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Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences; and there will be terrors and great signs from heaven."

When and What?

The gospel messages for the month of November focuses on last things. What happens after we die? Will we still be married? When is the end coming? What are the signs?

When we think about the end we tend to focus on two questions: When will it happen and what will it be like? Writers and movie producers have made a fortune over our inquisitiveness. Theologians too have engaged in countless battles dissecting every word of scripture trying to piece together timelines and the kind of events that may happen. Jesus would be disappointed.

Jesus was being what we might call pragmatic. He foresaw His coming self-sacrifice, the suffering and death He would undergo. He also knew that those who would follow Him would similarly face ostracism and suffering. He used these opportunities to call them and us to

strength, to be resolute in faith not resolute in fear. He guarantees that regardless of the suffering He would be with us and them, that there was more to faith in Him than today. Faith in Him gave them and gives us the promise of eternal life. He tells them and us: *But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your lives.*

We begin November remembering the saints, those who offer us the strongest examples of the most important when and what. When is now and forever. What is strong faith. Then we recall the entire community of faith - our ancestors and all the faithful who live with God forever. When is now and forever. What is our eternal union with God and the entire community of faith. At the end of the month we pause to give thanks. When is now and forever. What is thanks to God for giving us all we need to face every challenge. For love that is stronger than fear.

Month of All Souls

The Holy Church sets aside the month of November to commemorate those who have preceded us in holy death.

As Christians we recognize that death is not an ending, but rather a change. We pass through death into everlasting life. We remain joined with all those who have died. We rely on them for their intercession on our behalf. They rely on our prayers and intercession to ease their transition, their journey into the glory of heaven.

We will remember our dearly departed during the month of November according to age old Catholic custom of commemoration and prayer...a custom known as "wypominki."

We will remember all those entrusted to our prayer prior to every service in November.

Pampered Chef Party



We will be holding a Pampered Chef Fundraiser Party just in time to get your orders in for Christmas, Sunday, November 17th after services. Breakfast we be served as well. You can pre-order on-line at www.pamperedchef.biz/barbaraporter... Click on shop online

... click option 1 and type in Holy Name of Jesus for the organization. We thank you for your support!!!

Constant Thanksgiving

To all who planned, helped, baked for, organized, and supported our successful Craft Fair.

To the Clas family for planning, organizing, and conducting our youth halloween party.

To Bob Dominy for seeing to the cleaning of the kitchen's vent system.

To Bob and Stephanie Dominy for continuing the Free Food on Sunday ministry.

To Art VanBuren for replacing the rear door to our hall.

To all who continue to pray, sacrifice, and serve in Christian love and charity on behalf of our parish.

To the members of our Parish Committee for their hard work and sacrifice!!!!

To our wonderful altar servers, our organist and choir director Liz Battaglia, and to Ed Bertasso for his ministry of hospitality.

To every parishioner, visitor, and member -- you are a blessing and a treasure.

God bless you and reward you! Bóg zapłać! Grazie mille! Thank you!!!

Milestones to Celebrate:

Birthdays

3 Tiffany Martucci, Andrew DeCocco

4 Elizabeth, Gary, and Walter
Węglinski
9 Robert Dominy
12 Kayla Boyland
14 Scott Bard, Tom Caulfield
19 Victoria Konicki
20 Anthony Heins
21 Tania Boniecki
23 Jan Shufelt, Oswald Martucci
24 Michael Dominy
26 Julie Slezak
28 Alice Houser
30 Deacon Jim

Wishing you all many years! Sto
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Craft Fair Report

Our craft fair was extremely successful. This was our first craft fair in many years and everyone pulled together to help out. Special thanks to Stephanie, Bob, Gayle, Rebecca, Kelly, Larry, and Donna and the many others who pitched in. We made over \$1,100 with \$114 going to our SOCL program and the remainder to the parish. Thank you to all the vendors who joined us and all who supported us by visiting.

Coffee Hour

Coffee hours continue after services each week. Come and share worship and wonderful treats with fellowship every week.

Outrageous Valentine's Raffle

This coming year, 2014, will be a big

year for the youth of our Church and our parish. This coming summer we will once again be sending our young people to the annual KURS summer encampment and to CONVO 2014 at Heidelberg University in Tiffin, Ohio from July 21st through 25th. The 2014 CONVO theme is "In the beginning...."

We need your support to give our young people a great beginning. To start them off right we are holding a month long Outrageous Valentine's Raffle this coming February to support this effort. Each ticket

gives the purchaser a chance to win up to

\$1,180. The

Outrageous

Valentine's Raffle

will include drawings

for \$40 daily prizes and

\$100 daily prize on

Valentine's Day. The raffle

is drawn each day of the month, giving the ticket holder 28 chances to win. Winners are returned to the raffle bucket, making them eligible to win again and again. Your support will help cover our young people's summer expenses with the ultimate goal of paying their way completely.

Each family is being asked to sell a total of 20 tickets. Tickets cost only \$10 each. They also make a great gift for Christmas – add one to a card for that special person.

Kindly do your best in selling as many tickets as you possibly can. Your effort is truly appreciated and



is very important to our young people. Feel free to contact Deacon Jim at 518-372-1992 or 518-522-0944 or Stephanie Dominy at 518-369-1346 with any questions or concerns.

We thank you for your support and wish you good luck!

Church Father for the Month

St. John Chrysostom - Homily 1 from his Homilies on 2nd Corinthians

Say not then, "He is perished and shall no more be;" for these be the words of unbelievers; but say, "He sleepeth and will rise again," He is gone on a journey and will return with the King." Who sayeth this? He that hath Christ speaking in him. "For," saith he, "if revived, "even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with Him." (1 Thessalonians 4:14) If then thou seek thy son, there seek him where the King is, where is the army of the Angels; not in the grace; not in the earth; lest whilst he is so highly exalted, thyself remain groveling on the ground [...] If we have this true wisdom, we shall easily repel all this kind of distress; and "the God of mercies and Father of all comfort" comfort all our hearts both those who are oppressed with such grief and those held down with any other sorrow; and grant us deliverance from all despair and increase of spiritual joy; and to all we attain, through the grace and loving-kindness of our Lord Jesus Christ,

with Whom unto the Father, together with the Holy Spirit be glory, power, honor, now and ever, and world without end. Amen.

Thanksgiving Food Collection

We will be collecting dry and canned goods throughout the November for donation to those in need in our local community. Please make a prayerful donation in thankfulness for the bounty God has provided in your life. Please place your donation by the Mary altar in the church and bless you for your love.



Planning For:

- November 1: Solemnity of All Saints - Service and All Souls Remembrance at 7:30pm
- November 2: Commemoration of All Souls
- November 3: 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time/Daylight Savings Ends. All Souls Service at Good Shepherd Cemetery in Amsterdam at 1pm.
- November 5: Election Day
- November 7: Commemoration – St. Willibrord of Utrecht
- November 10: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
- November 11: Veteran's Day/ Remembrance Day/Polish

Independence Day

- November 17: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time/Breakfast and Pampered Chef Party after church
- November 21: Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- November 24: Solemnity of Christ the King/Free Lunch on Sunday
- November 28: Thanksgiving
- November 30: Feast – St. Andrew the Apostle

Stay tuned for:

- Advent starts Sunday, December 1st
- Our Parish Vigil Dinner/Wigilia and Youth Performance
- Greening of the Church
- Christmas
- St. Stephen's Day
- 2014 - wow!!!!

Parish Organizations and Ministries

Did you know that our Parish has many organizations that need you? God calls us to work together for the good of our community, in support of each other, and for the needs of the Church. The YMSofR – Men's Society of the Resurrection Branch 56, ANS – Women's Adoration Society, Choir, Parish Committee, and a hopefully reconstituted branch of the PNU (Spójnia) all need your help. We also need altar servers and lectors. Please see Deacon Jim.

Invest and Protect Your Future

The PNUA (aka Spójnia) - our Fraternal Insurance Company - offers several programs that help you meet your financial planning needs. The PNUA is also a great way to build equity for our young people in preparation for college. The PNUA offers regular college stipends for members. PNUA policies also make a great Christmas gift. At least seven excellent programs are offered.

For more information call toll-free at 1-800-724-6352.

FREE LUNCH on Sunday

Yes - there is such a thing as a free lunch!!! Our next event is November 24th. Please be sure to continue to invite friends, family, and everyone you know to partake on the last Sunday of every month. There is no cost or charge for this meal. This service opens our home to all in need of a little company, a warm meal, and the love of Christ.

Hall For Rent

Know anyone who would like to rent the parish hall for an event? Let them know they can contact us at 518-372-1992. It is a great venue for small parties and business or organizational meetings - all at a reasonable price.



November 2013

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| | | | | | 1 All Saints Day Service of Worship and Holy Communion, Remembrance of the Faithful Departed at 7:30pm | 2 All Souls Day |
| 3 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time Service of Worship and Holy Communion, 9:30am Lector: Claudia Bertasso All Souls Service – Good shepherd Cemetery in Amsterdam | 4 | 5 Election Day – please vote | 6 | 7 Commemoration – St. Willibrord of Utrecht | 8 | 9 |
| 10 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Service of Worship and Holy Communion, 9:30am Lector: Larry Panfil | 11 Veteran's Day Narodowe Święto Niepodległości | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 17 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Service of Worship and Holy Communion, 9:30am Lector: Marilyn Heitala Breakfast and Pampered Chef Party | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 Solemnity - Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary | 22 | 23 |
| 24 Solemnity of Christ the King Service of Worship and Holy Communion, 9:30am Lector: Marilyn Heitala Free Lunch on Sunday | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 Thanksgiving | 29 | 30 Feast – St. Andrew the Apostle |
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EVENTS

December Upcoming

- 1st – 1st Sunday of Advent

- 6th – St. Nicholas/Św. Mikołaj
- 8th – Conception of the B.V.M.
- 8th – 2nd Sunday of Advent
- Vigil Dinner
- Greening of the Church
- Wigilia and Christmas