NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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08: Joseph Afram

10: Edwin Yahir Alvarado

12: Frank Dennany

12: Yun Hi Davis 13: Millie Budney

15: Nat Garcia

15: Les Leslie

15: Jodi Aerts

19: Christ Afram

22: Michael Afram

24: Nurium Garcia Alvarado





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.

Dvlan Anderson Sid Barr Robert Berry Patricia Bonnewitz Gloria Bowden Kellsei Boyce Millie Budney Sandra Burke Julie Byron Deacon John Carev Riordan Cavoris Suzi Crawford Justin Curtis Trish Decresce Alessia Destefano Carol Donato Islea Duncan

John Evans Linda Gardner Elizabeth Gillam Lynn Goss Mary Graf Kathleen Hamilton Jeanne Harper James Heady Pablo Ignacio Patrick Ignacio Meja Irvin Leslie Jarrett Maggie Kreiser Fran Lecco Paul Lent Patel Mahenra Carolyn Martin

Kimberly Martin Willard Mock Grea Moore Jane Moreton **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 Seaguist

Bernadette Servis Ray Servis Jane Sliwinski Don Smith Margaret Smith Maureen Smith Chere Tew Jim Tew Fred Toth **Amy Tracy** Emilia Walker Charles Watson Danielle Weedon Laura Williams Louise Williams Michael Williams Betty Jo Wolfrum

The Financial Corner

Collections: November 16: \$1006.00 Attendees: November 16: 73

Have you considered E-giving? It's safe and convenient. You can sign up on our website: www.olpcatholicchurch.org or scan the QR Code to the right. You may sign up for recurring donations or make a one-time gift.

More ways to help with the Palestinian Relief Effort:

Catholic Relief Services: https://www.crs.org/donate Catholic Near East Welfare Association: https://cnewa.org/



Our Lady Of Peace Catholic Church



November 23, 2025 Feast of Christ the King OCIA Rite of Acceptance

Our Lady Of Peace Catholic Church

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For emergencies: Fr. Jim's cell number: 434-238-7030
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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 Bonnie Toth at bonnie3871@gmail.com

A PASTORAL MOMENT WITH FATHER JIM

There are several ways that Jesus is present in our Eucharist. Vatican II and the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy tells us the Christ is present in the Word (scripture readings), the sacrament (Communion) and the gathered assembly (the people). But in all of these, Christ is present when we remember him. We can remember George Washington, but he is not present. We can remember John Kennedy, but he is not present. But when we remember Christ, he IS with us. When we remember our loved ones who have passed with Christ, mysteriously He brings them to the Table in a way we do not understand, yet celebrate.

There is a song by Mart Haugen with the refrain: "We remember how you loved us to your death, and still we celebrate, for you are with us here; And we believe that we will see you when you come in your glory, Lord. We remember, we celebrate, we believe."

The beauty of memory is that Christ is present in all Christian traditions. At Grace Hills Baptist and New Prospect Baptist, He is present because they remember Him. At Galilee Baptist (the first Free Baptist Church after the surrender at Appomattox), Christ is present because they remember him. At Courthouse Presbyterian, they remember Him, and He is present.

So, in the Gospel of Luke, the "Good Thief" asks, "Jesus, remember me, when you come into your Kingdom." Jesus, remember us.

When we break bread at the Lord's Supper, we are breaking memory. In all our sorrows, joy and disappointments. Christ is present to all of those.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

ADVENT PACKET THIS SUNDAY

Advent Packets are ready today. What do I do to prepare for Jesus? Collect groceries. See your items on the bag. Write Christmas cards to those who are shut-in or homebound. Pray the scripture quote each day. Follow the schedule. Get yours now.

CONFESSIONS/RECONCILIATION

To prepare for Christmas, we offer confessions. One will be here at OLP on Saturday, December 13, at 10:30 am, with Fr Chris of Farmville and Fr. Jim. Another is available at St. Thomas More in Lynchburg on Wednesday, December 3 at 6 PM. There may be four priests available there.

ALL HANDS ON DECK

Come and join and assist the Knights of Columbus as we bring down the decorations from the attic and prepare the outside of the church for our annual Grand Illumination. Our work begins Saturday morning at 8:30 am, November 29. Breakfast sandwiches and refreshments will be provided.

LITURGY UPDATE

Today is the last Sunday of this Liturgical Year. Fall decorations will be taken down after mass today and the altar will be prepared for Avent.

The First Sunday of Advent is next Sunday. We begin the new year as we enter "Cycle A." We will again "build" the Advent Wreath as a church family. Everyone will be given a sprig of greenery to place in the baptismal font. The blessing of the Advent Wreath will be led by Helen Dennany, Chairperson of the Parish Pastoral Council. Our Advent Theme is "Christ Be Our Light."

[&]quot;Anamneses." Christ is present as we remember.