



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, October 26

8:00 Raymond Ernst by John and Sheila Ernst

Tuesday, October 27

8:00 Albert, Helen and Joseph Konieczny by family

Wednesday, October 28 - St. Simon and St. Jude

5:30 Maria DeGasperi by Don Fiegl

Thursday, October 29

8:00 Michael Kelly by Dick Weist

Friday, October 30

8:00 Edwin Schneider by Linda Steffen



Saturday, October 31

9:00 Parishioners of St. Teresa's

4:30 Sarah Shimmel by Agnes VanBuren

Sunday, November 1 - Feast of All Saints

8:00 Nellie Malone - 5th Anniversary by Gary and Ann Lyon

10:15 In Memory of Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus



Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday - Romans 8:12-17; Luke 13:10-17

Tuesday - Romans 8:18-25; Luke 13:18-21

Wednesday - Ephesians 2:19-22; Luke 6:12-16

Thursday - Romans 8:31b-39; Luke 13:31-35

Friday - Romans 9:1-5; Luke 14:1-6

Saturday - Romans 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29; Luke 14:1, 7-11

Next Sunday - Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14; 1 John 3:1-3; Matthew 5:1-12a

THE NEEDS OF THE
WORLD MAY CHANGE, BUT
THE NEED FOR PRAYER
DOES NOT!



PASTORAL SHARINGS

Archbishop Chaput: Funding Abortion Is Not "Common Ground"

In a Denver Catholic Register editorial, Archbishop Charles Chaput of Denver, criticized supporters of abortion who use the term "common ground" to appeal to pro-life citizens while inserting abortion into health care reform legislation.

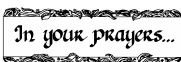
"No system that allows or helps fund—no matter how subtly or indirectly — the killing of unborn children, or discrimination against the elderly and persons with special needs, can bill itself as 'common ground,' Archbishop Chaput insists, adding that, "Doing so is a lie."

"The growing misuse of Catholic 'common ground' and 'common good' language in the current health-care debate can only stem from one of two sources: ignorance or cynicism."

The Denver archbishop also relayed the concern of parents of disabled children about troubling aspects of the reforms.

"Lawmakers need to slow down and listen to people's concerns more honestly— and learn what the 'common good' really means," Chaput says.

Our Special Prayer Request for the Week: That Christian families be an alternative force to today's violent society by "forgiving those who trespass against us"; we pray to the Lord...



Please pray for the sick of the parish and their family members particularly; Thomas Brennan, Irene Michalak, Alexis Bruno, Jason Krear, Julie Conschafter, Sara Milani, Loretta Varo, William Suszka, Jr. and for the happy repose of the soul of Helen Ryniec and Msgr. Richard Nugent. Please also continue to pray for the troops who are serving our country in Iraq, Afghanistan and around the world.

All Saints Day lands on a Sunday this year. Because of this, it is not a Holy Day of Obligation. The Feast of All Saints will be celebrated at all weekend Masses.

Masses for Deceased: A Novena of 9 Masses for the Faithful Departed will be offered in our parish church starting Monday, November 2nd. Be sure to return your request envelope with the names of your loved ones so they will be included.



Grandparents have gifts to share with their grandchildren. One of those gifts is the practice of their faith in the here and now. For example, the month of October is traditionally dedicated to Our Lady, Queen of the holy rosary. Show your grandchildren your own rosary and why it is special. Pray the Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be with them. Share your faith and your love for our traditional prayers!

Ministers for November

Eucharistic Ministers: 4:30 pm - Dick Campbell; 8:00 am - Carl Patterson; 10:15 am - Nancy Konieczny, Patrick Buczek, Volunteer needed; **Lectors:** 4:30 pm - Tom Bergman; 8:00 am - Judith Bell; 10:15 am - David Penn



Books for Sale - The children of our parish who attend Nativity of Mary School in Harris Hill will be selling Entertainment Books this weekend in the back of Church.

The cost of each book is \$25. If you forgot your money and would like to order a book, please call Liz Wulf at 542-9550.

Equipping Your Kids for the Media Minefield - Come to hear how to protect your child or grandchild from the negative aspects of media and how to be empowered to utilize the positive aspects of media. Speaker will be John Beaulieu, Director of Youth and Young Adult Outreach at Franciscan University of Steubenville. This is an all-age event which will take place on October 29 at 7:00 pm at St. Amelia's Church, 2999 Eggert Road, Tonawanda. There is no cost to attend this event. For more information, visit www.wlof.net. This is part of the AGAPE Catholic radio speaker series at 101.7 FM.

A Local March for Life - Saturday, October 31 at 8:00 am. Celebrate Mass at St. Rose of Lima Church, Parkside and Parker Avenue, Buffalo. Mass is followed by praying the rosary quietly in a walking procession to a local abortion clinic. This event is prayerful, peaceful and open to all. The goal is to pray for an end to abortion.

Where Have all the Catholics Gone? Are you concerned about family members or friends who have left the Church? The Diocesan Evangelization Team will sponsor an evening of information and prayer for the families and friends of people who no longer practice their faith. The evening will include information on why people leave, common myths about Catholicism, opportunities for prayer, and tips on what you can and can't do to encourage someone to return to the faith. The session will be held on Monday, November 16 at 7:00 pm in Hennessey Hall at Infant of Prague Parish, 921 Cleveland Drive, Cheektowaga. No cost. No reservations required. Handicap accessibility on the Foisset Street side of the church. For more information, call 847-5531.

Catholic Charities Raffle - 1st Prize is a 7 day/6 night trip to Rome, including air and hotel, courtesy of AAA. 2nd prize is \$3000 and 3rd prize is \$2000. Only 1000 tickets will be sold at \$100 each. Drawing will be held on Friday, October 30, 2009. To order a ticket, call (716) 218-1400, ext. 214. For more information, go to www.ccwny.org.

A Spaghetti Dinner will be held to benefit the Williamsville Sisters of St. Francis today from 11:00 am - 6:00 pm at Our Lady of Peace, 10950 Main Street, Clarence. Take-outs will also be available. Enjoy door prizes, theme baskets, auctions and the infamous "Nun-sweeter" Bake Sale. For additional information, call 632-2155.

☺ A man had advertised a horse for sale, and a prospective buyer showed up to check it out. Impressed, he asked the owner why he was selling. "Well," the man said, "I just bought a new buggy and it's a beauty. The horse just doesn't look good when he's hitched up, so I'm going to replace him with another one that looks a whole lot better." They agreed on a price and the buyer left with the horse. The next day, he returned, mad as a hornet. "You swindled me," he said. "this horse is blind. I want my money back." "Oh, no," the other man said. "I told you that I was selling him because he didn't look good."



- * **Sunday, October 25** - Religious Education Classes - 9:00 - 10:00 am and 11:15 am - 12:30 pm
- * **Wednesday, October 28** - Religious Education Classes - 4:00 - 5:00 pm; Parish Council Monthly Meeting - 7:15 pm in the Rectory Meeting Room
- * **Sunday, November 1** - Religious Education Classes - 9:00 - 10:00 am and 11:15 am - 12:30 pm



Prayer for Vocations

We thank you, God our Father, for those who have responded to your call to priestly ministry. Accept this prayer we offer on their behalf: Fill your priests with the sure knowledge of your love. Open their hearts to the power and consolation of the Holy Spirit. Lead them to new depths of union with your Son. Increase in them profound faith in the Sacraments they celebrate as they nourish, strengthen and heal us. Lord Jesus Christ, grant that these, your priests, may inspire us to strive for holiness by the power of their example, as men of prayer who ponder your word and follow your will. O Mary, Mother of Christ and our mother, guard with your maternal care these chosen ones, so dear to the Heart of your son. Intercede for our priests that, offering the day to the image of your Son, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

BOTTOM LINE:

Let Nothing Disturb You!
St. Teresa of Avila