

ST. JOSEPH

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November 10, 2024

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Office Hours:

Mon-Thurs 8:30am-4:30pm Friday 8:30am-3:00pm **Mass Schedule: Weekends** Saturday 4:00pm Sunday 8:00am and 10:00am **Weekdays and Holy Days** (See schedule in the bulletin) **Confession** Saturday 3:00pm - 3:45pm

The widow has given all she had, her whole livelihood. *Mark 12:41-44*

A message from the desk of Father Marreddy

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time(B) 1Kings17:10-16, Hebrews 9:24-28, Mark 12:38-44

In the readings of today we encounter two widows who though among the poorest of the poor, gave generously all they had to live on. We don't know what became of them; but they had great trust to be able to share despite an uncertain future. Sometimes, like the widow of Zerephtha, we may feel we have little personal strength or resources to share. But the Prophet reassures her and tells her not to be afraid and nothing will go wrong with her. In the same way God will certainly reward our giving with unstinting bounty. In the Gospel Jesus praised the poor widow who dropped two small coins in the treasury box of the Temple because she gave all she had. God loves a cheerful giver, the one who is willing to part with things without any hesitation. Compassion and care for others surely prompt our own giving. Perhaps like the scribes our giving may sometimes be tinged with a need for recognition or affirmation.

Contributing to charitable works is important, but we can also be generous in sharing ourselves in a simple way. We reach out to those in need and giving the little we can share with others.

Please pray for the deceased members your families and forgotten souls in this month of November.

Blessings!



According to tradition, Our Lord told St. Gertrude the Great that each time she piously recited the following prayer, it would greatly ease the suffering of those holy souls in purgatory:

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen



Magnifikid is back! Please take one for your child(ren) to follow along with the Sunday Mass. The Magnifikid includes the Order of Mass and some family activities. They are on the table in the gathering area and by the doors.

Cenacles of Life • Hour of Prayer Fridays in the Adoration Chapel St. Joseph Parish • Noon to 1pm The Cenacles of Life are for renewing the Spirit of Life - from within the Church.



It is the graces from these Cenacles that will be used to transform the face of the earth and defeat this war on life.

Weekly Readings and Mass Intentions

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Monday, November 11, 2024	St. Martin of Tours, Bishop
<i>Ti 1:1-9/Lk 17:1-6</i>	7:15am - Sacred Heart Church
Tuesday, November 12, 2024	St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr
<i>Ti 2:1-8,11-14/Lk 17:7-10</i>	8:00am - Bob Duenes†
Wednesday, November 13, 2024	St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin
<i>Ti 3:1-7/Lk 17:11-19</i>	8:00am - Andrew and Hannah Steichen† and family
Thursday, November 14, 2024	Weekday
Phlm 7-20/ Lk 17:20-25	8:00am - Ed Granowski family living and deceased
Friday, November 15, 2024 2 Jn 4-9/Lk 17:26-37	Weekday - St. Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church 8:00am - Christ the King - Betty Manderfeld†
Saturday, November 16, 2024	Weekday - St Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin
3 Jn 5-8/Lk 18:1-8	8:00am - Ernie and Mary Ann Betlach†
Sunday, November 17, 2024 Dn 12:1-3 Heb 10:11-14,18 Mk 13:24-32	Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time11/16/244:00pm - Parishioners11/16/245:30pm - Christ the King - John Hager†11/17/248:00am - Dylan Lattery†11/17/2410:00am - Modert family

St. Vincent de Paul Society	Parish Staff
November 10 – Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: In today's Gospel Jesus tells us: "I want you to observe that this poor widow contributed more than all the others who donated to the treasury. They gave from their surplus wealth, but she gave from her want, all that she had to live on." Ask yourself "Am I only giving from my surplus wealth?" and then donate to St. Vincent de Paul, so that those who are suffering will be able to know God's love and care. St. Vincent's Table volunteers prepared and served 192 meals on Tuesday. We meet the 1 st and 3 rd Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m., at St. Joseph's Church. If you would like further information on growing your spiritual life and serving those in need in our community, please join us at a meeting or contact Ed Wacek at edwacek46@gmail.com. Our phone is 507-676-5508.	 Parish Priest – Fr. Marreddy Pothireddy pastor@stjosephowatonna.org (507) 451-4845 Administrator– Al Christenson (507) 451-4845 apchristenson@stjosephowatonna.org Parish Office– Linda Strand (507) 451-4845 parishoffice@stjosephowatonna.org Bookkeeping– Erika Starman Liturgical Music Director – Carol Hodapp carolhodapp@gmail.com Faith Formation Coordinator – Brittany Boubin shsjyouth@shsjfaithformation.org (507) 686-5184 Maintenance– Dave Oman Facebook– https://www.facebook.com/ StJosephParishOwatonna/

Church News & Events

CDA Memorial Mass Monday, Nov. 18 • 5:30pm St. Joseph Parish



Court Owatonna Catholic Daughters will honor CDA sisters who have passed this last year. *Marie Seykora, Mary Ann Wanous, Maggie Klaus, Beverly Hill, and Sue Wacek* Family and friends are invited to attend. We will have coffee and refreshments after the Mass with meeting for members to follow.



A plea from Bishop Barron and Catholic **Charities - Hurricane Relief Collection** Recent hurricanes have created devastation and caused many deaths in Florida, North Carolina and throughout the southeastern part of the United States. Catholic Charities USA, the official domestic disaster relief agency of the Catholic Church in the United States, is currently providing support and assistance throughout the regions that are being impacted by Hurricanes Helene and Milton. This weekend's second collection will support Catholic Charities in their relief efforts. Checks can be made out to St. Joseph Parish with "Hurricane Relief" in the memo. To learn more about supporting local efforts through Catholic Charities, go to: www.ccsomn.org. Your thoughtful donation will help rebuild lives. Thank you.

You are the Light of the World

Appeal Goal: \$50,880.00 Current Balance: \$45,845.00

Give online: catholicfsmn.org **Envelopes are available in the Gathering Hall, Church entrances and Parish Office for mail in donations.** We are \$5035.00 away from meeting our goal.



We are recruiting Altar Servers!



Parents, if your son or daughter have received their First Holy Communion, are entering the 4th Grade and would like to be an altar server, call the parish office at 507-451-4845 for more information about Altar Server training at St. Joseph Parish.

In Loving Memory Clifford L. Stumpf October 29, 2024

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Toys for Tots of Steele County and Family to Family of Steele County

are working together to provide a Christmas for needy children age15 & younger and families.



Consider taking an angel tag from the tree in the Gathering Hall . Attach the angel tag to a new, unwrapped item you've purchased and place in the Toys for Tots box - located in the parish office or Gathering Hall.

If you prefer to donate money, send gift cards or checks to:

Toys for Tots PO Box 199 Owatonna MN 55060 Gift cards will be used to



purchase toys. Cash donations will be used to purchase food cards. **The final day for donations will be Thursday, December 12th.** *Thank you for your generosity!*

Scan the QR Code for more information on upcoming events and happenings at Christ the King Church in Medford or visit the website at www.ctkmedfordmn.org



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Owatonna KC Council 945 Benefit Breakfast

for St. Mary's Home & School Sunday, November 17 • 8am - 12pm St. Mary's School Cafeteria Advance tickets are \$9 or \$10 at the door.

Two sensational breakfast choices and table service! KC Omelet Breakfast: 3 egg omelet selections KC Country Breakfast: eggs fried or scrambled, ham or sausage.



Served with pancakes or french toast, milk, or coffee.

ALL ARE WELCOME! Please join KC Council 945 in honoring the members that have passed on to eternal praise of Jesus Christ. This Memorial Mass is not just for the families of

these Knights but for everyone that wants to remember these Knights and spend time in reflection on their own future. Join us Tuesday, Nov.12th at Sacred Heart Church for a rosarv at 6:00 PM and the Memorial Mass at 6:30 PM.

St. Joseph Environment & Decorating Team

We are looking for a team of parishioners who would like to help with decorating the



interior and exterior of St. Joseph Parish. Input is needed for floral arrangements, use of banners, and Christmas/Easter décor. Helpers outside of the decorating team will be needed for Christmas set up and tear down. If you have a "green thumb" and like to nurture live plants, you talent is needed as well. Please contact the parish office at 507-451-4845 if you are interested.

We want to creatively glorify God in the way we decorate at St. Joseph Parish.

Magnificat renewals or new subscription orders are due by the end of December. Cost for the year is \$34.95. Checks can be dropped off in the parish office or the collection basket marked "Magnificat."



Young Adult Catholics of Owatonna November Advent Event

Young Adult Catholics ages 20-35 are invited to attend the next Young Adult Catholic Fellowship Night on Tuesday November 19th from 5:30pm-7:30pm. Singles, couples and families with young children are welcome to an Advent gathering as we prepare for Christmas. The event will include making advent wreaths & learning about advent season prayer. Hot chocolate and cider will be available. If you have any questions please text Lucas and Kristine Arndt at 507-573-3532. Please feel free to invite friends. This event will take place at the Owatonna Country Club located at 1991 Lemond Road in Owatonna.



Sacred Heart/St. Joseph Faith Formation News

"The Faith Formation Christmas Wreath and Poinsettia Fundraiser that has started. A portion of each item goes directly to our Faith Formation program. This fundraiser helps us to serve our Faith Formation families by providing textbooks/curriculum, classroom supplies, resources and more each week for our families.

> Please use the following link to place your order https://shsifaithformation.org/christmas-wreaths. *If you prefer to fill out a paper form, these will be available at both Sacred Heart and St. Joseph Parish Offices.



All orders must be turned in before November 14. Pick up will be on Saturday December 7 from 9 am - 12 pm in Nazareth Hall at St. Joseph Church. You will receive an email as the time gets closer to pick up your order. Please send someone to pick up your order if you are not able to make it."

How can I serve?



Please consider becoming a Liturgical Minister at St. Joseph Church. There's something for everyone! See contact info. below:

Altar Servers – Parish Office (507)451-4845, parishoffice@stjosephowatonna.org

Communion Ministers – Linda Huffington (507)456-5274 (leave message) or lindamwhuffington@gmail.com

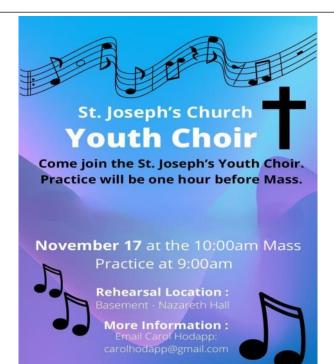
Greeters – Wayne & Betty Kubicek (507)451-8683, <u>bj-n-me@hotmail.com</u>

Homebound Ministries – Vickie Skala (507)456-2230, <u>vskala9174@gmail.com</u>

Lectors – Linda Strand (507)363-2596, strand619@gmail.com

Music Ministry – Carol Hodapp (507)213-6981, <u>carolhodapp@gmail.com</u>

Sacristans – Ellyn Jardine (507)-444-4088, <u>lee j7@reagan.com</u> Ushers – Pat Rose (507)456-1146 <u>rosepatp@gmail.com</u>



Liturgical Ministers Schedule November 16/17, 2024

<u>Saturday - 4:00pm</u>

EM: Dianne Unruh, Rose Ann Rypka, Julio Letona Lector: Tim Vogt Sacristan: Julio Letona Ushers: Mark Stradtherr, Joan Erdman Amador Ramirez, Gary Hawkins Altar Servers: Julio Letona, Brianna Harinen Sophia Harinen Greeters: Cynthia Letona <u>Sunday - 8:00am</u>

EM: Cindy Emanuelson, Doug Phillips, Sue Heller Lector: Colleen Possehl Sacristan: Rita Goodnature Ushers: Doug Phillips, Cindy Phillips Joel Dulas, Rhynda Dulas Altar Servers: Henry Seykora, Stella Seykora Greeters: Buzz Grass, Cea Grass

<u>Sunday - 10:00am</u>

EM: Katie Clubb, Stacey Ginskey, Katie Holzerland Lector: Ryan Heydon Sacristan: Ruth Broumley Ushers: Brad Fischer, Gary Thurnau Nolan Ginskey, Dina Atkinson Altar Servers: Lucas & Macey Ginskey, *1 server* Greeters: Wayne & Betty Kubicek

Volunteers are needed in all the liturgical ministries. Consider filling out a Time and Talent form found in the Gathering Area. Bring it to the office, drop it in the collection basket or call 507-451-4845 if you are able serve.

November Funeral Chairpersons

David and Rita Goodnature 507-444-4146

Contact the parish office if you are interested in serving at funeral luncheons 507-451-4845

Please Contact the Parish Office If...

- * A member of your family is in the hospital.
- * You want communion brought to your home.
- * Your address, phone, email has changed.
- *You wish to register your family with the Parish.

Phone: 451-4845 or email: <u>parishoffice@stjosephowatonna.org</u>

St. Mary's School News

The Saints are Alive at St. Mary's School "To be saints is not a PRIVILEGE for a few, but a VOCATION for everyone." - Pope Francis

All Saints' Day was a very special day for students at St. Mary's School in Owatonna.

In preparation for the day, the 2nd graders learn about their saint, typically a saint who matches the student's first or middle name. Working with their parents, students learn about their saints and create a costume for All Saints' Day. Students process into Mass in full-costume with a small sign indicating which saint they are representing. The 2nd graders led Mass for the school and guests. After Mass, each student gave a short presentation about their saint to their families and other students.

While the 2nd graders were giving their saint presentations, 7th graders at St. Mary's School hosted a living saint museum throughout St. Joseph Church. Seventh graders dressed as saints, created an accurate geographic or historical background, and gave their own presentations about saints once "activated" by other students dropping coins into a canister. Students and guests contributed, and the 7th graders voted to donate the money to Rachel's light and Make a Wish - Minnesota.



The **Catholic Education Memorial Fund (CEMF)** has been supporting Catholic education in Steele County for almost 50 years. Founded in 1974 as a perpetual endowment, the CEMF distributes income from the invested principal to St. Mary's School and the Religious Education Program. While some growth in the principal is expected from investment appreciation, real growth cannot be achieved without contributions to the fund from the Catholic community. To find out more about the CEMF and how you can support Catholic education in Steele County for decades to come, please visit the website at cemfowatonna.com – or contact any of the current Board members: Jane Kubista, Brian Haggerty, Tim McManimon, Dean Velzke, Ron Kubicek, or Stephen Nelson.

