



SAINT LOUIS CATHOLIC CHURCH

DIOCESE OF PEORIA ~ PRINCETON, ILLINOIS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2021

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



A poor widow also came and put in two small coins worth a few cents. Calling his disciples to himself, he said to them, "Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury." - Mk 12:42-43

A MESSAGE FROM MSGR. KRUSE

One of the most time-honored traditions within a parish regards requesting a Mass be offered in the name of a loved one. These requests are steeped in deep theological importance. We know that the Mass is the memorial and living presence of Christ's sacrifice on the Cross made present to us. We stand with Blessed Mother Mary and St. John at the foot of the Cross. The Mass showers Christ's grace upon us to help us grow in His grace. Each Mass not only showers this grace on those present, those prayed for, and the whole world, but in a particular way, the grace of the Mass is bestowed upon the person(s), living or deceased, for whom the Mass is offered. The intention can also be for a specific purpose such as peace, healing, well-being, thanksgiving or a special intention. In our parish, we recall this Mass intention during our Prayers of the Faithful. This tradition is a wonderful way to remember a loved one and join him or her to the power of the Mass and Christ's sacrifice. Having a Mass offered for someone has infinite value.

Because the Mass is a sacrifice, tradition has established that a sacrificial offering be made when a Mass intention is requested. This donation is not "buying" or "paying for the Mass." Instead, this offering is a small sacrifice that is united to Christ's perfect sacrifice. Our Diocese asks that a sacrificial offering of \$10 be made for each intention requested. Of course, if one is not able to make this sacrifice, an intention can still be requested.

The scheduling of Mass intentions can be done in a variety of ways within a parish. Each of these ways has benefits and deficiencies. Currently, our parish schedules Mass intentions by simply adding them to the next available date on the Mass Intention Calendar. It is common for ten or twelve intentions to be requested at one time. All the requests are added to the calendar. This leads to the calendar filling up very quickly.

Our current process causes a significant delay between the time of the request and when the Mass will be offered. Recently, I observed someone requesting a Mass to be offered for her recently deceased loved one. It was sad that her request could not be honored until early 2023 – the first available date. Certainly, this caused additional hardship to the grieving family.

I have been considering our process for receiving and scheduling Mass intention requests. I have decided to change our process. In next week's bulletin I will explain this new process, especially addressing those requests already scheduled. Thank you. – Msgr. Kruse

NOURISHED IN SPIRIT BY MSGR. KRUSE

Examine your participation in the worshiping life of the Church. Do you pray everyday? Do you regularly participate in Sunday Mass? Reflect upon the ways you are nourished by the community and the Eucharist. If you do not regularly attend, what prevents you? What takes priority? What are some things that you need to do in order to once again share in the Church's loving response to God's love for us? Maybe you need to make a good confession, or talk to your priest. Or, maybe you need to re-prioritize things in life so that Mass is first. Jesus did not simply come into the world to teach us the truth or give us a more perfect way to worship. Jesus came to take away sin which is chaos and disorder. Jesus came to re-establish divine order. Therefore, when he established his Church, he established it as the means to bring divine order into the world. The world becomes more and more ordered and directed towards God through the life and activity of the Church. The Church is called to be a light in darkness, yeast in the dough, salt of the earth, and a fire enkindling love in the world. Christ has empowered his Church to be the manifestation of his kingdom on earth drawing all people into union with God. Christ gave this mission to his Church and the Church has been carrying it out ever since. By her teachings and sanctification, the Church has been transforming the world more and more into Christ. One of the main ways that this has been accomplished is through the Church's governance – her leadership. Christ established governance and leadership in his Church through the pope, bishops, priests and deacons. These men chosen for sacred orders have been empowered by God to help bring sacred order into the Church and into the world. By their governance throughout the ages, the teachings and worship of Christ have been preserved and passed on. The governance of the Church is the watchdog of the gift that Christ has given to us. The governance has ensured that each generation receive the authentic teachings and proper worship as Christ gave it to Peter and his first friends. Through our participation and submission to the governance of the Church, we participate and are united to Christ. Christ is the head and leader of his Church and this leadership lives and is active in those he has chosen to govern the Church. Our union with Christ requires our union with those whom he has chosen as leaders.

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Mass Intentions

Monday, November 8 **Weekday in Ordinary Time**

7:00 am + Helen Rich

Tues, November 9 **The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**

5:15 pm +Tom Makransky

4-5:00 pm Holy Hour

Wed, November 10 **St. Leo the Great, Pope and**

Doctor of the Church

7:00 am + Ron Hulslander by Annette Hulslander

Thursday, November 11 **St. Martin of Tours, Bishop**

5:15 pm +John & Jeanne Austin

by The Austin Family

4-5:00 pm Holy Hour

Friday, November 12 **Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr**

7:00 am +William "Bill" Walowski by Amy Allison

Sat, November 13 **Vigil of 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00 pm Family by Fran Robbins

Sunday, November 14 **The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 am People of the Parish

9:00 am +Stevie Puhr

10:30 am +Paul Scoma by Nancy Scoma

**In observance of Veterans Day, the Parish Office
will be closed on Thursday, November 11th.**

Readings for the week of November 7, 2021

Sun: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44

Monday: Wis 1:1-7/Ps 139:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10 [24b]/Lk 17:1-6

Tues: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5, 6, 8, 9 [5] 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

Wed: Wis 6:1-11/Ps 82:3-4, 6-7 [8a]/Lk 17:11-19

Thur: Wis 7:22-8:1/Ps 119:89, 90, 91, 130, 135, 175/Lk 17:20-25

Fri: Wis 13:1-9/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5ab [2a]/Lk 17:26-37

Sat: Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9/Ps 105:2-3, 36-37, 42-43/Lk 18:1-8

Next Sun: Dn 12:1-3/Ps 165, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

SEMINARIAN SPOTLIGHT

Blake Miller



Born 9-25-95. Class of 2026

Mount St. Mary's Seminary

16300 Old Emmitsburg Rd.,

Emmitsburg, MD 21727

Background: He grew up in Bloomington and attended ISU and eventually received a master's degree in college student affairs. After Catholic high school, he fell away from the faith and rediscovered it in graduate school through his activities with the Knights of Columbus. He says, "I felt God inviting me to consider a priestly vocation."

Parish "Book of Remembrance"



Near the end of each Mass throughout the month of November, we will remember the "Poor Souls" via suffrages — prayers for a quicker purification process for them. Additionally, please consider providing the names of departed loved ones in the parish "Book of Remembrance" which will be located on a podium by the statue of Mary. Those names provided for the "Book of Remembrance" will be prayed for at all Masses throughout the month of November.

Rest In Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of
Mary Ann Nink

and for consolation for her family

*Eternal Rest grant unto her
O Lord, and let perpetual light
shine upon her soul.*

Liturgical/Volunteer Roles

4:00 pm: Saturday, November 13

Altar Servers Cameron & Sam Lawrence
Lectors Katie Lawrence
Sacristan Mandy Robinson
Ushers Rick Torri, John Cotter (**Additional Ushers needed—please contact parish office to volunteer**)

7:30 am: Sunday, November 14

Altar Servers Brady Peach
Lectors Luke Atilano
Sacristan Lori Atilno
Ushers Gary Blessman, Dennis Thompson

9:00 am: Sunday, November 14

Altar Server Jessica Carlone
Camera Operators Marty Makransky
Lectors Diane Carlone
Sacristan Quint Quiram
Ushers Dan Legner, Quint Quiram, Jim Whiteaker

10:30 am: Sunday, November 14

Altar Server Anna Ellis, Sara Ruiz
Lectors David Roden
Sacristan Linda Carter
Ushers Ken Lough, Pat Mason (**Additional Ushers needed—please contact parish office to volunteer**)

EMHC for Homebound: Patty Daluga, Gene Menard, Mandy Robinson, Rita Tracey



Donations for Free Thanksgiving Dinner

St. Louis Parish will once again join the Evangelical Covenant Church to provide a free Thanksgiving meal for all those in need on Thanksgiving Day. We are asking for donations of various food dishes; a sign-up sheet is available on the Information Table in the foyer of Harkrader Hall.

Dinner Information: Due to COVID, indoor dining will not be available this year. Dinners will be provided by curbside pickup or delivery to the homebound. To reserve your dinner or request delivery for homebound contact Tad Smith at 815-878-5473. Dinners will be limited so call as soon as possible to reserve.



Please remember to pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life especially from St. Louis Parish!

St. Therese, Patroness of Vocations, pray for us!

ST. LOUIS SCHEDULE

MASS SCHEDULE

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| MON, WED, FRI | 7:00 AM |
| TUE, THR | 5:15 PM |
| SAT | 4:00 PM |
| SUN | 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM |

(SUN 9:00AM Live-streamed on YouTube & FaceBook)

OUTDOOR DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

(AT ANDERSON ST ENTRANCE)
SAT 5:00—5:15 PM
SUN 10:00—10:15 AM

RECONCILIATION

TUE, THR 4:30—4:50 PM
SAT 3-3:45 PM

Or, by appointment. Call or email Msgr. Kruse to make an appointment. In order to maintain privacy, he will be in the confessional a few moments before the arranged time. 309-634-5822 | jameskruse1996@gmail.com

HOLY HOUR

TUE, THR 4:00 PM

PRIVATE PRAYER: The Chapel is open for Private Prayer— if you need the access code please contact the parish office.

STEWARDSHIP

Church Monetary Support Through October 31, 2021

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| Amount Budgeted | \$ 6,500.00 |
| Amount Received | \$ <u>5,073.00</u> |

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| Amount Over (Under) | (\$ 1,427.00) |
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Fiscal Period July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022

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| Amount needed to date: | \$117,000.00 |
| Amount Received to date: | \$ <u>111,246.00</u> |

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| Over/(Under) budget to date: | (\$ 5,754.00) |
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Thank You!

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE: Last weekend the Knights of Columbus collected 300 nonperishable food items and \$1,427 in monetary donations for the Bureau County Food Pantry. The food items will put a nice dent in the Thanksgiving baskets that will be going out soon and the monetary donations will buy lots of turkeys. St. Louis parishioners have now contributed 22,879 nonperishable food items and \$120,370 in monetary donations. Thanks to all who give so generously. The food insecure in our area are most certainly grateful.

New Altar Server Training

Altar serving at Mass is a time-honored tradition where the youth play an important role in assisting the priest in celebrating Mass. All boys and girls, fourth grade and above, are invited to be an altar server. Generally, servers are scheduled for one or two Masses per month. Msgr. Kruse will provide training for new altar servers on **Sat., Nov. 13th and 20th from 9am to 10am, meeting in the church.** Both training sessions are required, but other arrangements may be made by directly contacting Msgr. Kruse. Current altar servers are not required to attend the training sessions but are welcome. New servers will be added to the schedule beginning in December. They will be assigned with experienced servers.

Second Sunday Stay & Play

Join us for Stay & Play next weekend!

On Sunday, November 14th, all parishioners are invited to the gym after the 10:30 mass for coffee, donuts, and fellowship. **See you there!**

**HIGH
SCHOOL
YOUTH
GROUP**



**2nd & 4th Sundays
of the Month**

All High School students are invited to Youth Group Night

Sunday, November 14th 6-7:30 pm
We will meet in the Youth Group Room

Knights of Columbus Meeting

Our next meeting will be **this Monday, November 8th.** All prospective Knights, men of the parish (18 and older), are welcome to join us for fellowship and dinner, served at 6:30pm in Harkrader Hall. Our business meeting will commence at 7.

Our Table

Our Table has been serving meals to about 50 clients twice a month. All meals are being brought in by vendors because of the Health Department guidelines. St. Louis has been asked to help with a meal in November or December. For those interested, please make a check to Our Table or a cash donation by November 12/13. All donations can be placed in an envelope marked Our Table and put in the collection, or dropped off at the Parish Office. Your contribution will help feed those in need. Any extra donations will be used by future meals this winter. Thank you for your help with this project. God Bless. ~Linda McCabe

Men's Holy Hour Every Saturday at 7am - read the Gospel for the upcoming Sunday and spend time in silent meditation. Enter through the Chapel door.

ANNIVERSARY

*Congratulations to the following couple
celebrating their 25th Anniversary!*

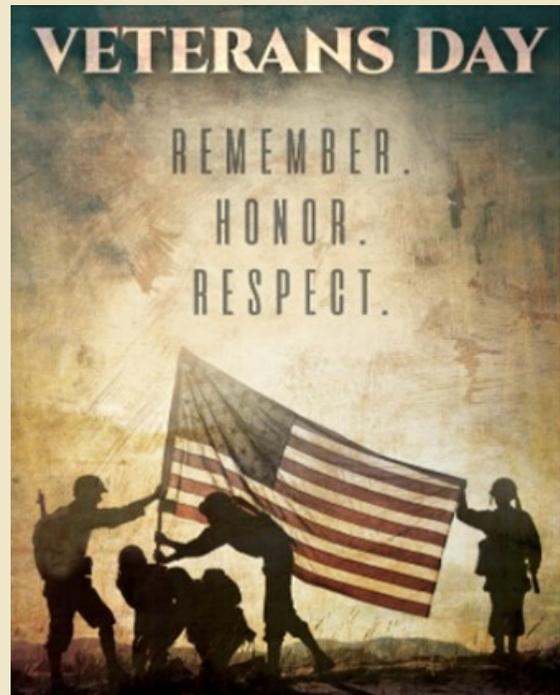
Terry & Deb Madsen—November 16th

*Congratulations to the following couple
celebrating their 50th Anniversary!*

Ronald & Patricia Buttler - November 27th

*Congratulations to the following couple
celebrating their 65th Anniversary!*

John & Patricia Bystry—November 10th



Father, bless our veterans and all who serve our nation defending our freedom.
For those who bravely gave their lives, grant them eternal rest.
For those who are serving, give them courage.
For those who served, we offer our gratitude.
We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.