

All Saints NCC Newsletter

November 2023



November 11, 2023



Thanksgiving Day
November 23, 2023

"Freedom from Want"
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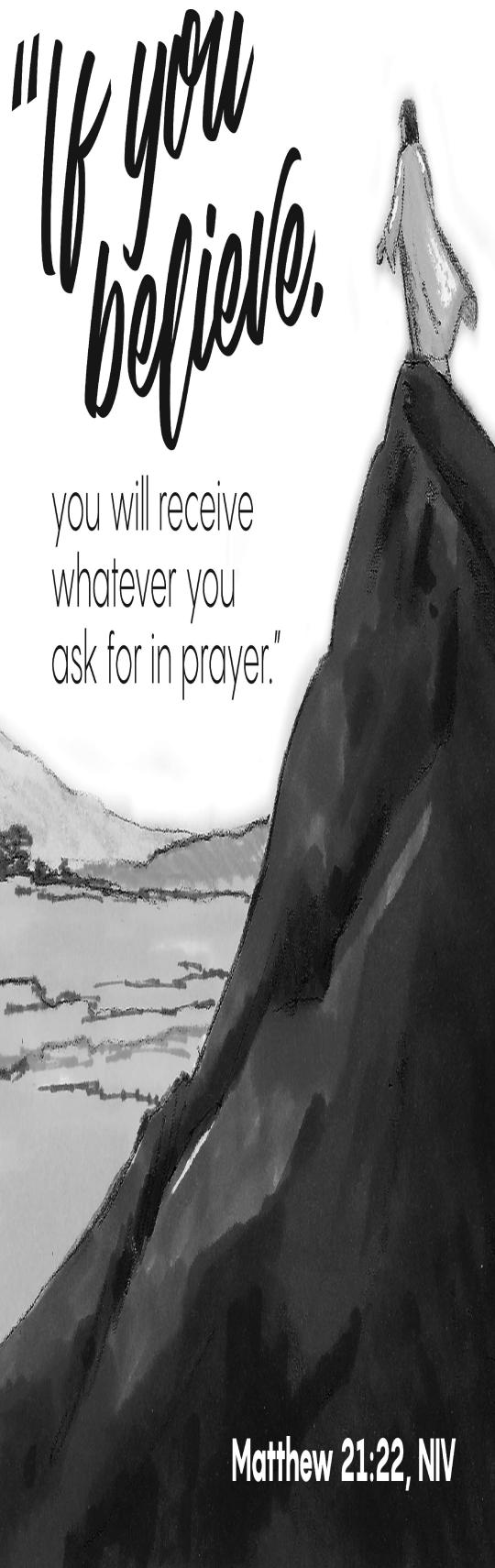


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"If you believe,
you will receive
whatever you
ask for in prayer."

Matthew 21:22, NIV

PRAYERS AND ANSWERS

In these **trying times** people undoubtly **are confused**, afraid and **bewildered** as to what is **happening** worldwide today.

People have more than ever **turned to prayer**. But some **people** are **disappointed** that their **prayers** have not been **answered immediately**.

If you **read** or have **studied the bible** it tells us very **clearly** that **prayers** are **acknowledged** or **answered** when **God** has it in **His plan**, not **according to our agenda**, so we **need strong faith, while waiting**.

During this time of the **year** we are **starting to prepare** for the **winter months**. We are **preparing our homes**, we are **preparing our physical bodies** with **flu shots** and other **precautions**, but what about **our spiritual well being**? How are we **preparing** the way **we think** about **religion**, our **faith**? Many **people** are **confused** as to why **God** is **letting** all this **happen** all around us: **hurricanes, floods, wildfires and disease**. Maybe the **answer** is that the **free will** that **human nature possesses** is being **abused**, and **squandered**.

The **gospel readings** that will be **read** during the upcoming **Advent Season**, beginning on **December 3**, will **tell** of the **end** of the **world** and the **consequences** because of **mankind's failure to follow or adhere to a normal way of life** by which **God** has intended us to live.

Many **people** are **praying** and many are **disappointed** because our world's situation has not **changed overnight**, just like this **virus** appeared. But **God** is **working** in the **background** giving the **scientists** and **doctors** the **knowledge** and **ability** to **help control this virus**.

And when we **least expect**, something **good** will **happen** and our **prayers** and **petitions** will be **acknowledged - when?** **No one knows**. We just have to **keep the faith** until that **time arrives.** FDR

†PARISH FAMILY MASS SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER †

Wednesday, November 1 at 10:00 a.m. - All Saints Day Mass

Thursday, November 2 at 10:00 a.m. - All Souls Day Mass with the reading of the Memorial Prayer List

Sunday, November 5 at 9:00 a.m. - +Genevieve Lupinsky, offered by son Peter and Family

Sunday, November 5 at 9:00 a.m. - +Nicholas and Marie Baron, offered by Gerry and Diane Baron Turock

Sunday, November 5 at 9:00 a.m. - +Mildred Wilkins, offered by the late Vincent Sperski

Sunday, November 12 at 9:00 a.m. - +Diane Gidzinski Smith offered by Family

Sunday, November 12 at 9:00 a.m. - +Anne & Matthew Miller, offered by Terri Miller

Sunday, November 19 at 9:00 a.m. - +Edward and Virginia Nycz, offered by children Debra, Ted and Theresa

Saturday or Sunday, November 25 or 26 - For the sick of our parish family



I acknowledge the following who have given of themselves and donated their time, labor and material offerings to our parish:

- ☺ to Andrew Minol for his \$1,000.00 church donation
- ☺ to the family and friends of the late Vincent Sperski for their \$640.00 church donations in his memory.
- ☺ to Jay and Karen Miller Konar for their \$100.00 church donation
- ☺ to Andrea Arcangeli for her \$50.00 choir donation & \$50.00 church donation
- ☺ to Grace Fell for her \$50.00 church donation
- ☺ to the Perchinsky Sisters - Jeanne, Karen & Linda for their \$50.00 cemetery donation
- ☺ to Bob Blakeslee Sr. for his donation of time, labor, expertise and materials setting and programming new laptop and desktop computers and donating a new computer CD reader.
- ☺ there are several new silk Christmas Poinsettias still available see separate article.

Please remember the following in your prayers, with a card or call:

Wanda Raychel Broczkowski, Michael Cushner, Dave & Pam Kelley, Peter Dyman III, Dolores Butora Duke, Erica & Charlotte Blakeslee, Aggie Dedrick, Theresa Borkowski, Annie Kaczmarek, Dave Plahanski, Carolyn Kolba, Steven Ottman, David Samuelson, Charlene Laskowski.

If you are hospitalized, please call the rectory. Privacy laws do not allow hospitals or nursing homes to inform priests of admission.

For All the Saints



On Wednesday, November 1, we acknowledge the Saints of God who have chosen through the centuries by God and the church for their outstanding sacrifices to the church and fellow man. All Saints is also the name day of our parish.

On Thursday, November 2, the church acknowledges and remembers her faithful departed who have completed their earthly pilgrimage and now are resting in peace in God's kingdom.

Reading of the memorial list of the faithful departed will be held on All Souls Day.

Mass on both days will be celebrated at 10:00 am.



Family Participation



Turkey Party



READERS FOR LIGHTING OF ADVENT WREATH

With the beginning of the season of Advent on Sunday, December 3, we need readers for the Advent Message prior to lighting of the Advent Wreath before the start of the 9:00 a.m. mass.

If you would like to be a family participating, or as an individual, please contact Fr. Ruda as soon as possible so that he may give you the material to prepare yourself.

I must say that I have been terribly disappointed due to the lack of response and participation to this request in the past years.
Readers are needed on Sundays, December 3, 10, 17, 24.

Mark your calendar on Saturday, November 11, for our Men's Society Turkey Party.

The evening will begin at 5:00 p.m., and for your \$10.00 admission you will be entitled to the food and refreshments of the evening plus a free ticket for the 50/50 raffle. Games of chance for turkeys, prizes and cash will be played until 8:00 p.m.

Be sure to inform your neighbors, relatives and friends of this popular major fund raiser sponsored by our Men's Society. Sorry, you must be 21 yrs. of age to be in attendance.

P.S. Society members and parish members are asked to donate a bottle of spirits or gift certificates for the floor raffles and have them in parish center by November 5.

Due to the popularity and huge success of this event, we need more hands and bodies outside of the Men's Society to help. A volunteer sign up sheet is posted in the vestibule asking your help in the various areas. We can only accept volunteers from the parish family to help due to liabilities. Volunteers are asked to be on site at 4:15 pm for final set up and preparations.

It may or **may not** be too early to be thinking about Christmas Poinsettia plants for the church, but this is to **inform you of a change** this year. Because it is a monumental chore and task keeping these plants alive for the Christmas Season (watering, cleaning dead leaves etc.) the parish council decided that **buying silk poinsettia plants** might be the way to go - they will last for years and years to come, **no watering or cleaning up**, however this comes with a price.

In the vestibule is **one plant** that we have already bought. It looks very realistic to the real thing.

The cost has been readjusted to seventy dollars per plant (\$70.00) from \$80.00. we need 28 plants. We are making this available to the parish family, if you would like to donate a plant as a lasting memorial or donation. We are also going to have some type of memorial label attached to the plant. Colors are red or white and the same layout of plants will be arranged in the church - Main Altar, St. Mary & St. Joseph, Manger and Vestibule. If this is something you might be interested in, please contact Fr. Ruda.



Poinsettias



As we begin **November**, the eleventh month of the year, it is time to remind you about your **2023 parish membership**: Membership for a married unit is **\$175. 00** and **\$100.00** for a single unit.

These obligations may be taken care of on Sundays in the parish office. They may also be paid in installments from now to the end of the year.

If anyone has a financial difficulty in meeting this obligation, please contact Fr. Ruda.

As a **community project**, our **parish families** have been **collecting needed supplies** for the **Broome County Humane Society**.

Bins have been placed in the **vestibule** until **Sunday, November 12**.

I am sure that we have many from the parish who have their favorite pet in their homes. Be **compassionate** and let's **remember our furry friends** who, just like **humans**, need **outside help to survive** from time to time. A wish list of supplies is available on the vestibule table.



Following **Veterans Day** on **November 11**, all summer and fall **artificial flowers** (plastic, silk) and **American flags** are to be removed from grave sites at the **parish cemetery** for the winter months.

American Flags will be **removed** from **Veterans graves** by staff and disposed of properly. Hopefully we will have the cooperation of everyone in this matter.



CEMETERY CLEANUP



Words of **Christian sympathy** and **condolences** are extended to the **following families**: To the **Daszewski Family** on the **passing away** of **Fred** on **October 3**. Fred was a **mainstay** within the **parish** with his faithful attendance at mass on **Sundays** and **Holy Days**.

To the **Sperski Family** on the **passing away** of **Vincent** on **September 28**. Vince was also a **mainstay** within the **parish** with his attendance on **Sundays** and **Holy Days**.

May they both rest in peace.



**Fr. Ruda
Will Be Away**

Fr. Ruda will be away for the **Thanksgiving Holiday** from **Monday, November 20**, returning **Monday, November 27**. In case of a hospital emergency, please **use the Catholic Chaplain in the hospital**; other emergencies call his cell phone - **607 - 343-6596**.

The **Sunday, November 26 schedule** is still undecided. When the schedule is confirmed it will be **announced** and sent via the e-mail/text parish notification system.



Christmas craft Sunday during **coffee fellowship** will be **held on December 3**, and will be limited to ten (10) crafters. Please **sign up** in the **parish family center kitchen** if you are interested.



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Happy Thanksgiving



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EVENTS AT ALL SAINTS

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