

November 12, 2023

**32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time** 

# My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord. PSALM 63

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#### **WELCOME TO ST. ANNE CHURCH**

# Thoughts from Fr. John

November 12, 2023

This Sunday, I am honored to receive a Chalice from Knights of Columbus Assembly 477 in honor of Mr. Franklin Quinlan. The Presentation of Chalice is a tribute to the departed, whose name is engraved on the Chalice. The Chalice is given to a bishop, priest, parish, or mission for the celebrations of Holy Mass.

The Presentation of Chalice is sometimes called "The Memorial Chalice Program." It is very appropriate in the month of November; we pray for all the deceased, for Franklin and his family, and all the souls in the purgatory.

Requiem Aeternam prayer: "Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. And may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace."

#### **First Reading:**

Wisdom is presented as a virtue seeking to be found. How might you search for wisdom this week?

#### **Second Reading:**

Paul encourages the Thessalonians to be comforted in the belief that believers will be raised from the dead and live eternally with the Lord Jesus. What family members, friends, or co-workers need to hear these words of comfort?

#### Gospel:

In the parable of the ten virgins, Jesus is teaching about the importance of being prepared for his Second Coming. In what ways is this directive from Jesus a challenge for you?

# **OUR MISSION**

"WE, THE PEOPLE OF ST. ANNE, ARE
A GROWING CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
WITH VARIOUS GIFTS AND TALENTS, AND
WE ARE OPEN TO THE SPIRIT AMONG US.
ROOTING OURSELVES IN THE WORD OF
GOD, WE REACH OUT TO ALL IN LOVING
SERVICE, WITNESSING, AND
CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF JESUS CHRIST
IN OUR MIDST."

### **SACRAMENTS**

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday 3:00 PM or by appointment

#### **Sacrament of Matrimony**

Couples should contact Fr. John at ext. 2 in the Parish Office at least six months before the marriage.

#### **Infant Baptisms**

Second Sunday of the month, please contact Fr. John ext. 2 in the Parish Office

## **PARISH STAFF**

#### Moderator

Rev. Scott Thibodeau

#### **Associate Priest**

Rev. Yongli (John) Chen john.chen@churchofstanne.org

**Director of Religious Education** 

Marianne Boesch - 4

**Worship Coordinator** 

Iulie Neal -1

**Evangelical Charities/** 

**Christian Service** 

Karyn Milligan - 3

#### **Music Ministry**

Laura Knaack, Director Denise Arpke-Accompanist

## Accountant

Cheryl Yuhas - 6

Office Manager

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Steve Szach

**Mission Support Director** 

Maureen Burton (248) 623-0274 x125

# WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

November 4th & 5th, 2023

#### Week 19

Weekly Budget \$ 9,038.46 Actual Collection \$ 11,413.55 Over \$ 2,375.09

#### YEAR TO DATE

JULY 1 - OCTOBER 31, 2023

Actual \$160,330.00 Budget \$156,664.00 Surplus \$ 3,665.00

Parking Lot Campaign \$1.33

collected \$13,246.99

# CSA 2023

Our goal has been met! Thank you to all those who gave to help us meet our goal! Any money given now will return to St. Anne. Your sacrifice is appreciated!

# **PARISH OFFICE**

248-627-3965 248-627-5153 (fax)

Office Hours Mon, Tu, Wed, Fri 9:00 am to Noon, 1:00 to 4:00 pm, Closed Thursdays

Bulletin Deadline: Noon Monday

Bulletin article submission:
If your organization is holding
an event, we are happy to post
it in the bulletin as space allows.
Writing, proofreading, and
submitting an announcement is
the responsibility of the
sponsoring group. All bulletin
content is subject to review by
the pastor and/or parish staff
and content may be edited or
declined.



# **Ladies Advent Tea** Sunday, December 3 1:00-3:00pm

Come join us for an afternoon of fellowship, reflection and preparation for Advent. Each table is in charge of bringing 2 desserts and 2 appetizers. Tea and Cider will be provided.

You will be able to set up your tables after 2pm on Saturday.

We will be accepting financial donations for Grace Centers of Hope.

Sign up in the book located in the gathering area of church, or call Carol Klenner. You may choose to host a table of 8 or just sign up to attend. (586) 817-0931

### Weekend of November 18th & 19th. 2023

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	Lectors	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b> Mary Grocott
odd Patterson	Beth Tracy	Ruth Rogan, Karyn M Kris Anderson
•	Linda Mizejewski Judy Schmaltz	Lloyd Schmaltz Judy Sounart
yan Born	Rick Steenson Cynthia Potts	Denise N, Gary Putt Judy G, Bruce Kocer Gabi M, Stephanie M
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# WORSHIP

# **Children's Christmas Choir**

We would love the children to participate in the 4pm Christmas Eve Mass. We will practice on Sundays after the 10:30am Mass. If your child (children) are interested, please contact Julie.

248-627-3965 ext. 107 or Julie@churchofstanne.org

Our first practice will be November 26th.

#### **ALTAR LINEN SCHEDULE**

WORSHIP

11-12-23- Marilyn Bornais 11-19-23- Colleen Francis

#### **ALTAR CARE**

11-17-23- Marilyn Bornais

#### **RECYCLING MINISTRY**

Nov. 11/12-25/26- Klimek Dec. 9/10-23/24- Tom Newcombe

# IN OUR PRAYERS

Betty DeFever Dennis Wiegand Nancy Wiegand John Candiloro Ida Saroli Jerry Seme Kelsey Thurk Jack Little Cathy Richard Sue Rubin Kylie Nelson Dave Wilcox Diane O'Bierne Elaine Kalinin Dominic Gagliardi Maddie Katchka **Bob Mihos** Aiden McClaren Kirk Mcoy Andrea Matusik Colette Genovese Kallie Moshier Thomas Latowski Bill Knight Patricia Claya Margaret Davidson Carmody Family Kathy Mersino Frank Klimek Iordan Turini Marcy Klingshirn Martha Toolev Shelly Shattuck-Cox Marla Janness Ashley Shaffer

Frank Klimek Richard Jueng Bob Lee Marcia Pawluk Susan Peloquin Steve Clifton Patrick Lamb Marge Park Darlene Gray Stan Wensley Dan Johnson Landon Morrison Maricruz Munos Gloria Boesch Joan Ball Abby Gels Frank Vella James Howard Mike Mosher Catherine Konen Perry McConkey Tom Tennant **Fd Funke James Howard** Herman Greif Mark Norman Donald Umalah John Noble David Hornack Katherine Flees Mary Siring Pat Flees Renee Thompson

# MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, 11/11/23 at 4:00 pm

Tom Rogan, by wife, Ruth Mae Lokar, by Josephine Evans David Brown, by Brown/Siring Families Charles & Gladys Cobb, by Family ALL VETERANS, by Parish

Sunday, 11/12/2023 8:30 am: Angelo Rimi, by daughter Alex & Bridget Cobb, by Family **10:30 am:** For all Veteran's, by Parish Mary Edmonds, by Margaret Vrabel

Monday, 11/13/2023 at 9:00 am Mass at St. Daniel.

Tuesday, 11/14/2023 at 9:00 am Tom Boesch, by Friends

Wednesday, 11/15/2023 at 9:00 am Fr. Frank Pollie, by Parish D'anne Reynolds, by Alice Robb

Thursday, 11/16/2023 at 9:00 am Mass at St. Daniel.

Friday, 11/17/2023 at 9:00 am Fr. Bernie Mullen, by Parish

Saturday,11/18/2023 at 4:00 pm

John Church, by Ruth Rogan Doud Quinn, by Oshea Family Sunday, 11/19/2023

**8:30 am:** Richard Moon, by wife, Audrey 10:30 am: Mel Wojtalewics, wife Kathy



# Candle Intention

In Memory of Richard Moon

Week of November 17-23 requested by wife, Audrey

# **FAITH FORMATION**

#### **First Reconciliation**

This weekend students and their parents attended a First Reconciliation workshop.
Together they learned about God's Commandments,
Sacramental Grace, God's love and forgiveness and created a family prayer candle. Please keep these students in your prayers as they prepare for their First Reconciliation.

# First Reconciliation Service November 28 6 pm

Our First Reconciliation service will be on Tuesday, November 28 at Our Lady of the Lakes parish. A parent or adult family member will need to attend with your student.



# Shoeboxes for Appalachia Due November 15

Please turn in your filled shoeboxes by Wednesday, November 15. They can be dropped off at class or at the Faith Formation Office at both St. Anne and St. Daniel parishes. Thank you for your help!



# Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest

Due December 10 The Knights of Columbus invites students in grades K-8 to create a poster that displays the true meaning of Christmas. Each poster must reflect the theme: *Keep Christ in Christmas* and be 11 x 17 inches in size. Students can pick up a paper in class or from the Faith Formation Office.

A winner will be chosen from each of these groups: Grade K Grades 1-2 Grades 3-4 Grades 5-6 Grades 7-8

Each 1st place winner will receive a **\$50 Amazon gift card** and certificate of award. Judging will take place on the parish website from December 11-13. Winners will be contacted and awards will be handed out at Mass the weekend of December 16/17.

Turn in your poster to the Faith Formation Office at either St. Anne or St. Daniel parish before December 10th. Remember to write your first and last name on the back of your poster with your age. Everyone who submits a poster will receive a small prize for participating. These will be handed out in class or from the Faith Formation Office.



# **Advent Supplies Available**

It's time to get ready for the season of Advent which begins December 2/3. Advent supplies will be available at your next Faith Formation class or can be picked up from the Faith Formation Office during the month of November. Suggested donation: Candles or Wreaths \$5

Advent Wreaths
Candles
Weekly Advent Prayers
Calendars



#### **Praying with All Saints and Praying for All Souls**

There are two important feast days during the month of November in the Catholic Church. The first one is the Solemnity of All Saints (Nov. 1st), commemorating all those who had heroically witnessed to Christ and His Gospel. The second commemorates the Faithfully Departed, known as All Souls' Day (normally on Nov. 2nd).

These two celebrations mark a special season to pray with the Holy ones and pray for the dead as we enter the final phase of the Liturgical Year (ending on Christ's the King, on Nov. 26th, 2023). Finally, the November celebrations bring those who are still living (the Church militant) to be united with those who are faithfully departed, both in heaven (Church triumphant) and in purgatory (Church suffering).

All Saints' Day can be traced to the earliest Christians commemorating the holy martyrs. Martyrs are those who give the supreme witness "to the truth of the faith: it means bearing witness even unto death" (Catechism of the Catholic Church [CCC], 2473). They faithfully followed Jesus unto death like their Lord, the ultimate martyr (Greek martyros), witnessing God's love (Phi 2:8).

On the anniversary of a martyr's death, early Christians would gather to remember and offer prayers at the tomb or place where the martyr had died. Henry Chadwick remarks: "From the third century, the anniversary of a martyr's death, called his 'birthday,' was commemorated at his grave by a celebration" (The Early Church, p. 271; Penguin Books, 1993). The belief and tradition continued until today to draw inspiration from those martyrs who chose death to defend Christ and His Gospel. We pray that their souls were borne by holy angels to heaven and see God face to face in the presence of the beatific vision.

Moreover, in November, the Catholic Church encourages us to dedicate our prayers to the dead. Catholics also try to visit a cemetery to pray for the dead. This practice reflects the Christian eschatology—the last stages of the soul in life and the afterlife—commonly described as the Four Last Things (Latin: quattuor novissima), namely, Death, Judgment, Heaven, and Hell. These practices coincided with the end of the Liturgical Year when we intently contemplate "the last things." We remind ourselves about the mercy of God in action.

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Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question: Where does the money go that is collected each week at Church?

#### **Answer:**

This is a good question! Every parish has financial obligations, including the basic operation of the buildings, salaries, maintenance, and improvements. In addition, there are schools to support, programs to run, charities to be funded, and operational expenses like hosts and wine for Mass, music books, vestments, and so on. In some cases, cemeteries and other buildings need attention. Finally, there is the diocesan assessment that each parish pays to help run the diocese and the support services provided to each parish.

Most parishes manage to get by with the collection, a few fundraisers and endowments. But contrary to popular opinion, cash flow is also a problem, and many parishes operate in the red. The Finance Committee is responsible for assisting the pastor in fiscal management, and good stewardship is the basis for successful programs.

# **ITEMS OF INTEREST**



# **Upcoming Youth Group Events**

**Nov. 12** - help with the OCEF Food Sort and earn service hours!

**Nov. 13** - attend a presentation with Deacon Tommy Ngo from 6:15-7:15 pm at St. Dan's entitled, "Do you Feel Bored at Mass?" and learn more about the celebration of mass.

**Nov. 18** - service hours available to teens who assist with the Euchre Tournament, or participate in playing, invite your parents, grandparents, and friends to a fun night of cards for a good cause! Arrive at 5 p.m. to set up or 5:30 p.m. with \$20 to play. Everyone will enjoy a pizza dinner sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 6824.

**Nov. 19** - High School Teens are invited to a Friendsgiving Potluck, arrive at Hardy Hall Door #1 by 6:30 and bring a dish to pass.

**Nov. 26** is the Celebration of Youth and Young Adults. Join us for the 10:30 a.m. mass to receive a special blessing.

**Dec. 17** - Save the Date for the Christmas Party - this event will be open to all Middle School and High School teens, details to follow.

# Right to Life Christmas Cards

Mary Siring, our Right-To-Life Lifespan representative, will offer RTL Christmas cards for sale in our gathering area after all weekend Masses on the following dates:

# November 18/19 November 25/26

If you are unable to be here on those weekends, please call Mary to have your Christmas cards set aside - 248-760-1655. She will be happy to assist. Thank you in advance for your ongoing support!



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The Catechism teaches us that there is a final purification. "All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death, they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven" (CCC 1030).

Again, the Catechism reminds us: "From the beginning the Church has honored the memory of the dead and offered prayers in suffrage for them, above all the Eucharistic sacrifice, so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God" (CCC 1032). The Church further encourages us to participate in almsgiving and works of penance undertaken on behalf of the dead.

I remember when I grew up. The surviving priests of the Cultural Revolution (1966–77) gathered all Catholics at the tomb of one of the priests who died during the persecution to pray and offer the Mass. Even though visiting the tomb is not a strong tradition here in North America, I do see how these two celebrations in November, "All Saints' Day" and "All Souls' Day," could lead us to a deeper contemplation of God's mercy and may faithfully witness to Christ despite the post-Christian culture.