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Toward the end of the month we celebrate Thanksgiving. While this holiday was originally in thanks for the 'harvest', it is easily expanded to include all of the blessings of our lives- the greatest of which is our connection with one another- God's family. This trio of All Saints Day, All Souls Day and Thanksgiving is truly a testament to our belief that there is an unshakable spiritual bond between those in heaven and the living. Our faith reminds us that there is life after life; there is life after death and that we are all one with God.

Let us pray that our faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Let us invoke the power and blessing of all the Saints and Souls who have walked before us.

Prayers, wishes and blessings!

Rev. William Rozario

## QUESTION OF THE WEEK

### For Adults:

What can I do this week to support the Human dignity of others in their work?

### For Children:

What can you do in your week to help the Love of God grow in the world?

## Church Environment

I would like to call your attention and ask for RSVP for the following dates on the Art and Environment calendar:

Saturday, November 29, 10:30 a.m.: Change the church environment to Advent, including dismantling of the Altarcito carefully.

Please R.S.V.P. if you CAN come, and let me know if you have any food sensitivities if you are coming, because we like to have food so that everybody has something that they like.

Respond to Maureen Wikander at [\(510\)847-3585](tel:5108473585), (text or voice), or [moweenie@gmail.com](mailto:moweenie@gmail.com).

## RCIA Catechists Needed

Catechists are needed for the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA), the ministry that prepares adult members of our parish community to receive their sacraments (e.g. Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation). A passion for living your faith and a desire to learn more about Catholic tradition are the only requirements for catechists; no prior experience is needed. The time commitment is one meeting per week from mid-November until Easter, with additional evening retreats.

Please contact Jen Owens at [510.653.8631, ext. 103](tel:510.653.8631), or via email [<jen.owens9@gmail.com>](mailto:jen.owens9@gmail.com) if you are interested or have questions.

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Dear Sisters and Brothers,

November is the month we honor, remember and give thanks for the blessings in our lives. This month we celebrate All Saints Day, All Souls Day and Thanksgiving - that's quite a trio.

November 1<sup>st</sup> is All Saints day, a day for us to remember all saints - known and unknown. Many a day there is a warm, colorful and beautiful glow that adorns our church as the sun is reflected through the Saints that deck our walls. The Vatican II document Lumen Gentium ("light of the nations") notes the importance and value of prayerfully invoking the power and help of the Saints in our journey through life. We certainly honor them for their miracles and good deeds but can we also learn from and gather strength from knowing and understanding that they too had their own personal struggles and weaknesses.

The following day, November 2<sup>nd</sup> is All Souls Day, a day for us to remember those who have died. This is a day that we honor and recognize them for the imprints of their lives on our hearts. Whether we've lost our loved ones very recently or many years ago, this remembrance is often painful as we still feel the loss of their physical presence in our lives. We feel the loss of and grieve those we loved and the greater the love, the greater the pain. It is not only ok but also necessary to grieve. The fact that one person's heart stops beating does not mean another person's heart stops loving.

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## Mission Statement

We are called by Christ to love Him, to follow Him and to bring Him to the world.

Kindly keep the following parishioners in your prayers as they have been placed in **Hospice care**: Hortense Atkins and Marilyn La Placa.

**Please remember in your prayers those who are ill:**

*Stephanie Sauder-Andrade, Sylvia Lope, Rose Domaguino, Gail Smith, Madeleine Shannon, Matilda Maes, Mary Pavao, Patty Wiesner, Claudia Johnson, Carmon Woodyard.*

**And those who have died:**

*Cora Jose, Jeanne Harold Boxley, Kay Irwin, Timothy Michael Solovieff, Toby Burditt, Juanita Morris and Kristina Velarde.*



**In Loving memory of Cora Omega Jose**

**September 13, 1927 - October 13, 2014**

**Our Heartfelt Condolences to her**

**children, Arlene Bautista, Myrna Medina and Roberto Jose.**

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014, 5:00 p.m.

**Parishioners and Benefactors**

Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014 8 a.m.

Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014, 10:30 a.m.

**Steve Miller (-)**

Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014, 6:00 p.m.

**Stewardship – Weekly Offering**

October 26, 2014: \$7,438 (includes EFT)

St. Vincent dePaul Stewardship: \$180.44

**Weekly Worship Schedule**

**Saturday Vigil**

**5:00 p.m.**

**Sunday Eucharist**

**8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m.**

**Weekday Eucharist**

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday**

**8:30 a.m.**

**Communion Service**

**Wednesday 8:30 a.m.**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

**Saturday 4 p.m.**

**Please join members of the Prayer Tree**

To pray "Rosary for Peace" on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sundays of the month. Rosary for Peace begins at 9:15 AM, on following days in 2014: November 2, and December 7.

**Dates to Remember**

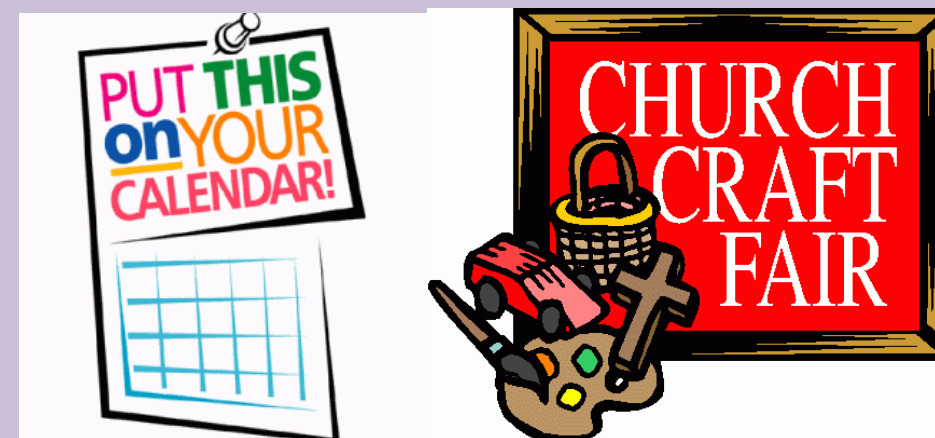
**November 9th, Rite of Welcome**

**November 27th, Thanksgiving Liturgy 10 AM**

**December 8th, Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation. Masses at 8:30 AM & 7 PM.**

**Message from St. Vincent de Paul**

Our annual One Warm Coat drive is underway through 12/30/14. Coats go directly to needy men, women, and children who wouldn't otherwise been able to buy a coat to stay warm this winter. There will be a box in the entry next to our regular carts for collection of these coats. Your participation is greatly appreciated. Also the following items for Thanksgiving boxes: stuffing mix, canned pumpkin, cranberry sauce, cream of mushroom soup, and canned milk. Thank you for your generosity.



Calling all Crafters, Bakers, and Creative Folks!

St. Augustine Church

Annual Craft Fair is Dec. 6-7 TBA.

Do you knit, sew, crochet, craft, do woodwork, carve, bake, paint, draw, or make the best ornaments, wreaths, candles, gift baskets or whatnot?

**If you have homemade goods to sell,  
we NEED you!**

Please contact Lorrie Soria

at 510-914-0847 by November 15.

Table cost is \$25 or 15% of sales –

Table costs benefit St. Augustine's

St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry.