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A MINISTRY OF THE CAPUCHIN FRANCISCANS SINCE 1877

November 19, 2023 / 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Marriage: Active parish membership
of 6 months is required before a
wedding date may be set.

Reconciliation: Saturdays from 9 until
approximately 9:30 am or call for an
appointment.

Baptism: Please call the Parish Office
2 months in advance.

Anointing of the Sick: Please call the
Parish Office anytime.

**ST FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC
SCHOOLS**..... 920-735-9380

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday-Thursday: 9:00 am-3:00 pm
Friday: 9:00 am-12:00 pm

MASS TIMES

Saturday - 4:00 pm; Sunday - 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 6:30 pm

Weekend Mass may be viewed online: www.saintjosephparish.org

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday - 12:05 pm

REACHING IN, REACHING OUT, REACHING GOD

Br. Ray's Reflections

This week we come together to celebrate another Thanksgiving holiday. Can it really be Thanksgiving, already? I can barely remember Summer! I do like Thanksgiving as it's much less stressful than the busyness of Christmas and we get to eat a great meal, without ever shopping for any gifts! Since Thanksgiving is a quieter holiday, maybe it can give us pause to really stop and think of all the ways we have been blessed throughout our lives. When we look at the world these days and the horror of war and violence in so many areas, how can we ever complain about anything? It might be good to take an inventory of our lives remembering all the many reasons for gratitude. We have had people who have truly loved us, opportunities that have blessed our lives, trips to beautiful places that have taken our breath away and we have experienced the beauty of a sunrise on a cool, crisp, Autumn morn. Yes, there are so many reasons for gratitude this year. Just look in the faces of our children and grandchildren or the kindness of friends that have stuck by us through all of life's struggles. Certainly, there are painful, heartbreaking moments in all our lives, and some seem to have to carry the cross more than others but let's try to find a grace even in the hardest moments. It may be the grace of that spouse who is always there for their struggling husband or wife or the children who stop by with food or meals for ailing parents or the neighbor who rakes the leaves or shovels our walk. Let's not miss any of those tokens of love that surround us each day. Maybe, as we take the inventory for Thanksgiving, we begin to thank the people in our lives who have been there for us. We might think they already know that we are grateful but it's always good to say it, again. I am convinced that the more gratitude we store in our hearts, the more joy we will find in our days. So let's all be grateful this year to our God and to all of those who show us the face of God!

St Joseph Parish Float

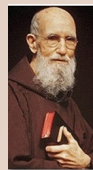


We are still looking for children ages 5 & up and families to ride on our St. Joe's float in the Appleton Christmas Parade on **Tuesday, November 21**. If interested in riding on our float, please contact Dana Schmidt at: 920-734-7195 or email: dschmidt@stjoesparish.org by November 20.

Raffle Calendars

Raffle Calendars are available in the back of church. There should be an envelope for each parishioner in those boxes. We are asking every parishioner to try to buy/sell three raffle calendars that are in each envelope. We have until the end of 2023 to do this. This has been our most successful fundraiser each year. Thank you for your support!

SCHEDULED MASS INTENTIONS



Blessed Solanus Casey
Pray for Us

Tuesday, November 21

12:05 pm Dec. Dennis & Jenny Schubring & Joe Strick

12:30 pm St. Anthony Devotions

Wednesday, November 22

12:05 pm Dec. Rick Rohde

6:30 pm Dec. Julie Nemitz

Friday, November 24

12:05 pm Living & Deceased Members of The Toppins Family

Saturday, November 25

4:00 pm Dec. Joan England & Members of St. Joseph Parish

Sunday, November 26

8:00 am Dec. Gerald & Winnifred Wittlin

10:00 am Dec. Michael & Patricia Milton

6:30 pm Dec. Ted & Ginger Wilcox

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Tuesday, November 21

1:00 pm Prayer Shawl, LL12

Appleton Christmas Parade Featuring St. Joe's Float

Wednesday, November 22

6:30 pm Thanksgiving Eve Mass

No Faith Formation Classes

Saturday, November 25

9:00 am Private Reconciliation

Br. Ray & the Parish Staff wish you and your family a blessed Thanksgiving.

(Parish Office will be closed November 23-24)

Happy Thanksgiving

Please Pray For...

Please pray for all our parishioners who are ill:
Lynn Bayness, Dave Hendricks, Ellen Lutz, Tim Lutz, Mercedes Hartkopf, Mary Jane Pusnik, Elaine Siegrist

Remember also our nursing home residents and shut-ins, and pray for the intentions recorded in our Prayer Book of Intentions.

Please pray for our parishioners or family members of parishioners who have died.

NOVEMBER 19, 2023 / THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Thanksgiving Eve Mass



We will have a peanut butter, jelly, and soup collection for the St. Joseph Food Program and a Financial Collection for Pillars at our 6:30 pm Mass on Wednesday, November 22. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Giving Tree

Our St. Joe's Giving Tree is up in the Great Hall. Please consider taking one of the tags from the tree to help Vida & members of our parish community. Please return the tags to the Parish Office by the date listed on the tag. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

NEW AT THIS YEAR'S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR BAKE SALE - December 2&3

We will be featuring a special **CHOCOLATE SHOP!** Set up much like a candy store, you can build your own tins of FUDGE, CHOCOLATES and every fabulous creation of our parish Chocolatiers! Sold by the pound, the entire selection is up to you! Of course, we'll still have all your favorite Christmas cookies and best loved bakery in stock, so come and let us do your holiday baking for you!

Crafters: Continue working on your crafts for our upcoming bazaar. Knitted dishrags are really needed, as well as Christmas crafts and gift items.

Bakers: Help us by baking your favorite cookies or making delicious fudge or chocolates.

Save the Date - Advent Evening of Reflection December 7, 2023

Plan to join us for an Advent Evening of Reflection with Fr. Tim Shillcox, O. Praem in Holly Hall — Finding Inner Peace in Our World Today

6:00-6:30 PM - Coffee, tea, punch and special fall desserts

6:30-7:30 PM - Finding Inner Peace - with Fr. Tim

Look for a registration flyer in next week's bulletin or pre-register by calling the Parish Office, 920-734-7195.

Sentiments for Seminarians



In support of vocations, the Knights of Columbus are gathering gift cards to distribute to our diocese's very own seminarians. Please consider helping these men on their journey to the priesthood by giving a gift card or cash (used to purchase gift cards) to any major store, restaurant or gas station. Any amount will be greatly appreciated. Drop your gift cards at the parish office clearly marked "for KofC Council 607" or mail to PO Box 1492, Appleton, WI 54912. Please provide donations by November 19. Thanks for your support and generosity!

Congratulations Calendar Raffle Winners

November 5—Steve Schmit—\$25
November 6—Abi Alvarez—\$25
November 7—Pete Heck—\$25
November 8—Charles Reetz—\$25
November 9—Sara Mc Morrow—\$25
November 10—John Sauter—\$25
November 11—Chris Barta—\$25

Financial News

Tithing Needed..... \$16,777.00
Last Week's Tithing\$10,000.25
Auto Withdrawal\$470.00
Children's Collection\$6.00
IRA's/Donations\$2,975.00

Thank you for your financial support!

Readings for the Week of November 19

Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 (see 1a)

1 Thes 5:1-6

Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63

Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158

Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31

Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7

Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31

Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15

Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29

Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15

Lk 19:41-44

Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59

1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd

Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13

Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19

Lk 20:27-40

Next Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17

Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6 (1)

1 Cor 15:20-26, 28

Mt 25:31-46

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Church Chuckles

Why did the cranberry turn red?
Because he saw the turkey dressing.

Why did the turkey cross the road twice? To prove he wasn't a chicken!

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