

October 31, 2021

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

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7TH ANNUAL NOVEMBER FEST(IVAL)



Sunday, November 7th

**WESTERN
FOLK MASS
AT 10:00 AM
"CEDAR CREEK
GOSPEL BAND"
FROM WILLMAR,
MN
(FREE & OPEN TO
THE PUBLIC)**

BROASTED CHICKEN DINNER

**MASHED POTATOES GRAVY
GLAZED CARROTS COLESLAW
DINNER ROLL CRANBERRIES
PUMPKIN BARS**

**DINE-IN OR TAKE-OUT
(DINE-IN IS ALL YOU CAN EAT!)
(TAKE-OUT: PICK UP FROM 10:30 AM -
1:30 PM AT THE PARISH CENTER-
SCHOOL KITCHEN)**

**ADULT: \$10.00
CHILDREN UNDER 12: \$5.00**

ACTIVITIES

**KID'S GAMES • BINGO • BEER
GARDEN PROVIDED BY SPINNERS
BAR & GRILL**

AND MUCH MORE!

COUNTRY MARKET PLACE

HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL GYM

FRIDAY, NOV 5: 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM

SATURDAY, NOV 6: 7:30 AM - 7:00 PM

SUNDAY, NOV 7: 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM

ONLINE SILENT AUCTION

STARTS OCT. 15TH - GO TO:

HOLYROSARYNORTHMANKATO.COM

All Cash Raffle Drawing

**at 2:30 PM in the Gym
Over \$6,000 in CASH prizes!**

the Quill and the Cloth

One of the scribes came to Jesus and asked him, "Which is the first of all the commandments?" Jesus replied, "The first is this: Hear, O Israel! The Lord our God is Lord alone! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength." - St. Mark



"How are you?" It is usually one of the first sentences you learn when you are learning to speak a foreign language. It is more about politeness, rather than seeing the other person as a patient and you are inquiring of them of their health status. However, in these last days, I had a few stray souls ask me "How are you?" I have told them that I was fine. They went on to mention that my absence last weekend was noticed and they were wondering if I had taken sick, possibly with Covid-19. If you recall, I had mentioned that at least 3 priests from our Diocese who had been vaccinated had still come down with this respiratory disease.

I assured these folks that I was just fine. I had been gone last weekend and most of the previous week as I was following the laws of the Catholic Church, specifically, the spiritual laws of the Church. For the Church requires a priest to take a week off each year, away from his priestly work to make a private or directed retreat. For more than 20 years I made a spring retreat with the priests of the Diocese of New Ulm at King's House in Buffalo, Minnesota. This was a formal, directed retreat with communal Mass each day and prayers, as well as a speaker who would give a talk or two on some dimension of the spiritual life of a priest. But after almost a quarter-of-a-century, I decided one year when my parents were not well, to do a later retreat alone, and well, I found it much more helpful, spiritually speaking.

Too often, in past retreats, there were a lot of conversations, (yes, some clerical gossip), meeting for possible parish assignments, priestly politicking, etc. I felt I needed to get further away from the business of the parish and the Diocese and to get away on my own. So retreat is a week of reflection for me on my priestly life. (One of my reflections was that I cannot believe is that I have been living here in North Mankato approaching 8 years! Wow.) I also offer private Masses, meet with my confessor, and

have a few spiritual conversations with that priest. I also spent a good deal of time walking, which I feel can be prayer as well. I think I walked in a week's time, more than 100 miles. I played a bit of guitar in the evenings, about 10-12 hours. Although I have a television in the rooms where I stayed, I don't think I watched more than an hour or two in total, with many days not even turning the set on at all! **How does that old saying go from the great philosopher Socrates who lived well before the birth of Christ? "An unexamined life is not worth living."**

If we spend a moment "examining" the Sacred Scriptures for this 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time, in St. Mark's Gospel, a person who spent a great deal of time examining the spiritual life of the Jewish religion, namely a scribe, asks Jesus a spiritual question that would have required of Christ a lot of reflection and retreating from the world. For the scribe asks Jesus which is the greatest of the 613 commandments of God that came about from the 10 Commandments. Only from a lot of reflection and retreating from the world, would the One who was called the "Word Made Flesh," be able to give such a direct divinely inspired answer. Basically Jesus tells the scribe that He won't just give the "greatest commandment", but also the "second greatest commandment" for the same money. For Jesus reflects that all of the commandments of God through the Jewish faith boil down to four words: **LOVE GOD. LOVE NEIGHBOR.** That is it. The rest are all filler!

I don't believe that the Lord's brilliant answer was that he was so good at thinking on His feet. No, I think the Lord came up with that answer because he used His feet a great deal, walking for many miles on the dusty country roads and streets of His native Israel in reflection and solitude. I think such an answer does not always come solely through a brain that is ready but rather a brain and a body that retreats now and again from the world.

Last Saturday afternoon, about the time that I will be offering Mass this Saturday evening, I was walking on a cold, blustery fall day on a deserted county road. I came across a field that workers were preparing for a new housing development. It had been pastureland and there was still a little bit of cattle fence that was yet to be removed by the bulldozers. I recovered an insulator that was porcelain on an old piece of fence that was quite old. I marveled at the mastery of how the barbwire was wrapped around the end post by a rancher or a farmer many decades earlier. I am certain the builder of that fence could have never imagined that the pastureland he was fencing off would in the future become a housing development.

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("The Quill and the Cloth" continued...)

Equally that left-over piece of barb-wire fence was a meditation to me as to what lies beyond this frail fence of faith in this world, and what we cannot begin to imagine lies on the other side of this world that has been referred to in Psalm 23, as "a green pasture where He gives me repose". If heaven is going to be a rural area of green rolling pastures, that will be just fine by me! Have a good and reflective week.



Rev. Paul van de Crommert
Pastor



Welcome!



This is getting to be a weekly occurrence these past couple of months as we have been welcoming each week more and more new members to Holy Rosary parish. As the saying goes, "To much of a good thing is **WONDERFUL!**"

Please welcome with me two more households that have joined our growing parish family. Please welcome with me as pastor **Rita Michels**. Rita is retired, a widow and resides in Mankato. Welcome to our Holy Rosary parish family!

Secondly, I also ask that you welcome with me **Mary Van Cleve**, who has recently moved into our area from the lovely community of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Mary is also retired and wishing to be closer to family, yet it is hard to adjust to a new home after living for so many years in the beautiful state of Iowa! She resides here in North Mankato.

We welcome both of these ladies to our growing parish family. If you see someone at Mass that you do not know, make sure that you introduce yourself as you are leaving. Not only are you welcoming a soul after receiving the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist, but you just might also be welcoming a new friend into your own life!

Are you new to the area and would like to join our growing Holy Rosary parish family? Just go to holyrosarynorthmankato.com/membership-registration. and download the registration forms to fill out. You can also simply send us your contact information via an easy-to-use form and we will mail you a hard copy of those forms. Come join our growing Holy Rosary parish family!

Stewardship of Gratitude

10/24/21



Our Gifts to God & Holy Rosary

Adult Contributions	\$3,488.00
Electronic Giving	\$4,552.50
Plate Collection	\$298.50
Junior Collection	\$36.75
Raffle Tickets Sold	\$1,775.00
Dinner Tickets Sold	\$235.00
Weekly Offering Total	\$10,405.75

Weekly offering goal is set at \$10,300.00

Additional Weekly Income	\$1,402.25
Grand Total	\$11,808.00

Total weekly stewardship goal is set at \$13,200.00

Thank you for your gifts of gratitude to God!

May God reward your generous spirit!

Stewardship of Gratitude

Thank you for your gifts of stewardship again this week. It seems that we are slowly and surely putting our stewardship feet on the solid soil of the spiritual life as we see this time of pandemic and severe sickness passing. It is encouraging to know that our national numbers for this pandemic have been falling in substantial ways as well.

A few people thought that my absence last weekend from the liturgies was due to contracting Covid-19. However, that was not the case. Rather, each year a priest is required by Church law to make a week of retreat either privately or publicly with other priests. I again made a private retreat, and then spent the weekend with one of my seminary classmates in his parish. It was curious to note that the parish that I visited has seen their contributions decrease in the first quarter of this new fiscal year by nearly **\$75,000.00**. There are so many churches, both Catholic and Christian, that are finding stewardship a challenge in this post-pandemic time, as people have fallen out of the good habits of either attending and/or giving to their local congregation of their time, talent, or treasure.

So, as pastor, I am grateful for your faithful stewardship each week. It is truly an act of faith. Electronic giving has been a great help to our stewardship for Holy Rosary due to the high mobility of people in these modern times. We also were able to do so well these past weeks, as people are being very generous to help us with our Fall Festival both in terms of purchasing dinner tickets as well as raffle tickets. (**We are a little bit behind of our dinner/raffle ticket sales from last year. Presently, we have sold almost 275 dinner tickets, which is about 21% down from last year. Our raffle ticket sales are also down by about 16%.*) **A LOT CAN HAPPEN IN A WEEK'S TIME BEFORE THE FESTIVAL! PLEASE PURCHASE AND TURN IN YOUR TICKETS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!** And as always, thank you for your gifts!!!!

The Week Ahead

Sunday, October 31: 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

12:00 pm - Holy Rosary Confirmation Class -
(Grades 9 - 10) - Holy Rosary School Building

Monday, November 1st: ALL SAINTS

8:30 am - Mass - Emma Fradd

11:00 am - Funeral Mass for Bob Meyer†

5:30 pm - Mass - Paul Schmidt†

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

9:00 am - Mass at Calvary Cemetery - John, Katherine, Tony & Jean Guertint
(Father Paul is the celebrant.)

Wednesday, November 3rd: Weekday

10:00 am Mass - Oak Terrace -Jon Schwarz†

6:30 pm - Faith Formation Class (Grades 1-8)

Thursday, November 4th: Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop

12:00 pm - Mass - Gene & Norma Meyer†

Friday, November 5th: Weekday

8:30 am - Mass - Carole Madsont

Saturday, November 6th: Weekday [BVM]

5:00 pm - Mass - Shawn Molloy Rose

Sunday, November 7th: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

NO 8:30 am Mass due to Novemerfest

10:00 am - Mass - Novemberfest - Juliette Shamp†

(Please note the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available after any daily Mass as well as following all of the Masses on the weekend.**)**

World Mission Sunday



The annual, worldwide Eucharistic celebration for the Missions of the Church was October 24, 2021. This important day in the life of the Church universal fortifies our understanding of our shared call to mission, bestowed upon us at

Baptism.

World Mission Sunday provides us with the opportunity to speak our faith. We can speak about our faith and respond to our missionary call - *through prayer, participation in the Eucharist, and giving generously* to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of Faith on that special day. Your gifts support and sustain priests, religious and lay pastoral leaders in more than 1,100 mission diocese worldwide. (The bulletin insert provides more information.)

An envelope was provided for you in the envelope packet you received in the mail. You still have time to contribute to World Mission Sunday. If you no longer have your envelope, you can simply take an envelope and label it "World Mission Sunday" and drop it in the collection. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Ministry Schedule November 6th & 7th



Rosary Leader:

5:00 pm Steve Enderle

10:00 am Ryan Howe

Lector:

5:00 pm Cindy Gawrych

10:00 am Jim Schorn

Eucharistic Ministers:

5:00 pm Pat & Wanda Hull

10:00 am Julie Schoettler, Darlene Schorn

Servers:

5:00 pm Annie Wingert

10:00 am Mark Larson, CBB; Emma Bernard

Ushers:

5:00 pm Steve & Barb Enderle

10:00 am Blaine & Teresa Kolstad

Music Ministry:

5:00 pm Kathy Jo Johns, Lori Christianson

10:00 am Tom Maidl



This Week's Sanctuary Light Intention:

Ken & Patricia Thiele

SINCERE SYMPATHY



To the family of Bob Meyer†

- May he rest in peace.

Upcoming Parish Events



• **Confirmation Class - TODAY - Sunday, October 31st, Noon - 2 pm, Parish Center**

• **All Saint's Mass - Monday, November 1st, 8:30 am and 5:30 pm.**

• **All Soul's Mass - Tuesday, November 2nd, 9:00 am, Calvary Cemetery. (Father Paul is the celebrant.)**

• **Faith Formation Class (1 - 8) - Wednesday, November 3rd, 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM, School Building**

• **November Fest 2021 - Sunday, November 7th, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm.**

• **Fall Communal Anointing Mass - Monday, November 8th - 4:00 PM; (Catered supper to follow.)**

• **Faith Formation Class (1 - 8) - Wednesday, November 10th, 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM, School Building**

• **Annual Deceased Soul's Mass - Sunday, November 14th - 10:00 AM Mass; (For parishioner's & families that have lost a loved one in the past year.)**

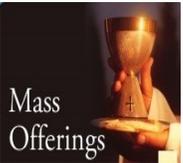
Communal Anointing – November 8th!



Last spring was the last time that we held our Communal Anointing Mass and a meal that followed. We will again be hosting this Mass for all those who are advancing in years, or simply those who are in need of physical

health or spiritual healing. The Mass will be in the main church at 4:00 P.M. Those with disabilities are encouraged to be seated in the front of the church. After the Mass a catered meal will be provided. (*We will only be asking for a free-will offering to cover our costs of the meal.) You are welcome to bring a dessert to pass but no salads or main dishes, please. Our minister to the sick and the homebound, Lorraine Klaseus, will try to contact all of the people on her list. You are certainly welcome to call her at 507-388-4932, to inform her if you will or will not be attending. We had a very nice attendance last spring and we anticipate the same will be the case this fall. We hope to see many of you there for Mass, anointing, a meal, and some fellowship!

Mass Offerings



We had a pretty good initial response for our first appeal for Masses to be offered both for the living and deceased members of our families, friends and loved ones. It is safe to say that we took in about 2 months more of Mass intentions. But we are still in need of additional Masses to take us into the new year of 2022.

November is the month set-aside by the Church to pray for the souls that have died and who may still need additional prayers as they may still be undergoing their spiritual purification in purgatory. (*Yes, we still believe as Roman Catholics in the teaching of purgatory!*) The Church also holds that the most perfect prayer that we can pray for our beloved dead as well as those that are living, is the Mass. Why is the Mass the most perfect prayer? It is because the Mass contains all four areas of prayer: petition, contrition, adoration and thanksgiving!

Attached to this week's bulletin is an additional envelope for you to have Masses offered for your living/late parents, siblings, friends and co-workers. Equally, many times as people age, they do not wish to have any more knick-knacks or items on either their birthday or the holidays. Many times, older folks will simply say, "*Just say a prayer for me!*" What a wonderful thing to send someone a card and enclose the message that you are having a Mass said for their intentions. You may return these Mass Intention envelopes either through the weekend collection or place them in another envelope and send them through the mail. "*Pray for us now and at the hour of our death!*"



Faith Formation

Confirmation Class – This Sunday – October 31st!



This Sunday our Confirmation students for grades 9-10 will be gathering for class after almost a three-week absence. The required Safe Environment training will take place with our students as well as beginning the study of the fundamentals of faith. Our students were expected to know (again) the Apostle's Creed as well as the Hail Holy Queen. As always class will be from 12:00 – 2:00 P.M. The written assignment that the students were assigned three weeks ago, will also be due. Thank you!

November – Month of Poor Souls



When we think of November, we tend to think of this month as a time for the holiday of Thanksgiving! It is a time that we traditionally "give thanks" with a BIG MEAL, maybe at grandma's house. But in our faith life as Roman Catholics, November is also a month that we pray for those in our life that have passed, and that we hope and pray will pass through purgatory and onto the eternal promise of everlasting life. In a way, we also pray a prayer of thanksgiving, as the Holy Eucharist means literally "thanksgiving".

I have asked the catechists in grades 1-8, to introduce in the month of November as the Universal Church asks us, to pray for the dead. Along with an explanation of the Holy Eucharist, the class will be asked to bring money and perhaps pray for someone who is in need of prayers, particularly someone that has died. (*The person you are requesting the Mass for does not have to be Catholic.*) No doubt, it would be interesting for our young people to have a Mass said for someone (living or deceased), who they know, and maybe might make them more inclined to want to attend the Mass in order to hear that name mentioned publicly. A single Mass offering is just \$10.00.

November: Collecting for the Food Shelf

As we begin to make mental preparations for our annual Thanksgiving meal with our family and our friends, we need to be mindful as Christians and Catholics that not everyone has an abundance of food. Sometimes today we refer to this lack of food among the poor as "food insecurity". A large portion, about 25% of the population in our own communities of Mankato, live below the poverty line and in many cases are "food insecure". Although our parish is giving monthly for the needy through Simon's

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Faith Formation

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Ministries, we will be asking of both the students and the souls who gather in the pews each week to bring non-perishable food items to the classroom as well as to the church for those in need. In the case of the students, a running total of how many pounds they collect will be published in the parish bulletin. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Safe-Environment Training

This week as required by the Diocese of New Ulm, grades 1-10 reviewed the policies for Safe Environment as well as viewed a video. The Catholic Church in the United States as an organization has done more in recent memory to create a safe environment for young people than perhaps any organization in this country. However, we cannot let up in our efforts as a church to provide a pure and perfectly safe environment for our young people and the next generation of Roman Catholics. Stay safe!

Looking Ahead in November

Please note that there will be no Faith Formation class on Wednesday, November 24th, at 6:30 P.M. in anticipation of the Thanksgiving holiday. However, you are strongly encouraged as a family to attend the evening Thanksgiving service at Holy Rosary at 5:00 P.M. or Mass on the morning of Thanksgiving at 8:30 A.M.! Although it is a little early....Happy Thanksgiving!

Thank You and Well Done!

CCW News – The 2021 CCW Fall Luncheon is history. **Thank You** to all of you remarkable ladies who baked, made scrumptious salads and desserts, decorated the school gymnasium and cafeteria! I would be remiss if I didn't also thank several gentlemen who helped set up, decorate, and yes, even helped serve the wonderful salads and breads! What a marvelous example of Holy Rosary parish community coming together for a common cause! We served 111 meals and cleared just under \$2,000.00. We would have liked a better turnout but, given the current COVID precautions and conditions, we did well.

This was the first time this event was held in the school and gymnasium. I heard many favorable comments from patrons and workers. Everything from, "we appreciated no steps, more spacious (especially accommodating COVID), flow of traffic was good, and the kitchen worked well". We will have to tweak a few things for next year, but we always learn by doing and can improve next time.

Thank you again, and I look forward to our next event! **If you haven't picked up your bowl from the luncheon, they can be picked up in the school cafeteria.*



Mary Grams, CCW President

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Diocesan United Fund (D.U.F.) Diocesan Priest Pension Fund/ Medical, Care Comp Ins, and Priest Care Fund:

Paid to Date: \$22,999.36

DUE: \$89,576.81

Annual Diocesan Ministries Appeal (D.M.A.):

Paid to Date: \$0.00

Due: \$33,786.20

Loyola Catholic School Assessment:

Pd to Date: \$45,000.00

DUE: \$153,150.77

Holy Rosary Church Repair/Restoration:

Pd to Date: \$200.00

Goal: \$150,000.00

Total Paid to Date 2021-22: \$97,999.36

Apostolate stewardship for 2021-22: \$276,513.76

This week we took another noble step forward for our stewardship commitment to our Catholic School of Loyola with another contribution of \$15,000.00, towards our goal. If you recall, last week we contributed another \$10,000.00 towards our Loyola stewardship commitment, bringing us to contributing \$25,000.00 in just the past two weeks. In terms of percentages, that is just a bit shy of 20%, of our total commitment or about 17%. However, we are still somewhat behind our contributions to the school when compared to last year!

Our ability to make these last two great payments is certainly due to your faithful, weekly stewardship. But more specifically, it is due to your generosity to our parish festival and specifically the tickets that are being purchased for both our dinner and our annual raffle. So, keep those dinner and raffle tickets coming. These tickets are allowing us to keep our stewardship commitments outside of our parish boundaries. Please mark your calendars and support our 7th Annual November Festival on November 7th! And as always, thank you for your gifts!!!

Pornography Awareness Week

Pornography Awareness Week is Oct. 31 - Nov. 6. What will you do this year to educate yourself, find healing, or defend those being exploited? There are many resources available: www.EndSexualExploitation.org (a wealth of information and action steps), www.ReclaimSexualHealth.com (a Catholic site offering the hope of freedom from unhealthy sexual behaviors), www.DefendYoungMinds.com (for parents who want to teach their children how to reject pornography).



Endowment Spotlight: S. Marion Welter Endowment

The S. Marion Welter Endowment was created in honor of S. Marion Welter, SSND by longtime Loyola and Schola Foundation supporter Norb Harrington. Norb was the president of the Schola Foundation while S. Marion Welter was the superintendent of Mankato Area Catholic Schools. Under her leadership from 1988 - 1993, the Catholic elementary schools at Saint Peter and Paul Parish, St. Joseph and St. John's parish, and Holy Rosary parish joined together to become the Mankato Area Catholic Schools (MACS) system in 1990. During this time, Loyola experienced increased enrollment and financial stability. The endowment will provide scholarships to students with financial need.

Wired to the Heart Gala

November 19, 2021 - Mayo Clinic Health System Event Center. Tickets are now on sale for Loyola's largest fundraising event of the year. This is an opportunity to get dressed up and enjoy the evening socializing with other community members. Cash bar, a fine dinner, and silent and live auctions are included in the program. To reserve your individual tickets or purchase a table of 8, visit www.wiredtotheheart.com. To make a donation to our silent auction or learn more, please contact Carrie Kijenski at 507-386-5381 or ckijenski@loyolacatholicschool.org.

Honoring Loyola's Veterans

In honor of Veteran's Day on November 11, throughout the month of November, Loyola Catholic School will remember all those who served or are currently serving our nation in the Armed Forces. Pictures and service information will be displayed in Loyola's main hallway, and the school will remember our veterans and service members in prayer. Family and friends of veterans and service members are encouraged to submit information through October 29. Please email Becky Gerdes, Dean of Academics, at bgerdes@loyolacatholicschool.org if you have any questions.

Memorial Masses

Loyola will continue the tradition of memorializing friends and family who have passed away at our Memorial Masses on Wednesday, November 10: 9:50am middle school Mass and 1:00pm elementary Mass, and Wednesday, November 17 at 10:00am at our high school Mass. If you would like a loved one to be remembered, please email Trudi Clements at tclements@loyolacatholicschool.org or call 388-0606 with the name(s). We will light a candle for each of the departed, and the candles will be placed near the altar. Names will be read during each of the masses.

**YOUR PARISH SUPPORT MAKES ALL WE DO,
LEARN, AND CELEBRATE AT LOYOLA POSSIBLE.**

Leading through Faith, Academic Excellence, and Service.

Lord, Hear Our Prayers

Prayers and support for all of our sick and injured of Holy Rosary Parish

Our prayers go out to 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 Who Are Ill & Special Needs

Arnie & Eileen Wadekamper, Mary Kelly, Ruth Fitterer, Steve Fitterer, Dave Neubert, Anne Doyle, Kathy Fredrickson, Jerry Winters, Kimberly Wegscheid, Karen Etzell, Nancy Eilbert, Marion Giefer, Joan Karpinsky, Lester Kopp, Mary Helen Kennedy, Leroy Gappa, Dorothy Drummer, Aljean Ackerman, Donna Hollund, LaVaughn Drummer

Home Visitation: If you wish to have yourself or a loved one receive the sacraments, Holy Communion or a personal pastoral visit, please call our coordinator, Lorraine Klaseus at 507-388-4932

For Our Families

Monday	Joy Bumberger
Tuesday	Andrew & Nicole Bear
Wednesday	Angie Beaudoin
Thursday	Loretta Becker
Friday	Stephen & Isabelle Behm
Saturday	Patty Bell
Sunday	Matthew & Traci Bendlin



For Those in the Military

Nick Blace	Matt McGraw	Ben Barsness
Jared Hiniker	Christopher Schmidt	Timothy Eick
Dana Schiller	Anna Drummer	Zach Zerneckel
Mark Hansen	Tanner Johnson	

Prayer Chain



If you have a short term prayer request or prayer of thanksgiving for our prayer chain to pray for, please call Teresa Kolstad at 327-9810.

This Week's Readings

Mon:	Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a (667) Pss Prop
Tues:	Any readings from no. 668 or from the Lectionary for Mass (vol. IV), the Masses for the Dead, nos. 1011-1016 Pss Prop
Weds:	Rom 13:8-10/Lk 14:25-33 (487)
Thurs:	Rom 14:7-12/Lk 15:1-10 (488)
Fri:	Rom 15:14-21/Lk 16:1-8 (489)
Sat:	Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Lk 16:9-15 (490)
Sun:	Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Lk 16:9-15 (490)

Next Sunday is Our Festival!!

November 7th, 2021

(*Please Note: We fall back an hour next weekend!)



Sunday, November 7th

It is hard to believe that we will be celebrating our 7th Annual November Fest(ival) on November 7th, in just 7 days! Our final push in these next 7 days will determine whether we will have another successful event. As you well know, this fundraiser is one of our only ones of the entire fiscal year and is equally the largest of fundraisers. Everyone's efforts will make it a successful stewardship day!!!

1. **Raffle Tickets:** As we go to press, while we continue to receive raffle tickets via the office and through the mail, we are presently down from last year by about 10%! PLEASE! PLEASE! PLEASE! Find those raffle tickets and drop them off with your contribution to the parish office this week, throw them in the mail by no later than Wednesday of this week or throw them in the collection next Sunday! If we have a good response to our raffle tickets, we will have a most successful stewardship day!!!



2. **Dinner Tickets:** We are approaching the sale of 275 dinner tickets, which might seem excellent, but we do not sell large amounts of tickets at the door on the day of the festival. Last year we would have sold 20% more dinner tickets at this time. Therefore, the push is on in these final days. Purchasing tickets this weekend or early this week would be a great help with us getting more exact with the number of meals that we need to order. Are there family and friends you could invite to eat in or have take-out next Sunday??? If you do not purchase tickets after Mass this weekend, do stop by the office some time this week during office hours!!!

3. **Silent Auction:** Our Silent Auction is doing well. As we go to press we are nearing some 75 baskets and items for our Silent Auction. It is easy to place a bid by using your smartphone by simply visiting <http://e.givesmart.com/events/iwV>. You will also be able to review Silent Auction items and bid on-line on Friday, November 5th, Saturday, November 6th and Sunday November 7th, in the school cafeteria along with our "NEW" Country Market! There will also be several baskets that you will be able to bid on "in-person only."



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(*Please Note: We fall back an hour next weekend!)

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4. **Country Market: "New this Year":** This year the Fall Festival Committee is doing something new. Grandma's Attic (which was full of cobwebs), is being replaced with a "COUNTRY MARKET". **WE WILL BE HOSTING THIS COUNTRY MARKET SALE FOR 3 DAYS - BEGINNING IN THE SCHOOL GYM ON FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH THROUGH SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7th.** We will have different store fronts that will include PRODUCE (e.g.) vegetables, fruits, eggs, etc. We will be welcoming quality small kitchen and household items. (*NO ELECTRICAL APPLIANCES OR CLOTHING PLEASE!!!) Perhaps a simple rule of thumb is this: "IF YOU HATE TO PART WITH IT BUT YOU NO LONGER USE IT OR HAVE A USE FOR IT, WE WANT IT! IF YOU CANNOT DECIDE WHETHER IT IS JUST TRASH OR POSSIBLE TREASURE, IT MIGHT VERY WELL BE TRASH! You are welcome to bring these items for the Country Market to our school building during office hours. We will have for sale this year again our famous Van de Crommert Vineyard Grape Jelly. Of course this year, with the maturity of our fruit orchard, we will also have for sale numerous jars of Fr. Paul's Peach Jelly. And of course, we will have lots of other wonderful produce from your gardens and fields, baked goods and preserves as well. You are welcome to bring them throughout the weekend to the school gymnasium and perhaps make some personal purchases as well. A special shout-out of thanks goes to the ladies who helped prepare the preserves from the "Van de Crommert Vineyards".

5. **Father's Furniture Market:** Father's Furniture Farm returns for THREE FULL DAYS too! Select items of quality furniture will be available. We already have some wonderful furnishings. Come say HELLO and come, be ready to HAGGLE!



6. **Plus:** SO MUCH MORE...from BINGO TO GAMES FOR THE BOYS AND GIRLS!!! SIGN-UP



SHEETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH. Thank you to those of you who have already signed up to serve. IF YOU HAVE HELPED IN THE PAST, PLEASE GIVE OUR ADMINISTRATOR JIM A CALL IF YOU ARE WILLING TO HELP IN THE SAME AREA! (*Our proceeds will go towards the reduction of our stewardship commitments to the Catholic Pastoral Center in New Ulm as well as our Area Catholic School of Loyola!) Help us help them!!! Thank you! See you on the 7th of November!

7. **Volunteers Still Needed:** We still have some openings and a need for volunteers for the festival. Just as there is a worker shortage out there in restaurants and elsewhere, so too in the experience of religion. If you are able to help, especially in our kitchen area, please call the parish office early this week and speak to our staff. Thank you for all that you do as you give so generously of your time, your talent and your treasure for the success of our 7th Annual Festival!!! May God bless you!!!





VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Please contact parish office if you are able to help fill any open slots - #507-387-6501

Ticket Sales (Game Tickets and Raffle Tickets)

10:00am-11:30pm	11:30pm-1:00pm	1:00pm-2:30pm
1) Andrew Levandowski	1) Andrew Levandowski	1) Emilee Shaikoski
2)	2) Isaac Kolstad	2)
3)	3)	3)

Games *High Need for Volunteers*

11:00am-12:30pm	12:30pm-1:30pm	1:30pm-2:30pm
1)	1)	1)
2)	2)	2)
3)	3)	3)

Silent Auction

11:00am-12:30pm	12:30pm-2:00pm
1) Teresa Kolstad	1) Ellie Gawrych
2) Barb Enderle	2) Cindy Gawrych

Country Market Place

Friday, November 5th

1:30 pm - 3:30 pm	3:30 pm - 6:00 pm
1) Sherry Hendrickson	1) Darlene Schorn
2)	2)

Saturday, November 6th *High Need for Volunteers*

7:00am - 10:00am	10:00am - 12:00pm	12:00pm - 3:00pm
1)	1) Mara & Chris Dehning	1)
2)	2)	2)
3)	3)	3)
12:00pm - 3:00pm	3:00pm - 6:00pm	6:00pm - 7:30 pm
1)	1) Darlene Schorn	1)
2)	2)	2)
3)	3)	3)

Sunday, November 7th

9:00 am - 10:30 am	10:30 am - 12:00p m
1) Jon Ellingworth	1) Jim Levandowski
2) Michelle Ellingworth	2) Susan Levandowski
3)	3)
12:00pm - 1:30pm	1:30pm - 3 :00pm
1) Rich & Emily Miller Family	1) Andrew Levandowski
2)	2)

*The Parish Office was remiss in putting some of the volunteer sign-up sheets out. Please volunteer where you can. Thank you in advance!
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Kitchen & Dining Room Volunteers

10:15am to 12:00pm

<u>Kitchen Staff</u>		<u>Ticket Takers</u>
1) Sharon Theuninck	2) Edith Kamathi	1) Arlyce Anderson
3) Tony Kamathi	4)	2) Sharon Lenz
<u>Serving Line Staff</u>		<u>Dessert Table</u>
1) John Wolf	5) Jane Younge	1) Pat Hull
2) Patti Sjulstad	6) Sophia Behm	2) Wanda Hull
3) Emily Schutte	7) Isabelle Behm	
4) James Younge	8)	
<u>Ticket Sellers</u>	<u>Hosts and Hostesses</u>	
1) Dave Collins	1)	
2) Julie Collins	2)	

Dining Room Supervision & Table Busing

1) Scott Tauer	5) Colette Chelstrom
2) Mason Tauer	6) Walter Michels
3) Donna Wolf	7) Zachary Chelstrom
4) Brenda Voracek	8)

12:00pm to 1:30pm *High Need for Volunteers*

<u>Kitchen Staff</u>		<u>Ticket Takers</u>
1)	2)	1)
3)	4)	2)
<u>Serving Line Staff</u>		<u>Dessert Table</u>
1)	5)	1)
2)	6)	2)
3)	7)	
4)	8)	
<u>Ticket Sellers</u>	<u>Hosts and Hostesses</u>	
1)	1)	
2)	2)	
<u>Dining Room Supervision & Table Busing</u>		
1)	5)	
2)	6)	
3)	7)	
4)	8)	
<u>Take-Out Meals School Kitchen</u>		
1) Keith & Cherie Freundl		
2) Sherry Thul		
3) Kathy Eggersdorfer		

1:30pm to 2:30pm Clean-Up

1) Keith & Cherie Freundl	3) Frank Boys	5) Kathy Lamont
2) Betty Rykhus	4) Ann Michels	6) Karen Winters





**Our Fall Festival is Next Sunday
November 7th, 2021**

Festival Events begin ALREADY this Friday!

Friday - November 5th

2:00 PM - 6:00 PM - Country Market Place
(Holy Rosary School Gymnasium)

Saturday - November 6th

7:30 AM - 7:00 PM - Country Market Place
(Holy Rosary School Gymnasium)

Sunday - November 7th

No 8:30 AM Mass

9:00 AM - 2:30 PM - Country Market Place
(Holy Rosary School Gymnasium)

10:00 AM - Western Folk Mass with "Cedar Creek Gospel Band"
(Holy Rosary Church)

10:30 AM - 1:30 PM - Broasted Chicken Dinner (Church Lower Hall)
All You Can Eat-In or Take-Out

11:00 AM - 1:30 PM - Beer Garden is open (Holy Rosary School Cafeteria)

11:30 AM - 1:30 PM - Kid's Games (Holy Rosary School Gymnasium)

2:30 PM - All Ca\$h Raffle Drawing (Holy Rosary School Gymnasium)



*Silent Auction on-line & in-person bidding ends at 1:30 PM
(Holy Rosary School Cafeteria)*



VOLUNTEERS

Are Special People!!!

We Need You!

Sign Up *TODAY*
to help with
November Fest!

