November 8 - Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

BEHOLD THE BRIDEGROOM! COME OUT TO MEET HIM.

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Lord, we trust you to be present for us.

Until then we try to catch just a glimpse of you: in midnight stars, and geese in flight; planets on path, a child's face; each sorrow and all joy.

We look for you in the homeless, hungry, in immigrants and victims of bias, in caretakers of the environment and the sick.

Please bless our searching for you, Flasks full and lamps trimmed. Let us find you in all things.

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<u>33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</u> (November 15)

THE VALUE OF A WORTHY WOMAN IS BEYOND MEASURE.

In the readings from Proverbs, a man finds a trustworthy and praiseworthy partner, one whose value is "beyond pearls." In the Gospel another man finds trustworthy and praiseworthy servants, ones worthy of handling all his possessions. We would do well to look at ourselves. Does our spouse or close familv member consider us trustworthy and praiseworthy? How about our employer? How about God? As we listen to these readings, let us consider how we can become more trustworthy and praiseworthy in the eyes of those whose perspective we value.

SANCTUARY LIGHT

November 8 – John Hamson November 15 - Bob Fry November 22 – Fred and Matilda Geis

MASS INTENTIONS

November 7 – Wanda Barnes November 8 – Caleb Kramer November 14 – Nancy Schmalenberg November 15 – Gary Stier November 21 – Lucille Simon November 22 – Dale Tunny

10/20/20-11/3/20 PARISH SUPPORT

Sunday & Holy Day Collection	\$5	5188.07
Capital Improvement Donations	\$	478.00
Cemetery Collection	\$	435.00
World Mission Collection	\$	50.00
Campaign for Human Dev. Collection	\$	30.00
Religious Education Collection	\$	20.00
Smorgasbord Donations	\$	410.00

Thank You For Your Continued Giving!



THAT THEY ALL MAY <u>BE ONE</u>

Dear God, we ask that you fill us with your Spirit of love and unity among believers all across this nation. We ask for your help to set aside our differences and look to the greater cause, the cause of Christ. We ask that you would help us to truly live a life of love. We know that this is only possible through the power of your Spirit, so we pray for your Spirit to move across our land in fresh ways. Turn your people back to you. Draw others to come to know you. Thank you that you are always with us to give great purpose and hope. Amen.

UNITED CATHOLIC APPEAL: HOPE FOR TOMORROW – You have received or will soon receive your United Catholic Appeal pledge card. The goal for our parish is \$13,683.00. Please respond as you are able. Your gift will give Hope for Tomorrow to those who lack the basic necessities for life; to seminarians and future priests; and to children and adults seeking to love and serve Jesus.

<u>AIN'T NO RAFFLE</u> – 124 households have contributed to our "Ain't No Raffle" Fundraiser for a total amount of **\$33,113.00!!** This amount is a reflection of your deep faith. How grateful we are! This amount could easily become \$35,000 as we wait to hear from those households yet to donate. Thank you for your continued generosity.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – Due to the shutdown of schools, there will be no Religious Education classes on Wednesday, November 11, for Preschool through Grade 5. And because there would only be one more class before Thanksgiving, the decision was made to cancel the November 18 class also. Therefore, the children will not return until the Wednesday after Thanksgiving, December 2.

Junior High and High School Religious Ed Classes are canceled for this Sunday, November 8, and will likely be canceled for the following Sunday, November 15.

SOLITUDE AS SOUL CARE – Richard J. Foster (*Celebration of Discipline*) says solitude is "more a state of mind and heart" than a place: "There is a solitude of the heart that can be maintained at all times. Crowds, or the lack of them, have little to do with this inward attentiveness."

Although Jesus preferred crowd-free alone times, that's not always feasible. But no matter your surroundings and responsibilities, you can carve out intentional time to "be still" (Psalm 46:10). Try these tips for adding solitude to life's rhythms:

- Take an hour. Treat this time as an important calendar appointment. Keep it free to protect your solitude.
- Take a minute. Before a big meeting or as you're answering the phone, breathe deeply and invite God into the moment.
- And what about a day of solitude a real luxury!

DRIVE-THROUGH TURKEY DINNER – Plans are still being made to hold the Turkey Dinner Drive-Through on Saturday, November 14, 5:00 until 7:00 PM. The carryout meal will include Turkey and Dressing; Mashed Potatoes and Gravy; Green Beans and Dinner Roll; Cranberry Salad and Applesauce; Pumpkin Pie or Apple Pie.

The hall will not be available for Mass that evening, and there is to be no parking in front of the parish hall nor on the side of the hall.

Proceeds will go for tuckpointing of the church!

<u>**THANKSGIVING**</u> – A Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated at St. John Church, Osgood, on Wednesday, November 25, 5:30 PM.

<u>ALL SAINTS UPCOMING EVENTS</u> – Fall Chicken Dinner at the St. John Campus - Sunday, November 8 - Please join us from 11:00 AM-5:00 PM or until sold out. All dinners will be carry-out style. Adult dinners \$12, children's \$6, whole chicken \$12. Mega Split-the-Pot. License #002595. Visit <u>alllsaintscatholic.net</u> or call 812-576-4302 for more information.

All Saints Parish BINGO - November 15th & November 22nd:

- Sunday, November 15th, St. Paul Gym, New Alsace, Doors Open at 5:00 PM, Bingo Starts at 6:00 PM.
- Sunday, November 22nd, St. Martin Hall, Yorkville, Doors Open at 4:00 PM, Bingo Starts at 5:00 PM.

Everyone is welcome! Bring the kids! Food and desserts available.

<u>THE LORD'S LAUGHTER</u> – In a Wagner, SD, hospital, a student nurse gave one of Fr. Jim Friedrich's parishioners a small plastic container and asked for a urine sample. After the nurse left the room, the parishioner reached for a bottle of apple juice, half-filled the container, and then buzzed for the nurse to return.

Container in hand, he reported to the nurse, "It looks to me like this needs another run through the system," and chugged down the supposed urine sample.

"Laughter is the best medicine, right?" commented Fr. Friedrich, pastor at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Wagner, SD. (The Joyful Noiseletter)



<u>A Prayer for Our Veterans</u>

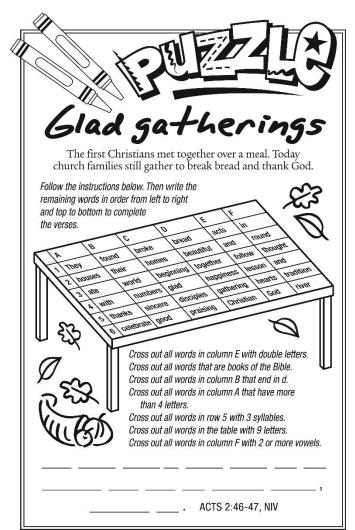
Loving God, we ask for blessings on all those who have served their country in the armed forces. We ask for healing for the Veterans who have been wounded, in body and soul, in conflicts around the globe. We pray especially for the young men and women, in the thousands, who are coming home with injured bodies and traumatized spirits. Bring solace to them, O Lord; may we pray for them when they cannot pray. We ask for, echoing John Paul II, an end to wars and the dawning of a new era of peace, as a way to honor all the veterans of past wars.

Have mercy on all our Veterans. Bring peace to their hearts and peace to the regions they fought in. Bless all the soldiers who served in non-combative posts; May their calling to service continue in their lives in many positive ways.

Give us all the creative vision to see a world which, grown weary with fighting, moves to affirming the life of every human being and so moves beyond war. Hear our prayer, O Prince of Peace, hear our prayer. Amen. ···ϒͱͱϒͱϒϒϒϒϒϒϒϒϒϒϒϒϒϒϒϒϒϒϒϒϒϒϒϒϒϒϒϒϒ

"Think very carefully before asking God to be "fair." What we really should ask of God is that He be merciful, for if He were fair, we'd all be in Hell right now. We have no innate capacity to stand before God in pure justice; we simply cannot measure up. It is only grace and mercy that will win the day for us. So be very careful about challenging God's fairness. In fact, when we see Him being merciful to someone else, we ought to rejoice, for it means that we might stand a chance." ~ Monsignor **Charles** Pope

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Answer: They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising Cod. Acts 2:46-47, NIV