

Our Lady of Fatima Bulletin November 26-27, 2011

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You do not know when the Lord is coming



First Sunday of Advent

WATCHING, NOT WAITING

In the Gospel, Jesus moves us from passive waiting to the attitude of waiting in its active form—watchfulness. It is possible, when we are merely waiting, to occupy ourselves with other things. What Jesus tells us today is that we must be occupied with the work of the master; we must be alert, we must be met by him upon his return doing right and being mindful of him in our ways. Paul consoles us that this vigilant watchfulness need not tire us out, for Christ himself has enriched us and strengthened us to remain firm in our expectation, our joyful hope. It is in this way that we wait and watch for the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, when he is revealed to us in glory.

Mon. 11/28 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Cancer**
 Feast Advent Weekday
 8:00 AM Mass Frances Kasun, Irene Kyle

Tues. 11/29 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Heart Diseases**
 Feast Advent Weekday
 8:00 AM Mass Denise Keagy, Bill Donnelly & Family

Wed. 11/30 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Arthritis**
 Feast Advent Weekday
 8:00 AM Mass Fr. Anthony J. Pollack, Agnes Curry

Thur. 12/01 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Nervous Disorders**
 Feast Advent Weekday
 8:00 AM Mass Margaret Weakland, Brian Weakland Family

Fri. 12/02 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Emotional Disorders**
 Feast Advent Weekday
 8:00 AM Mass Bill Conrad, Eileen Edwards

Sat. 12/03 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Diabetes**
 Feast Second Sunday of Advent
 4:30 PM Mass Samuel L. Adams, Joe & Marcella Ianniello

Sun. 12/04 **A Day of Prayer for Victims of Addictions**
 Feast Second Sunday of Advent
 9:00 AM Mass Health of Fr. Andre Strittmatter, The Kelly Family
 11:00 AM Living & Deceased Members of Our Lady of Fatima Parish

*Lord
 Jesus
 Christ
 Son
 Of
 God
 Have
 Mercy
 On
 Me
 A
 Sinner*

Happy Birthday:

11/28 Trent Smith
 12/02 Nancy Hazlett
 12/03 Barbara Joan Raichle
 Myron Yeager
 12/04 Butch Carper

**Nocturnal Adoration Society
 Our Lady of Lourdes
 Broad Avenue and 27th Street
 8-11PM, December 2, 2011**

MONEY MATTERS

Our Lord Jesus Christ the King (November 20, 2011)

This posting will appear in next week's publication. Our holiday deadline preceded date.

*Our Lady of Fatima Pleaded That we pray the Holy Rosary Daily
 At O.L.F. before each Mass and privately from 8:30am to 7:00pm*

Welcome Home Ryan O'Connor

son of Mike and Deb and brother of Kelli

Thank you for your Service
Enjoy your all-too-brief Vacation
Congratulations
on
Your Outstanding Achievement

Remembering that "loose lips, sink ships" we offer no detail on his schedule or movements other than to reveal he now sports a **Bronze Star**.

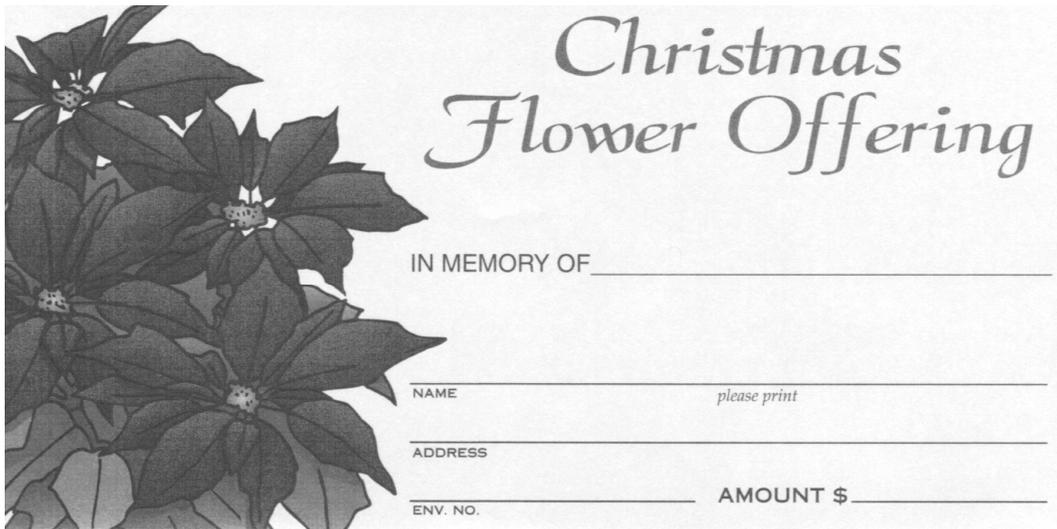


The Bronze Star Medal is a United States Armed Forces individual military decoration that may be awarded for bravery, acts of merit, or meritorious service. It is the fourth-highest combat award of the U.S. Armed Forces and the ninth highest military award in the order of precedence of U.S. military decorations. Officers from the other federal uniformed services are also eligible to receive the award if they are militarized or detailed to serve with a service branch of the armed forces.

As we are about to close out November, the month of the Holy Souls, let us pray with special fervor and profound gratitude for those men and women who have given their lives for their country while serving in or with the United States Armed Forces.

For them, let us pray to the Lord.



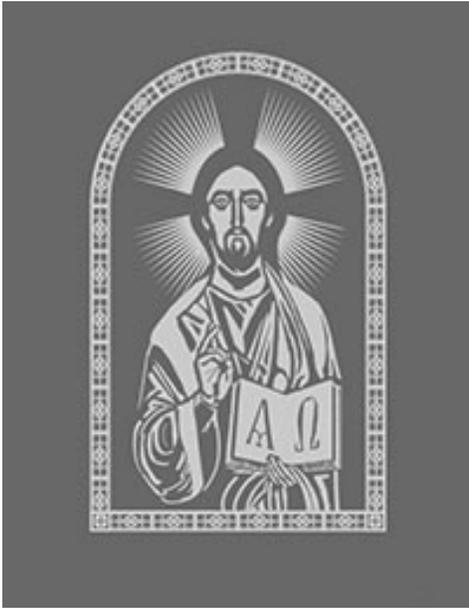


You know what to do Your know how to do it

Keep in mind:

- Our budget anticipates a \$10.00 contribution per envelope
- There is a move on to get a large real tree, necessitating purchase of more (new) ornaments
- The more names listed, the smaller the size of print on the memorial “plaque” in the bulletin
- The flower decorations are not envelope specific
- At the end of the Season flowers will be available for whom ever wants to give them a home

**Start thinking about and preparing for the
annual O.L.F. Open House on December 10**



**Use of
The Third Edition
Of
THE ROMAN MISSAL
Begins
Today
November 26, 2011**

An Editorial:

When “*good enough*” isn’t good enough!

Sometime or other most of us have worked for a government agency where we encountered an evaluator’s comment: “It’s good enough for government work.” Sad to say we all knew what that meant when we heard it. Since practically all government created jobs are political boondoggles designed to get the votes of the party in power they are necessarily aimed at appealing to the lowest possible standard of quality.

Good enough may be the standard we use for work in the “City of Man,” but, as St. Augustine reminds us in his book of the same name, it is not the standard we use for work in the **City of God**.

I thought pretty much everybody, at least unconsciously, bought into this outlook when I hired one of Blair and Centre County’s premier music educators to lead us through the intricacies of the “New” Mass. Sad to say many have brought nothing but hostility and resistance to the first phase of this re-education effort, treating it as if it were “government” work and being satisfied with “good enough.” Perhaps as even more time passes more of our folks will come to appreciate Augustine’s adage: “He who sings, prays twice.”