liturgy Team continues to work diligently to plan for Advent 2024. The First Sunday of Advent is December 1. The calendar is set, the theme has been chosen and the liturgies are ready. We will meet again on Tuesday, November 12 at 11:00 am to pull together any loose ends.

