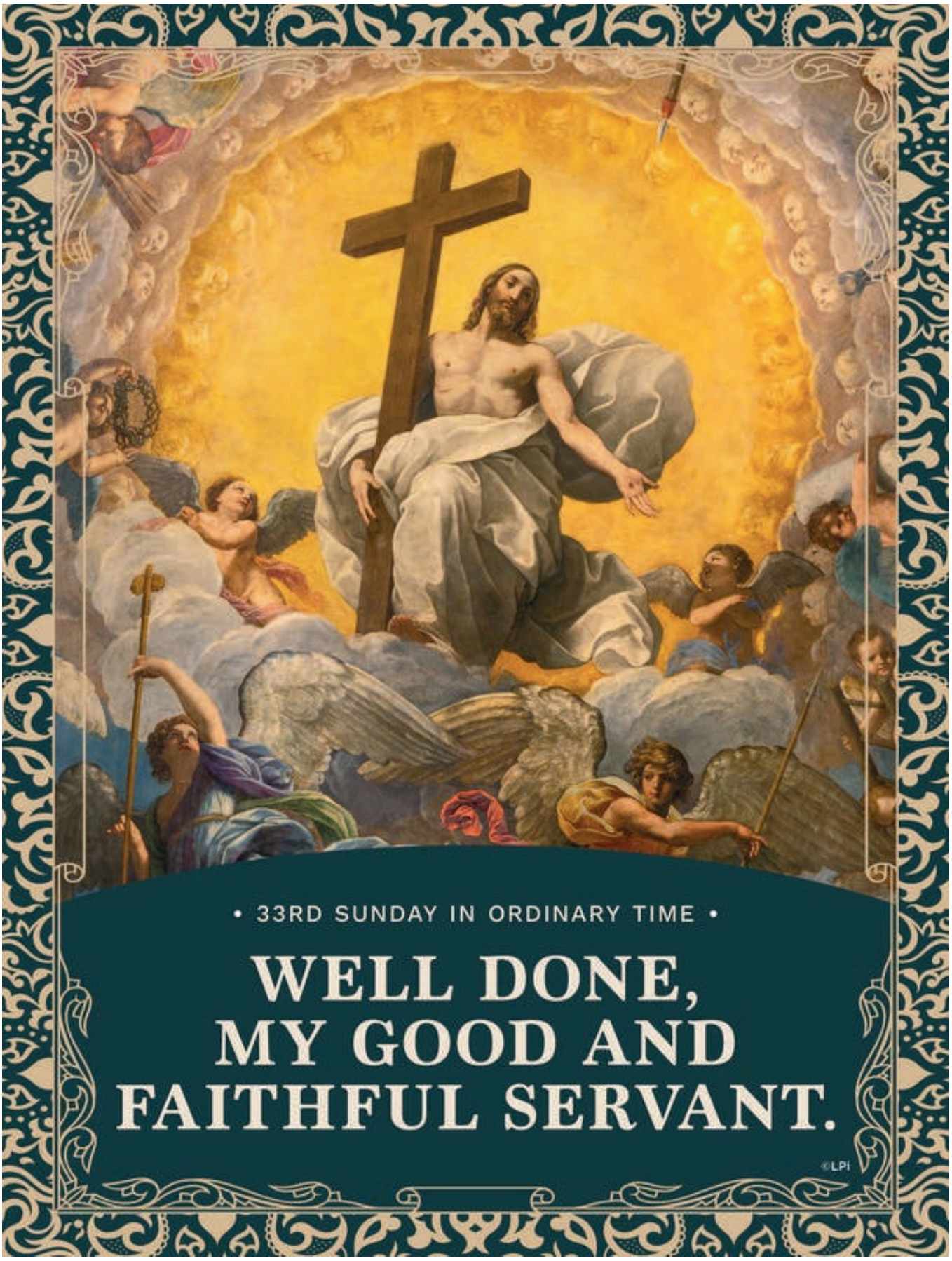

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Parish Information

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00pm
Sunday: 7:30am, 10:30am and 5:00pm (Sept.-May)
Monday - Friday 7:00am

ADORATION

Thursdays 7:30-8:30am and 6:30-7:30pm
Wi-Fi: StMarysChurchMesh
Password: STMarysGuest
Weekend Masses Live Streamed: stmarysfranklin.org

RECTORY HOURS Monday-Friday 9:00am-3:00pm

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ASSISTANCE TO THOSE IN NEED

St. Vincent De Paul: 508-918-2291

PARISH REGISTRATION

Online at www.stmarysfranklin.org
or call the office.



BAPTISM

Baptisms are held on Sunday at 12:30pm. First time parents need to attend a Baptism Class held by Deacon Ron. Classes are held one evening each month via Zoom. To schedule a Baptism email: baptism@stmarysfranklin.org or call: 508-528-0020. To schedule a Baptism Zoom Class, contact Deacon Ron at: gerwat@verizon.net

PENANCE

Penance/Reconciliation is held each Saturday from 8 to 9 a.m. in the Chapel's Reconciliation Room and by appointment, anytime.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married at St. Mary should schedule their wedding one year in advance and attend a Marriage Preparation program. Please call the Parish office at 508-528-0020 to arrange a meeting with the priest in preparation for marriage and schedule a date.

OCIA - ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

If you are interested in become a Catholic, please call the Rectory at 508-528-0020.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

If you have a family member or friend who is unable to attend church due to age or infirmity, we will provide pastoral visits. To set-up visits, please call the rectory or email the Pastoral Associate at: pastoralassociate@stmarysfranklin.org.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK

If you or a loved one would like the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, please call the Parish Offices at 508-528-0020. For after hours Emergency Anointing of the Sick please call 508-528-0020 and select Emergency Anointing of the Sick. Please do not leave messages on this line.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, November 14
4:00pm Barbara + John McGovern
Sunday, November 15
7:30am Doreen Mancini
10:30am Louise + Andrew Decina
Monday, November 16
7:00am Oliver Lewis
Tuesday, November 17
7:00am Carol Pizzi, Domenico Pizzi, + Carmina Pizzi
Wednesday, November 18
7:00am Pietro and Cristina Ferrara
Thursday, November 19
7:00am Mary Anne Regilio
Friday, November 20
7:00am James Peter Holt
Saturday,November 21
4:00pm Frank Lewandowski
Sunday, November 22
7:30am Theresa + Caspare Favara
10:30am World Youth Day + CYO Basketball

Readings for the week of November 15
Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21
Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 18:35-43
Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 19:1-10
Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 19:11-28
Thursday: Rv 5:1-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 19:41-44
Friday: Rv 10:8-11/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Lk 19:45-48
Saturday: Rv 11:4-12/Ps 144:1, 2, 9-10/Lk 20:27-40
Next Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2a, 2b-3, 5, 6/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46

Baptism

There were no Baptisms last weekend.





Advent Wreath, *Explained!*

The Advent Wreath as we know it today is a modern spin on an ancient practice — or rather, several of them.

Christians have always utilized candles to illustrate the metaphor of Christ as the "great light" shining on a people waiting in darkness (Isaiah 9:2). Historians tell us that pre-Christian societies in Europe also viewed candles as symbolic of the coming light of spring, and may have used wreaths of natural material along with these candles. Traditions and rituals surrounding an "Advent Wreath" are often thought to have originated in the Lutheran tradition in 16th-century Germany. Today, Advent Wreaths are a practice embraced by most Christians in the Western world.

An Advent Wreath consists of a circle of evergreen and four candles, one for each week of Advent. Three of the candles are purple; one is rose, representing Gaudete Sunday, a time of rejoicing at the closeness of Christmas. In Catholicism, Advent Wreaths are blessed on the First Sunday of Advent. For Advent Wreaths in private homes, it is appropriate for a family member to perform the blessing.

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THE GRAND ANNUAL COLLECTION WILL CONTINUE IN DECEMBER

Our final collection for our Grand Annual Appeal is the weekend of December 5 + 6. Please place your completed "Grand Annual Envelope" in the regular collection at Mass or mail it directly to the parish office. Additional envelopes are available at the entrance to the church.



ZOOM ROSARY

Deacon Guy continues a Zoom Rosary **every Monday night at 7:00pm.** This is open to all parishioners, family and friends from all communities. You are welcome to join, relax, pray and/or just listen. Link info is on the Parish Website under *Parish Life and Prayer*. For more information, **contact Deacon Guy deaconguy@verizon.net**



Hallow
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How do I join our parish on Hallow?

If you're new to Hallow:

1. Download the Hallow app.
2. Begin at the church icon in the top right corner*.
3. Search for our parish (use zipcode if needed) & Join.
4. Continue creating your account by following the prompts. Some questions can be skipped.
5. Join the prayer challenge and begin exploring all that's available!

If you already have a Hallow account:

1. Open the Hallow app.
2. Tap the Church tab at the bottom of the screen.
3. Follow the prompts to complete your profile.
4. Tap Explore and find our parish (enter parish zipcode if needed).
5. Join the prayer challenge and begin exploring all that's available!

Questions? Kara Gulla is the Hallow Coordinator for our parish. She can be reached at k.gulla@hotmail.com

Family Faith Formation Sessions Schedule

Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. - 11/3, 12/1, 1/5, 2/9, 3/2, 4/6
Saturdays at 8:00 a.m. - 11/7, 12/5, 1/9, 2/6, 3/6, 4/3
Saturdays at 5:00 p.m. 11/7, 12/5,1/9, 2/6, 3/6, 4/3
Sundays at 11:30 a.m. 11/8, 12/6, 1/10, 2/7, 3/7, 4/4
Sundays at 6:00 p.m. 11/8, 12/6, 1/10, 2/7, 3/7, 4/4
Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. - 11/11, 12/9, 1/13, 2/10, 3/10, 4/14

First Reconciliation and First Eucharist Session Schedule – Grade 1 & 2

Monday from 4 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. - 10/19, 11/16, 12/14, 1/25, 2/22, 3/15, 4/12
Tuesday from 4 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. - 10/20, 11/17, 12/15, 1/19, 2/23, 3/16, 4/13
Thursday from 4 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. - 10/22, 11/19, 12/17, 1/21, 2/25, 3/18, 4/15

Confirmation Preparation Program Schedule –Grade 7 & 8

Wednesday from 4:00 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. - 10/21, 11/18, 12/16, 1/20, 2/24, 3/17, 4/14
Thursday from 6:30 p.m. - 7:45 p.m. - 10/22, 11/19, 12/17, 1/21, 2/25. 3/18, 4/15

Family Mass Schedule –

Sunday at the 10:30 a.m. Mass
10/25 – 11/22 – 12/20 – 1/24 – 2/28 – 3/21 – 4/25

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https://www.stmarysfranklin.org/familyfaithformation

UPDATED REGISTRATION LINK

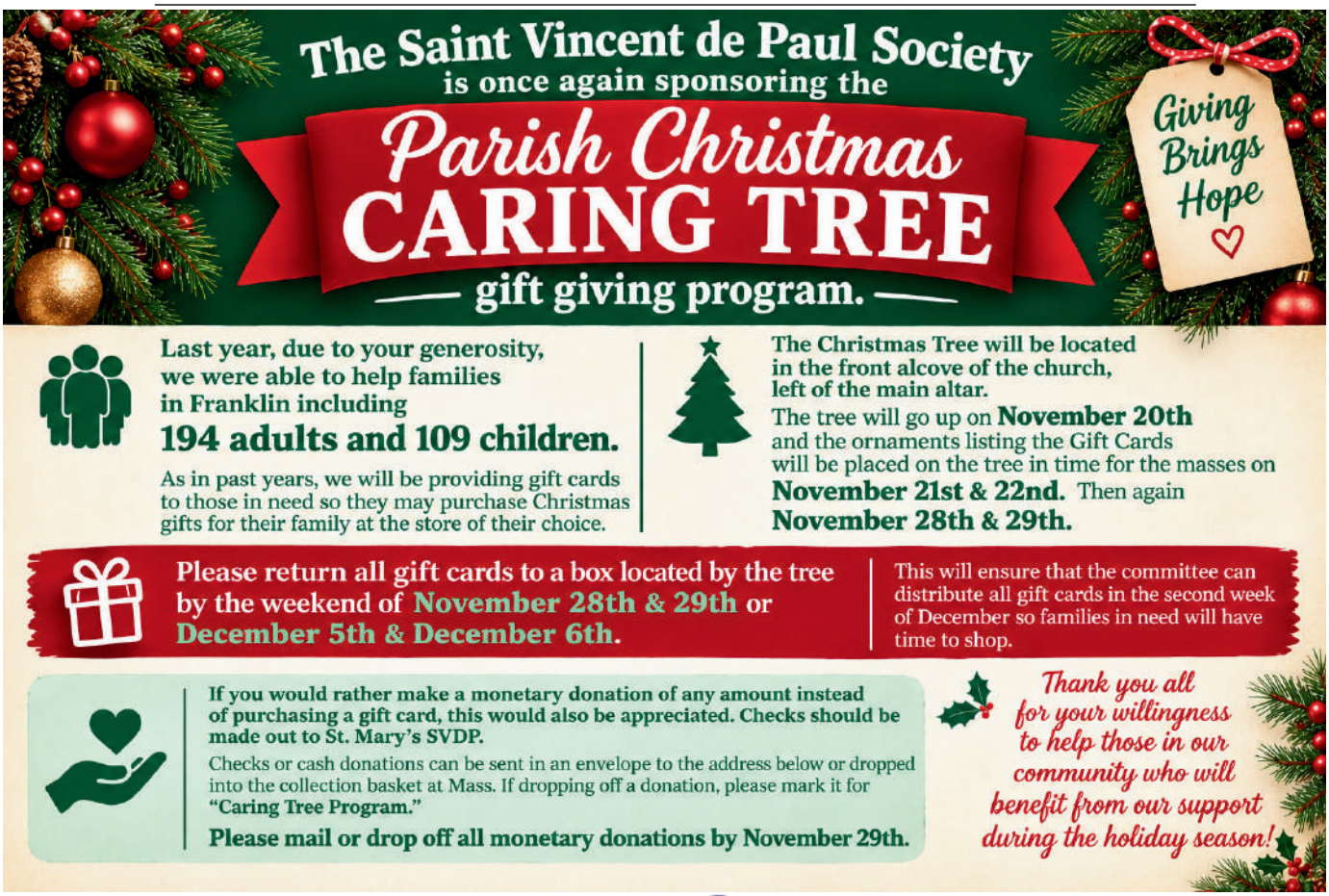
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FOR ALL NEW VOLUNTEERS

Protecting God's Children Training

Wednesday, November 18 starting at 6:00 p.m.
Leo Racine is facilitating
Wednesday, December 2 starting at 6:00 p.m.
Leo Racine is facilitating
Please register on www.virtusonline.org
"First Time Registrant"and follow the prompts
(Archdiocese of Boston and St. Mary Parish - Franklin)





Please Join the
Respect Life Commission in praying:

Heavenly Father, thank you
for the precious gift of life.
Help us to cherish and protect
this gift, even in the midst of fear,
pain, and suffering.
Give us love for all people,
especially the most vulnerable,
and help us bear witness to the
truth that every life is worth living.
Grant us the humility to accept
help when we are in need,
and teach us to be merciful to all.
Through our words and actions,
may others encounter the
outstretched hands of Your mercy.
We ask this through Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

BLOOD DRIVE

The next blood drive will take place on Saturday, **December 5, from 9:00am-3:00pm** at the St. Mary School. Sign-ups are required. You can make an appointment at redcrossblood.org/give and search by zip code. Thank you from Knights of Columbus Council #1847

ST. VINCENT DePAUL SOCIETY
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The St. Vincent DePaul Society would like to thank all of the parishioners who **so generously** donate to the SVdP Food Pantry.
We are looking for the following items:

- **rice**
- **instant potatoes**
- **canned fruit**
- **Chey Boyardee**
- **Kleenex**
- **apple juice**
- **cranberry juice**
- **toilet paper**
- **paper towels**

Your kindness supports those most in need in our Franklin community. God bless.

9TH ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DAY PIE SALE: KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, FRANKLIN

You will be able to Pick Up your order of Thanksgiving Pies on Tuesday, November 24, from 2pm – 6pm at the Faith Formation Offices at the St. Mary's school. You will see our signs. (same as last year) We thank you for your generous support over the years.

Any questions, please call
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