

November 1, 2009

ALL



SAINTS



Sunday, November 1

8:00 a.m. **Anna Carbone**
r/o Theresa Carbone

10:30 a.m. *Deceased Members, Family & Friends of St. Theodore*

Monday, November 2 All Souls

8:45 a.m. *Deceased Members, Family & Friends of St. Theodore*

Tuesday, November 3

8:45 a.m. **Margaret & Karl Salerno**
r/o Veronica Gender

Wednesday, November 4

8:45 a.m. **Paul Horochowski**
r/o Sharon Horochowski

Thursday, November 5

8:45 a.m. **Wayne Rivers**
r/o Charlene Cote

First Friday November 6

8:45 a.m. **Mary Oscovitch**
r/o Daughter Ann Maire Kasarda

First Saturday, November 7

8:45 a.m. **Mae Hamshar**
r/o Mary Rupell
5 p.m. **Deceased Members of Olche Family**
r/o Nancy & Charles Guerriere

Sunday, November 8

8:00 a.m. **Phyllis Borzin**
r/o Family
10:30 a.m. **Chester Adams**
r/o Jane & Rocky Labato



**Sanctuary Candle in Loving Memory of
Peter Matthew Albano
By Mom and Dad**

St. Theodore Church
Welcomes New Member!
Jonah



Duckworth
Son of Adam and Maria
Duckworth
Baptized on October 26,
2009



First Friday & First Saturday

**November 6 & 7 Prayers for our faithful departed:
Mass at 8:45 am. Followed by Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.**

Dear Parishioners!

Feasts of All Saints, All Souls - The Church remembers the faithful departed.

On Nov. 1, Catholics celebrate the feast of All Saints — honoring all the saints in Heaven — who are known and yet unknown by the church. According to Canon Law, the feast is a holy day of obligation, like a Sunday, so Catholics must attend Mass and “abstain from those works and affairs which hinder the worship to be rendered to God, the joy proper to the Lord’s Day.

The vigil celebration of All Saints Day takes place the night before, on Halloween — which means “all hallows eve” or “all saints eve.”

Christians have revered the saints from early times. In the fourth century, it was common practice to mark the anniversary of a martyr’s death at the site where he or she was martyred. But there were more martyrs than days in the year — and many were martyred together in groups. In order not to miss anyone, it became necessary to establish a general memorial. In the ninth century, Pope Gregory IV declared Nov. 1 as the day for the entire Church Militant (those on Earth) to honor all the Church Triumphant (those in Heaven).

On Nov. 2 — All Souls Day — the church also remembers the faithful departed souls in Purgatory who are on their way to Heaven. The Catholic Church teaches that the souls of people who die in the state of grace but who have not completed the temporal punishment for their venial sins make that reparation in Purgatory. Especially on All Souls Day, Catholics can help the souls in Purgatory speed the purifying process by assisting at Mass, praying for them and giving alms. Also, during the week of Nov. 1 to Nov. 8, the faithful who visit a cemetery, pray for the dead and fulfill certain other conditions, can secure a plenary indulgence for souls in Purgatory. A plenary indulgence entirely remits the punishment due to sin.

Today we are invited to walk the path of the saints, the way of the Beatitudes. The way is narrow and hard. We need faith and courage to walk it. The example of the saints and their prayers encourage us and help us on. Faith assures us all who heed the call of Jesus and live the life of the Beatitudes that at the end of life we shall, together with all the saints, hear the consoling words of the Lord, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter into the joys of your master"

Fr. Zenek, SDS

Tricky Tray Event December 4



Parishioners, I need your help on this fundraising project. With teamwork we can succeed in making this year's event more successful than last year's. **The proceeds from the Tricky Tray will be applied to our mortgage, which is \$875,000.** To reach our goal, I ask that every family donate a basket (of at least \$25 value). Basket suggestions and sign-up sheets can be found in the Narthex or, if you prefer, you can create your own basket. We have 307 registered families; 50 families have signed up to donate a basket. **With effort and prayers we can succeed—we are St. Theodore Parish!**

Bishop's Annual Appeal

The weekend of November 14-15 you will find Bishop's Appeal contribution envelopes and pencils in the pews for those who have not pledge yet. You can choose between a one-time gift and a statement-plan pledge (4 installments)—just indicate on the envelope your choice and the amount of gift. After Communion, the ushers will collect the envelopes.

Saint Theodore Feast!

Our Community will be celebrating the Feast of St. Theodore by hosting a reception for parishioners on Sunday, November 9 after both Masses. Please help us with your donations of finger foods, baked goods and/or assisting at the reception. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex. Contact person: Mary Zeiss 908-852-6948

NEW YOUTH GROUP FORMING

Youth of the Parish, grades 6 through 8, are encouraged to join the youth group now forming. I have new leaders who are eager and enthusiastic to start; I am pleased to announce that Mr. & Mrs. Colin McCormick are taking over this ministry. Welcome Colin & Colleen! Boys and girls, come on and check the Youth Group out on **Nov. 7 after the 5 pm Mass.** I am sure you will like what you see.

Fr. Zenek

BRUNCH with SANTA

St. Theodore will be hosting a Brunch with Santa on Dec. 13 after the 10:30 Mass. Bruch includes Crapes, Chicken Nuggets, Hot Dogs, Juice Box, coffee & tea, sweets. Tickets will go on sale Nov. 7 and will also be available at the door on the day of the Brunch.

Blessing of Homes for Christmas

If you wish to have Father bless your home for Christmas, please call the Parish Office to make an appointment.

YOUTH CHOIR PRACTICE: 9:45 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sunday & sing at the 10:30 Mass. If a child can read English, he or she can join.

ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE: 9:30 a.m. 1st & 3rd Sunday and Tuesday 7 p.m.

Our Weekly Offering

Last Week \$2,580.02 Last Year \$3,150.84



Special Collection

Nov. 7/8: Major Maintenance

Pilgrimage to Poland, Czech Republic & Austria

Please join us (Fr Michael from Hampton, and Fr Zenek) for pilgrimage to Poland (Krakow, Wadowice, Czestochowa), Czech and Austria (Vienna and Melk). **July 7th - 16th, 2010 (*note change of date for trip*)** Visit our web site www.sttheodorenj.com or call the Parish Office for details.

Religious Education Corner

November 2: All classes will be held in the church.

Parents: Please remember to send in your Tricky Tray items for your child's class participation by Nov. 16.

Mrs. Elisa Sforza's hours: Mon. 1p-8p; Tue. 1p-7p; Wed, Thu, Fri—Off. **Phone 908-689-8318, Option #2**

Please pray for: Chris, Bree, Anna & John Saksa, Heather Rupell, Stephen, Ray & Alice O'Donnell, Vickie Li Puma, Theresa, Mary, Robert Gross, Lillian Shaffer, Bridget, Beatrice Gillis, Erin Stanton, Theresa Kugelman, Katlyn Faulkner, Denise Piazza, Chris Gilheany, Steve, Dolores, Joshua Zins, Philip, Renee Drag, Shelly, Geri Hedges, John P., Honol Shah. *To add Name: Call Parish Office 908-689-8318; email Rose Strohmaier at: strohmaier@yahoo.com to add name to the Prayer Chain*



Altar Servers

Nov. 14: Carlee Moran, Christopher Pollack

Nov. 15: Robert & Juliette Capaldo—8: Luke & Grace Gleba, Philip Koskoff—

10:30

Nov. 7: Sean Flaherty, Nora Renn

Nov. 8: Mackenzie & Robert Mason-8; Melody Haag, Justin Watt-10:30

Lectors

Nov. 7: Fran Licciardiello

Nov. 8: Theresa Lucas-8; Elmer Kollar-10:30

Nov. 14: John Haines

Nov. 15: Theresa Lucas 8; Jeanine Gleba 10:30

Eucharistic Ministers

Nov. 7: Tim Flaherty & Denise Flaherty C & Ray Vonderheide E

Nov. 8: Bill Supple E, Nadie Hill & Emily Cirone C-8; Patricia Kollar C, Tina Jackson E & Joy Haag C-10:

Nov. 14: James Mattison E, Eileen Mattison & Charles Shipley C

Nov. 15: Rose Strohmaier E, Karl Strohmaier & Joan Capaldo C-8; Phil Koskoff E, Mary Koskoff & Jane Labato C-10:30