

# THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## November 12, 2017

**PLEASE PRAY WITH US FOR:**

<b>Amenia</b>	Mon.	Nov. 13	8:00 am	Joseph (Jody) Kain, Jr.
	Tues.	Nov. 14	8:00 am	Ralph Cummings
“	Wed.	Nov. 15	8:00 am	Lawrence C. Hardisty, Jr.
“	Thurs.	Nov. 16	8:00 am	NO MASS
“	Fri.	Nov. 17	8:00 am	Eleanor & Jim Metz
<b>Pine Plains</b>	“	“	12 noon	Laura Galdiero
<b>Amenia</b>	Sat.	Nov. 18	8:00 am	Joseph (Jody) Kain, Jr.
“	“	“	4:30 pm	Francis X. & Mary Ellen O'Rourke
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<b>Pine Plains</b>	Sun	Nov. 19	8:00 am	People of the Parish
<b>Amenia</b>	“	“	10:45 am	James M. Murphy

### “THE FRUITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT”

Dear Friends:

*The fruits of the Holy Spirit is a biblical term that sums up the 9 attributes of a person or community living in accord with the Holy Spirit according to the Epistle to the Galatians: “But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.” Catholic tradition follows the “Vulgate” version of Galatians in listing 12 fruits. This version adds the valuable fruits of modesty, chastity, and generosity.*

*It is constructive to imagine what we could do if we had those fruits active in our lives. It is also helpful to really look at some of those fruits, individually, and really apply them to our daily life. Allow me to take some of them and offer helpful hints to understand them and apply them.*

**Joy** - A constant gladness that can't be taken away because it comes from God.

**Peace** - Comes from knowing that your conscience is clear and also able to forgive, resulting in the peace of forgiveness. If you are able to forgive, you will be free of resentment and anger, resulting in Peace.

**Patience** - Don't we all want patience! It is said that everyone has patience, but not everyone uses it.

**Generosity** - Giving without looking for anything in return.

**Self-Control** - Disciplining not only physical desires but also controlling your emotions.

**Kindness** - It is always good to be kind in every situation. Can you think of any situation that is wrong to be kind?

**Faithfulness** - It is not just being a good Catholic and going to Mass and saying your prayers – it is being one who keeps his or her promises. One who is trustworthy.

**Modesty** - Not only being proper in your dress or behavior, but also able to keep your ego in check.

**Gentleness** - Being a gentleman or gentlewoman means, among other things, never intentionally inflicting pain on anyone.

*Just imagine if we lived some of the fruits in our world. What a difference that would make. Let us pray to the Holy Spirit to make it happen in our life.*

Fr. Wilson

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH :** Gerhard Herron, Margaret Wilcox, Janet Stiles, Evan Ciovacco, Lydia Casey, Evelyn Bouffard, Mark Hamm, Grover Williams, Stephanie Merenda, Carol Wilson, Dawn Hazel Burrows, Rudy Eschbach, Jordana Bell, Lori DeLucca, Amanda Carneski, Baby James Ryan Farrell, Linda Sartori, Helen McGhee, Richard & Mary Ann Valinsk, Mary Murphy Adamitis, Winifred Capowski, Arthur Nadeau, Jeff Moissonnier, LuAnn Ballantine, Frank D'Agostino, Michael Kain, Shirley Remsburger, Susan Moody, Danny Hagerty, Sonja Kelly, Jack Silvernale, Mike Butts and Mary Ann Mullen, Alan Carroll, Erin D'Elia, Richard Piccoli, Laura Galdiero, Eileen Murphy Ehlers, Dominic Nannetti, Ray Proper, Sr., Santino Delfino, Luz Pelkey, Averie Burke, Ricky McGhee, John Daubman, Mary Fitzgerald Roth, Kathryn Garzetta, Joseph Licurse, Barb King, Delora Brooks, June Heckelman, Baby Hans Pedersen, Teresa Pelkey, Renee Cobuzzi, Joanne Balek, John Bray, Kevin Flanigan, Karen Grimaldi and Frances Anello.

**CONFESSION** - Confession is available every Saturday afternoon from 3:45 pm to 4:15 pm at Immaculate Conception in Amenia. Reconciliation is a sacrament of healing by which we receive God's merciful forgiveness for our personal sins and experience the powerful love of God.

**ALTAR ROSARY SOCIETY** - The Altar Rosary Society will meet on Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm in the Chapel of Immaculate Conception in Amenia.

**VINE & BRANCHES** - The winner of the 50/50 was Donald McGinness. The split was \$76.50. The next food distribution will be on Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, at 10 am in our gym. All food donations are greatly appreciated but we are especially in need of canned fruit, cold cereal, peanut butter and jelly, pasta and pasta sauce, toothpaste, bath soap and toilet paper. Thank you for your generosity.

### **THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS**

Even when we have everything we need, we can still feel that our life is incomplete. If only we had more money, a better job, the right spouse, a nicer home...then we would be truly happy. In fact, if we look outside ourselves, there will always be one more *something* that will seem necessary for happiness. Instead, look at being happy by choice.

**Live in the moment.** It's important to plan, set goals, and prepare for the future responsibly. Yet always focusing on the future means missing precious moments that are happening now. Living each moment as it occurs allows us to prolong its value and make it more meaningful.

**Live for others.** Jesus said *"By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another (John 13:35). Jesus wants us to be his heart and hands to others and share his love with those around us. He has given each of us gifts to be used to serve others. As a plus, making others happy makes us happy, too.*

**Live for God.** We were made by God for God. The desire for him is written on our hearts. He never ceases to draw us to himself. Only in God will we find the true happiness for which we yearn.

**PINE PLAINS COUNCIL OF CHURCHES** - The Pine Plains Council of Churches will have an Ecumenical Thanksgiving prayer service at the Church of the Regeneration on Pine Street on Wednesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7 pm. Please come and join with our fellow Christians in giving THANKS for all that we receive.

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY** - Our Lady of Lourdes High School is looking for a person to join their Facility Management Team in the capacity of evening custodial work. Hours are 2:30 pm to 11:30 pm. If interested, please contact Catherine Merryman at merrymanc@ollchs.org.

**SUNDAY COLLECTION** - Last weekend, November 4-5, approximately **369** people attended Mass and we collected \$6,466.56 in our Regular Sunday Collection. On October 31-November 1<sup>st</sup>, we collected \$912.20 for All Saints Day. I thank you for your presence, generosity and steadfast commitment to our Church and I pray that God will continue to bless you and your families.

**PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES:** . Timothy Walsh, Joshua O'Hara, Connor Washburn, Sam Kent, Jordan Paraszti, Gavin Carroll, Richard C. Belliveau, Jimmy Darnell, Mike Mazza, Nathan Tong, Mark Hall, Michael Pomeisl and Tyler Jasmin. Please keep our servicemen and their families in your prayers.

### **† Sanctuary Light †**

*The Sanctuary Light which will burn this week  
at Immaculate Conception Church  
was donated by Patty Barron  
In Memory of Laura Galdiero*