

All Souls Day
Sunday, November 2, 2014



**WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THIS WEEK'S
DONATIONS**

The Wine and Hosts consecrated in the Lower Church for the week of November 2-8 in memory of:

BROTHER JOSEPH MURPHY, FSC

The Altar Candles burning in the Upper Church for the week of November 2-8 for:

SPECIAL INTENTION

The Altar Candles burning in the Lower Church for the week of November 2-8 in memory of:

BROTHER PETER STEWART, FSC

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Upper Church for the week of November 2-8 in memory of:

CATALINA and CANDELARIA JAVIER

The Sanctuary Lamp burning in the Lower Church for the week of November 2-8 in memory of:

ROSA and ROCCO RUTIGLIANO

Sunday, November 2, All Souls Day

5:00 + John, Jean & Bobby Tramontozzi

8:30 + All Souls Novena

10:00 (Sp) + All Souls Novena

11:30 + All Souls Novena

1:00 (Sp) + All Souls Novena

Monday, November 3, Weekday

9:00 + All Souls Novena

12:15 + Serafina, Matera & Gianbattista
Paolicelli

Tuesday, November 4, St. Charles Borromeo

9:00 + All Souls Novena

12:15 + Rosa Derasmo & Rocco Rutigliano

7:00 (Sp.) + Jose Augustin and Ana
Mercedes De La Cruz

Wednesday, November 5, Weekday

9:00 + All Souls Novena

12:15 + Nick Di Capone

Thursday, November 6, Weekday

9:00 + All Souls Novena

12:15 + Joseph Zane

Friday, November 7, Weekday

9:00 + All Souls Novena

12:15 + Flor Chavez

7:00(Sp) + William Rosario

Saturday, November 8, Weekday

12:15 + All Souls Novena

5:00 + John Maxwell

Sunday, November 9, Dedication of the

Lateran Basilica

8:30 + All Souls Novena

10:00 (Sp.) + Augustina Morel vda. Medina

11:30 + Cesar Alonzo

1:00(Sp.) + Jaime Irizarry

Cardinal Dolan's Making All Things New Decisions

The long awaited decisions by Cardinal Dolan in the pastoral strategic parish planning process will be forthcoming. The decisions will be two types, mergers and collaboration. It is important to note that parishes are not closing and property is not being sold at this time. The implementation process of these decisions will take place from January to September 1, 2015.

Merged parishes are being done to respond to the need to strengthen parish life. Cases involving merger will not result in a parish name change but will include the names of the merged parishes. In some cases, merged parishes will be offering sacramental celebrations at one church site whereas in other cases, merged parishes will involve two building sites.

Parishes not involving merger will be asked to collaborate regionally in their efforts especially with the consolidation of Mass schedules and the offering of various pastoral, educational, and social service programs.

Your prayers and understanding during this time of major transition in the Archdiocese of New York are greatly appreciated and much needed.

*Parish Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation
Next Saturday*

Most Rev. Gerald Walsh, D.D. will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation at our parish 5:00 pm Mass on Saturday November 8th.

Please remember in your prayers our Confirmation candidates and their families.

Automated Giving: ParishPay

As part of our parish *Sharing God's Gifts* campaign to increase our collections, we have begun *ParishPay*, an automated and effective way for making donations to St. John's Church. *ParishPay* processes automatic monthly recurring gifts from parishioners to a parish that is enrolled in the program. These gifts can come directly from a bank or credit card account. Besides our regular Sunday collection, *ParishPay* can also handle second collections. You may enroll by logging on to www.paritypay.com or calling 1-866-727-4741.ext. 1

Christmas Charity Drive

With another Christmas season on the horizon, our parish will begin accepting donations of new toys, gift cards, and new clothing for children, youth, and families assisted by the outreach mission of the Cardinal McCloskey Center. The age range is from newborn to teenagers. New clothing for teenagers will gratefully be appreciated along with new, unwrapped toys for young children. Donations may be dropped off at the church during weekend Masses and during the week at the parish office.

All Souls Day

Each year on November 2nd, the universal church remembers and prays for those who have passed on to eternal life.

*Eternal rest, grant unto them O Lord
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.
May the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

Timeline of Making All Things New

2009-2011 Bishop Dennis Sullivan, Vicar General, is appointed by Cardinal Dolan to oversee pastoral planning in the Archdiocese of New York. Bishop Sullivan meets with all priests, deacons, religious order provincials, major superiors of women's and men's groups and parish committees to solicit their input on the issues facing the Archdiocese and its parishes. Parish surveys are conducted

throughout the Archdiocese to identify areas of importance to parishioners.

2011-Sept. 2013 Parish survey results are analyzed and the results are shared with the parishes. After a nationwide search, a professional pastoral planning firm, The Reid Group, is hired to assist in the process. Cardinal Dolan outlines his vision for pastoral planning in the Archdiocese of New York.

Sept. 2013-March 2014 368 parish core teams and 75 parish clusters engage in a self-examination of their own and neighboring parishes and develop initial recommendations to be shared with the Archdiocesan Advisory Group.

March 2014-June 2014 Archdiocesan advisory group and parish clusters review preliminary recommendations and develop final recommendations for Cardinal Dolan's consideration.

June 2014-October 2014 Cardinal Dolan consults with the priests' council, college of consultors, and other committees as he prepares to make the announcement of his final decisions.

November 2014 Cardinal Dolan announces *Making All Things New* final decisions

Did You Know?

The origin of doughnuts goes back to a tradition which originated on *All Souls Day*. On that day, the poor begged for food and in return would pray for the dead. "*Soul cakes*" was the name given to the doughnuts which the poor received. The circle made by the hole cut in the center represents eternity symbolic of no beginning or end to time in the eyes of God.

HIS WORD TODAY

by Rev. William J. Reilly

The Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed November 2, 2014

"Judas, the ruler of Israel then took up a collection among all the soldiers, amounting to two thousand silver drachmas, which he sent to Jerusalem to provide for the expiatory sacrifice. In doing so he acted in a very excellent and noble way, inasmuch as he had the resurrection

of the dead in view, for if he were not expecting the fallen to rise again, it would have been useless and foolish to pray for them in death.”... “I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord...”

When we pray the Creed we speak of the Communion of Saints, those in glory, those walking together with us, and those awaiting entrance into the fullness of life in the Lord. The events of the past months teach us well.

In April, the two great church leaders of the twentieth century were declared saints. Although we looked to them as both models and heroes, we now celebrate with them, and ask them to intercede for us. Following the death of Saint John Paul II, the crowds clamored ‘Subito’ soon. It is now a reality.

We pray for the souls of the faithful departed, aware that our prayer unites us with them and fosters them on their journey to heaven, which is our destiny as well. The Catechism of the Catholic Church states: “All who die in God’s grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation, but they need to undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven.”

SU PALABRA HOY

por el Reverendo William J. Reilly

Commemoración de los Fieles Difuntos 2 de noviembre de 2014

“El noble Judas, después de haber recolectado entre sus hombres unas dos mil dracmas, las envió a Jerusalén para que se ofreciera un sacrificio por el pecado. El realizó este hermoso y noble gesto con el pensamiento puesto en la resurrección, porque si no hubiera esperado que los caídos en la batalla iban a resucitar, habría sido inútil y superfluo orar por los difuntos.”...

“ Jesús le dijo: ‘Yo soy la Resurrección y la Vida.’”

Cuando rezamos el Credo hablamos de la Comunión de los Santos, aquellos en la gloria, aquellos quienes caminan junto a nosotros y aquellos que esperan entrada a la totalidad de la vida en el Señor. Los eventos de los meses pasados nos han enseñado bien.

En abril, los dos grandes líderes de la iglesia del siglo XX fueron declarados santos. Aunque los vemos a ambos como modelos y héroes, ahora celebramos con ellos, y les pedimos que intercedan por nosotros. Luego de la muerte de San Juan Pablo II, las multitudes clamaban ‘Subito’ – pronto. Ahora es una realidad.

Oramos por las almas de los fieles difuntos, y nos damos cuenta de que nuestras oraciones nos unen a ellos y los asiste en su jornada al cielo, el cual es también nuestro destino. El Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica indica: “Los que mueren en la gracia y en la amistad de Dios, pero imperfectamente purificados, aunque están seguros de su eterna salvación, sufren después de su muerte una purificación, a fin de obtener la santidad necesaria para entrar en la alegría del cielo.”