31st Sunday in Ordinary Time **NOVEMBER 5, 2023**

Those who have died in the faith are safe in God's hands, And God will wipe away every tear.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday November 4th

NO MASS

Sunday November 5th

8:00 AM Ernest & Lucille Stoeger † Req by: Roger &

Rosemary Schopf

1:00 PM Spanish Mass

Thursday November 9th

8:00 AM Rosarv

8:30 AM Safety for Hunters

Sunday November 12th

8:00 AM Roberta Peterson Boyle † Reg by: Donna Peterson 1:00 PM Spanish Mass

Serving in Christ

November 12th

Lector: Erika Mav Eucharistic Minister: Deacon Mark

Ushers: Gordy Haen & Paul Spude

Sacristan: Tom Ploor

DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

MONDAY: Rom 11:29-36 / Lk 14:12-14 TUESDAY: Rom 12:5-16b / Lk 14:15-24 WEDNESDAY: Rom 13:8-10 / Lk 14:25-33

THURSDAY: Ez 47:1-2,8-9,12/1 Cor 3:9c-11,16-17/Jn 2

:13-22

FRIDAY: Rom 15:14-21 / Lk 16:1-8

SATURDAY: Rom 16:3-9.16.22-27 / Lk 16:9-15 **SUNDAY** Wis 6:12-16 1 Thes 4:13-18 / Mt 25:1-13

Summary of Contributions Received (Treasures)

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Envelopes	\$	2,393.01
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Online	\$	1,397.00
Candles	\$	33.10
Candlesticks	\$	50.00
Religious Education	\$	25.00
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NEW OFFICE HOURS STARTING NOVEMBER 1

MON—TUES 8-2 THURSDAY 8-12 CLOSED FRIDAY



UPCOMING EVENTS

Choir Practice dates: Nov. 13th Dec. 4th & 18th NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME.

Thanksgiving Pie Sale Order forms will be available In the entrance to church. Order your pie for Thanksgiving. All orders need to be in by November 13th

Suffering In Christ

If you know of anyone that is homebound and would like one of our Deacons or Father to visit and bring communion please call the office at 920-743-4842 Father and the Deacon will visit parishioners on the last Friday of the month.

A perpetual candle burns in the sanctuary by the tabernacle representing the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist at all times. The tabernacle candle is available to parishioners who wish to donate. The candle cost of \$30 a month in honor of a loved one



The **NOVEMBER** Tabernacle Candle is lit in Loving Memory of ROGER F. BOCHÉK Requested by: Paul & Joanne Surfus

Funeral Note

When we have a Funeral during the week on a Mass day the Mass will be cancelled due to the Funeral.

Funeral Masses will ordinarily be celebrated at Saints Peter & Paul Parish on Tuesdays—Fridays at 11am.

This week's spotlight INNOVATIVE PRINTING, LLC

We strongly encourage you to support our Advertisers

We are in need of volunteers for Sunday Eucharist Ministers for Assisted Living Homes. Please call St. Joseph's if interested 920-743-2062. Thank you

Reporting Sexual Abuse

If you know of an incident of sexual abuse of a person who is now under the age of 18 by a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer, PLEASE IMMEDIATELY CALL THE CIVIL **AUTHORITIES AND THEN THE DIOCESE.**

If the person was abused as a minor but is now an adult,

please contact: Office of Safe Environment Diocese of Green Bay

> 920-272-8174 or 1-877-270-8174 (toll free)

We always encourage you to report the incident to civil authorities.

YOU MATTER TO US-THERE IS HOPE

Thursday Dec 7 to Sunday Dec 10th, is the Advent retreat for women at the Jesuit Retreat House, in Oshkosh. Ms. Carol Ackels, as retreat director, will help retreatants focus on the spiritual riches we can encounter during the Advent and Christmas season, and throughout the year. For reservations: 920-231-9060 or office@jesuitretreathouse.org For retreat questions call: Marcie at 920-923-2446 or Pam at 414-708-4253

GIVE ONLINE

MASS MINUTES By Deacon Ed

The Mass is described as both a meal and a sacrifice. Why a meal? Life requires certain elements for it to continue. First is oxygen to replace carbon dioxide. Second, nutrients, including water, sources of energy (Calories), certain amino acids (for proteins), vitamins, and minerals. Therefore, after breathing, meals are next in important to life and it is not surprising that sacred scripture often mentions food. God told Adam and Eve what to eat and what not to eat. Moses told the Israelites to prepare for the exodus with a meal. Is it coincidence that Mary laid the newborn Jesus, who would later offer his body and blood to us, in a manger, a feeding trough for animals?

Later, Jesus often chose meal gatherings to teach. Jesus called Matthew to follow him and they went to Matthew's home for a meal. Likewise, he called Zachaeus down from a sycamore tree, inviting himself to eat at Zachaeus' house. (Lk 19:4-7) Jesus taught crowds of 4,000 and 5,000 and then, miraculously, fed them. (Lk 9:12-17), Mt 14:19, Km 8;20). It was a Passover meal, the Last Supper, at which Jesus instructed his disciples to "Do this in memory of me." After rising from the dead, he called his disciples who had been fishing all night without luck, "Come, have breakfast," Finally, Jesus instructed St. Peter to "Feed my Lamb." Two weeks ago Fr. Matthew connected Isaiah's description of a lavish banquet with abundant foods, and choice wines to heaven's sharing in God's life, foreshadowed by our reception of the Eucharist and Christ's invitation to, "Take and eat." "My flesh is true food and Next: What about the sacrifice? my blood true drink."

Encountering Christ— Unlocking the Meaning of the Mass What do Catholics mean by the word worship? Worship is right honor, praise and thanksgiving to God which we do through the public prayer of the Church-liturgy-and in our private prayer. The Mass is the perfect act of worship, offered by the Son to the Father in the Holy Spirit. We can (and we should) pray in many different ways, but only in the Mass can we offer the prayer of perfect praise and thanksgiving that we owe to God. In the Mass, it is Christ who makes the offering for us and in us. He is the high priest and mediator—and the Mass is the place and time he established for the re-presentation of his sacrifice. When he took bread and wine and blessed them, he pronounced them to be his Body and Blood, and he said, "Do this in memory of me" (Luke22:19); and so we do. When we come to worship, Jesus is present in Word and Sacrament. It is an appointment he made, and he always keeps it—not because God needs our worship but because we need to worship God.

Worship is the deepest human need, and it is a debt we owe to God. We were created in the divine image and likeness made by God for God. In the Mass, in communion with Jesus we receive the love the Son has known from eternity. In the Mass, in communion with Jesus, we return love to the Father in a way that is appropriately divine.

In the Mass, we are caught up in nothing less than the love of the Blessed Trinity. This is beautifully expressed in the great doxology, the words you hear at the conclusion of the Eucharistic Prayer just before the Our Father begins: "Through him, with him, and in him, O God Almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, forever and ever Amen."

Edge and life Teen Middle and High School **Religious Education and Youth Ministry** Schedule this upcoming week (Nov 8)

Edge at Holy Name of Mary: 6-7:30 pm Edge at St. Joseph: 5:30—6:45 pm Life Teen at St. Joseph: 6:30-7:45 pm Confirmation at St. Joseph: 7:45—9 pm

November 8th will be our annual Safe Environment night. The goal is to challenge teens to understand what a safe environment s and why our God-given dignity requires that we recognize the respect due to all people.

Registration for our 2024 mission trip to Louisiana is OPEN! June 9-16th. We secured more spots this year, but we still know the trip is going to fill and fill fast, so contact Sarah today if you're interested in signing up. This trip is open to all current 8th graders through the graduating class of 2024.

Genesis Facebook Page: GENESIS/Tri Parish Elementary Religious **Education Program**

Facebook Page: St. Joseph Catholic Parish—Faith Formation Center

Thank you to all the candy donations to help the Trunk or Treat Event! Even though our event was cancelled we made trick or treat bags for all the Genesis Children.

Thank you for all the Turkey donations! We will be making 12 Thanksgiving meals for families in need.

Thank you to all who ordered Christmas wreaths! This will help our Genesis Program and our Faith Formation Center!

There is a wonderful Bible Study every Tuesday at 10:00am at St. Joseph's Faith Formation Center. Come join Penny Biwer as she leads a reviving bible study on the weekly readings that will stir vour spirit.

Our second Genesis Service Project!

We are collecting hats and mittens for our local school children starting Wednesday, November 15th. The Faith Formation Center will have a Christmas Tree where you can place hats and mittens on. Thank you for your donations.



Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the Gospel today, we hear the good news that when we keep our focus on God and serve one another, God exalts us!

In your support of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, please say a special prayer for the many poor who have no one to pray for them.

Our Conference here at St. Joseph offers prayers for all those we work with and for those who support our mission of service to those most in need. A "friend in need", on a recent home visit, relayed that our prayers were the most important thing we could do for her. We pray that we always bring prayer, hope, and material assistance to those struggling in poverty.

Our special thanks to our Parish and to the Knights of Columbus for your trust and support!

"Whoever oppresses the poor shows contempt for their Maker, but whoever is kind to the needy honors God." (Proverbs 14:31,NIV)

Blessing Box
Located on the side of Church
We are in need of school supplies. Anything
from pencils to back packs. Please no
Perishable items.

Nancy Anderson 920-743-0216, Cathy Gerdmann 920-823-2934, Rae Ann Gosser 920-743-2781, Karen J. Haen 920-495-3197, Pat Ploor 920-559-