



*“The souls of the just are in the hand of God, and no torment shall touch them.”*

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Book of Wisdom**

One of the many Dutch expressions that my parents often quoted, (translated) was only five words; *“A house is a cross.”* The reason why the Dutch say this line is because once you have a home, you are always fixing, repairing or maintaining the structure in one form or another. The Dutch also have another expression that is equally pessimistic that goes; *“When you have your home perfect, you will die!”* (I know, kind of bleak!)

I mention housing, as I am still working on getting settled in the rectory. On Tuesday, as I was painting the ceiling in the foyer, a couple of good souls from the parish stopped to bring me some garden items. They reminded me that I was in keeping with my story in my Sunday homily. For just as Michelangelo was painting the ceiling of the Sistine Chapel, so now, during the week, I was painting ceilings as well.

The administrative end of the parish has not allowed me to give my undivided attention to my residence. Yet, this week, I had two, full 12 hour days to finally move into my bedroom closets and to plaster and paint two ceilings, and to finish some of the cleaning after the plumber’s visit. My Mother has so often said that she was grateful that she had the ability to do the work that she did around the house. I certainly feel the same way and enjoy working quietly on some physical projects.

Many of the saints believed that physical work can be a source of spiritual inspiration, from washing a floor to painting a ceiling. St. Therese, Blessed Mother Theresa and St. Benedict, to name a few, saw work as a form of spiritual enrichment. It was St. Benedict, who coined the phrase, *“Ora et Labora”, “Work and Prayer”.*

So, as I was painting a ceiling, it dawned on me that this old rectory, like most residences remind us that left alone, things are slowly rusting, decaying and crumbling. All things are returning back to the original source of the ground from which they came. As houses, so too this body of ours that houses our souls.

Twenty-five years ago I could stand on a ladder painting the side of a barn, and it phased me very little. Today, I wake up stiff and slightly sore (a good feeling) but with the realization, I am not getting any younger.

We are blessed liturgically, that this weekend we are able to celebrate the Feast of All Souls on Sunday. The entire month of November is spiritually reserved for us to pray for our dearly departed that they might be freed of their spiritual chains in purgatory and be welcomed into the eternal Kingdom.

**As the trees have lost their leaves and natural reality is revealing that another cold winter is almost**

**upon us; so too, as we age and mature, we also are naturally aware that the cold sleep of death is waiting for us, maybe sooner than we think.** It is easy to say that when we die we will all go straight to heaven. But that is personal belief but not the Church’s teachings. For every Sunday we say in the Creed that *“Christ will come to judge both the living and the dead”.* There is no need for divine judgment if eternity is presumed, simply for living on the earth.

My staff informed me that we are running low in Mass intentions in the parish. I have never experienced this before as there was always a high demand for Mass intentions to pray for our beloved dead. Maybe, consider stopping by the office to have a Mass offered for your parents, spouse or loved one that has gone before you during this month of November. The Church teaches that if our loved one who has passed is in full communion with the Lord, then those prayers will go to a poor soul that is in need of those prayers. Let us hold up in prayer this November all those who have died, that they might have a beautiful dwelling place in the Kingdom of Heaven! God love you!

*Rev. Paul van de Crommert*  
Pastor

<b>Stewardship of Treasure</b>	
Adult (152)	\$ 9,258.00
Electronic Giving	4,341.75
Junior	49.57
Plate	350.00
Votive Offering	43.55
All Saint’s Day Collection	48.00
Faith Formation Tuition	10.00
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$ 14,100.87</b>
<i>*(Our weekly budget is set at \$12,750.00)</i>	
<b>Special Collection</b>	
Mission Sunday	\$ 153.50



**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

*“Faith does not demand miracles, but often accomplishes them.”*

**STEWARDSHIP**

We had another good collection this week that exceeded budget. Your stewardship has been wonderful. Over these four weeks, we have sufficient money to pay off \$10,000 per week on our subsidy for the Loyola School system. I want to keep up with the payments in proportion to where we are at in the calendar year. Right now we are still behind, but the Good News is that we are catching up.

Our Diocesan-wide “Diocesan Ministries Appeal”, is forthcoming in this month of November. The Bishop has set our goal for Holy Rosary at \$27,000. Last year the parish did not meet the goal and the remainder of the monies came from the General Funds of the parish. You have been so generous so far, in the first third of the year, I have confidence that if we all pull together, we can not only make the goal, but exceed the goal. Any monies that we go over will be split 50% for our Catholic School subsidy and the other 50% for the Diocesan Assessments.

Your generosity is tremendous. Thank you so very much!!!!

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE**



The closing candlelight ceremony for 40 Days For Life will be held Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 pm at the 201 N Victory Drive vigil site, with music, singing, prayers and sharing. Immediately afterwards, gather at Jake's Stadium Pizza for some social time.

**R.C.I.A. (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)**

Again this year, Holy Rosary is providing the opportunity for people who might be interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and possibly becoming a Roman Catholic to explore that possibility. We have already had some inquiries about receiving instruction along with some other possibilities. So, it appears that we will have a group of candidates this year. The role of R.C.I.A. is to answer your questions about the Catholic Church and also the possibility of becoming a Roman Catholic at the Easter Vigil in the spring of 2015.

By expressing interest, you assume no obligation or commitment. You may be married to a Roman Catholic or simply have had a desire to learn more about the Catholic Church. Many times grown children have left the Church and are no longer practicing the faith. Some people who have drifted from the Church find that R.C.I.A. is a wonderful way to come back into the Church and into full communion! Feel free to call Holy Rosary Parish Office at 387-6501 if you have interest. Spread the word!

**VACATION RAFFLE**



The Vacation Raffle will be held on Thursday, November 20, 2014. Tickets are \$50 (just a tank of gas!). The evening includes a delicious turkey dinner for two, beer, wine & popcorn as well as a silent auction. Tickets are available from the Pastoral & Finance Council members as well as from the parish office. Lots of Vacation Cash could be yours – plan to attend!! We are in need of new or slightly used items for the silent auction part of this event. Please drop off any items that you have at the Parish Office prior to November 19<sup>th</sup>.

**2014 DIOCESAN MINISTRIES APPEAL**

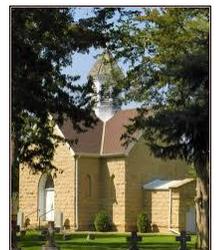
The 2014 Diocesan Ministries Appeal packets will be sent to all parishioners the week of November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Commitment Sunday will be November 22/23. You will be hearing more about the DMA as we move closer to that weekend. The theme of the Appeal is from John 7:38 “River of Living Water will flow from within Him.”

**OFFERTORY GIFTS**

In the past months, the majority of the time the offertory gifts are being brought up by the ushers. The Church’s directive is that the gifts would be brought up by the faithful. Our present list of offertory presenters is quite old. We will be contacting the families of our Confirmation students that will be confirmed to bring up the offertory gifts as well as the boys and girls and their families that are preparing for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. In the coming months we will be asking the faithful to fill out a “Time and Talent” sheet during the liturgies as we are in need of liturgical ministers in several areas for the weekend liturgies.

**CALVARY COLLECTION**

Next weekend we will be taking up a second collection for November the month of Poor Souls and for the greater Mankato area Catholic Cemetery. Many of our Catholic Cemeteries in our Diocese are struggling to maintain financial solvency. We are “SO BLESSED”, by having such a beautiful and well-maintained cemetery in our community. For nearly all of my priesthood I have had to maintain multiple cemeteries. It is a great financial and maintenance challenge. Please be generous next weekend as we take care and maintain with dignity and beauty the final resting place of our dearly departed loved ones.



**The Week Ahead**

**Sunday, November 2: The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Soul's Day)**

*10:00 am – John & Donna Wolf 50th Wedding Anniv.*

**Monday, November 3: Saint Martin de Porres**

**Religious**

*9:00 am – Mass – Calvary Cemetery - +Marvin Homan*

*9:15 am – Bible Study – Conference Room 1*

*6:30 pm – CCW Meeting – Church Social Hall*

**Tuesday, November 4: Saint Charles Borromeo,**

**Bishop**

**Election Day – Holy Rosary School Gym – used for Election**

*8:10 am – Rosary in Church*

*8:30 am – Holy Communion Service*

**Wednesday, November 5: Weekday**

*9:00 am – Mass – Loyola Elementary School – +Chuck Grausam*

*1:00 pm – 4:00 pm – Sewing Group – Lower Level Parish Center*

*4 pm, 6 pm, 7:15 pm – Faith Formation*

*6:30 pm – Choir Organizational Meeting – Church Social Hall*

**Thursday, November 6: Weekday**

*6:00 – 9:00 pm – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*

**Friday, November 7: Weekday**

*8:10 am – Rosary in Church*

*8:30 am – Mass – +Don Ledwein*

**Saturday, November 8: Weekday**

*5:00 pm – Rosary in Church*

*5:30 pm – Mass – +Henry Nowacki*

**Sunday, November 9: The Dedication of the**

**Lateran Basilica**

*7:30 am – Rosary in Church*

*8:00 am – Mass – +People of the Parish*

*9:30 am – Rosary in Church*

*10:00 am – Mass – +Brendan Kroehler*

**UPDATING OUR LISTS OF SICK AND HOMEBOUND**



Through the help of Sister Mary Anne as well as my hospital visits and talking with the faithful, I am updating and beginning the process of visiting with regularity the sick and the infirm of our parish. Normally, I have set aside a portion of each Friday to do this, when it is possible. I am informing you of this as you might know or might be someone who is sick, homebound and are in need of the sacraments. Please call the parish office to let us know. Thank you so much!

**Liturgical Roles – November 8-9**

**Lectors**

**5:30 pm:** Maggie Bennett & JoAnn Borchert

**8:00 am:** Gene Brandt & Mike Brumm

**10:00 am:** Chris Cain & Steve Caron

**Eucharistic Ministers**

**5:30 pm** Kathy Frederickson, Rebecca Gruenes

Rick Gruber, Nicole Hull

Patrick & Wanda Hull

**8:00 am:** Craig Amundson, Arlyce Anderson

Margaret Ayers, Peter Backes

Bernie Bastian, Terri Compton

**10:00 am:** Brent Friedrichs, Dennis Haga

Steve Hlavac, Marsha Murphy

Darlene Schorn, Mark Traxler

**Altar Servers**

**5:30 pm:** Tyler Cromwell, Anna Egeland

Emma Niederegger

**8:00 am:** Grace & Ben Ellingworth, Jake Homan

**10:00 am:** Isaiah & Micah Rentschler, Abi Lang

**Presentation of Gifts**

**Confirmation Candidates & Family**

**5:30 pm:** Jack Keltgen Family

**8:00 am:** Trevor Pengilly Family

**10:00 am:** Mykensie Henriksen Family

**Ushers**

**5:30 pm:** Blaine Kolstad, David Kreuzer

Gary Wintheiser, Paul Stevens

**8:00 am:** Doug & Mary Homan

Kurt Schroder, Carl Steffensmeier

**10:00 am:** Jim Barker, Brandon Bernard

Bill & Pat Fetter

**Music Ministry**

**5:30 pm:** Myra Schroepfer/Jeanne Makela

**8:00 am:** Kathy Jo Johns, Nancy Evans/Jeanne Makela

**10:00 am:** Tom Bachmann/Vicki Galli

**PRAYER CHAIN**

If you, or someone you know, would like to be included in our prayer chain, please call Karen Etzell, 387-7877



**LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYERS...**

**PRAYERS AND SUPPORT FOR ISAAC KOLSTAD AND ALL OF OUR SICK AND INJURED OF HOLY ROSARY PARISH**

Our prayers continue to go out to Isaac Kolstad as well as all of the sick and injured in our parish who are at home, in the hospital, nursing homes or assisted-living residences. May God bless them and keep them under His guidance and protection!

**FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY**

Nick Blace	Matt McGraw
Jared Hiniker	Christopher Schmidt
Ann Winkler	Jonathan Heintz
Dana Schiller	William Backes
Mark Hansen	Ben Barsness
Alex Ek	Sean O'Dea
Timothy Eick	Daniel Fitterer
Anna Drummer	



**FOR OUR FAMILIES**

<b>Monday</b>	Ann Leonard Family
<b>Tuesday</b>	Kathy Duenes Family
<b>Wednesday</b>	Juan & Amy Pacho-Bloch Family
<b>Thursday</b>	No Mass
<b>Friday</b>	Matt & Jamie Malvin Family
<b>Saturday</b>	Jason & JoRae Storm Family
<b>Sunday</b>	John & Janine Nelson Family

**FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL**

Mary Jane Ledwein, Tom Grausam, Don Haley, Jan Schmidt, Doris Lorentz, Bill Goettlicher, Lenore Sweers, Dolores Spreter, Richard Flynn, Jr., Krystal Portz, Lydia Meehling, Jan Brumm, Steve Fitterer, Kathy Eggersdorfer, Jean Weber, Nancy Marquardt, Gabriel Speckel, Shannon Murphy, Harriet Senesac, Lisa LaPoint Leland, Monica Haack, David Bruender, Marilyn Bastian, Betty Kotthoff, Isaac Kolstad, Nancy Wesely, Liz Brumm, Susan Zenk

**Readings for the Week**

<b>Mon:</b>	Philippians 4:4-9; Matthew 22:34-40
<b>Tues:</b>	Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 14:15-24
<b>Wed:</b>	Philippians 2:12-18; Luke 14:25-33
<b>Thurs:</b>	Philippians 3:3-8a; Luke 15:1-10
<b>Fri:</b>	Philippians 3:17,4:1; Luke 16:1-8
<b>Sat:</b>	Philippians 4:10-19; Luke 16:9-15
<b>Sun:</b>	Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17; John 2:13-22

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

1. Diocesan United Fund (D.U.F.), Diocesan Priest Pension Fund/ Medical Care and Diocesan Audit:  
 DUE: \$78,103.92  
 Pd. To Date \$26,071.64
  2. Annual Diocesan Ministries Appeal (D.M.A.)  
 (\*This is taken up this fall)  
 DUE: \$27,708.85  
 Pd. to Date: \$0.00
  3. Loyola Catholic School Assessment:  
 DUE: \$238,000.00  
 Pd. to Date: \$43,500.00
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- Total Assessments 2014-2015: \$ 343,812.77  
 Total Paid to Date 2014-2015: \$ 69,571.64

**NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK**

The Catholic Church in the United States is celebrating National Vocations Awareness Week this week. The annual event is a time for parishes to promote the role of priests, deacons and religious brothers and sisters in helping Catholics to decide on their future.

When someone is encouraged by three or more people to consider a religious vocation in the Church, they are more likely to seriously consider it. We need to be less shy about encouraging someone with the right qualities for religious life to think about it.

We estimate that over 600,000 youth and young adults have seriously considered a religious vocation in the Church. This is Good News! The challenge is to pray for them and encourage them to take the next step as they discern God's call.

**ORGANIZATIONAL CHOIR MEETING  
 WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup>**



This week we are having an organizational meeting for our newly formed Holy Rosary Choir. We have a strong 20 members with 2 more individuals that are planning to join for Christmas and still a few possible leads from our younger members. It is thrilling to see and "hear" the choir coming back to life. It is not too late to join! We will be meeting in the church social hall at 6:30 pm, this Wednesday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. Refreshments will be served. Please plan to attend!

**SATURDAY NIGHT MASS TIME CHANGE**



As shared with you last weekend, the Saturday night Mass time will be changing on the First Saturday of Advent, November 29<sup>th</sup>, from 5:30 pm to 5:00 pm. This will be a permanent time change as the vote of more

than 350 members was an overwhelming majority to switch to the earlier time. We will continue to post this in the bulletin through the month of November. Please remind, family, friends and neighbors. No doubt there will be confused people the first weeks of Advent walking in confused half-way through Mass! (Ha!)



**LOYOLA CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS**

October 30 was the last day of our first quarter, with report cards to be issued on November 5. Parent-Teacher conferences for K-12 will be held on November 6 and 7.

The Diocesan Curriculum committee will meet in Rochester on November 5. The committee, comprised of all administrators and one teacher from each level (primary, intermediate and high school), is focusing on incorporating Catholic principles into our Social Studies curriculum.

Plan to attend Loyola High School's production of The Sound of Music, on November 13<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm, November 15<sup>th</sup> at 2:30 pm or 7:30 pm, or November 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. For tickets and information call any of our school offices (388-0614, 388-0344, or 388-2997). Performances are at the Fitzgerald Campus Theater. While coming to the play, the High School is accepting donations for the Stuff-a-Truck program. If you have a non-perishable food item you would like to donate, please feel free to bring it with you and drop it off in the Fitzgerald lobby.

Mark your calendar for November 14 and get your tickets for Wired to the Heart! This elegant evening, held in the MSU ballroom, is dedicated to raising funds for Loyola's Technology and Science departments, and includes a delicious dinner and live and silent auctions.

Join us in the Blessed Theresa Gerhardinger chapel (Loyola's GC Campus) for our annual Memorial Mass on Wednesday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00. Students and guests will honor family members, alumni, and Loyola friends who have entered into Eternal Life during the past year.

**WIRED TO THE HEART FUNDRAISER**



Wired to the Heart, Loyola's fall fundraiser, raises money for technology and science at Loyola. The event is November 14th. Buy a raffle ticket and be

a part of this great event. Tickets are \$50 and give the buyer a chance to win \$5,000 (winner need not be present to win).

There will only be 400 tickets sold - Great odds! Tickets are available at the Loyola Advancement Office on the Good Counsel Campus or by contacting Carol Brady at [507-381-1381](tel:507-381-1381) or [cbrady@chartermi.net](mailto:cbrady@chartermi.net).

**WORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING**



Just a reminder that the next Worship Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in Conference Room 1. Materials will be handed out at the meeting.

We hope to see you there as we prepare for the Advent and Christmas season.

**ECHO FOOD SHELF**

We set aside the 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend of each month to help support our local Food Shelf for those among us who are in need. You are welcome to bring donations, cash or items and put them in the containers. Your help is greatly appreciated and all gifts are tax deductible. Thanks for all that you do to reach out to others in need!



**FR. ED ARDOLF ENDOWMENT FUND**

This fund is now at \$128,852. 85% of the earnings of this fund go to pay tuition at Loyola Catholic School for Holy Rosary families. Contributions to this fund may be dropped off at the parish office or sent to Amy at Loyola.

**K OF C COUNCIL #5551 NEWS**

- November 13 – Planning Meeting
- November 28 – General Meeting & Card Party
- November 28 – KC Raffle Drawing for Religious Education
- December 6 – Parish Christmas Party



**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

Loving God, You call us through our baptism in the  
Spirit

to continue the mission of your beloved Son, Jesus.

Open us to listen attentively for your invitation.

Empower us to respond to your call.

Inspire women and men to follow the path of service.

Together may we build up the Church to be a  
vibrant sign of your presence in our world.

We offer this prayer in the name of your Son, Jesus  
through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.



**HAPPENINGS AROUND THE AREA**

**“ALL YOU CAN EAT”**

**BOY SCOUT TROOP 29 SPAGHETTI DINNER**

Monday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 4:30 pm – 7:00 pm at Holy Rosary Church Social Hall. The Boy Scouts will be serving Spaghetti, Garlic Bread, Green Beans, Applesauce, Olives, Pickles, Drinks and Dessert. Adults \$6, Seniors \$4, Kids 12 & under \$2, Preschool – free, family of 4 - \$20. Come enjoy an evening out!

**BURGER BASKET NIGHT**



St. Casimir’s School in Wells, MN will be having a Burger Basket fundraiser to be held on Friday November 7<sup>th</sup> at the Wells VFW Club, 25 South Broadway from 5 pm until gone. \$6 includes burger and chips basket. Dine-in or take-out. Bake sale items will also be available.

**LUNCH, MOVIE AND DISCUSSION  
“PHILOMENA”**

Join the Holy Spirit Retreat Center for lunch, movie and discussion of a film depicting an odd couple – Martin (a jaded journalist) and Philomena (an elderly Irish woman searching for her long-lost child). November 12, 11:30 am – 3:00 pm. Suggested donation is \$15 which includes lunch. Please register by November 10<sup>th</sup>.

**SAN LUCAS MISSION FUNDRAISER**

Please join us for a Gala fund raiser for the San Lucas mission. Friday, November 21st at the Crow River Winery east of Hutchinson on highway 7. Doors open at 5:30 pm and supper is served at 7:00 pm. Silent and live auctions will be held. The proceeds from this Gala will be used to continue the educational, medical, and other ministries of the mission. The cost is \$50.00 per person. To reserve your ticket or for more information please call 651-454-0981 or visit [www.sanlucasmision.org](http://www.sanlucasmision.org). Thank you.

**FALL BRUNCH**

Sunday, November 23, 8:15 am - 12:00 pm, St Joseph the Worker’s 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Fall Brunch. Serving ham/egg bake, biscuits/gravy, sausage, French toast, fresh rolls and muffins. Come enjoy a brunch and fellowship. Adults \$7.00, children 6-12 \$4.00, 5 and under free.



**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

The Theresa House and Welcome Inn are hoping you and your family will reach out to one of their homeless or at-risk families this holiday season. Please contact Partners for Affordable Housing’s Volunteer Coordinator, Onnie, at 387-2115 for details. Opportunities includes fulfilling the holiday wishes of a homeless child or family as well as helping wrap and tag Christmas gifts on Wednesday evening December 10<sup>th</sup> or Tuesday evening December 16<sup>th</sup>. Thanks for your help.