



St Joseph Bradley Religious Education



November 2025

*Our prayers and hearts continue to be with
Annunciation Catholic Church.*



**Daylight Saving Time Ends
November 2nd
Turn back clocks an hour**

November



Saturday, November 1

Mass of Remembrance 12:00 pm (Noon)

All Saints Day 4:00 pm

Harvest Sunday Flyer Distribution

(sign up for routes; go on own times/ get flyers from Parish office or RE office)



Sunday, November 2

All Souls Day 8:30 am 11:00 am

Harvest Sunday Flyer Distribution

(sign up for routes; go on own times/ get flyers from Parish office or RE office)

St. Joseph Holy-ween Trunk of Treats 12 pm -2 pm



Wednesday, November 5

5:30 pm-6:45 pm RE Session

Sunday, November 9

11 am (Youth/Family Mass)

Donut Sunday (after 11 am Mass)

Harvest Sunday Food Pick-up and Drop-off

(After Family/ Youth Mass in the Ministry House, 12-2 pm)

2 pm PWD Mass

3 pm PWD Social



Monday, November 10

Culver's Fundraiser



5-8 pm



Wednesday, November 12

5:30 pm -6:45 pm RE Session

Last day for Bundt cake orders



Saturday, November 15

Faith Buddies (St Joseph's Manteno) 9:30 am - 11 am



Wednesday, November 19

5:30 pm-6:45 pm RE Session



Thursday, November 20

Parish Advent Calendar Activity



6 pm-9 pm

Saturday, November 22

Bundt cake pick up

10 am-3 pm



Saturday, November 29

CSI Life Nights PRESENTS Bowling Night

6 pm- 8 pm



Happy Hallowtide!

Did you know that Halloween began as a Catholic celebration? The word Halloween comes from All Hallow's Eve — the night before All Saints' Day (Nov. 1) — when the Church honors everyone who has reached heaven. The next day, All Souls' Day (Nov. 2), we pray for those who have died and are still being purified on their way to heaven. Together, these three days — All Hallows' Eve, All Saints' Day, and All Souls' Day — are called Hallowtide or the Days of the Dead, reminding us that life in Christ never ends.

Why Catholics Celebrate Hallowtide

To remember that we are all called to be saints.

To pray for the souls of the faithful departed.

To rejoice in God's promise of eternal life.

To thank the saints who inspire us and ask their prayers.

Where Our Traditions Come From

Dressing up — came from French Catholic customs, where children dressed as saints, angels, or biblical figures to honor holy men and women.

Jack-o'-lanterns — came from Irish Catholics, who first carved turnips, lighting them to symbolize souls shining in the darkness.

Trick-or-treating — started in England, where people went door-to-door asking for "soul cakes." In return, they promised to pray for the loved ones of the families who gave them treats.

These faith-filled customs came to America through English, Irish, and French Catholic immigrants and blended together into the joyful celebration we now call Halloween.

Join Us for Our All Souls Day Trunk-or-Treat!

Let's keep the Catholic spirit of this season alive!

Kids are invited to dress up as their favorite saint, hero, or someone they admire.

Visit decorated trunks for treats, games, and prizes — and say a prayer for the saints and souls we celebrate this week.

Families can take part in a fun, faith-filled afternoon that honors our Church's beautiful tradition of remembering the holy men, women, and souls who came before us.

Let's celebrate the joy of heaven and the hope of eternal life together!

St Joseph's RE Night



**Monday, November 10
5-8 PM**

COME CELEBRATE ALL SAINTS AND SOULS DAY
ST JOSEPH'S HOLY-WEEN TRUNK OF TREATS

NOVEMBER 2 @12 (NOON) - 2 PM
IN THE NORTH PARKING LOT



COME JOIN THE FUN!

KIDS — DRESS UP AS YOUR FAVORITE SAINT, HERO,
OR YOUR COSTUME FROM HALLOWEEN
AND VISIT ALL THE COOL DECORATED TRUNKS FOR TREATS AND FUN!

LET'S CELEBRATE ALL SOULS DAY BY REMEMBERING
THOSE WHO INSPIRE US TO BE KIND, BRAVE, AND FAITHFUL.
BRING YOUR SMILE, YOUR COSTUME, AND YOUR FRIENDS
FOR A FUN AFTERNOON OF FAITH AND TREATS!

34TH ANNUAL HARVEST SUNDAY FOOD DRIVE

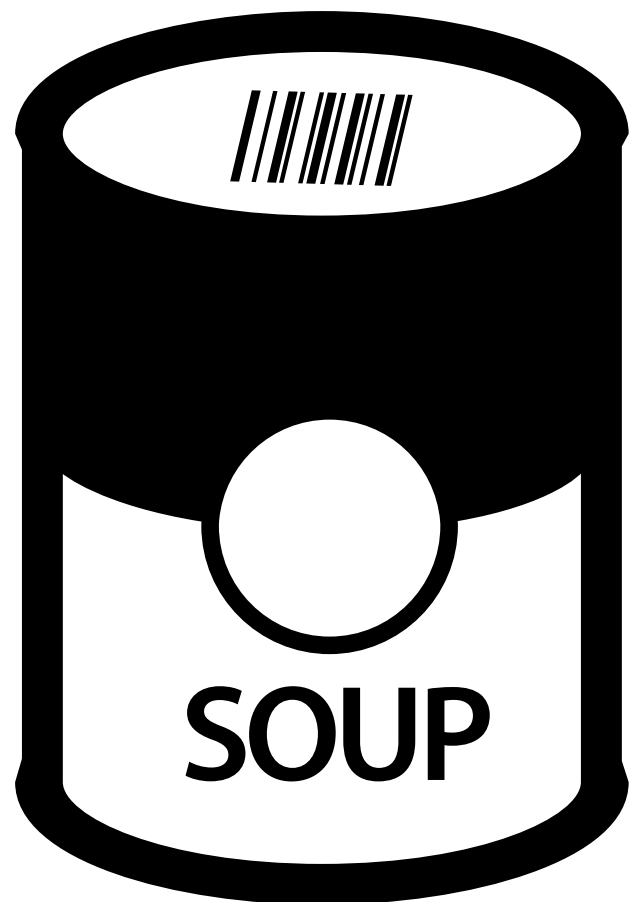
Please bring an item of non-perishable food to
RE on Wednesday, November 5TH.

Please feel free to also bring donations directly to
**ST JOSEPH CHURCH MINISTRY CENTER
260 N PRAIRIE AVE, BRADLEY, IL 60915**

**Sunday, November 9th, between 12 noon and 2 pm
(Bring to Youth and Family Mass / Donut Sunday)**

ANYTHING NON-PERSISHABLE

CANNED FRUITS AND VEGETABLES
CANNED TUNA, CHICKEN OR SALMON
BEANS (CANNED OR DRIED)
SPLIT PEAS AND LENTILS
WHOLE GRAIN PASTA, BROWN RICE OR QUINOA
CANNED VEGETABLES
100% FRUIT JUICE
PEANUT BUTTER
BREAKFAST CEREAL AND OATMEAL
APPLESAUCE
SHELF-STABLE LOW-FAT MILK
DRY-GRATED PARMESAN CHEESE
OLIVE AND CANOLA OILS
VINEGAR OR LEMON JUICE
BROTHS
SPICES: GARLIC, PEPPER, CINNAMON, OREGANO,
PARSLEY, CHILI POWDER, DILL, ETC.



IN ALL Things GIVE Thanks

THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR
THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2025
FOR THE PREVENTION OF SUICIDE:
LET US PRAY THAT THOSE WHO ARE
STRUGGLING WITH SUICIDAL
THOUGHTS MIGHT FIND THE
SUPPORT, CARE AND LOVE THEY NEED
IN THEIR COMMUNITY, AND BE OPEN
TO THE BEAUTY OF LIFE.

Highlights

NOVEMBER 26
SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING
THE LAST SUNDAY OF THE LITURGICAL
YEAR. THIS FEAST IS A PUBLIC, SOCIAL
AND OFFICIAL DECLARATION OF THE
ROYAL RIGHTS OF JESUS, AS GOD THE
CREATOR, AS THE WORD INCARNATE,
AND AS REDEEMER.



Pumpkin carving also has Catholic roots! Early Christians would place candles in carved out vegetables to reflect the light of Christ on All Hallows' Eve. Today, many Christians carve holy images or symbols in their pumpkins to celebrate Christ's victory over death.



**DO YOU WANT TO
SING OR PLAY
AN INSTRUMENT FOR
YOUTH MASS?!**



**For the Youth Masses, we will
practice at 10:00am before the
masses and the Wednesday
before each mass from 5:30p-
6:30p. Both practices are in the
church. Wednesday practices are
not mandatory but are
encouraged. Those Wednesdays
will be:**

PLEASE CONTACT OUR MUSIC DIRECTOR, MR. BRAD BENOIT

Saints Feast Day Of November

Feast Days for November 2025

1. ALL SAINTS, Solemnity
2. ALL SOULS, Commem.
3. Martin de Porres, Opt. Mem.
4. Charles Borromeo, Memorial
9. Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, Feast
10. Leo the Great, Memorial
11. Martin of Tours; Veterans Day (USA), Memorial
12. Josaphat, Memorial
13. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Memorial
15. Albert the Great, Opt. Mem.
16. THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, Sunday
17. Elizabeth of Hungary, Memorial
18. Basilicas of Peter and Paul; Rose Philippine Duchesne (USA), Opt. Mem.
21. Presentation of Mary, Memorial
22. Cecilia, Memorial
23. OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE, Solemnity
24. Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions, Memorial
25. Catherine of Alexandria, Opt. Mem.
30. FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, Sunday



FAITH BUDDIES

An alternative faith experience for students with learning disabilities, autism, environmental challenges, and Down's Syndrome.

We talk. We pray. We play.
Your child deserves a faith life.
Contact us for more information.

When: We meet from 9:30 am – 11:00 am typically on the THIRD Saturday of each month
UPCOMING DATES:

~~Saturday, August 16, 2025 - St Joseph, Bradley~~

~~Saturday, September 20, 2025 - St Joseph, Manteno~~

~~Saturday, October 18, 2025 - St Joseph, Bradley~~

Saturday, November 15, 2025 - St Joseph, Manteno

Saturday, December 20, 2025 - St Joseph, Bradley

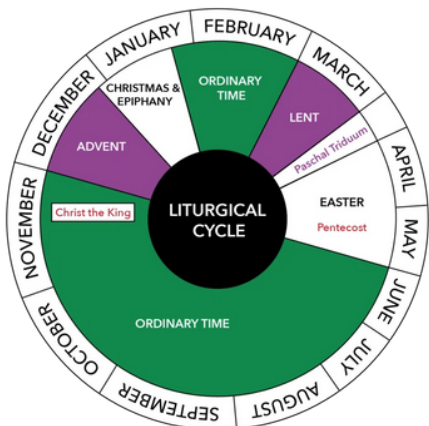
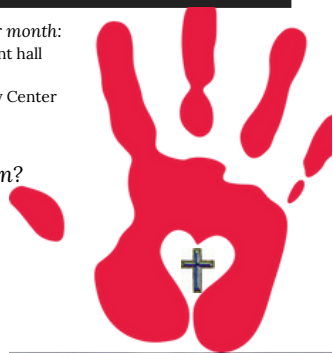
Locations rotate every other month:

- St Joseph Church basement hall
208 W Main St, Manteno
- St Joseph Church Ministry Center
260 N Prairie Ave, Bradley

Want more information?

Want to help?

Contact:
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The new liturgical year for 2026 begins on Sunday, November 30, 2025, with the First Sunday of Advent. This date marks the start of the new cycle, which will conclude at the end of 2026.



Support Our Parish Groups

Please check the church bulletin and social media platform for more information other upcoming parish events



November Family Challenge

Attend Mass on All Saints Day!

Find an age appropriate science experiment or activity to celebrate the feast day of Saint Albert the Great, the patron saint of scientists. (November 15th)

Bake bread together to deliver to friends and neighbors (especially those most in need of some extra love) in honor of the feast day of Saint Elizabeth of Hungary. (November 17th)

Join us on the 20th to make your very own Advent Calendar!

Attend a musical performance or just have a family sing-along/dance party at home to honor Saint Cecilia, the patron saint of music. (November 22nd)



Make a Thankful Turkey Project.



3 RE Session K-8 5:30-6:45 pm

10 RE Session K-8 5:30-6:45 pm

13 Youth Ministry / RE - Singing For Seniors

**14 Youth & Family Mass/ Donut
Sunday 11 am**



Youth Ministry / RE - Singing For Seniors



*God's peace & blessings,
Brenda McLean & Sandra Jefferson
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