

# SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH

## NOVEMBER 11, 2018 THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**ANOIDTING OF THE SICK:** The rectory may be called at any time for the Sacrament of the Sick and for arrangements to visit the sick or elderly with the Eucharist. Our local hospitals also have a Catholic priest chaplain available.

**BAPTISMS:** First & Third Sunday of each month at 12:30 PM. Only five (5) baptisms will be permitted on each designated bi-monthly Sunday. Arrangements must be made prior in person by either parent. No baptisms during Lent.

**PRE-BAPTISM WORKSHOPS:** These workshops are given on the last Tuesday of every month in the Religious Ed building at 7:00 PM. Both parents are encouraged to attend and must pre-register in advance by calling the Parish Center, 641-1480. This workshop is for adults. If necessary, please arrange a babysitter. We strongly suggest you attend the Baptism Workshop before the birth of your child. Certificates of Eligibility for Catholic godparents should be submitted no later than the Friday prior to the Baptism.

**ENVELOPE SYSTEM:** Regular use of envelopes provides a stable income to the parish. A record of contributions is kept and will be made available to contributors.

**STEWARDSHIP:** The Church of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton is a Stewardship Parish, committed to serving the Lord with our God-given time, talents (abilities) and treasure (financial support). Parishioners are urged to support the Parish through volunteer services and also its programs through the use of regular weekly parish envelopes.

**THEME FOR TODAY'S MASS:** God's mercy and generosity are unsurpassed. All throughout Scripture, God cares for those who suffer and are vulnerable: physically, emotionally and spiritually. The greatest sign of God's care is in the gift of his Son, Jesus, who removed the power of sin through the sacrifice of his own life. The Church now stands as the body of Christ, caring for others and showing them God's mercy, which is unsurpassed.

### THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**First Reading: 1 Kings 17:10-16**

Elijah asked a widow for a cup of water and a piece of bread. She told him she was almost out of flour, and that she and her son would soon starve. Elijah told her not to be afraid, as God had told him the jar of flour would not go empty. So she did as he had asked and prepared bread from the last of her flour. As God had said, her jar did not go empty, and she and her son had plenty to eat.

**Second Reading: Hebrews 9:24-28**

The high priests entered the sanctuary each year and offered a sacrifice, but not a sacrifice of their own blood. Just as people die once and are judged, Christ was offered up once for the sins of many.

**Gospel: Mark 12:38-44**

Jesus expressed disgust over the hypocrisy of some of the scribes for wanting special treatment from the people. He watched the wealthy put large contributions into the collection box, but explained that what they gave was surplus wealth, and not a real sacrifice. He told them the biggest donation was a small amount from a widow, because she had given up the only money that she had to live on.



**MARRIAGES:** Ideally, arrangements should be made with the priest one year prior to the scheduled date. Pre-Cana Sessions should be arranged in plenty of time before the marriage.

**PARISH REGISTRATION:** All new parishioners are welcome to our parish family. Please register at the parish center. We would appreciate you letting us know when you move into the parish or when you move away from the parish. A letter for a reference cannot be issued to non-registered parishioners.

Your priests will be happy to meet with you anytime; appointments are recommended and appreciated.

Your priests are here to be of service to you in every way—to share your joys and sorrows, laughter and tears. We take seriously the words of Jesus "The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve and to give His life for the ransom of many." (Matthew 20:28)

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS):** Every Saturday at 4 to 4:30 PM and 6 to 6:30 PM in Church.



### NOVEMBER 4, 2018

2018 SUNDAY Collection \$9,705.00  
2017 SUNDAY Collection \$9,216.00

2018 ALL SAINTS DAY Collection \$1,155.00  
2017 ALL SAINTS DAY Collection \$1,545.50

Many thanks for your generosity

CATHOLIC STRONG UPDATE		
GIFTS	TOTAL AMOUNT	PERCENTAGE
176	\$629,960.00	71%
PARISH GOAL: \$885,000.00		

### First Fruit Stewardship

*"I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they all contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, her whole living." (MARK 12:43-44)*

Jesus gets right to the point – Christian **Stewards** are all called to give money to support the mission of the Church, regardless of our circumstance. No gift is too small or insignificant! Giving money to support the mission of our local parish is a matter of our faith, just like praying and participating in parish ministries.. When you make a financial offering, is it from your "first fruits" or from what is "left over"?



# Mass Intentions for the Week

The second collection next weekend—**November 17 & 18**—will be the **Human Development** collection

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10

**8:00 AM** Don Robbins / Sue Robbins  
**5:00 PM** Collective  
 Carl J. Erbacher / Arlene Erbacher  
 Joan Shober / Mary Marczyk  
 Diane Bell / Carmen Javier  
 People of the Parish

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11

**8:00 AM** Collective  
 Mary Etta Brown / The Malecki Family  
 June Corbo / Kim Fatzinger  
 Douglas Michael Sinagra / Tom & Judy Kitching  
 Sarah & Louis Bender / Karen & Paige  
 All Souls  
**10:00 AM** Joan Shober / Mr. & Mrs. Peter Marczyk  
**11:30 AM** Paul Proch / Antoinette Brown

## MONDAY, November 12

**6:45 AM** George Fenwick / Bob and Laurie Crowell

## TUESDAY, November 13

**6:45 AM** All Souls

## WEDNESDAY, November 14

**6:45 AM** Ann Howard / Daughter, Theresa DaGrossa

## THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15

**6:45 AM** Joseph Cosulich / Mother & Family

## FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 16

**6:45 AM** Charley Waniak / Wife, Florence

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17

**8:00 AM** John Cotter, Jr. / Anna Mae Bensel  
**5:00 PM** Susan Jordan Schmader / Family

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

**8:00 AM** Anna C. Bensel / Family  
**10:00 AM** Collective  
 David T. Jackson / Loving Wife, Jeanne  
 Stanley Lichtman & David Lichtman / Barbara Lichtman  
 Rita Pucci / Joann Malecki & Family  
 Fran Liberatore  
 People of the Parish  
**11:30 AM** Collective  
 Deceased Members of Divine Mercy Fraternity  
 Bridget Wilson – 3rd Anniversary / Daughter, Bettie  
 Laura T. McWhorter / Mom & Dad  
 Marie Knoell Vaughan / Kurt Fuss  
 All Souls

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**DAILY SCRIPTURAL READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday**  
 Ti 1:1-9; Lk 17:1-6  
**Tuesday**  
 Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Lk 17:7-10  
**Wednesday**  
 Ti 3:1-7; Lk 17:11-19  
**Thursday**  
 Phlm 7-20; Lk 17:20-25  
**Friday**  
 2 Jn 4-9; Lk 17:26-37  
**Saturday**  
 3 Jn 5-8; Lk 18:1-8

*please  
 pray for  
 the sick*

Evelyn Alessi, Andy, Kay Arellano, Marie Ashman, Carol Badgley, Frank Baranowski, Dean Barnett, JoAnn Barrett, Joe Barrett, Paige Bender, Kathleen Bird, Natalie Bocis, Ernie Braca, Bridget, Joseph Brown, Rose Brown, Ann Campbell, Debbie Capille, Mary Carr, Brian Catalano, Michael Ciabattini, Gary Claus, Thomas Cleary, Luke & Grace Colluzzi,

Leeanna Couplin, Patrick Crisafulli, Dan, Michelle Daniels, Debbie Davis, Michael Day, Frank DeFeo, Lou DeFeo, Jr., Nichole DeGeorge, Michael Delany, Rosalie DeRitis, Linda DeRogatis, Carol Ditmire, Frank Dominico, Marie Duffy, Dennis Dutton, Kiley Earl, Flo Flanagan, Mario Formica, Frank, Rita Frassetto, Maryann Gillam, Marguerite Guzzetti, Emily Hackney-Miller, Brenna Hasselman, Josh Heck, Cathy Hesselgesser, Minerva Hirsch, Sam Hornikal, Dick Hudson, Pat Hudson, James Hulsizer, Dana Huston, Dominick Idris, Jarrod (child); James Joyce, Marie Kasper, John C. Kennedy, Lynne Kenny, Joyce Kern, Keith Knowles, Theresa Kobulnicky, Loretta Kopervos, Jason Kuharik, Linda, John J. Maderia, Madison, Elsa Maene, Robert Maguire, Angelina Mahoney, Maria, Anne Maslar, Josephine Maurino, Charlotte Rose McAuliffe, Eddie McLaughlin, Joseph & Frances McAnally, Andrew Messick, Mike, Andy Milazzo, David Mogan, Maryanne Morley, Alexandria Lee Morton, Denise Murray, Lissa Neafsey, Connie Nedohon, Donna Nungesser, Ron O'Toole, Jr., Ron O'Toole, Sr., George Paletta, Lynn Papa, Kathleen Peterson, Jack Pfeifer, Lou Piccone, Marie Pruchnicki, The "R" Family, Peter Ratzlaff, Joseph Raymond, Anna Reuben, Joel Rivera, Donna Robertson, Nancy Robinson, Francis Javier Rodriguez, Jr., Sam, Rosa Maria Santos, Lisa Schaefer, Emma Simons, Oscar Sprague, Frank Stanton, Bert & Bill Stevens, Dominick Stinziano, Larissa Strosnider, Michele Tedesco, Teresa, Ethel Thomas, Greg Thompson, Anthony Totoro, Dianna Towe, Janine Williams, Viviana Grace Wyant & Beau Miller Wyant (twin babies); Neil Wolloff. **\*Newly Added Names**

If you are aware of any name that needs to be removed from this list, please call the Parish Office at 641-1480. Thank you.

**PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY ...** Tech SSGT Paul Becotte, U.S. Air Force; Tech SGT Kelly D'Adamo, USAF; SSSgt. Tim Davis, U.S. Army; SRA Michael Dargosa, US Air Force; Capt. Steven Hansen, U.S. Army; Andrew Iroff, Navy Boot Camp; Lt. Cmdr. Matthew Kenney, Coast Guard; Airman E-3 Eric Logue, USAF; PO2 James Malecki, USCG; and his wife, PO1 Michelle Malecki, USCG; Robert Morgan, U.S. Army; Staff Sgt. Brian Nawrocki, US Air Force; SSG Michaelat J. Ong, 455<sup>th</sup> Chemical Brigade; Capt. Christopher Rzonca, US Marines; Brig. Gen. George M. Schwartz, U.S. Army; Jim Senese, U.S. Navy; CS2 Joseph Showell, USCG; Lt. Cmdr. Bobby Smail, U.S. Navy; Michael Spinogatti, U.S. Army; LPL Angel Torres, U.S. Marines; Pvt. Tasey Venafro, U.S. Army; Lt. Col. Thomas A. Walsh, USAF and his wife, Cmdr. Marilyn A. Walsh, USN; Ens. Robert Warley, USN

**PRAY FOR THE DECEASED...** We extend our prayers and our sympathy to the family of **The Reverend John P. Ward**. May he find eternal rest in peace with God, our loving Father.

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**DIVINE MERCY FRATERNITY ...** At the 11:30 AM Mass on Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, **Lucille Masino** will make her Profession of the Rule of the Secular Franciscan Order. Congratulations and God's Blessings Lucille.

## Liturgical Ministry Schedule

SATURDAY / SUNDAY  
NOVEMBER 17 & 18, 2018

| MASS     | *EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS                                                                              | LECTORS                           |
|----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 5:00 PM  | *Kathleen Wilkins, Jerry Savell<br>Sandra Regenye, Theresa Senese<br>Harry Steveline, Lisa Steveline | Robert Senese<br>Renee Krumaker   |
| 8:00 AM  | *Marilyn Moore, Terri DaGrossa<br>Jim Davis, Susan Havens<br>Karen Bender, Donna Brandt              | John Mooney<br>Ray Potkay         |
| 10:00 AM | *Michele Polk, Mary Roman<br>Anthony Spina, Bill Stokley<br>Gail Stokley, Ann Triggs                 | Robert Bergeron<br>Barbara Doughy |
| 11:30 AM | *Mimi Deleener, Kathie Walls<br>Arlene Erbacher, George Fenwick<br>Betty Gartz, Pat Gaskill          | Joseph Coffineau<br>Frank DiMauro |

\*MASS COORDINATORS ARE BOLDED

### ALTAR SERVERS

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|----------|--------------------------------|
| 5:00 PM  | Jorel Maravilla, Kostya Yakita |
| 8:00 AM  | Connor Hughes, Michael Ring    |
| 10:00 AM | Romi Yakita, Antoinette Logue  |
| 11:30 AM | Sara LaVigna, Haley Ruark      |

Please do not call the Parish Center when in need of a replacement. Please call another Minister.

## SEAS PARISH EVENTS

**CYRENEAN CLUB** This week's winner is Ticket #461 held by Darlene Yard. The Captain is Robin Eger. The winning ticket was drawn by Joanne Messick.

## YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY

**PLAYGROUP** ... All children under the age of 6 are invited, with their parent or caregiver, to come out to Playgroup in the Religious Ed building. Meetings take place every other Tuesday from 10 AM – Noon. The next playgroup will be on November 13<sup>th</sup>.

## SEAS PREP

(Parish Religious Education Program)

(609) 641-7043

OFFICE HOURS

Sunday: 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Monday: 4:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. (Family nights only)

Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. – 12 Noon

Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 12 Noon

Anytime by appointment



"It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service so that the body of Christ may be built up."

Ephesians 4:11-12

If you would like to know more about Stephen Ministry, please place a confidential call to Joan at (609) 646- 6872 or email [setonstephenministry@aol.com](mailto:setonstephenministry@aol.com)

**Save the Date !!!**  
**Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018**



Sign-ups for COOKIE WALK bakers and workers will take place in the Gathering Space after masses this weekend and next weekend, November 17 and 18.

Please consider baking your favorite Christmas cookie, cookies that represent your heritage, or any special ethnic cookie you enjoy. Home-baked Christmas cookies are the priority. But, if you don't bake cookies, please plan to bake any homemade holiday item your family enjoys – ex. candy, cake, pie, bread, etc. Holiday favorites, other than cookies, will be featured on the Specialty Items tables and priced individually.

Also, volunteer workers will be needed for the Cookie Walk on December 15, 2018, to assist with directing patrons, serving the cookies and cleanup. Servers will wear gloves and place the cookies in bakery boxes. Young people are needed to assist patrons who want multiple boxes and those who have canes, walkers, etc. as well as those who buy multiple gifts.

You can also sign up to bake and/or work on the sheet located on the Bulletin Board in the Gathering Space, email [Setoncookiewalk@comcast.net](mailto:Setoncookiewalk@comcast.net) or phone Carol Johnson at 609-703-2802.

If you are interested in joining the Cookie Walk committee, please contact Carol Johnson.

Lots of bakers, lots of cookies and lots of workers will be needed to make this fun parish event a huge success. Everyone's participation is welcome!

## Knight's Corner



Knights of Columbus, Villa Marie Council #6342

Are you interested in becoming a member of the Knights of Columbus? You may join on-line at:

<https://www.kofc.org/apps/newjoin/>

During the SEAS Christmas Bazaar, the Villa Maria Council will be selling Christmas items. All proceeds will go towards our Scholarship Fund.

For more information about the Knights of Columbus and all the great work that we do, please go to: [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)

## SOCIAL SERVICES

The Social Action Office is open **MONDAY** and **WEDNESDAY** mornings **ONLY** from 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon in the Parish Center (Rear Entrance). Other days this office is closed. Phone: 641-1480 Extension 104. Leave a message and someone will get back to you. If you know of someone in need, please contact us.



**MONETARY DOOR COLLECTION** will be **November 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>**. Money donated will help to purchase Shop Rite gift cards for parish families in need. If you know of a family, please contact Kathy Revelle at 609-641-1480 ext. 7. Social Action Committee wants to make sure that everyone has a hearty meal. **Turkeys, hams, and pasta casseroles** will be also be accepted as donations.

**PLATES FOR CHRIST** ... The Parish Center gets rave reviews about these meals. Our **Curbside Collection Day** is **this Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup>** from 1:30 – 2:00 PM for your frozen dinners. Time to drop them off and help the less fortunate.

**CHILDREN'S CLOTHES** are always needed. **Shoes** and **handbags** are also appreciated. **PLEASE NO SUMMER CLOTHES.**

**YARN ALWAYS NEEDED** ... Our knitter stops in regularly for yarn and brings beautiful afghans. If you have any **extra yarn**, please share with us.

**WHEELCHAIRS** are available for loan. If you or someone is in need, please contact the Social Action Office, Phone: 641-1480 Extension 104.

Thank you for sharing with those in need!

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**Anytime by appointment**

**ADVENT SUPPLIES, READING MATERIALS, RELIGIOUS GIFTS FOR CHRISTMAS** are available at the Missionaries of the Sacred Hearts, 2249 Shore Road, Linwood. You are most welcome to stop by Monday – Thursday from 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM and Friday, 8:30 AM to Noon. Religious articles are located in our office building on the corner of Shore and Royal Avenues on the same grounds as Villa Pieta. (Phone: 609-927-5600).

**JOB OPPORTUNITY** ... Development Office Manager, part time 5 days 25-30 hours. Responsible for direct mail fund raising program. Small office management experience and computer skills necessary. Contact Missionaries of the Sacred Hearts, Linwood, 609-927-5600. Mon. – Thurs. 8:30 to 3:30 PM; Fri. 8:30 AM to Noon.



## ASSUMPTION REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Joan Dollinger, Principal

Phone: 651-7134

[jdollinger@arcsalloway.org](mailto:jdollinger@arcsalloway.org)

Dear Friends,

Peace and all good!

On Monday, we will have the great privilege to welcome Veterans from our community for a special Veteran's Day prayer service led by the Student Council. Within the context of prayer, we will honor all Veterans. Additionally, students wrote thank you cards for Veterans living in local Veteran's homes. Our prayers and gratitude are extended to all who have served or who are serving our country in the Armed Forces. You are welcome to join us at 7:45 in the gym! Please invite any veterans that you know!

During the month of October, our Junior High students wrote letters to the seminarians of the Diocese of Camden in which they thanked them for their "yes" to God's call to be a priest, and to let them know that they are being held in prayer! The Knights of Columbus will distribute the letters to the seminarians.

It is hard to believe that we have come to the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marking Period! Report cards will be distributed November 20 and 21.

This weekend our school is hosting the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Craft Fair from 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM on Saturday and Sunday. The Committee has worked tirelessly to bring this event to our school and community. There are over 100 crafters so please come out and get your Christmas shopping started early. We also have a full kitchen menu with lots of good things to eat! Please stop by!

During this month of November, we are especially grateful for your support to ARCS. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts!

With deep gratitude,

B. Joan Dollinger

Principal

## SCIENCE FAIR JUDGES

ARCS is looking for parents, parishioners, friends and families who are familiar with the scientific method and would like to volunteer as a judge for this year's science fair in January. If you are interested, please e-mail [scordivari@arcsalloway.org](mailto:scordivari@arcsalloway.org)

## HAVING 'THE TALK'

### Making End-of-Life Decisions with Your Loved Ones

Join Us for this Free Program

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2018**

**1 pm – 3:45 pm**

Assumption School

146 S. Pitney Rd., Galloway, NJ 08205

RSVP: 609-652-0008

**HOLY SPIRIT HIGH SCHOOL** proudly presents "*Arsenic and Old Lace*". The HSHS Drama Club brings this American comedy classic to the stage for **ONE DAY ONLY – Saturday, November 17<sup>th</sup>** at **1:00 pm** and **7:00 pm** in the HSHS PAC. Tickets are on sale for \$5.00 per person and can be purchased in the main office during school hours or online at <http://bidpal.net/arsenicoldlace>

## COMMUNITY

**MAMMA MIA! (Smash Hit Musical)** ... proudly presented by Wildwood Catholic High School on **November 16, 17 & 21 @ 7:00 PM** and **Nov. 18 Matinee @ 1:00 PM**. Tickets: \$15 for adults & \$10 for students. Tickets available on-line at [Eventbrite.com](http://Eventbrite.com) Search for Wildwood Catholic or at the door Call: (609) 522-7257, 1500 Central Ave., suite 200, North Wildwood.

**RETREAT DAY... November 17, 2018** at Sacred Heart in Vineland, "**Called to Be Holy**" has been postponed to **March 2, 2019**. Offered by the Office of Lay Ministry Formation. The presenter: Mary Neary, Cost is \$25. For Information or registration, Call 856-583-2906 or Email [Colleen.Mayhew@camdendiocese.org](mailto:Colleen.Mayhew@camdendiocese.org).

**JERRY BLAVAT, "The Geator" and his great Oldies Dance Party...** presented by St. Michael's Church Preservation Society and the Greater Atlantic City Chapter of UNICO on **Saturday, December 1st @ 7:00 PM** – doors open @ 6:30 PM at Quaremba Hall, 15 N. Georgia Ave., Atlantic City. Free parking on illuminated lot between Atlantic and Arctic Aves. Tickets are \$35 pp and include a buffet, beverages, and dessert. Great prizes! For tickets and information, please call Marcia @609-641-4634.

**BUS TRIP... Saturday, December 1, 2018** to see "*The First Noel*" show at the American Music Theatre in Lancaster. Bus leaves from church lot (cars park on stones) at 7:30 AM sharp. Lots for \$96.00 – bus, show, lunch, parking and all tips. Call Anna Marie at (609) 484.0626.

**BUS TRIP ...** Mary Help of Christians Society is sponsoring a trip to the "Christmas Spectacular" at Radio City Music Hall on **Friday, December 7th**. Price is \$145 pp and includes ticket to the show, motor coach transportation, and gratuity for the bus driver. Bus departs from St. Michael's Church, 10 N. Mississippi Ave., Atlantic City @ 8:00 AM. Show is @ 2:00 PM. For reservations and additional information, please call Marcia@609-641-4634.

**ADVENT DAY OF REFLECTION ... December 8, 2015 at 10 am** at Saint Michael's, 10 N. Mississippi Ave., Atlantic City. Sponsored by Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal at the Parish of St. Monica. Day includes Mass, a talk by a Franciscan Friar of the Renewal, lunch, Eucharistic Adoration, Confessions, a Healing Service and Benediction.

**JOHN R. WOOD IS RETURNING TO OLPH THIS WINTER**  
To talk about his brand new book

**THE LIGHT ENTRUSTED TO YOU – Keeping the Flame of Faith Alive ... December 8, 2018** at OLPH Catholic Church, 146 S. Pitney Road, Galloway, NJ from 9 AM to 12:00 PM. Tickets \$20 pp or \$30 family. Tickets are available through Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Office. Joining John will be Rachel Ann, a talented musician whose music will touch your heart in a powerful way. Questions: Call 609-652-0008.

**CHRISTMAS CONCERT ...** presented by The Mainland Choral Society at Absecon Presbyterian Church on **Saturday, December 15, 2018 at 7 pm**. Tickets - \$10 Adults (in advance) from Joanie Hoenes 609-641-1839. Children 18 & under and ALL students – FREE. A lovely Christmas Dessert Reception will follow. Very limited no. of tickets may be available at the door if space allows – seating is limited. Call Joanie ASAP!

## WORD TODAY

By Rev. William J. Reilly

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
November 11, 2018

**"Jesus sat down opposite the treasury and observed how the crowd put money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling His disciples to Himself, He said to them, 'Amen I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributions to the treasury. For they have contributed from their surplus wealth, but she, from her poverty, has contributed all she had, her whole livelihood.'"**

The scriptures feature widows and their gifts. A few drops of oil and a little flour, or two cents. What could these simple elements teach us? Don't be too quick to judge. Consider the state of life, without husbands, with their own felt needs. Yet these simple gifts represented them, their life, perhaps their family too. But the Lord recognized their willingness to give of themselves.

How often when we are asked to support our church do we calculate, complain, and even feel insulted that we are asked to give? Whose church is it? It is mine and the Lord's. What do I have that was not a gift for me? Nothing. Many times when a parent is carrying his shoeless baby when leaving church I ask another person if they have a dollar. Readily they reach to answer my request. We then joke that the people did have shoes. They respond as we should, like today's widows.

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Pope John Paul II said "I place much of my hope for the future of marriage in Worldwide Marriage Encounter". Worldwide Marriage Encounter is being supported by Bishop Sullivan for support of Catholic married couples.

### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Real Home improvement is not about hammers and nails; it's about relationship. Enrich your marriage. Enrich your home. Make a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend.

The next weekend is Dec. 7-9, 2018. Questions? Need more information? Call our application couple at 609-741-8012 or email [applications@wwme-southjersey.org](mailto:applications@wwme-southjersey.org)

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### Could God be calling you to the Priesthood?

Come, consider the call. Father Michael Romano, Director of Vocations is hosting a "Young Adult Priesthood Discernment Group" at Our Lady of Peace Parish Offices, 32 Carroll Avenue, Williamstown, NJ. If you are currently a junior or senior in high school, college student or in the professional world (up to 39 years old), and feel the possible call to the priesthood, this group can help you discern and pray with others who are also considering the priesthood. All meetings are on Sundays from 2:00 – 3:30 PM. For more information, please call the Office of Vocations at 856-583-2864 or email: [Michael.romano@camdendiocese.org](mailto:Michael.romano@camdendiocese.org)

**PLEASE NOTE:** Any articles to be printed in the Sunday bulletin should be submitted for publication by the previous Monday Drop them off to the Parish Center or email to [stannseton@aol.com](mailto:stannseton@aol.com). Our November 25<sup>th</sup> bulletin is due for publication by noon on Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you!  
TO THOSE  
That served!  
Happy Veterans day!

