

**November 4, 2018**  
**Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

<u>MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK</u>					<u>Weekday Readings</u>
Mon	Nov 5			No Scheduled Mass	Phil 2: 1-4/Lk 14: 12-14
Tue	Nov 6	(SN)	8:00am	Laurene Halm/Exposition Closing 4pm	Phil 2: 5-11/Lk 14: 15-24
Wed	Nov 7	(HF)	8:00am	Rev. Dennis Schroeder/Exposition Closing 8pm	Phil 2: 12-18/Lk 14: 25-33
Thu	Nov 8	(HF)	6:30pm	Memorial Mass for Deceased Parishioners	Phil 3: 3-8a/Lk 15: 1-10
Fri	Nov 9	(SN)	8:00am	Marilyn Frederick	Ez 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12/ 1Cor 3: 9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2: 13-22
Sat	Nov 10	(SN)	4:00pm	Mary Jane Miller/Elmer & Cecilia Dulle/ Alfred, Elnora & Daniel Recker	
Sat	Nov 10	(HF)	7:00pm	For the Parish	<u>Sunday Readings</u>
Sun	Nov 11	(HF)	8:30am	Smokey Schroeder (anniv)/Bob Schroeder Marilyn Inkrott & Liv & Dec'd Inkrott/Lammers fams.	1Kgs 17: 10-16 Heb 9: 24-28 Mk 12: 38-44
Sun	Nov 11	(SN)	10:30am	Mary Ida Schroeder/Jim Steffen (anniv)	

*From the Pastor's Desk*

Dear Parishioners,

If you have been following the Catholic media outlets these past weeks, you know that some very special people, seven in all, were elevated to the honor of sainthood on October 14 in Rome. Their names are: St. Oscar Romero, Pope St. Paul VI, St. Nazaria Ignacia of St. Teresa of Jesus, St. Vincenzo Romano, St. Maria Katharina Kasper, St. Nunzio Sulprizio and St. Francesco Spinelli. These honored followers of Jesus bring a witness to the faith as a matter of supporting each of us along our journey.

Two significant personalities among this most recent lot of canonized saints that stand out in my own mind are St. Oscar Romero and Pope St. Paul VI. Both of these men died during the years of my own priestly formation as a seminarian. I recall many conversations at the time of their passing and the courage with which they defended values that promoted human life and justice. St. Oscar Romero was martyred while celebrating Holy Mass in El Salvador and was best known for his defense of human rights and a love for the poor. He challenged the corrupt treatment of the poor who were subject to a government in turmoil. Pope St. Paul VI died during the summer of my sophomore year of college seminary and will be known as the Pope who defended the human rights of the unborn with his encyclical *Humane Vitae*. Both of these men were timeless prophets who taught us and continue to teach us much about courage in the midst of stormy seas.

Like all saints, their greatest contribution as witnesses to the faith was their steadfastness despite the ways of the world. I find great consolation in these saintly figures and only hope that their witness to the faith will continue to inspire in many people a desire to stay the course and not to abandon hope or the Catholic faith.

While the Universal Church has already celebrated the commemoration of All Souls on November 2, we will recall the happy memory of our fellow parishioners at Holy Family and St. Nicholas Parishes this approaching Thursday, November 8 at the normally scheduled 6:30 pm Mass at Holy Family Church. As the roll call of our sisters and brothers who were called in death to the Lord this past year is announced, we pray that the reward of eternal life is given to them and that our prayers for them here on earth at Holy Mass and in

charitable works we undertake will gain for them the ultimate union with God in heaven. I hope you will plan to join us for this annual celebration.

God bless you and keep each of you in the palm of His hand.

*Monsignor Singler*

**WEEKLY OFFERINGS**  
**October 27 & 28**

<b>St. Nicholas:</b>	<b>Holy Family:</b>
Regular: \$3,644.51	Regular: \$2,499.00
Fuel: 35.00	
<b>Total: \$3,679.51</b>	<b>Total: \$2,499.00</b>

*Thank you for your generosity and support of our parishes.*

St. Nicholas Parish Choir will practice tomorrow, Monday, November 5 at 7:00 PM in the church choir loft.

Extra Pictorial Directories may be purchased for \$10. Each family who had their photo taken will receive a free Pictorial Directory. If you would like to purchase an additional directory, please put your designated funds in an envelope marked "Pictorial Directory" and forward to the Parish Office or drop in the weekly collection. Please be sure to indicate your name and the number of directories you wish to purchase.



Additional appointment times for photos for the Pictorial Directory are available for three (3) days this week ONLY: Thursday, November 8, Friday, November 9, and Saturday, November 10. Sign up by using the link on [stnicholasholyfamily.org](http://stnicholasholyfamily.org) or call Jane Kuhlman, 419-523-5958 or the Parish Office, 419-876-3481. If you are submitting a photo, the cost is \$10. Please provide a vertical photo by dropping it off at the Parish Office or by emailing it to [snhfparishes@gmail.com](mailto:snhfparishes@gmail.com)

Holy Family Cemetery Association will be meeting next Saturday, November 10 at 10:00am in the Holy Family Church Hall.

**National Vocation Awareness Week  
November 4-10, 2018**

The celebration of National Vocations Awareness Week is a good reminder to continue to pray for an increase in vocations to the ordained ministry and consecrated life in the Diocese of Toledo. Jesus said: "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest" (Luke 10:2). We offer prayers this week that God will call many young people in our parishes to labor with the Lord in serving the Church.

SN/HF Youth Group is hosting a dinner for local military veterans and their guests next Sunday, November 11 at SN Parish Center Hall. Monetary donations, gift cards to Wal-Mart and Kohls are needed to fund this event. If you are able to assist us, please place your donation in a sealed envelope marked "Veterans Day Dinner" and place in the weekly collection. If you are a Veteran and did not receive an invitation, please let the office know if you wish to attend.



**Statewide Holy Hour of Exposition for Vocations.**

Catholic parishes across the State of Ohio will be united as one voice in prayer for an increase in priestly and religious vocations this Wednesday, November 7, 2018, 7-8pm. Holy Family Church will be one of the diocesan sites for this Holy Hour. Pope Francis reminds us: "*Behind and before every vocation to the priesthood or to the consecrated life there is always the strong and intense prayer of someone: a grandmother, a grandfather, a mother, a father, a community ... Vocations are born in prayer and from prayer; and only through prayer can they persevere and bear fruit.*"



Help us stay connected with our young adults who are away at college. The Parish Office would like their names and addresses to send information and greetings to them from time to time. We appreciate if parents would provide this information in the next several weeks.

**CHRISTIAN FORMATION/YOUTH GROUP**

Junior High Christian Formation: 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade meet this week, November 7, from 7-8pm at the Holy Family Religious Ed Center and St. Nicholas Upper Rooms. 8th graders will meet from 6-7:30 at St. Nicholas Parish Center Hall with optional Adoration from 7:30-8:00. On November 14, all parents are to meet in St. Nicholas Church and all Junior High students meet at SN Parish Center Hall for presentations by the Restore Culture Project.

Juniors meet today Sunday, November 4, at St. Nicholas from 8:30-10:15. Seniors meet today Sunday, November 4, at Holy Family from 9:30-11:15. Freshmen meet next Sunday, November 11 at Holy Family; Sophomores meet next Sunday, November 11 at St. Nicholas.

Any parents of St. Nicholas school aged children interested in overseeing, coordinating and directing a Christmas play at St. Nicholas should contact Deb Wehri by Friday, November 9 at 419-876-3481.

St. Nicholas Altar Rosary Christmas Party is Monday, November 26 at St. Nicholas Parish Center Hall. The evening will start with Mass at 6:00pm Mass in St. Nicholas Church. Please indicate your participation on the signup sheet in the back of St. Nicholas Church. The cost for the meal is \$8.00.

Putnam County Right to Life will be meeting this Tuesday, November 6, at 7:30 pm in the home of Mary Jane Stechschulte (next to Kalida fire station). All are welcome.

Holy Family Altar Rosary "Bakeless Bake Sale" the annual fundraiser is underway. Please have your donations turned in by Sunday, November 18. You may place your donations in the offertory during Mass or mail them to St. Nicholas Parish Center, PO Box 40, Miller City, OH 45864, Attn: Holy Family Altar Rosary/"Bakeless Bake Sale"

An hour-long Prayer Vigil for Life will be held on Wednesday, November 14 at Capital Care Network, Toledo's last remaining abortion clinic, 1160 W. Sylvania Ave., Toledo, OH at 6:00pm. Join us as we pray and seek God's grace that the 15 children scheduled to be aborted that week might be spared and given the gift of life! For more information, contact Peter Range, at prange@toledodiocese.org or 419-214-4933.

Glandorf St. John's Advent by Candlelight Presents Pat Oedy-Murray speaking on "The Virtues of Advent" Sunday, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm. All women are invited. If you are interested in hosting a table, or attending, or hearing more about this event, please contact Jeanette @ 419-890-3724 or email [jmschroeder51@gmail.com](mailto:jmschroeder51@gmail.com).

Ottawa Knights of Columbus will have a Chicken/Fish Fry this Friday, November 9 from 4:30PM-7:00PM at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Ottawa. Dine in or carry out.

Ottawa Boy Scout Troup 224 will have a Pancake and Sausage Supper, this Tuesday, November 6 at the Ottawa VFW Hall.

BULLETIN SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: COMPLIMENTS OF MACK & RITA'S: Beer and liquor and steaks and sandwiches. Miller City. Jackie Verhoff, owner. PH: 876-3571