

## Jesus Gave and Asks for All

Jesus was a radical. This is expressed by the word *J*all in today's Gospel: all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind. What does that word leave out? That's right, nothing! Jesus gave it all, and he asks for it all. *That* is radical.

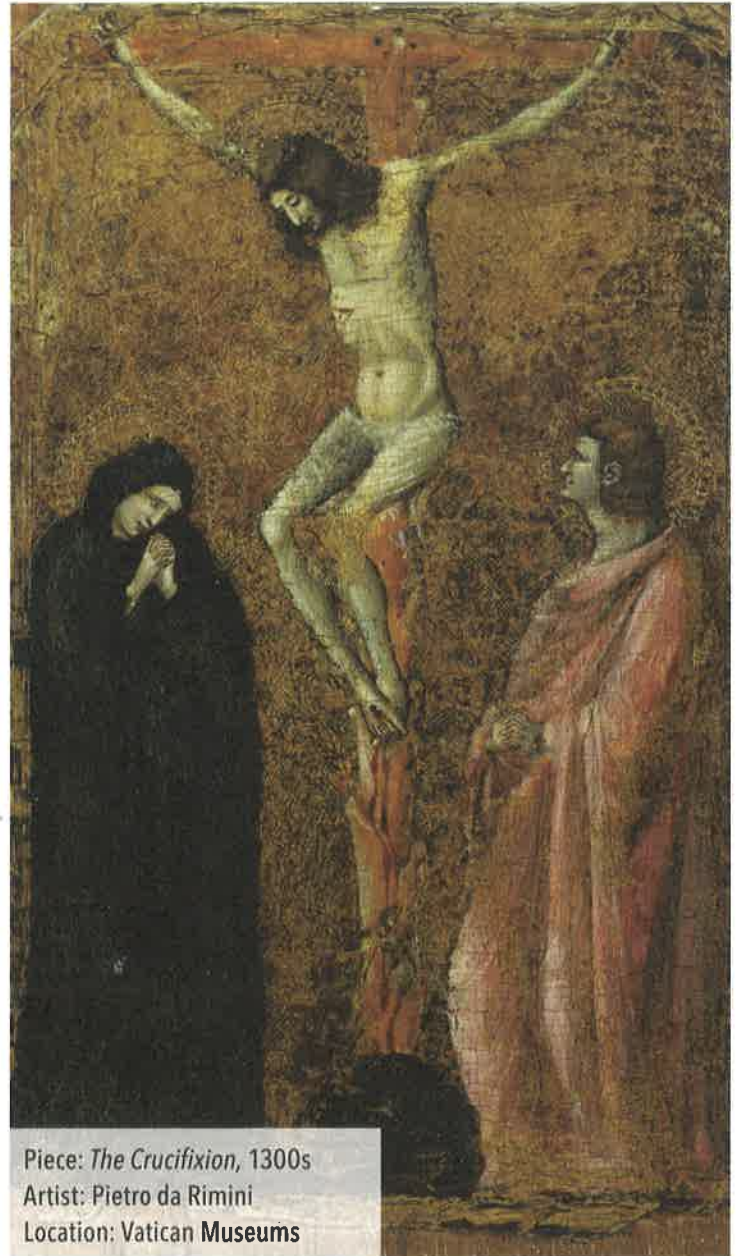
Jesus is the first one to give us the example of this total and self-giving surrender to God the Father. When prayer was more important than sleep, he prayed. When he had to go without food, like in the desert, he did. When he knew that God wanted him to stay in town, he did. And when it was time to move on, he did as well. When he knew God wanted him to preach a word of compassion or condemnation, he did, regardless of whether the person was a beggar, Peter, Pilate, or Herod. He gave all his heart, mind, and soul to God.

And what about loving his neighbor as himself? He loved not only his perfect immaculate Mother, but he also loved his imperfect fellow human beings: his apostles, disciples, and fellow Jews whose faith and understanding were slow. He loved Judas and chased down discouraged apostles heading to Emmaus. He loved his enemies just as much. Tax collectors, publicans, Roman soldiers, Samaritans all received words and acts of love. The poor also had a special place in his heart, as was evident by his many miracles of soul and body for them.

His love even went beyond those people he encountered in his life and reached everyone for all times. He established the sacraments and his Church to accompany on their earthly pilgrimage all those who would follow him throughout history. He descended into hell to save those who had gone before him and opened heaven.

In short, he gave it all! And so he can ask the same from us as well.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



Piece: *The Crucifixion*, 1300s  
Artist: Pietro da Rimini  
Location: Vatican Museums

### *For Reflection*

*What next thing is Jesus asking for as you strive toward giving him your all? There is joy that comes from giving our all. Do I experience that joy?*

*[Jesus] said..., "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind" (Matthew 22:37).*

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## THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – OCTOBER 29, 2017

*The Sanctuary Lamp Burns In Memory of the Leon Doney  
 And In Memory of Josie & Gus Fredriksen*

### ★ ★ MASS INTENTIONS ★ ★

|      |          |   |       |          |                                |
|------|----------|---|-------|----------|--------------------------------|
| SAT  | 5:15 PM  | Guy Klang                                 | THURS | 7:00 PM  | Jeananne & Ron Wert            |
| SUN  | 7:30 AM  | John Palko                                | FRI   | 7:30 AM  | Louise Sica                    |
|      | 9:00 AM  | Mary & Lawrence DelGrosso                 | SAT   | 5:15 PM  | Living & Deceased Parishioners |
|      | 11:00 AM | Living & Deceased Parishioners            | SUN   | 7:30 AM  | Parish Memorial Society        |
| MON  |          | No Mass                                   |       | 9:00 AM  | Parish Memorial Society        |
| TUES | 7:00 PM  | Philip Kubovcsak                          |       | 11:00 AM | Parish Memorial Society        |
| WED  | 7:30 AM  | Dec'd Members of Harbach Family           |       |          |                                |
|      | 9:00 AM  | ICA Mass - Living & Deceased Parishioners |       |          |                                |
|      | 7:00 PM  | Leon Doney                                |       |          |                                |

### NEXT WEEK AT A GLANCE

*SCRIP: Sponsor: Porambo 5:15 Costanzo 7:30 Collura 9:00 Grieco 11:00 Hafer*

| DAY | MASS    | Lector           | COMMENTATOR     | ALTAR SERVERS                                  |
|-----|---------|------------------|-----------------|--|
| SAT | 5:15PM  | Joseph Bailey    | Jennifer Stuart | Caitlyn Bailey, Kathryn Krueger, Elly Smithson |
| SUN | 7:30AM  | Jim Kaucher      | Toni Kaucher    | Delaney Hyer, Avery Lang, Amanda Marley        |
|     | 9:00AM  | Isabelita Santos | Gretchen Markel | Ally and Jacob Santos, Josh Piccarreta         |
|     | 11:00AM | Barbara Romig    | Bob Newman      | Trey Bradfield, Alex and Jason Carvalho        |

***Second Collection Next Week is Church Building & Parish Maintenance***

## Solemnity of All Saints

**Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> is the Solemnity of All Saints, a holy day of obligation. The Vigil Mass will be offered Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> at 7pm. On November 1<sup>st</sup>, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered at 7:30am, 9am with the children of Immaculate Conception Academy and 7pm.**

- Remember in your prayers the sick of our parish: Marco Fiato,
- Margaret Kakas, Delores Woy, Alice Arantowicz, Yolanda
- Marino, Morris Motta, Ann Schlott, Joseph & Susan McCorristin,
- Mary & Phil Morici, Dan Casciano, Jake Maccarone, Madge
- Butto, Joan Cronin, Rose Osorio, Steve Mammarella, Joseph
- Kolenda, Dominic Stroock, Bob Hoeker, Mike DiScala, Anthony
- Mattassa Sr, Deb Petras, Ronald Kryman, Anna Swiezak,
- Margarie & Walter Hansen, Rita Dougherty, Lou Franco, Lucy
- Doney, Mary Okuniewski, Virginia Marks, Ken Rumler, Mark
- Vignone, Justine Mattassa, TJ Doyle, Harry Wood, Tony
- Guilliams, Fannie Hunter, John LeFosse, Robert Thomas, Theresa
- Lynch, Anne Hiryak, Mark McDonald, William Reardon, Frances
- Bambrick, Roseann Malcolm, Joe Shevenock, Cindy Barnes, Tom
- Kirchner and Anthony Cossa
- Congratulate the newly married: Gina Marie Miley & Kyle
- Vincent Boczkowski
- Congratulate the recently baptized: Matthew Christopher Scott
- Pray for the deceased: Robert Hutchinson, Stephen Gresh

## **THIS WEEK AT ICC:**

|              |              |  |
|--------------|--------------|--|
| <b>Mon</b>   | <b>10/30</b> | <b>7:30pm RCIA</b>   |
| <b>Tues</b>  | <b>10/31</b> | <b>7:30pm Bell Choir</b>                                       |
| <b>Wed</b>   | <b>11/01</b> | <b>All Saints Day</b>  |
| <b>Thurs</b> | <b>11/02</b> | <b>All Souls Day</b><br><b>7:30pm Adult Choir</b>              |
| <b>Fri</b>   | <b>11/03</b> | <b>7pm Junior High Youth Group</b>                             |
| <b>Sat</b>   | <b>11/04</b> | <b>9-3 ICAHSO Christmas Bazaar</b><br><b>4-5pm Confessions</b> |



## **WHAT'S HAPPENING**

Please note there will be no Mass on Monday, October 30<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your kind understanding in this regard.

### **Support Immaculate Conception Academy by Being a Corporate Sponsor**

Immaculate Conception Academy is currently seeking corporate sponsors for the 2017-18 school year. In the past, we have been generously supported by our parish families and friends who are also part of our local business community. This support has been critical in our mission to bring out the best in each of our students.

If you are interested in becoming a corporate sponsor, please visit [www.icaberks.org](http://www.icaberks.org) for more information!

Information packets can also be found in the wooden kiosk by the door in the Narthex. Please contact Adele Reilly, ICA Advancement Director at 610-404-8645 or [adele.reilly@icaknights.org](mailto:adele.reilly@icaknights.org) with any questions!

**ICA HSO's Christmas Bazaar** – November 4<sup>th</sup>, 9am - 3pm, Social Hall - Please join us for a day of shopping, crafts, raffles, baked goods, soups, good food and good fun. This is a wonderful opportunity to support our school and local businesses. Get a sneak peek at our vendors and delicious breakfast and lunch menu on our Facebook page - *Immaculate Conception Christmas Bazaar*. If you have any questions, please email [icaxmas@gmail.com](mailto:icaxmas@gmail.com).

**ICC is hosting a Miller Keystone blood drive during the Christmas Bazaar** on November 4<sup>th</sup>, 8am - 1pm. Schedule your donation time by signing up on the form located in the narthex of the church or on the donor portal at [www.GiveaPint.org](http://www.GiveaPint.org).

**JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP** will meet Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7-9pm in the lower level meeting room of the Parish Center. All of the teens in our parish in grades 7 and 8 are welcome to attend for an evening of fun, food, games, prayer and praise. Bring a friend!

### **Immaculate Conception Academy Aftercare**

is looking for someone willing to work several hours per week from 3pm to 6pm. Must have completed "Protecting God's Children" and obtain required background checks and clearances. Call Laura DeFalco at 610-463-8157.

***Immaculate Conception Academy is now on Facebook!*** Please "Like" us for news, event information and to see what a difference ICA makes!

***Sunday School - Ages 3-5 Registration forms are available in the Narthex and parish office. If you would like to volunteer, please call Dawn O'Donnell at 610-582-3880.***

Discover/Rediscover Catholicism - Join us on Monday evenings for a better understanding of our Catholic Faith. This week's topic will be "The Creed, Part I" Class begins at 7:30pm in the office building lower level meeting room. All are welcome. Contact the office with questions at 610-582-2411.

### **Thanksgiving Baskets for Those in Need**

To assist families in need, all of the churches in the Birdsboro and Douglassville area have agreed to adopt a particular school for the Thanksgiving holiday. Immaculate Conception has adopted Daniel Boone High School and will provide Thanksgiving baskets to families in need with children enrolled in the high school. If your family would like to donate a Thanksgiving basket for a needy family, please call the parish office at 610-582-2411 to sign-up. We will provide you with a specific list of needed items and the date by which the basket must be brought to the parish office to ensure its timely delivery.

Thank you for your concern for those in need.

**RESORTS AC TRIP – November 17 - LEAVE the Church promptly @ 9:30am - Package Deal: Pay \$32 get \$25 Back - Call Carol J. if interested @ 610-775-4447**

**Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria Relief** - I wish to acknowledge with gratitude and appreciation the extraordinary generosity of our parishioners at Immaculate Conception Church in response to the devastating impact of Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria. The hurricanes have left many homeless, devoid of their possessions and without electricity, clean water and the basic necessities to rebuild their lives. As of this date, our parishioners have contributed **\$12,113** to the relief efforts now underway in Texas, Florida, the Caribbean Islands and Puerto Rico. Thank you very much for your goodness to those in need. May God bless you for your generosity to those in need particularly the poor and those most vulnerable. Please continue to pray for those whose lives have been so terribly affected by the hurricanes and the recent wildfires in California.

*Thank you to everyone who attended the Youth Group Pancake Breakfast and to the many volunteers who helped cook, serve, and cleanup. The proceeds will benefit the students attending the Catholic Youth Conference in Steubenville, OH and the mission trip to Louisa, KY.*

**Chosen, Blessed, Shared** – Make sure to remember the retired priests of our Diocese by making a gift to the Endowment Fund for the Care of Retired Priests. This special fund is used to directly support retired priests in good standing including the future costs of their healthcare, insurance, and housing and sustenance. Please return your gift using the envelope you received in the mail or from the brochures in the narthex. These envelopes may be returned in the mail or in the collection basket at Mass.

**Spirit 2017 - "Lord, to Whom Shall We Go?"** Diocesan Men's Conference-11/4, 9am-5pm at De Sales University. Keynote addresses, exhibits and a vigil Mass with Bishop Alfred Schlert. Fee: \$40 and \$10 for high school/college students. Breakfast and lunch included. For info and to register, visit [www.cmfd.org](http://www.cmfd.org). Questions? 610-289-8900x2028. Brochures are in the narthex.



## Calendar

### Monday

October 30  
Weekday

Rom 8:12–17  
Lk 13:10–17

### Tuesday

October 31  
Weekday

Rom 8:18–25  
Lk 13:18–21

### Wednesday

November 1  
*All Saints Day*  
Rv 7:2–4, 9–14  
1 Jn 3:1–3  
Mt 5:1–12a

### Thursday

November 2  
*Commemoration of  
All the Faithful Departed*

Wis 3:1–9  
Rom 5:5–11  
or Rom 6:3–9  
Jn 6:37–40

### Friday

November 3  
Weekday  
Rom 9:1–5  
Lk 14:1–6

### Saturday

November 4  
*St. Charles Borromeo,  
Bishop*

Rom 11:1–2a,  
11–12, 25–29  
Lk 14:1, 7–11

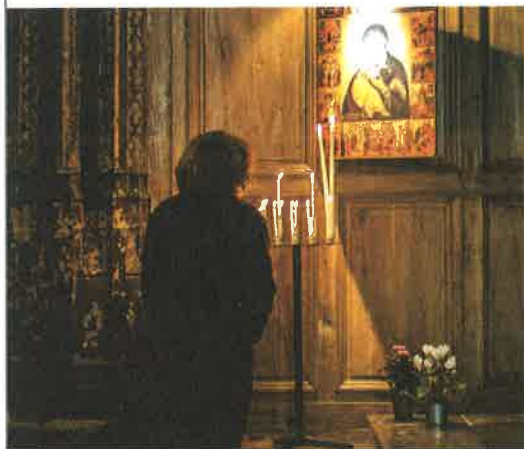
### Sunday

November 5  
*Thirty-First Sunday  
in Ordinary Time*  
Mal 1:14b–2:2b, 8–10  
1 Thes 2:7b–9, 13  
Mt 23:1–12

# Dear Padre,

**How do our prayers actually help people who are deceased? I keep thinking it should be the other way around: The deceased should pray for us! After all, they have it made—and we don't.**

From the early days of the Church, there has been a tradition of remembering those who have died. In the fourth century, Bishop Cyril of Jerusalem noted in his catechetical instructions how, in the eucharistic prayer, we remember those who have died in two different ways. First, we remember those special ones who have fallen asleep, the fathers and mothers of our faith, the prophets, the apostles, and the martyrs. And we ask that God enable us to



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share in their inheritance, thanks to their prayers and intercessions for us. This is still the case. At every Mass, we remind God that we rely on Mary and the saints to intercede for us.

But also at every Eucharist, since the early days of the Church, when we pray for those who have died, we are reminded that love lasts more than a lifetime. It reaches out across time and space, and even across the divide of death. When we have loved,

we yearn for the beloved to live on, not just in memory but in a place that is beyond suffering and tears. And we yearn to see that loved one again. This is one of the most telling reasons why we pray for the dead. It tells us something about ourselves as men and women made in the image of God, God's children who wish what God wishes: that no one be lost, that all be redeemed.

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## *A Word From Pope Francis*

*Jesus did not say: "One of you go," but "All of you go": we are sent together. Dear young friends, be aware of the companionship of the whole Church and also the communion of the saints on this mission....Jesus did not call the Apostles to live in isolation, he called them to form a group, a community.*

—Homily at annual World Youth Day, July 28, 2013



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