

**Mass Intentions****Saturday, November 15– Albert the Great**

- 3:00 P.M. - Wedding:  
Ashley Davare to Bryan Ritchey
- 5:00 P.M. - Paul Matthews  
(Jeanne, Scott, Shawna & Families)

**Sunday, November 16– Thirty-Third Sunday of****Ordinary Time**

- 7:30 A.M. - Doris Baranowski (Family)
- 9:00 A.M. - Michelina Baiano (Husband)
- 10:30 A.M. - Frank Yopek (Wife, Anita & Son Jeff)  
- People of the Parish
- 12:00 Noon - Marie Ritchie (Tom & Cheryl Shorts)

**Monday, November 17- Elizabeth of Hungary**

- 8:00 A.M. - Carl Wirtz (Anita Yopek)

**Tuesday, November 18– Weekday**

- 8:00 A.M. - Anthony Sakely (Wife & Daughter)
- 7:00 P.M. - Conformation

**Wednesday, November 19– Weekday**

- 8:00 A.M. - Mercedes Wingertsahn  
(Don & Diane Wingertsahn)

**Thursday, November 20– Weekday**

- 8:00 A.M. - Sonick Family (Family)

**Friday, November 21-Presentation of the****Blessed Virgin Mary**

- 8:00 A.M. - Jimmy LoBue (Mom, Dad & Family)

**Saturday, November 22– Cecilia, virgin, martyr**

- 5:00 P.M. - George Miller (Wife & Family)

**Sunday, November 23– Our Lord Jesus Christ the King**

- 7:30 A.M. - Marie E. Pack (Joanne Vogt & Family)
- 9:00 A.M. - Delores Fournier (Joanne LaMendola)
- 10:30 A.M. - Mary Kubis (Husband & Family)  
- People of the Parish
- 12:00 Noon - Ralph May (Thom Sonick)

**A Sanctuary Light** will burn for one week for the Blessed Virgin Mary in Memory of Doris Baranowski, requested by Family.

**A Sanctuary Light** will burn for one week for John the Baptist in Memory of Richard Armstrong, requested by Wife, Susan.

**Please remember in your prayers those who are sick:** Rosemarie Jabo, Tony & Jeannie Obidzinski, Tom Kiley, Laurie Smyth, Marnie Rennie, Louise Hillman, Dorothy Vogt, Bill Jurgeovich, Annette Linn, Madison Kudlac. Help, save, pity and defend your servants O God by your grace!

**Financial Statement**

Last Week's Income was:

Parish Share.....\$1511.00

**Thank you for your generosity.**

**From the Pastor's Desk**

We welcome Sister Kathy today who will speak to Us about the Sisters' Retirement Fund Collection which will be taken up next Sunday.... AND WE WELCOME Bishop Zubik this coming Tuesday at 7:00PM for the confirmation in the Holy Spirit of 81 eighth graders of our parish....firewood is available at various spots on the field and around the garage on our lower property, please help yourself....Mass on Thanksgiving Day this year will be at 9:00AM.....

Father Pribonic

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**Second Collection on Sunday November 23 is** for the Religious Priests and Sisters Retirement Fund.

**On Tuesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>,** we will welcome Bishop David Zubik to our parish.. Bishop David Zubik will be here to confirm our candidates at a service beginning at 7:00 pm. Please keep our 82 candidates in your prayers as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

**Confirmation practice will be on Monday, November 17<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 until 8:30. All candidates must attend this practice. Sponsors need not attend.

**Thanksgiving, November 27–** We have so much in our lives to be thankful for so why not come to 9AM Mass and thank God for so many blessings. It is a perfect way to come as a family and say thanks. Also at the offertory, you will have the opportunity to come forward to bring up nonperishable food items and paper products. These will be distributed by members of our St. Vincent de Paul Society to the needy of our community. You may also make a contribution of cash or donate Giant Eagle Certificates, that the Society will use to purchase perishable items. As always, your continued generosity is appreciated.

**Class for Parents of First Child Baptism** Monday, Nov. 24 at 7:00PM. In the Rectory, please call to register.

**Resurrection Parish Brookline**....Anniversary Celebration and Reunion for all present and past parishioners, with former clergy and religious Sunday, November 23, 2008 with Mass at 6:30 PM followed by public reception in the Garden Room.

**Pasta Too Dinner by School Athletic Program:**

Sunday, November 23, 3:00-7:00PM in the Gathering Place. You'll be spending plenty of time in the kitchen on Thanksgiving week– let us cook for you the Sunday before. Enjoy a mouth watering plate of Pasta Too penne and meatballs, with a side of crisp salad, roll and dessert. Pre-sale tickets will be available for a discount before all Masses or by calling 724-348-0353. \$7.00 adults \$3.00 children 4-10 3 & younger free. Tickets at the door slightly higher! **Mangia,**

**Scripture Reflection**

Now what do we do with these three servants, and the story of our own lives? You guessed it— three things. First, drink deeply from the fountain of generosity. No one ever loses at life by being a giver. Give of your praise, your influence, your enthusiasm, your approval, and yes, your financial resources. Be known by how open you make your hands, not by how closed you keep your heart. Know that the One we serve, who has entrusted to us the treasure of grace, longs for us to be generous.

Second, have confidence in God’s good investment in you. It does little good to look around and see the talents of others, weighing our varied abilities in the scale of popularity. God has given to all of us gifts, abilities, talents, opportunities that no one else may have. God’s good gifts come to us with God’s confidence that will use them to God’s greater glory. And in so doing, use them generously to love and bless others.

Finally, live with wide-eyed expectation. What would happen if we awoke each day expecting God to use us in some life-changing way to love other human beings? Why muddle our way through a week with little expectation that one day will be different than another? Let’s tear those old ways of thinking out of our minds, and throw them away in the waste basket. In their place, expect God to make your life the treasure that it is; gifted, loving, hopeful, forgiving.

Who knows but God what new and wonderful chapters could be written in the biography of our lives if we would choose to live a more generous, confident, and expectant life? Talk about a treasure! A life like that would be a treasure indeed! And at the end we would find ourselves standing before our Master on the great day audit, only to find Him smiling like a rainbow, as He does every time someone does with their abundance what He did with His!

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**2009 St. Joan of Arc Lottery.** Tickets are \$25.00 giving the purchaser 365 chances to win throughout 2009. The daily winner is based on the **7:00 PM** Pennsylvania Daily Lottery Number three digit drawing. The cash awards are as follows, \$500.00 on Valentines Day, Memorial Day, July Fourth and Thanksgiving Day; \$125.00 on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> of each month and \$30.00 on all other days of the year. For information, please contact Tammy Manion at 724-348-9036 or any SJA School Parent. Thank you for your support.

<b>Altar Server Schedule</b>	
<b>Saturday, November 22, 2008</b>	
5:00 P.M.	- M. Welsh, T. Wockley
<b>Sunday, November 23, 2008</b>	
7:30 A.M.	- B. Swiess, N. Wilhem
9:00 A.M.	- N. & M. Leng, E. Gearhart
10:30 A.M.	- A. Krajina, L. Janda, G. Kyle
12:00 Noon	- A. Rigatti, S. Normile

**Altar Flowers** - To purchase a poinsettia “In Memory of our Loved Ones,” please use the Christmas Flower Offering Envelope enclosed in your December packet of envelopes. Cost is \$15. **Deadline for ordering is WEDNESDAY December 12, and please Print.** Loved ones will be remembered at all the Masses during the Christmas season. Names will be published in the December 21 bulletin.



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Dear Joan:

Here is something I think is appropriate at this time.  
Signed: Father Ray

Matter Who Wins

Top 10 Predictions No Matter Who Wins the Election

1. The Bible will still have all the answers.
2. Prayer will still work.
3. The Holy Spirit will still move.
4. God will still inhabit the praises of His people.
5. There will still be God-anointed preaching.
6. There will still be singing of praise to God.
7. God will still pour out blessings upon His people.
8. There will still be room at the Cross.
9. Jesus will still love you.
10. Jesus will still save the lost.

Isn’t it Great to Know Who is Still in Control?  
Amen!

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**Advent -Journey to Christmas:** Believe it or not, November 30th begins the “Great” season of Advent. If you are like most people, the weeks before Christmas become pretty hectic: trees and houses need to be decorated, presents need to be bought and wrapped, cookies are baked, parties are planned, etc.. All this is necessary and needs to be done. However, we can’t forget to find time to prepare Spiritually, for the celebration of the birth of Christ. To help you enter into the “Spirit” of the season, I Sister Kathy, will once again be offering “Advent Morning Prayer” after the 8AM mass every Wednesday during Advent. Our prayer will focus on Advent and the Biblical Themes of the season. Also, on Saturday, December 13th there will be offered for anyone interested, an “Advent Retreat” from 9:30 AM to 11AM. This will give you an opportunity to take time away from the business of the season and spend an hour and a half preparing yourself spiritually for Christmas...This could be your gift to yourself...So, mark your calendars, the Retreat will be held in the Gathering Place. Please call the Rectory to register for the Retreat.



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**Anyone who has received their Child Abuse Clearances in the mail,** please send to the Rectory as soon as possible.

**BREAKFAST** - Join us for breakfast in The Gathering Place this morning from 8AM to noon. Scrambled eggs, pancakes, bacon, sausage & more. \$5 adult .. \$3 child. No tax ... no tip! Sponsored by SJA Youth Group



**HOAGIES** - fresh homemade 12" Italian and turkey hoagies are on sale in the atrium and lower parking after all masses today \$5 Sponsored by SJA Youth Group



\*\*\*\*\*YOUTH GROUP\*\*\*\*\*

**SILLY FUN** - The youth group is "In Search of Bigfoot". We've been working really hard lately, and it's time to get together for a few laughs. Join us Saturday, November 22 from 6 to 10 pm at the Osterwise property to search for this elusive legendary creature. Wear old clothes, and bring a flashlight and a chair. After the search we'll enjoy a bonfire, hotdogs, s'mores and beverages. This is not a sleepover. Cost \$3. Signed permission forms due November 16.

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**Make a Gift through an IRA Charitable Rollover:** If you are over the age of 70 1/2, you must take a required minimum distribution from your IRA. Normally, the amount of this distribution is taxed as ordinary income. However, federal legislation enacted on October 3, 2008 extends the opportunity for you, for the remainder of 2008 and throughout 2009, to make a direct distribution from your IRA to a qualified charity, such as Saint Joan of Arc Parish or the Father Pete Fund. Such distributions, while not subject to income tax, will still count toward fulfilling your required minimum distribution. For more information contact Paul Stabile, the Director of Planned Giving for the Catholic Diocese of Pittsburgh at 412-456-3055.

**CASH BASH**-The 2008 Holiday Cash raffle ticket to benefit the Sisters of Charity of Seton Hill is available for purchase through November 24. For a donation of \$10, the ticket provides 27 chances to win from \$100 to \$1500 during the month of December. Only 1,000 tickets are available, and winning numbers are taken from the 7 p.m.

**Marriage Moments:** Divorced men and women can teach married couples a lot. Often they tell of taking their marriage for granted or being too busy making a living to live their vocation. Let their pain not be in vain.

### This week at Saint Joan of Arc School:

Tuesday, November 18... Confirmation, 7PM, Saint Joan of Arc Church  
 Wednesday, November 19... Sarris Christmas Candy Sale Ends  
 Thursday, November 20... Officer Phil Assembly, Grades K-3, 10:45 MPR  
 Thanksgiving Lunch, Cafeteria  
 Friday, November 21... PA Native American Assembly, Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade

**Our forensics team** competed this weekend in their first tournament of the school year at Saint Phillip School in Crafton. Forensics is a public speaking competition, where students present speeches in categories such as prose, poetry, drama and the like. The members of our Forensics team are Kiersten Lewis, Lauren Gamrat, Lauren Gugliotti, Connor Leach, Nathan Repine, Erica Caracciolo, Rhiannon Lewis and Taylor Remlinger. We are proud of their accomplishments and look forward to a great season! Our team is moderated by Mrs. Kathy Moeslein.



**Who doesn't love Sarris Candy?** If you are interested in purchasing Sarris Candy as part of SJA School's annual Sarris Candy Drive, contact any SJAS family or call the school office at 412

**Please view our new home on the web...** [www.mysjaschool.org](http://www.mysjaschool.org). Our new website is full of information for current school families, prospective families, parishioners and alumni. The website will be regularly updated with new information and events



**AVON Fundraiser for SJA School-** Although School is on vacation, this fundraiser is year round. Please consider taking an AVON catalog (located in the cry room in the back of church ... or at the Cloak Room in the hall). 10% of all sales will be donated to St. Joan of Arc School. Please call Kathie Gasior 412-833-7561 with any questions. Thank you for your support.

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**"Seton-LaSalle High School presents** a production of Jane Austen's *Pride and Prejudice*, adapted by Jane Kendall. The production is Friday and Saturday, November 21 and 22 at 7:30 PM in the school auditorium. Tickets are \$5.00 and may be purchased at the door or in advance by calling 412-561-3583. The production is under the direction of Father Bob Miller."