Dear Parishioners,

The chill in the air tells us that the autumn season is upon us. The dwindling day light making our days short demand that we use each day well and savor the daylight given us each day. Here is a prayer/poem for this autumn season:

*O extravagant God,*  
in this ripening, red-tinged autumn,  
waken in me a sense of joy  
in just being alive,  
joy for nothing in general  
except everything in particular;  
joy in sun and rain  
mating with earth to birth a harvest;  
joy in soft light  
through shyly disrobing trees;  
joy in the acolyte moon  
setting halos around processing clouds;  
joy in the beating of a thousand wings  
mysteriously knowing which way is warm;  
joy in wagging tails and kids’ smiles  
and in this spunky old village;  
joy in the taste of bread and wine,  
the smell of dawn,  
a touch,  
a song,  
a presence;  
joy in having what I cannot live without—  
other people to hold and cry and laugh with;  
joy in love,  
in you;  
and that all at first and last is grace.

In this autumn we will celebrate a parish confirmation, a K of C Silver Rose celebration, Family Masses, All Hallows Eve, All Saints & All Soul’s Day, Thanksgiving Day, the Feast of Christ the King on the last day of this year of grace. May all these autumn events fill us with joy.

Peace,  
Fr. Tom
The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 7, 2018

Weekly Collection

Week of September 30, 2018

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As always,

Thank you for your generosity!
We depend solely upon your weekly support to meet our weekly parish expenses.

This week’s Second Collection is in support of Seminarian’s Education

Religious Education

Religious Faith Formation News

Grades K to 4
NO CLASSES 10/7/2018

Grades 1 and 2 report to classes 10/14/2018

Grades 5 through 8
The calendar has been sent out to families.

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Parking Reminder

We ask that you please adhere to the following procedures for class drop-off and pick-up.
Please remember to courteous to our senior members of the community.

The lot next to the Parish Hall is reserved for handicap parking only!

In addition, the cemetery is not a throughway. Please refrain from driving into this lot during class drop-off and pick-up unless you need to utilize handicap parking.
We ask that you park in the parish’s main parking lot which is to the left of the Church and parish office and walk your children to the parish hall for classes. For the safety of all children, a parent or guardian must pick-up at the parish hall.

Catholic School Open Houses

Bishop Hendricken
Bishop Hendricken will hold an Open House on October 14, 2018, 12 Noon to 3:00pm
Entrance exam for Grades 8, 9, 10 will be held on December 1, 2018 at 8:30am

Bay View Academy
Bay View Academy will be hosting an All Academy Open House for Lower, Middle, and Upper School on Sunday, October 14, 2018 at 1:00pm

Mount St. Charles
Mt. St. Charles will be hosting an Open House on Sunday, Oct. 14 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

St. Ambrose and St. James Confirmation

Monday, October 15, 6:00pm
at St. James Church
Rehearsal & Pizza Party (*Essential)

Sacrament of Confirmation
Wednesday, October 17, 2018, at 6:30pm
at St. James Church (*Obligatory)
Candidates and Sponsors will assemble in the St. James Church Lower Hall at 5:30pm

If you have any questions, please email stambroseyouth@cox.net or moira.stjames@gmail.com

Columbus Day
Monday
October 8, 2018

Morning Mass at St. Ambrose 7:30 a.m.
The parish offices at St. Ambrose and St. James will be closed in observance of the holiday.
The FORMED website has a powerful documentary: *The 13th Day*

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**Morning Prayer**

The prayer of the Church (reciting of the Psalms) Christian Prayer is celebrated at St. Ambrose Church Monday through Thursday. After the 7:30 morning Mass, Monday and Wednesday and at 8 AM Tuesday and Thursday

Please join us for the praying the Psalms of King David in praise of the Lord, God.

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**Local Events around the Diocese**

**Glorify**

FOCUS ON CHRIST: Praise & Worship
Sunday, October 14, 2018
7:00pm to 9:00pm
at Our Lady Queen of Martyrs Church, Woosocket
Praise and worship music with Revive Ministry, a presenter, Eucharistic Adoration, Benediction, and an opportunity for Reconciliation. The evening concludes with a social.

**A Faith Enriching Evening with Tony Melendez**
Friday, November 9, 2018
7:00-8:30pm
at McVinney Auditorium, Providence
Tony and his brother Jose share their message of hope, encouragement, and faith through their music.

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**In Sympathy**

We offer our prayerful condolences and sympathy to the family of

Joseph J. Spicola, Jr.
who died on September 28, 2018.

“Let us not abandon him, until we have conducted him by our prayers into the house of the Lord.”
...St. Ambrose
“Let the children come to me; do not prevent them for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.”

MARK 10:14