

GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC PARISH (GSCP)

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November 7, 2021

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Monday, Nov. 8		
8:00am	Melvin+ & Bernice+ Steinkamp	Arcadia
8:30am	Rosary @ St. Augustine Church	Halbur
Tuesday, Nov. 9	Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome (Actual Anniversary of the Rededication of the Cathedral of the Epiphany)	
8:00am	L/D Members of the Randy Perpeluk Family	Arcadia
8:00am	Clarence/Lillian Ludwig+	Breda
Wednesday, Nov. 10	Memorial of the Rededication of the Cathedral of the Epiphany (Memorial of Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church)	
8:00am	Eugene Weber+	Arcadia
8:00am	All Souls	Templeton
8:30am	Rosary @ Holy Angels Church	Roselle
5:00pm	FB live-streamed Evening Prayer	Fr. Fred
Thursday, Nov. 11	Memorial of Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop	
8:00am	All Souls	Arcadia
8:00am	Barb Masching+	Breda
5:00pm	NO FB live-streamed Evening Prayer (mtg. in Sioux City)	Fr. Fred
Friday, Nov. 12	Memorial of Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr	
8:00am	Connie Nieland+	Arcadia
8:00am	Eileen Conklin+	Templeton
5:00pm	FB live-streamed Evening Prayer	Fr. Fred
Saturday, Nov. 13	THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
5:30pm	Dale Mueggenberg+	Breda
Sunday, Nov. 14		
8:00am	Lorne+ & Gladys Steinkamp+	Arcadia
10:00am	<i>Pro Populo: For the People of GSCP</i>	Templeton

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION is AVAILABLE 1/2 HOUR BEFORE WEEKEND MASSES or BY APPOINTMENT



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FROM THE PASTOR: As noted in last week's bulletin, **National Vocation Awareness Week** is this week, Nov. 7-13. I had a bit of a trip down vocation memory lane last weekend. On Sunday afternoon, Oct. 31, the title of "Chaplain to His Holiness [Pope Francis]" was conferred upon Msgr. Edward Michael Girres; with that, he donned the cassock of a Monsignor. Now Msgr. Girres was always a step ahead of me: In 1979, he completed major seminary at The American College in Louvain, Belgium (Flemish: Leuven)—a year before I arrived to begin my studies there. My first priestly assignment was full-time faculty member at Kuemper with residence at Holy Spirit. As many of you will remember, Msgr. Girres was also on the faculty of Kuemper and residing in St. Bernard, Breda. I greatly enjoyed being on faculty with Msgr. Girres—alas, it was only for one year (1984-85).

One mentor and example we both have in common is Fr. Merle Kollasch; he is now retired and living at St. Joseph, Bode. I visited him and stayed over night; lots of memories filled my heart and mind. It was fun to cook supper and breakfast together and to chat about lots of things—a lot about Leuven. Fr. Kollasch was on the seminary staff in Leuven. He returned to the diocese at the same time Msgr. Girres did. Fr. Kollasch then became the diocese's vocation director. Fr. Kollasch went to bat for me with Bishop Greteman. I was studying at St. Meinrad Seminary in Indiana, which was and is a wonderful place. I had, however, told Bishop Greteman that I was interested in studying in Leuven, so Fr. Kollasch took up that request and encouraged the Bishop to send me to Leuven. The Bishop approved the request! Fr. Kollasch also urged Bp. Greteman to allow me to study an extra year so that I could complete the Licentiate in Sacred Theology. Because of that, after 4-years at Kuemper (one as pastor of St. Mary, Willey), Bishop Soens allowed me to return to Leuven to study for the Doctorate in Sacred Theology.

Before all that, of course, I was blessed to be born to parents who were devout Catholics (my Dad, who was a baptized Lutheran, was received into the Catholic Church before they married). From when there was one child (my older brother) until there were seven children, each Sunday and Holy Day, we piled into the car (an LTD station wagon in the last years) to go to Mass at St. Mary, Mapleton. We also prayed at home as a family (morning offering, before meals, rosary from time to time) and individually. For some years, the religious sisters who taught in the Catholic Grade School, taught us in religious education on Saturdays (we went to Schleswig-Ricketts schools). When St. Mary's school closed, there were some wonderful lay persons in the parish who were great catechists.

Besides my family and extended family, and religious education, Fr. Anthon Ocken (Msgr. in later years), who was at Mapleton for more than 40 years, was my role model. He was a former farmer; as a priest, he brought his love for the land and the people of God to his ministry. He always answered the many questions I had, even when I was very young. He was an inspiration to me!

Every priest has his own vocation story—this is only a small slice of mine. Please think of ways to encourage vocations to priesthood and religious life. Please pray for our seminarians; there will be a handout with our seminarians' names and pictures available at Masses this weekend. On the flip side there is a Prayer Calendar to guide prayer for the priests, consecrated men & women, permanent deacons and seminarians. Please pick one up; thank you for your prayers (with the calendar, or in whatever way that fits your prayer).

Please consider a generous contribution to the special collection for **St. Joseph's Education Society**. This "society"/fund provides formation for permanent deacons and seminarians, as well as continued education and formation for the clergy of the diocese. I'm sorry that I'm late with this; so this weekend or in another week or two, please use your regular collection envelope, the mailer you have received, or an online donation through our diocesan website, <https://scdiocese.org/st-josephs-education-society>. **Thank you very much!**

BINGO TODAY, Sunday Nov. 7!! St. Bernard's will be hosting Bingo at the Breda Legion. **Doors open at 2:30pm; Bingo will start at 3:00pm.** Cost is \$20 per person. Food will be provided and there will be lots of fun prizes and cash to win.

Reminder: Our gathering to discuss "*For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission*" will be on **Nov. 14 @ 6:00pm** in the parish hall/basement of St. John the Baptist Church in Arcadia. For guiding questions for this time, you can look at what is provided at scdiocese.org/synod. You may, if you wish, submit your answers on that site.

Thirtieth-First Sunday of Ordinary Time

Readings: 1 Kings 17:10-16; Psalm 146:7, 8-9a, 9b-10 (R: "Praise the Lord, my soul!"); Hebrews 7:24-28; Mark 12:38-44

Both King Omri and his son, King Ahab, "did what was evil in the LORD's sight more than any of his predecessors" (see 1 Kgs 17:23-34 for this evaluation). So Israel's kings are getting worse and worse. The prophet Elijah spoke a message from the LORD to Ahab: "As the LORD, the God of Israel, lives, whom I serve, during these years there shall be no dew or rain except at my word" (17:1b). The LORD then sent Elijah to the Wadi Cherith where he could find water (a wadi is a ravine that has water during rainy season—so we know this isn't going to last); the LORD also "commanded ravens to feed [Elijah] there" (17:2-6). When the wadi dried up, the LORD said to Elijah, "Arise, go to Zarephath of Sidon and stay there. I have commanded a widow there to feed you" (17:9).

We now join this story in our first reading. Zarephath is in Phoenicia, which is foreign territory. The widow is also suffering from the drought proclaimed through the prophet. When Elijah, who is essentially a refugee at this point, asks the widow for a cup of water, she leaves to get it for him. Perhaps there was a village well from which she carried water each day. She certainly shows herself to be hospitable to someone in need. As she heads to get the water, Elijah asks for "a bit of bread." Normally one would give a visitor a "loaf" of bread, which would be a large bun to us. But Elijah asks for "a bit." She has no bread, and she has only a bit of flour and oil to make a small amount of bread for herself and her son. She and her son are in dire straits! Elijah, however, asks her to trust in him and in the LORD. If she first provides him with "a little cake" (not a sweet dessert cake), then "... the LORD, the God of Israel, says: 'The jar of flour shall not go empty, nor the jug of oil run dry, until the day when the LORD sends rain upon the earth.'" Remember, it is at the word of Elijah that the drought will be lifted (it lasts at least 3 years [1Kgs 18:1], perhaps 3½ [Luke 4:25; James 5:17]). Her trust in Elijah and the LORD also results in Elijah being present to revive her son when due to a severe illness, he stops breathing (for the sto-

ry, see 1Kgs 17:17-24).

The widow of Jerusalem in our Gospel passage is comparable to the widow of Zarephath. Both entrust the last bit they have to the LORD. In contrast to the religious leaders who had forgotten their roles of service and caring for the poor as often commanded in the Scriptures, the poor widow puts in "two small coins." Each of these coins was a *lepton*, which was equal to 1/64 of a denarius, which was considered a "day's wage." So she put in 1/32 of a day's wage—BUT, she could have kept one of the coins for herself! She tosses her pittance into the treasury while "many rich people put in large sums." It is only the word of Jesus that informs us of how generous the widow really was. Not only had she not kept one small coin for herself, but those two coins were "all she had, her whole livelihood." Like the last bit of flour and oil to provide a "cake" for Elijah, these "two small coins" were the last bit that the Jerusalem widow had.

Both widows entrusted all they had to the LORD, one through the word of the prophet Elijah, the other through a total gift to the treasury at the Jerusalem Temple. In these stories there are lots of themes converging. Entrusting oneself totally to the LORD is clearly one. What that means in each of our lives is worth reflecting on and examining our consciences.

Certainly, this invites us to be people of service, hospitality and generosity, not people who take advantage of others or are about status and prestige (see Jesus' harsh critique in the Gospel reading). These widows also remind us that the lack of good social nets for the poor were not only a first century reality, but continues today. The Church's social teaching asks us to have a "preferential option for the poor", that is, to *first* ask ourselves how our actions, government policies, Church structures, etc., affect the poor, the people on the margins of society.

The widow of Zarephath, despite her dire straits, responds to the refugee Elijah when he asks for water. She did not yet know he was a prophet of the LORD, but when she learns that, she trusts in Elijah's LORD, even though she likely would have worshipped many gods until then. Had she turned away the refugee Elijah, she would have lost out on many blessings from the LORD.

We can certainly help the poor—some of whom may be recent refugees—in any number of ways. A local and important way is be generous with nonperishable food items that are being collected for **Community of Concern in Carroll** (see above). We can also check ourselves to see if we might have attitudes about the poor and refugee that are more rooted in bias and ignorance than in reality and in the love of God and love of neighbor.

In this way, we can be more like the LORD depicted in the Psalm. That is, our LORD, who "keeps faith forever, secures justice for the oppressed, gives food to the hungry..., sets captives free..., gives sight to the blind..., raises up those who were bowed down..., loves the just..., (sustains) the fatherless and the widow..., but (thwarts) the way of the wicked..." If that list seems familiar, see Matthew 25:31-46. We lift up our voices with the Psalmist: "Praise the LORD, my soul!"

If you would like to send a card to **Fr. Steve Brodersen**, his address is: 20635 150th Street, Carroll, IA 51401

NOVEMBER FOOD COLLECTION: Please donate non-perishable food items for the **Community of Concern Food Pantry** (322 W. 3rd St., Carroll).

- In **St. Bernard & St. John the Baptist**, place your items in front of the St. Joseph altar.
- In **St. Augustine and Sacred Heart** place your items in the boxes in the main entryway.

Thank you for helping your neighbors!

LOOKING AHEAD: MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Thanksgiving (Nov. 24-25):

- Wed., **Nov. 24, 5:30pm @** St. Bernard, Breda;
- Thurs., **Nov. 25, 9:00am @** St. John the Baptist, Arcadia & @ Sacred Heart, Templeton.

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception (Holy Day; Dec. 7-8):

- Tues., Dec. 7, 5:30pm @ St. Bernard, Breda;
- Wed., Dec. 8, 8:00am @ St. John the Baptist, Arcadia & @ Sacred Heart, Templeton;
- **AND, Dec. 8, 5:30pm @ St. Augustine, Halbur** (this also anticipates St. Augustine's dedication day, Dec. 9, 1973).

Christmas, The Solemnity of the Nativity of our Lord (Holy Day):

- Christmas Eve, Dec. 24, 4:00pm @ Sacred Heart, Templeton (Fr. Merlin Schrad presiding!) & 6:00pm @ St. John the Baptist, Arcadia;
- Christmas Midnight Mass, Dec. 25, Midnight, @ St. Bernard, Breda;
- Christmas Day, Dec. 25, 9:00AM, @ St. Bernard, Breda.

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph (Sat., Dec. 25–Sun., Dec. 26): Regular weekend times and places. **Please note:**

- The obligation for the weekend is not met by going to a Christmas Mass;
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- To fulfill both obligations, all the faithful are to attend one of the Masses for Christmas and one of the Weekend Masses for the Feast of the Holy Family.

Magnificat of NW Iowa will host speaker, Chris Magruder on **Saturday, Dec. 4, 10am**, Resurrection of Our Lord, Pocahontas. Chris is cohost of Catholic Women Now and executive producer of "The Veil Removed". Come enjoy brunch, meet new women and enjoy a morning of prayer with us. Please **RSVP** by PayPal at our website or send \$20 to Michele Leiting, 19546 Aspen Ave., Westside 51467, by **Nov. 29**.

Arcadia Community Club, **Staley's Chicken Dinner & Feather Party**, Friday, Nov. 19, 5-7pm, Arcadia Legion. Adults \$12; Children (4-10) \$8. **Feather Party** begins at 7:30. Contact Bev Vonnahme if you would like to donate silent auction items.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST-ARCADIA

Congratulations to Brian and Ashten (Vonnahme) Pottebaum on the baptism of their son, **Wade Brian**, at St. Anthony Hospital (emergency) on Sept. 13, by Fr. Patrick Behm. It was a joy to "supply the Rite of Baptism" at St. John the Baptist Church on Sun., Oct. 31. **Wade**, we are so glad that you are doing well; welcome to the Catholic Church and Good Shepherd Catholic Parish!

St. John's **Church Cleaning** will be held on **Saturday, Nov. 13, 8:30-2:30pm**. Thank you in advance to everyone for all your help.

St. John Parish will be hosting an old fashion **Cookie Exchange Extravaganza** on **Sunday, November 21st** after the 8:00 am Mass. Coffee, juice and cookies will also be served. If you want to participate, please bring 2 1/2 dozen cookies in a container and a separate empty container to bring cookies home in. If you any questions contact Bev Vonnahme 712-689-2212. Come help our parish celebrate the upcoming holidays! Everyone welcome!

MINISTERS-November 14

Reader: LuAnn Vollstedt **EMHC:** Margaret Gruba
Servers: Caden & Brenden Vonnahme
Ushers/Greeters: Michelle Schuette, Margaret Gruba

Stewardship for October 31

Adult \$2,800.00; Loose \$112.00; World Mission Sunday \$2.00; Guild Dues \$20.00

ST. BERNARD-BREDA

Parish Office closed Wed., Nov. 10 as Cindy is attending a training.

Church Cleaning: The ladies who did not contribute \$15 for Church Cleaning are expected to help **one hour** with General

Cleaning on Nov. 17th or 18th at your convenience. There will be a list of duties on the bulletin board in the back of church, as well as cleaning supplies. Please cross off the area you cleaned and sign your name so the whole church gets cleaned. Thank you.

~Mary Snyder, Guild President

St. Bernard's Birthday Committee will be celebrating **Lois Sturm's belated Nov. 4 birthday**. Lois lives at St. Anthony Nursing Home, 406 E. Anthony, Carroll.

Guitar Group practice will be held on Saturday, Nov. 13, 4:30pm in the school.

Singers of any age wanted to praise the Lord in song. No experience needed. Just come to the choir loft and help us sing.

Anyone interested in a star shaped ornament for the **Memory Tree** this year in memory of a loved one, please call Mary Kay at 712-673-4695 (store) or 712-673-2847. All will be remembered at Christmas Masses. A donation of \$5 per ornament is requested. Mary Kay, Arlene Mueggenberg and Dr. Dan and Muriel McDermott are in charge of this annual project.

St. Bernard is starting up the **Scrip** program again, to be held the **first Saturday of each month**. Scrip orders will be taken after the 5:30 Mass and can be picked up after Mass, the following Saturday.

Breda Veterans Day Potluck, Thurs., Nov. 11, 6:30 social, 7pm dinner at the Breda American Legion. We ask members to bring a salad, veg. or dessert.

The Friendship Group will be traveling to visit **Domus Trinitatis (Home of the Trinity)** in Willey on Tuesday, Nov. 9. Meet at Kay's Korner at 8:30 if you would like to go. Everyone is welcome.

MINISTERS-November 13

Greeters: Alvin/Sue Mueggenberg **Rosary Leader:** Pat Koster
Reader: Arlene Mueggenberg
Servers: Hayden & Preston Vonnahme
Ushers: Chris Koster, Mike Koster **GBearers:** Jason/Jill Kies
EMHC: Chuck/Mary Thatcher
Nov \$\$ Counters: Linda Steinkamp, Mary Lou Grabner

Stewardship for October 31

Adults \$3,700.00; Youth \$20.00; Loose \$76.00; Guild Dues/Cleaning \$175.00; Project Donations \$160.00; Hall Rental \$75.00; All Saints Day \$10.00

SACRED HEART CHURCH, TEMPLETON

Sacred Heart Parish is looking for **volunteers** to help with their upcoming **Chicken Supper** on **Sunday, Nov. 21, 4-6:30pm**. If you are able to help, please contact Shell Irlbeck at 830-6936.

MINISTERS-November 14

Reader: Holly Warner **Server:** Jake Wieland
Usher/Gift Bearer: Volunteers **EMHC:** Sylvia Sporrer
Church Cleaners: Rich/Nancy Danner, Darren/Amey Dea

Stewardship for October 31

Adults \$8,260.82 [including grain donation]; Youth \$4.00; Loose \$77.00; Guild Dues \$40.00; Friend of Parish \$25.00

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Stewardship for October 31

Adults \$1,369.17 [including grain donaton]; Guild Dues \$15.00; Rectory Rent \$800.00

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Stewardship for October 31

Adults \$150.00; Catholic School Support \$100.00; World Mission Sunday \$15.00

HOLY ANGELS CHURCH BUILDING, ROSELLE

PERSONS WISHING TO JOIN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, whether baptized in another faith or unbaptized and over the age of seven [7], may contact Fr. Friedrichsen at any time of the year to begin the process known as the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), or the Rite of Christian Initiation of Children (RCIC).

BAPTISM CLASS is offered to couples who are having a child baptized for the first time in one of the churches of Good Shepherd Catholic Parish. —New parents, CONGRATS! PLEASE email Fr. Friedrichsen so a day and time for the class can be scheduled with you (there might be more than one couple attending, which is a good thing!).

MARRIAGE PREPARATION: It is advisable to begin this at least 9 months before the wedding day. If either the bride or the groom was previously married and has not yet done the annulment process, that will be necessary before marriage preparation can begin. Please contact Fr. Friedrichsen so that all preparations may be completed in time for the wedding and marriage. Remember, the wedding is just a day, while marriage is a LIFETIME!

NEW PARISHIONERS may register in the parish of their choice by visiting the website (<http://gscpcarrollco.org/parish-registration>), choosing the “ABOUT” drop-down menu, clicking on Parish Registration, and completing the form. WELCOME!

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