

Our Lady of Fatima Bulletin November 27-28, 2010

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O.L.F. Year For The Eucharist June 20, 2010 - June 19, 2011

Mon. 11/29 Feast 8:00 AM Mass	<u>victims of Cancer</u> Advent Weekday Marguerite Frederick, <i>Mary A. Colledge & J. Chester</i>
Tues. 11/30 Feast 8:00 AM Mass	<u>victims of Cardiovascular Disease</u> St. Andrew, Apostle Zerbee Ivory Ann., <i>Paul & Adaline Cassarly</i>
Wed. 12/01 Feast 8:00 AM Mass	<u>victims of Arthritis</u> Advent Weekday Edward Champeno, Sr., <i>Daughter Joanne Miller</i>
Thur. 12/02 Feast 8:00 AM Mass	<u>victims of Neuromuscular Disorders</u> Advent Weekday Mary Jean Gibbons, <i>Lorraine Shuma</i>
Fri. 12/03 Feast 8:00 AM Mass	<u>victims of Emotional Disorders</u> St. Francis Xavier, Priest M/M Edward Raichle, <i>Barb</i>
Sat. 12/04 Feast 4:30 PM Mass	<u>victims of Diabetes and Obesity</u> Second Sunday of Advent Samuel L. Adams, <i>John & Joan Adams</i>
Sun. 12/05 Feast 9:00 AM Mass 11:00 AM Mass	<u>victims of Addictions and Obesity</u> Second Sunday of Advent Frances Kasun, <i>John M. Bravin</i> Liv/Dec members of Our Lady of Fatima

MONEY MATTERS

Due to early publication deadline of the Bulletin figures were not yet available for MONEY MATTERS. Check next week's bulletin.

Each day in November, the month of the Holy Souls, we remember these members of our parish who have died this liturgical year and may be in need of our help:

Helen V. Kasun
Phyllis Mosney
Mary Zingrone
Fr. Anthony J. Pollack
M. Denise Keagy
Victoria Niewola
Catherine Finklestein
Alice Highduch
Theresa M. McCall
Anthony (Bill) Conrad
Tucker Michael Keagy
Thomas A Gibbons
Marguerite A. Weakland-Frederick
Raymond E. Holleran
Anna C. Wineland
Ruth M. Stoltz

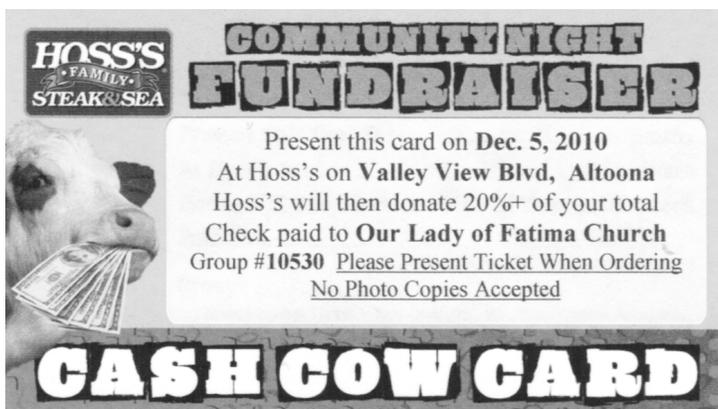
A Lingering Voice Please pray for daily

Herbert E. Summers, Sr.
Herbert E. Summers Jr.

M/M Austin Weakland
Bernadette Weakland

Sunday, December 5, 2010 (next Sunday) is Fatima Sunday at the Valley View Blvd HOSS'S restaurant. If you (or anybody you give it to) presents *the attached card* to the cashier at the time of payment, Hoss's will send us 20% of whatever the bill is. The 20% deal applies to "gift cards" purchased on Dec. 5. *Think Christmas gifts while you are eating!!!*

Also keep in mind that the Parish Council's current plan calls for every First Sunday of each month to be OLF Sunday at Hoss's. Note: the tickets are dated and usable only on that date.



If you can't use this ticket and if you can't think of anybody who might use it ... please detach it now and place it anywhere on the back tables. No doubt some other parishioner or friend of the parish can find people willing to help out OLF!!!

Our Lady of Fatima Parish Schedule

Dec 3	FRI	NOCTURNAL ADORATION 8-11PM - OUR LADY OF LOURDES, ALTOONA
DEC 3	FRI	TEEN & PRE-TEEN baking and cooking at Rectory 6 PM
DEC 4	SAT	CANTOR'S MEETING/REHEARSAL 9 AM @ THE CHURCH -ALL WELCOME
DEC 5	SUN	HOSS'S Monthly Fundraiser (First Sunday of Month)*****
DEC 7	TUE	6:00 PM Anticipatory Mass for Immaculate Conception (Obligation)
DEC 8	WED	8:00 AM Mass for Immaculate Conception (Day of Obligation)
DEC 8	WED	6:00 PM Mass for Immaculate Conception (Day of Obligation)
DEC 11	SAT	Christmas Open House at the Rectory after 4:30 Mass
DEC 18	SAT	SNOW Date for Open House
DEC 18	SAT	OLF Home made Cookie Sale in vestibule of church
DEC 19	SUN	OLF Home made Cookie Sale in vestibule of church
DEC 19	SUN	Christmas Decorating of the Church following 11:00 Mass
DEC 24	FRI	Christmas Eve Mass at 4:30 (Obligation) - Christmas Carols at 4:00
DEC 25	SAT	Christmas Day Mass at 10:00 (Obligation) (one morning Mass only)
DEC 25	SAT	4:30 PM Anticipatory Mass for Sunday (Holy Family Sunday)
DEC 26	SUN	Regular Sunday Schedule of 9:00 and 11:00 AM Masses
DEC 31	FRI	Not a Holy Day of obligation this year. (Regular 8:00 morning Mass only)
JAN 1	SAT	Not a Holy Day of obligation this year. (Sunday 4:30 anticipatory Mass only)
JAN 2	SUN	Hoss's Monthly Fundraiser (First Sunday of Month)

***** One of our "play all the angles" parishioners figured out how to maximize support of this fundraising activity even if you are "busy about other things" on the First Sunday of every month. Just show up at Hoss's for the couple of minutes it takes to purchase a gift certificate (which can be used anytime) and go about your business. Use the gift certificate at your convenience. Remember, we get 20% of your purchases (including gift certificates) made on the first Sunday of each month ... only if you have and present the official OLF Cash Cow Card.

Another issue re. the Cash Cow Card! Each card relates to only one "check." If you are at a table with six people who have separate checks, and you are the only one presenting a Cash Cow Card ... we get 20% of your one check, not the whole table. Unless you want to "pick up the tab" and indicate that when everyone is ordering (i.e. "Put all this on my tab") it's best to get five tickets from the church before you go over to Hoss's for us to maximize our fundraising opportunities.

General Instruction of the Roman Missal

The Importance of Singing

39. The Christian faithful who gather together as one to await the Lord's coming are instructed by the Apostle Paul to sing together psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs (cf. Col 3:16). Singing is the sign of the heart's joy (cf. Acts 2:46). Thus Saint Augustine says rightly, "Singing is for one who loves." There is also the ancient proverb: "One who sings well prays twice."

40. Great importance should therefore be attached to the use of singing in the celebration of the Mass, with due consideration for the culture of the people and abilities of each liturgical assembly. Although it is not always necessary (e.g., in weekday Masses) to sing all the texts that are of themselves meant to be sung, every care should be taken that singing by the ministers and the people is not absent in celebrations that occur on Sundays and on holy days of obligation.

In the choosing of the parts actually to be sung, however, preference should be given to those that are of greater importance and especially to those to be sung by the priest or the deacon or the lector, with the people responding, or by the priest and people together. (*This directive urges absolute minimal use of concert or recital pieces which fail to foster the participation of all the faithful.*)

41. All other things being equal, Gregorian chant holds pride of place because it is proper to the Roman Liturgy. Other types of sacred music, in particular polyphony, are in no way excluded, provided that they correspond to the spirit of the liturgical action and that they **foster the participation of all the faithful.**

Since faithful from different countries come together ever more frequently, it is fitting that they know how to sing together at least some parts of the Ordinary of the Mass in Latin.

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THE CENTER FOR AMERICAN HERITAGE

Witness by Peg Luksik

We are about to move into the most unusual time of the year - the time when Americans will be buying gifts, putting up decorations, and planning parties around a holiday that has no name. That holiday season is traditionally opened by "Blanksgiving Day", where we all come together and eat a turkey for no apparent reason.

Welcome to the wonderful worldview of the ACLU. The group that works tirelessly to protect the civil liberties of all Americans, except for those who happen to be Christians. Then the ACLU works tirelessly to strip them of their civil liberties - particularly as they apply to the free expression of their faith.

The fact that groups like the ACLU have so much clout says more about us than it does about them. Their hostility to faith is nothing new. Our acquiescence to that hostility is.

We are the descendants of men and women who were willing to be eaten by lions rather than stand in witness to sacrifices to the gods of Rome. We follow in the footsteps of missionaries who left all they knew and loved to bring a living witness to people around the globe - people who often responded by killing them. We are the heirs of pilgrims who crossed an ocean to live in an unknown land because they would not abandon their witness to their beliefs.

And we let a petty bully like the ACLU cow us into submission. We should be ashamed. So this year, instead of knuckling under, let's change the playing field. Let's exercise our rights to freely express our faith by doing so privately..., publicly.

For example, the ACLU may try to bully local governments into removing Nativity scenes from town squares, but they cannot stop the owners of one single store front around that town square from displaying Nativity scenes in their windows. Imagine different visual remembrances of the most celebrated Birth in history decorating each display window in America's towns. Now it's not just an anonymous decoration, it's a personal witness to the Child Himself.

Or, the ACLU may try to prevent our government schools from including religious carols in their "winter concerts", but they cannot stop a group of citizens who decide to organize and conduct a caroling night in that same town square. Citizens who can sing whatever they like, without censorship. Imagine the spirit of joy and fellowship that such an event would create. Now it's not just a mandatory school performance, it's active participation in the gift of love that came in the person of a Child.

The ACLU may try to prevent the word Christmas from even being uttered in public discourse, but they cannot keep any of us from saying "Merry Christmas" ourselves at every opportunity, or sending Christmas greetings through the mail to friends and family. We can even send those good wishes to the ACLU at their New York City offices on the 18th Floor of 125 Broad Street. Now it's not just one wish for Christmas blessings, it's thousands.

The possibilities for witness are only limited by our own imaginations. The point is to BE witnesses.

If we truly want an America in which faith can be freely expressed, we must freely express faith. With joy and love and courage. Our predecessors in faith did so. The Empires who tried to silence them are all gone, but the faith they bore witness to remains.

We are the witnesses now. The question is, what kind of witnesses are we going to be?

The Flow of the 4:30 PM Mass on Saturdays

Time	Event	Notes
3:15	Confessions Start	Soft recorded music plays to discourage even whispered conversation and encourage mental prayer.
4:05	Recorded Music stops And Rosary Begins	A parishioner "volunteer" will lead five decades of the Holy Rosary at a respectfully quickened pace.
4:15	Confessions End	
4:20	Liturgical Preparations	Fr. Z and Richard will lead the gathered community through explanations and practices related to today's Mass and the Mass come <u>next</u> Advent.
4:30	Announcements	One of the Lectors comes from the rear of the church goes to podium (as opposed to the pulpit) and reads announcements which do not appear in the Bulletin.
4:32.5	Mass Begins	
5:05	Liturgy of the Word ends	The four Scripture Readings and the <u>5</u> minute Homily, Creed and Prayer of the Faithful conclude the Word and lead into the Eucharist
5:25	We go in peace, Mass is ended.	

The Flow of the 9:00 AM Mass on Sundays

Time	Event	Notes
7:45	Confessions Start	Soft recorded music plays to discourage even whispered conversation and encourage mental prayer.
8:35	Recorded Music stops And Rosary Begins	A parishioner "volunteer" will lead five decades of the Holy Rosary at a respectfully quickened pace.
8:45	Confessions End	
8:50	Liturgical Preparations	Fr. Z and Richard will lead the gathered community through explanations and practices related to today's Mass and the Mass come <u>next</u> Advent.
9:00	Announcements	One of the Lectors comes from the rear of the church goes to podium (as opposed to the pulpit) and reads announcements which do not appear in the Bulletin.
9:02.5	Mass Begins	
9:35	Liturgy of the Word ends	The four Scripture Readings and the <u>5</u> minute Homily, Creed and Prayer of the Faithful conclude the Word and lead into the Eucharist
9:55	We go in peace, Mass is ended.	