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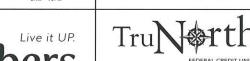
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Saturday 7:00 P.M. - 7:30 P.M Sunday 12:00 P.M. - 12:30 P.M. Tuesday 8:00 A.M. - 8:25 A.M. Wednesday 4:30 P.M. - 4:55 P.M. Anytime by calling Fr. Ryan

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CONFESSION, ADORATION, & MASS INTENTIONS

First Saturday, November 4

8:00 A.M. - Rosary

9:00 A.M. – Mass – Don Manty by Mike &

Rhonda Bertucci (At St. John's)

6:00 P.M. – Mass – Don Junak by Jerry & Gloria Junak

7:00 P.M. - Confession

Sunday, November 5

11:00 A.M. – Mass – St. Joseph Memorial

12:00 P.M. - Confessions

6:00 P.M. – Mass – The People of the Parishes (At St. Joseph)

Monday, November 6 (At St. John's)

4:30 P.M. – Adoration & Confession

5:00 P.M. - Mass - Dan Harrington

by Rosemary Harrington

Tuesday, November 7

8:00 A.M. – Confession

8:30 A.M. - Mass - Chetty Maki by Mary Ann St. Andre

Wednesday, November 8

8:00 A.M. - Adoration & Confession

8:30 A.M. - Mass - Joe Valente by Al & Joan Goodney

Thursday, November 9 (At St. John's)

8:00 A.M - Confession

8:30 A.M. - Mass - Robert Vogler by Marilyn Nardi

9:00 A.M. - Adoration

Friday, November 10 (At St. John's)

8:00 A.M. - Adoration & Confession

8:30 A.M. – Mass – Fr. Francis Dobrzenski

9:00 A.M. - Sacred Heart of Jesus Devotion

Saturday, November 11

6:00 P.M. - Mass - Gary Betts by Dianne Betts

7:00 P.M. - Confession

Sunday, November 12

11:00 A.M. – Mass – M/M Henry Nault by Henrietta Nardi & Family

12:00 P.M. – Confessions

6:00 P.M. – Mass – The People of the Parishes

(At St. Joseph)

The sanctuary candle this month is lit in memory of Alvar Heikkila and the Hebert & Heikkila Families.

For more information, to submit a prayer request, or watch Mass live from St. Joseph Parish, please go to www.ishpemingcatholic.com/live

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, November 4 - 6:00 P.M.

Lector: Ann Piereson

EMHC: Mary Loy, Matthew Handley

Sunday, November 5 - 11:00 A.M.

Lector: Lisa Niemi

EMHC: Phil Niemi, Carol Hanninen, Angela Johnson

Saturday, November 11 - 6:00 P.M

Lector: Sherri Bertani EMHC: Julie Salmonson

Sunday, November 12 - 11:00 A.M.

Lector: Nick Ustick

EMHC: Mary Jo Connors, Becky Ostola, Shelley Oja

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Memorial Offerings	\$ 500.00
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Total Other Income	\$ 5,645.00

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: ROM 11:29-36/PS 69/LK 14:12-14
Tuesday: ROM 12:5-16AB/PS 131/LK 14:15-24
Wednesday: ROM 13:8-10/PS 112/LK 14:25-33

Thursday: EZ 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/PS 46/ 1 COR 3:9C-11, 16-17/JN 2:13-22

Friday: ROM 15:14-21/PS 98/LK 16:1-8 Saturday: ROM 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/PS 145/

1 THES 4:13-18/MT 25:1-13

Sunday: WIS 6:12-16/PS 63/LK 14:1, 7-11

IN MEMORY OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED IN THE PAST YEAR...

Rita Bazinette, Mark DeCaire, Karen Sundblad, Jacoba Lexmond, Ray Marietti, William Frailing, & Joanne Carriere.

A SENIOR MOMENT

Join us on November 6th for coffee, treats, and visiting followed by Bingo. All are encouraged to bring a small gift for the prize table. Our gatherings take place on the first and third Mondays of the month from 2 to 3:30 in the Father Ouellette Room at St. Joseph's Church. Call Angela Johnson at 236-9171 if you need a ride.

SVDP CHRISTMAS BASKET FOOD DRIVE

Please help us fill our Christmas Food Baskets this year. The following items are needed to complete the baskets and provide families with a special dinner and breakfast for Christmas: Instant Potato flakes · Stuffing (bag or box) ·

Gravy (canned) · Cake mix and Cake frosting · Coffee (regular or decaf) · Juice (non-perishable) · Sugar cookie mix and icing (for families with children. Please consider filling a bag (or two) by purchasing the above items and returning them to the Church by November 11th/12th.

FROM THE PASTOR

This weekend is the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time. The readings speak about virtuous leadership for God's people. In the 1st reading from Malachi, the Lord speaks to the priests, who unfortunately were abusing their authority. By using their position for their own interests, they forgot they belong to the same family as the people they served. Malachi longs for good priestly leaders who are truly concerned for the welfare of God's family. The Psalm teaches us to profess confidence in God. Even when leaders go astray, we can find refuge directly in God. The 2nd reading reflects how St. Paul and his companions lead God's people 'as a nursing mother cares for her children.' Virtuous leaders share their very selves with the people over whom they have authority. In today's Gospel, Jesus counsels his Apostles - bearers of the new priesthood - against pride. Jesus' intention isn't that we drop the word 'father' from our vocabulary. The Apostles continue to use the word 'father' in the New Testament. Jesus teaches the Apostles to cultivate humility, conscious that they are brothers to those they lead, children of one Father. All who lead in the Church are to be like slaves of the ancient world – they are to have little or no goods or pleasures to enjoy in this life. The priesthood is not to be a path to wealth, power, and sensual pleasure, but rather a path of poverty, chastity, and obedience, a path of humility and service, a total gift of self. Christ requires this of those who would be 'great' in His kingdom. May we heed His counsel!

Prayers and blessing on those taking part in the *Women's Retreat* this Saturday at St. John's. Thanks to our female parishioners who prepared reflections, and to *Daniel Knutson* for organizing registration and lunch!

Thanks to *Adam Valeski* for driving his tractor, and *Jim Butorac* for lending his trailer for the trick or treat hay ride at St. Joe's last Tuesday evening. We had a hot bonfire going in the cold, and lots of happy kids!

Special prayers this weekend for the deceased from this past year: Rita Bazinette, Mark DeCaire, Karen Sundblad, Jacoba Lexmond, Ray Marietti, William Frailing, and Joanne Carriere. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace!

The next **Parish breakfast is** *today*, *Sunday*, *November* S^{th} following the 11:00am Mass. All are welcome to come enjoy the food and time together in the Hall.

The next **Senior Moment** will be this Monday, November 6th at 2:00pm at St. Joe's in the Fr. Ouellette Room. Angela Johnson will be leading Bingo, and all seniors are welcome to come enjoy the time together with treats and refreshments provided.

Please pray for *Anna Hytinen* who's serving as a team member for the **Youth Encounter Christ** retreat next weekend in Crystal Falls. We have 18 candidates from the central U.P. making the retreat, and 13 youth team members.

Fr. Christian and our talented musicians from both parishes are planning an Advent Concert of Carols and Lessons on Thursday, December 7th at 7:00pm in the church at St. John's. Mark your calendars and plan to come to get into the Advent/Christmas spirit!

It's time to gather items to place in St. Vincent de Paul Christmas baskets. As in year's past, you're invited to

donate items for families who sign up for a basket through St. Vinnie's. Thanks to everyone who helps make this a success each year!

Prayers for those traveling this week to the **Michigan March** for Life this *Wednesday*, *Nov.* δ^{th} . This is the anniversary date of the passage of the tragic and de-humanizing Proposal 3. Tens of thousands of people will converge in Lansing to pray and witness to the dignity of each human life, especially in the most vulnerable stages. Please pray for the up-building of a culture of life!

This coming week is also the 4th anniversary of the **Ishpeming Care Clinic** in St. John's convent. There will be an **Open House** next Monday, November 13th from 4pm-7pm in St. John's convent for you to meet site coordinator Carrie Hutchinson and enjoy refreshments and a tour of all the Care Clinic provides for moms and dads to support them in choosing life!

Thanks to those who have turned in your **Commitment Form** for our *Rekindling Joy* appeal \sim I appreciate your commitment! Our commitment goal is \$210,000 to fund our parish operating expenses (\$175,364) and UPCSA obligation (\$34,636). So far, 80 households have committed \$105,300 so we're almost halfway to the goal! If you haven't been in the habit of giving to the parish, every bit helps!

Please indicate on your Commitment Form the total amount (Parish and UPCSA combined) you plan to give over the next 12 months, and return the Form. We'll begin to make follow-up calls soon to check on those who haven't gotten the Form back.

You can give your commitment amount using your parish envelopes monthly or weekly, or set up an automatic recurring gift online at *ishpemingcatholic.com/give*, or write your info on the Form and we'll set up an automatic gift for you. *Thank you!*

Finally, happy birthday week to: Susie Truscott, Ryan Gleason, Wade Grady, Karen Porter, Justin Richards, Peter Marku, Dianne Betts, Ella Brand, Patrick Scanlon, Jr., and Jonathan Heinzelman. May God bless you abundantly!

Peace,

Father Ryan
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From Daniel Knutson, Faith Formation Director Interested in receiving text message reminders about upcoming events and opportunities? Text "ishpeming" to 84576 and you can select the types of updates you want to receive.

Our **Grown-Up movie night** is this Saturday, November 4th at St Joe's at 7:00pm. We'll dive into the topic of freedom through a story featuring my favorite wrestler-turned-actor on the big screen in the hall. Don't miss out!

Want to join in for the next **Faith Worshop**? It will take place on *Wednesdays*, November 29, December 06, and December 13 from 7-8 pm at St. Joe's and will focus on the season of Advent. See you there!