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Pastor's Column

Today, we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King and the end of the liturgical year. It is a day of special graces as we expose the Blessed Sacrament in the church from 12:30pm until 4:00pm. Take some time to visit the Blessed Sacrament during the afternoon and talk to the Jesus. We look forward to the Holy Year which will open on December 8, 2015. This year of grace will be special for us because it will be our 70th anniversary.

This Thursday we celebrate the American Holiday of Thanksgiving. Many think this is a church holyday, but it is not but its roots are in the beliefs of the Pilgrims. They celebrated the first Thanksgiving with the local Indians and it became a national holiday in 1863.

In our society, the holiday is celebrated with family and friends at a festive dinner to give thanks for our basics of life and the extras we enjoy. And it has become the start of the Christmas Season for retailers. Thanksgiving provides the back drop to proclaim as a nation our heritage and thanks for what we have. It is a day that we should attend mass and as a community of faith; give thanks for the gifts we have received.

Let us pray and work together as a community to enjoy Thanksgiving and to harvest the graces that are available on Sunday with a visit to the Eucharist.

Have a Blessed and Safe Thanksgiving.

God Bless,

Fr. Rich

The Interfaith Group of the Rockaway's Thanksgiving Service is today Sunday, November 22 at 6PM at First Presbyterian Church in Rockaway Boro.

Parish News & Events

Bible Study: Will be on Tuesday, November 24th at 7:00pm in the Parish Center. We are studying the gospel of St. Luke.

Religious Education: Class will be this Sunday, November 22nd from 10:15-11:15AM for K thru 8th grades. Our next class for grades K thru 8th will be on Sunday, December 6th which will be a **Family Class** in the Parish Center. Families are encouraged to attend this class with the students.

10th grade Confirmation class will have class this Sunday, November 22nd from 6:30-8PM. Our next class for the 10th grade Confirmation class will be on Sunday, December 6th from 6:30-8:00PM.

Food Pantry Collection: Thank you for your generous support for The Rockaway Food Closet and Hope House.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults: These classes are for those adults who are considering coming into the Catholic Church and for those adults who have not received either their Baptism, Eucharist, or Confirmation. Please call Fr. Rich regarding these classes.

Hymnal Memorial Books: In an effort to enhance worship and be ecologically correct we will be converting to the Gather Hymnal. These books are hard covered and contain the readings for the three liturgical cycles. Parishioners will be able to memorialize or honor a person for a donation of \$25 with a limit for four names per book. Application forms are located in the back of church as well as on our website. Please return forms as soon as possible.

The Annual Giving Tree which benefits the residents of Crystal Manor and our parish families will be up today. Please select a gift tag or tags and fill out the sign-up form with tag number, your name and phone number. Gifts with the tag attached must be returned the weekend of December 12-13th.

Save the Date: The Saint Nicholas Pot Luck Dinner will be on Saturday, December 12th at 6:00PM in the Parish Center.

Today, November 22 is The Feast of Christ the King and the end of the church year. We will have exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 11:30Am Mass until 4PM, at which time there will be Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Keep Christ in Christmas fundraiser by the Knights of Columbus will be held this weekend of November 21-22. The Knights will be selling car magnets with “Keep Christ in Christmas” scene and new this year will be “Keep Christ in Christmas” pins available in two versions, Nativity pin and Erin’s Angel pin. Magnets are \$5 each and pins are \$3 each or 2 for \$5.

43rd Annual Christmas Organ Concert for the benefit of Mount Saint Joseph Children’s Center will be held **today**, November 22nd at 2:30pm located at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, 94 Maple Ave in Morristown. Join us for refreshments after the program. Please RSVP: 973-595-5720, ext. 105

CRY ROOM/CONFESSIONAL: The old Confessional in the rear of the church has been made into a dual purpose room. At mass times it is a cry room. There are chairs and books in the room. Also there is a speaker and heater in the room so that you and your child are comfortable in this space. This room was constructed at the suggestion of families who have young children because they wanted to bring their children to church. We ask you to take advantage of this facility which was made possible through our memorial fund in memory of Ann Higgins, mother of Liz Mattson.

Please Pray for Our Sick

Michael Breczinski, Anne Tripp, Lottie Darling, John Brown, Rick Meyer, Marc Pofak, Marjorie Gormley, Frank Nardi, Kelly Finn, Helen Bay, Irene Austin, Skip DeBlock, Anne Jones, Mary Lou O’Neill, James & Mona Schley, Luke Coluzzi, Jose Martinez, Susan Allanson, Sue Censier(Nerger), Lee Briczinski, Kim Stier Careccia, Renata Haila, Rick Nerger, Eva Breczinski-Bonanno, Annette Martin, Ruth White, Hilary Rivello, Msgr. Marty Rauscher, Fr. Ron Sordello, and Msgr. Leo Carey, Msgr. Patrick Brown, Fr. William Santeliz, Frank Frankovic, Claire Skutka.

If there are parishioners that are homebound or in the hospital, please call the Rectory to let us know so Fr. Rich can visit them. Due to HIPAA regulations, visitation must be requested for hospitalizations & home visits.

Mitten, Scarf, and Hat Drive: We are asking for donations of pre-school sized mittens, hats, and gloves that will benefit the children that attend the four pre-schools run by the Diocesan Catholic Charities

Diocesan Christmas Concert: All are invited to join Bishop Serratelli and the faithful of the diocese for our annual Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 6th at 4pm at St. Peter the Apostle Church in Parsippany. This year's concert, **The First Noel**, will feature the Diocesan Choir, the Diocesan Children's Choir, and the Gramercy Brass Quintet. A variety of music will be presented spanning many centuries and cultures, bringing joy of Christ's birth into our hearts and lives.

The Francis Mystery Players are recruiting students (grades 9-12) to participate in their Lenten presentation "The Way of the Cross" which will be performed at approximately 10 churches throughout Northern New Jersey. Rehearsals begin in early January at St. Catherine of Sienna in Mountain Lakes. Time commitment is most Friday and Sunday evenings from early January through Good Friday. No experience is necessary. Please contact Anne Marie Pikor at 973-876-3440 for more information.

Help Catholic Charities Clothing Boxes: Donate Your Old Clothes

In the weeks ahead many people will be looking for sales and buying new clothes for the fall/winter seasons. Consider donating some of last season's fall and winter wear to the Catholic Charities clothing bin in the parish parking lot. Your donated clothes raise money to fund our Catholic Charities poverty relief service.

The Rosary

Join us in Praying the Rosary on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday
After the 8:30 AM Mass.

Eucharistic Adoration

**Every Friday after the 8:30 am Mass
until 10:00 am**

Come to pray before the Lord,
to give thanks and hear his voice in the quiet of your heart.
Benediction is celebrated at the conclusion of Holy Hour

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