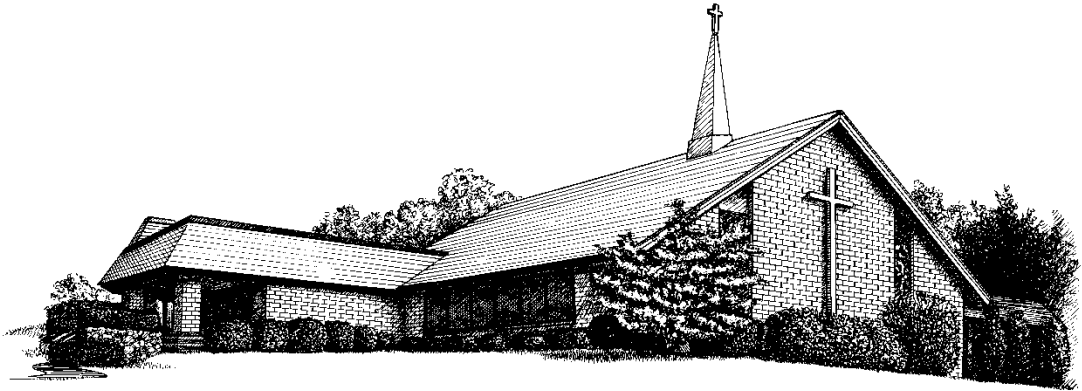


Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time/ Trideseta-Tretja Nedelja med Letom November 13, 2016

Holy Cross Parish ~ Župnija Svetega Križa



Welcome to Holy Cross Parish

750 Tahmore Drive, Fairfield, CT 06825-2519

We extend a warm welcome to all newcomers. May you find our parish a place where your faith will be nourished.

Parish Staff:

Rev. Alfred F. Pečarič, S.T.L., *Pastor*
Mrs. Clare Coyne - *Parish Secretary*
Mr. John Ertlmaier, CPA – *Bookkeeper*
Rector: 203. 372. 4595
Parish Office: 203. 372. 4595; Fax 203. 372. 4668
Parish E-mail: holy_cross_church@sbcglobal.net

Mass Schedule:

Monday – Thursday 9:00 am
Vigil Mass: Saturday 4:30 pm
Sunday Masses: 9:30 and 11:00 am
Holy Day Masses as announced

Prayer Request Line:

Ann Marie Schiessl: 203. 255. 0866

Mr. William Sekelsky - *Finance Board Chairman*
Patrick J. Walsh, Esq. - *President of Parish Advisory Board*
Mrs. Dorothy Fejes – *Catechist: 203. 259. 4905*

Organists:

Mr. Anthony Sagnella – *Sundays*
Mr. John Masi + Mrs. Lori Cellini-*Saturdays*

Sacraments:

Baptism: Preparation Class is by appointment only.
Arrangement for baptism will be made during the class.
Confession: Saturday, 3:45-4:15 pm and by appointment.

Council and Societies:

Parish Advisory Board: Quarterly – 7:00 pm
Finance Board: Quarterly – 7:00 pm



MASS INTENTIONS

MAŠNI NAMENI

Sat. Nov. 12 4:30 pm + Deceased of the Bukovec Family – Mr. & Mrs. Bernhardt Schindler
Sun. Nov. 13 9:30 am + Eugene J. Paraska – His Wife, Jeanette
11:00 am + Philip C. DeProfio – Linda DeProfio

Mon. Nov. 14 9:00 am + Rev. Aloysius J. Hribšek – His Sister, Justina Pšeničnik
Tue. Nov. 15 9:00 am + Sandra Bennett (1st Anniversary) – Audrey Prokaly
Wed. Nov. 16 9:00 am + Theresa Us – Mr. & Mrs. Anton Lunder
Thur. Nov. 17 9:00 am Intention of Conversion of Sinners - Justina Pšeničnik

Sat. Nov. 19 4:30 pm + Anton Schadl – Marija Schadl & Family
Sun. Nov. 20 9:30 am + Mr. & Mrs. Henry Campolucci – Mr. & Mrs. John DeCaro
11:00 am + Alex Zlatar – Anna Gurrieri & Family

Sat. Nov. 12 4:30 pm P. Stone/ W. Sullivan
Sun. Nov. 13 9:30 am B. Sekelsky/ P. Walsh
11:00 am T. Mitchell/ L. Selimović

Sat. Nov. 19 4:30 pm M. Adams/ J. Adams
Sun. Nov. 20 9:30 am J. Piczko/ B. Sekelsky
11:00 am M.E. Vollemans/ D. Paronich

ALTAR SOCIETY: Sat. Nov. 19 Christine Santos

Sat. Nov. 26 Volunteers Needed

From the Pastor:

FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING: next Sunday, November 20th, is the Feast of Christ the King, the last Sunday of the Liturgical Year of Ordinary Time in Cycle C before the beginning of the holy season of Advent-the 4 weeks we set aside to meditate on the prophecies for the birth of Our Holy Saviour, Jesus Christ which we celebrate at Christmas. As Christ is the King of the Universe, we honor Him as our King, both of Heaven and of Earth.

COMMEMORATION OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED: the month of November is traditionally the month dedicated to the memorial of the Dead. Customarily, we visit cemeteries and places of Eternal Rest, remembering our Beloved Departed family members, friends, and benefactors, and praying for them to Almighty GOD to grant them a merciful judgment, the forgiveness of all sins, and their joining HIM in the Glorious Kingdom of Heaven. It is also a time to reflect on the mystery of Death and to contemplate the Resurrection to which each of us is called.

THE SECOND COLLECTION: this weekend is the usual Monthly Collection.

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THE FINANCE BOARD: is sponsoring a Christmas Raffle of 3 prizes: a wine basket; a gift certificate; and a television screen, to be drawn on December 11, in conjunction with the Coffee Hour, at which Santa will greet the children of the parish. Raffle tickets will be on sale at all the Masses up to December 11th, at the 11:00 am Mass. Please support the Raffle and join us at the Coffee Hour.

THE PARISH ADVISORY BOARD: invites everyone to the monthly coffee hour in the parish hall next Sunday, November 20th following the Sunday Masses for coffee and...come join us for some time together.

MISSIONARY SISTERS OF CHARITY: Sr. Tremblay is now accepting donations of light summer clothing for their mission down in Haiti. Clothes should be in good condition, laundered, and folded. Please place in the donation box in the vestibule of the Church.

ADULT CATHOLIC EDUCATION: the next Adult Catechism class will be Sunday November 27th during the hours of 9:45 – 10:40. Anyone and everyone who is curious or wants to enhance their understanding of our Holy Faith is welcome.

WINE TASTING EVENT: I would like to thank everyone who worked at the Wine Tasting Event, which was a stellar success. Thanks especially to Michele Colon who spear headed the event, and all her associates and workers. Lastly, thank YOU all who supported the event.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MUSEUM: at 1 State Street in New Haven, opens its annual Christmas exhibit November 19. The show features crèches from Germany as well as many from the Museum's own collection, including a hand-carved cedar nativity scene from Mexico and its popular 120-square-foot Baroque Neapolitan (Italian) diorama. The Museum is open daily; free admission & parking. For more information, please call at 203-865-0400 or access: www.kofcmuseum.org.

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL: invites you to meet the creator of *Terry the Thankful Turkey!* Thursday, November 10 from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. on site Fairfield. Author Marcela Osello will be reading her new book and sharing her inspiration for the character. Gift sets will be available for purchase. This is a FREE family event. In addition to Marcela doing a reading and book signing, there will be fall themed crafts and games and a bake shop. Please contact Karen Guastelle at kguastelle@oloaffld.org or call 203-334-6271 to confirm your reservation.

DEFENDING OUR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM: Now that the elections are over, we must keep in mind the gift of religious freedom and our duty to defend and exercise it as faithful citizens.

If you haven't done so already, please voice your opposition to the federal health care mandate by calling U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Sylvia Mathews Burwell at 202-205-5445, and your newly elected representatives. Let them know that the mandate is in violation of our First Amendment right to religious freedom.

NOVEMBER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS:

Universal Intention: that the countries which take in a great number of displaced persons and refugees may find support for their efforts which show solidarity.

Intention for Evangelization: that within parishes, Priests and lay people may collaborate in service to the community without giving in to the temptation of discouragement.

MERCY LEARNING CENTER: at 637 Park Avenue in BPT is seeking volunteers to teach English, Math & Reading on a 1 on 1 basis or small groups. Classes meet 2 times weekly for 2 hours sessions. A 1-day training session is required for all new tutors' the next training session is Friday, September 23rd. Teaching experience is NOT necessary. Training and all instructional materials are provided. For information, or to register for a training session, please contact Lynn Gabriel: lynn.gabriel@mercylearningcenter.org or Sandra Santy: sandra.santy@mercylearningcenter.org, or call 203. 334. 6699.

THE INFIRM: We pray for the healing & restoration of good health to all our infirm family members, friends, & parishioners in particular:



Alan Bedwell, Patricia Butzko, Dorothy Cassidy, Lori Cellini, Anthony Cilo, Anne Colon, Terry D'Amico, Don DeMattia, Larry DiGiacomo, Madeline Doherty, Eileen Donohue, Don Donaldson, Melissa Doran, Carol Ennis, Dorothy Fejes, Mary Galich, Lee Gentile, Joan Gerdson, Anna Grotti, Frank Hering, Colleen Horan, Peter John, Kathleen Johnson, Maureen Kelly, Ron & Alma Knight, Andrew Kokorda, David Koprivec, Mary Ann Koprivec, Margaret Kuharec, Pat Lenahan, Madalene Lennon, Gabriel Loeser, Anton Lukman, Lillian Makar, Patty Merola, Joan Meszaros, Jim Motley, Gregory Parsley, Iona Paul, Bernard Peloquin, Elizabeth Petrushonis, Lucille Piccirillo, Verlone Pickstone, Rev. Louis Pintye, OFM, Justina Pšeničnik, Edward & Diane Raschke, Stephen Ray, Darlene Raytar, Louis Rednak, Mry Ann Santolupo, Annette & Bernie Senderak, Micheal Sheets, Louise Tatangelo, Jaye Turner, Katherine Vallone, KJ Waller, Frank Us, Ethel Wuennemann & Fay Ann Zak.

We commend to our prayers the souls of all the recently deceased-Rev. Walter Philip Coleman. May their souls and the souls of all the Faithful Departed through the Mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

Please pray for World Peace, for an end to all war, civil strife, and unrest throughout the world-especially the Middle East, and for the protection of all our soldiers, troops, and Servicemen, may GOD BLESS & PROTECT THEM, from all evil, harm, & injury, and, return them safely home. Amen.

Feast Days in the November:

- Sunday, November 13
Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Tuesday, November 15
St. Albert the Great, Bishop & Doctor
- Wednesday, November 16
St. Margaret of Scotland;
St. Gertude, Virgin
- Thursday, November 17
St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious
- Friday, November 18
Dedication of the Basilica of St. Peter, Pope;
Dedication of the Basilica of St. Paul,
- Saturday, November 19
In Honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- Sunday, November 20
Feast of Christ the King

St. Albert the Great
November 15



St. Albert the Great is one of the most important intellectual figures pre-dating the early Middle Ages. He was a scholar whose intellect motivated him to study arts and sciences before he received Degrees in both Philosophy and Theology. He is credited to have conducted experiments in Alchemy during which he discovered Silver Nitrate. His study of Astrology impressed upon him the immense reign of the activity of the One True GOD.

It is believed that St. Albert, O.P., was born in the year 1200 in Lauingen, Bavaria, Germany of the noble family of Count Bollstädt. Educated at the University of Padua, he studied the writings of Aristotle. In the year of 1220, Albert had a vision of the Blessed Virgin Mary, who influenced his desire to enter Holy Order. In 1223 entered the Monastery of the Dominica Order; he went to study Theology at the University of Bologna. Following his Doctoral Thesis, he was appointed as Lecturer at the University of Cologne in Germany, where the Dominicans had a Monastery. He taught there for several years and eventually was awarded the Seat of the Chair of Theology at the University of Paris, when during this time one of his students, Thomas Aquinas became one of his protégés.

Professor Albert was one of the first Western Theologians to study and comment on the writing of Aristotle, which afforded him the opportunity for academic study and debate on the teaching of Avicenna and Averroes-Muslim academicians.

In 1254, Albert was made provincial of the Dominican Order. During his tenure, along with Thomas Aquinas, he defended the teachings of the Muslim academicians against the attacks by the secular and regular faculty of the University of Paris.

It was Albert who insisted that the study of Philosophy be a pre-requisite to the study of Theology for any man seeking Holy Orders, a mandate which ultimately gave rise to the Pontifical University of St. Thomas Aquinas in Rome, now known as the *Angelicum*.

Three years after he was appointed Bishop of Regensburg, he ended a conflict between the citizens of Cologne and the Archbishop.

He is credited to having founded the oldest University in Cologne, Germany,

October 31/ November 01, 2016

All Saints:	\$ 766.00
November 5/6, 2016	
Regular Collection:	\$ 2,116.00
Diocesan Collection:	\$ 454.00
Miscellaneous:	\$ 929.00