RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

Today we observe "Respect Life Sunday" as we sadly recall the terrible scourge of abortion that permeates our nation. We all need to meditate on the words of John Paul II in his Encyclical Letter "Gospel of Life. He writes "Abortion and euthanasia are...crimes which no human law can claim to legitimize. There is no obligation in conscience to obey such laws, instead there is a grave and clear obligation to oppose them by conscientious objection." As we sadly reflect on the growing culture of death that began with legalized abortion, the Old Testament wisely reminds us, "I have set before you life and death, the blessing and the curse. Choose life, then, that your descendants may live."

MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

October is dedicated in the Church to Our Lady of the Rosary, whose feast day is celebrated on October 7th. Mary appeared with the Rosary in her hand at Lourdes in France in 1853. Mary re-introduced the Rosary to the world through the children at Fatima in Portugal; she said" "I am the Lady of the Rosary. Pray the Rosary every day." Take time to pray the Rosary in honor of our Lady, especially during the month of October.



I wish to thank our faithful parishioners and friends of St. Bartholomew Parish from all over, especially my cousins who traveled

a distance to wish me congratulations, to my brother Scalabrinians, and to all who were a special presence on the occasion of my Golden Jubilee of Ordination. My sincere appreciation to the Jubilee Committee for arranging a beautiful and memorable Mass and dinner celebration. Thank you to all who attended the Jubilee Mass of Thanksgiving, to the approximately 240 people that attended the Jubilee Dinner at the Alpine Country Club, and to those who gave me gifts.

May God bless you and keep you safe!

Always in my prayers,

Father Joe

CONGRATULATIONS!

To the lucky winners of the first weekly drawing of the St. Bart's Summer Festival Calendar Raffle!

September 20 - gift card - #191 - Divina Zevallos

September 21 - gift cards - #342 - Felix Rodriguez

September 22 - gift cards - #254 - Peter Marinucci

September 23 - gift cards - #318 - Domenica Ceprano

September 24 - gift card - #286 - Stacy Snowling

September 25 - \$100 - #342 - Felix Rodriguez

September 26 - \$100 - ##342 - Mayra Vizcaino

THANK YOU to all who purchased and sold tickets & to those who worked so diligently to acquire donations for the wonderful prizes! Good Luck!

The Scalabrini Dukcevich Center, across the street from our Church, continues to offer free COVID-19 testing and vaccinations. Please refer to the new schedule below:

> *FREE COVID-19 RAPID TESTS: Every Monday from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

> ***FREE COVID-19 VACCINATIONS:** Every Monday from 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

> > *NO appointment needed *NO insurance needed *NO documentation needed



ANNUAL TURKEY TROT

Sponsored by the Parish Ladies Guild will be held on TUESDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 16th in the Church Hall. We are in need of monetary donations, canned goods, boxed foods, gift items, and gift cards for the many raffles. Donations may be brought to weekend Masses or to the Parish Office. Thank you for helping to make this parish event successful by your donations and attendance.

MASSES FOR OCTOBER 4 - 10, 2021

Every Mass is offered for the faithful, living or dead. However the following are specifically remembered this week.

Monday, October 4 - St. Francis of Assisi 7:30 am - For A Special Intention In Thanksgiving to St. Francis Assisi 7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

Tuesday, October 5 7:30 am - Intention of Priest Celebrant

Wednesday, October 6 7:30 am - Peter Gallo, Jr. by family 5:30 pm - Eucharistic Adoration - Spanish 7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

Thursday, October 7 7:30 am - In Honor of Our Lady of the Rosary

Friday, October 8 7:30 am - Ines Capuano - Birthday Remembrance by daughters 3:00 pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet 7:00 pm - Mass in Spanish

> Saturday, October 9 8:00 am - Intentions of Parishioners

SANCTUARY CANDLE & ALTAR BREAD & WINE:

IN MEMORY OF

Del Joseph Beauchene, Jr. Luigi Corsetti Teresita Diaz Cartagena Ottavia & Settimio Saltafossi Dennis Souza - Birthday Remembrance

WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT

What Our Lord Asks Is Not Equal Gifts - But Equal Sacrifice. (Increased Giving Campaign)

Weekend of September 25 & 26, 2021 Church Collections & Mail-in Budgets \$5,818.00

LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday, October 9

5:00 pm Ottavia & Settimio Saltafossi by granddaughter Sandra D'Allesandro Carmino Caparco & Rhonda Caparco Phillips Australia Fernandez by daughter

6:30 pm - Mass in Spanish

Sunday, October 10 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am Deceased of Pio A. Romano, Sr. Family Helen Melidy

9:30 am - Mass in Spanish

11:30 am Australia Fernandez by daughter Salvatore & Rosalina Scorpio by grandson Anthony Funaro

Looking Ahead

October 4 - Ladies Guild Meeting - 6:30 pm October 31 - Halloween November 1 - All Saints Day* (*not a holy day of obligation this year) November 2 - All Souls Day November 16 - Annual Parish Turkey Trot November 25 - Thanksgiving Day

This Week's Bulletin Is Sponsored

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