

ST. PATRICK'S NEWS & NOTES

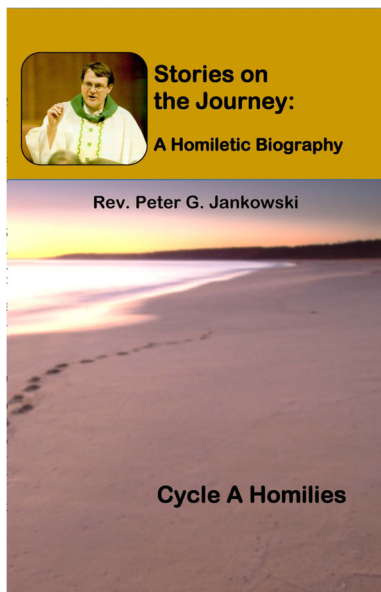
OCTOBER 31, 2016

Dear Friends of the Mailing List:

First thing, the good news (outside of the Cubs winning last night - yea!!!). Over the last couple weeks, I had asked our community to help us raise \$15,000 to change all our lights to the LED variety. That said, **WE RAISED THE \$15,000!!!** By doing this, we are able to get our \$6,000 Commonwealth Edison rebate, we think that we can save between \$3,500-\$4,000 on the electric bill and now we won't have to change lights for at least a decade (we think!!!). We also are going to install motion detectors in the church building to save some energy as well - little by little does the trick!

As we have discussed, all of our parish dinners become important, as they help offset some of the financial things we do at St. Pat's. That said, our **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ITALIAN DINNER** takes place on November 5th from 5:00 - 9:00 p.m. With the amount of food that they serve, the cost of \$10 for adult, \$8 for a senior and \$7 for the juniors is a steal! Come join us for some festive pastas and help the parish out in the process.

It's a nice easy week, so thanks for your support of St. Pat's!



On sale at the office is the book of homilies I just published, entitled, **STORIES ON THE JOURNEY: A HOMILETIC BIOGRAPHY**, published by Christian Lighthouse publishing. The cost of the book is \$12 and all the proceeds go to the parish - this is one of my contributions towards doing my part in the ministry. You can also purchase them on Amazon.com at the following link:

https://www.amazon.com/gp/aw/d/1532765835/ref=mp_s_a_1_10?qid=1462580446&sr=8-10&pi=AC_SX236_SY340_QL65&keywords=peter+jankowski

Rather than attaching the Bulletins, Homilies and Newsletters as I have done in the past, I think it best to just send them as links from our www.stpatsjoliet.com website so that the files I am sending out are not so large. This way, those with limited sized inboxes will not have a problem getting these communications. Thanks for understanding!

Here is the bulletin for November 5-6, 2016:

http://www.stpatsjoliet.com/_modules/document.php?action=download_document&fid=598

To access all the bulletins, you can go to

<http://www.stpatsjoliet.com/documents/collection/bulletin>

Here is the homily for October 29-30, 2016:

http://www.stpatsjoliet.com/_modules/document.php?action=download_document&fid=600

To access all the homilies, you can go to

<http://www.stpatsjoliet.com/documents/collection/fr-pete-s-homilies>.

Have a blessed week!

God Bless,

Rev. Peter G. Jankowski

Pastor, St. Patrick's Church

"Gloria Dei Vivens Homo" (The Glory of God is living in Man)

- St. Irenaeus of Lyons

PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Bishop Conlon asking us to join in prayer for our sisters and brothers in their time of suffering due to the destruction of **HURRICANE MATTHEW. HE ASKS THAT WE TAKE UP A SECOND COLLECTION THE WEEKEND OF NOVEMBER 5-6, 2016.** These funds will support the efforts of both Catholic Relief Services and Catholic Charities USA.
2. Our annual **ALL SOULS' DAY LITURGY** will take place on Wednesday Night at 7:00 p.m. A small reception will follow the Mass.
3. On November 5th, we once again celebrate our annual **ITALIAN VILLAGE FUNDRAISER.** All proceeds are directed towards our Religious Education Program and so many RE catechists and volunteered to make this event possible.
4. Deacon Paul is asking our parishioners to consider **ADOPTING A FAMILY AT THANKSGIVING** with a \$15 donation. This donation will provide an entire Thanksgiving dinner for one family, courtesy of *The Northern Illinois Food Bank*. You can put the money in an envelope entitled, "Thanksgiving Dinner" or drop the donation off at the rectory office.
5. **WE ARE LOOKING FOR CHRISTMAS CHOIR MEMBERS!!!** If you enjoy singing and if you enjoy Christmas, then this group is for you! Come and help us prepare for the 4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass and/or the 10:00 a.m. Christmas Day Mass at the parish by joining our Thursday night rehearsal sessions in the Church, starting on November 10th. Feel free to speak to a member of our Contemporary Choir at the 10:00 a.m. Mass or contact our parish office if you would like more information.
6. Lectors, you can pick up your **READER'S GUIDE TO PROCLAMATION** after the Mass in the sacristy of the church.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Fr. Tim Andrés, Jeanine Acuff, Sonia Arriaga, Joan Bannon, Joe Barello, Alejandra Becerra, Virginia Borio, Anne Buldak, Frank Butera, Henry Chavez, Mae Delaney, Bernice Demmick, Richard Duke, Ray Fenili, Dan Green, Don, Dolores & Rich Jankowski, Kathy Kelly, Andrea Magosky,

Christine McKittrick, Eleanor Orr, Felipe Partida, Brenda Perez, Jack & Mary Lou Querio, Enedina Salazar, Leticia Salinas, William Shega, Bernie Spieler & Scott Stackulak.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR BELOVED DECEASED:

Gilberto Justiniano