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**November 8, 2026**

**Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sunday, November 8**

***8:00 am*** ***Happy Birthday to Rick De Ruyter Love, Sherry & Family***
***After Mass: Annual Parish Report- Fiscal Year***
10:00 am Mass at St John's David & Rosemary Vande Hei

**Tuesday, November 10**

----- NO Mass OR Services at St John's

**Wednesday, November 11**



8:15 am Mass at St John's Marian Van Asten
***----- NO Communion Service due to Veteran's Day***

**Thursday, November 12**

----- NO Mass OR Services at St John's

**Friday, November 13**

***8:15 am*** ***Bonnie Ahlborn From Jill & Dan Carey***

**Saturday, November 14**

4:00 pm Mass at St John's Bonnie Ahlborn

**Sunday, November 15**

***8:00 am*** ***In Memory of Babe Vande Walle & Our Special Niece***
***Brooklynne Whipp on their shared birthday By Mary & DJ Hill***
10:00 am Mass at St John's Earl & Sharon Marcks

THE NOVEMBER BULLETIN
IS SPONSORED
IN MEMORY OF
CLIFFORD DEMBROSKI
AND ALL LIVING
& DECEASED VETERANS

LOVE, KAREN







## Matthew 25:1-13

My first instinct upon waking is to grab my phone and start scrolling. Sometimes I do it for 20 or 30 minutes, and it makes me feel distracted and agitated. I feel guilty, too, for wasting my first moments of the day. So recently, I committed those minutes to reading a book that would focus my mind on Jesus. I enjoy the fact that I am not scattering my attention as much. I feel more peaceful and focused on God.

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks about attention. He contrasts wise and foolish virgins, and then sums up the teaching by saying, "Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour" (Matthew 25:13). The basic currency of the human heart is attention. The foolish bridesmaids are not immoral or malicious; they are unfocused, distracted, and unprepared. They assume that borrowed oil will suffice, that someone else's readiness can make up for their own lack. But the attention which is love cannot be outsourced. A relationship with God requires personal attentiveness cultivated over time.

This Gospel leaves us with an honest question. What am I giving my attention to each day, and am I forming a heart that is awake, watchful, and ready to meet the Lord when He comes? How can I use key moments of my day to focus my attention where I need it to be?

*— Father John R. Muir*

### Catholic Trivia-

**What musical instrument is more commonly found inside churches than not?**

**Answer: The Organ**

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| ***INCOME FOR WEEK:*** | |
| Church Support | $ 2357.00 |
| Loose Collection | $ 203.05 |
| Votive Candles | $ 10.00 |
| Mass Intentions | $ 80.00 |
| Building/Maintenance | $ 170.00 |
| ***DISBURSEMENTS FOR WEEK:*** | |
| LPI Digital, LLC | $ 599.40 |
| AON Risk Insurance | $ 828.47 |
| St. John's Cost Share | $ 6409.55 |
| Formed App - Reimbursement | $ 1145.00 |
| WeShare CC Fees | $ 6.67 |

## Virtues, *Explained!* *Kindness*

In the modern lexicon, the quality of "kindness" is often equated with politeness — but real, virtuous kindness is so much more. Virtuous kindness is a way of seeing others through the eyes of God.

God is not polite — God is kind, and His kindness is abundantly evident in all of creation. It was suspicion of this divine kindness that precipitated the fall of Adam and Eve (CCC 214), and it was this unfailing kindness that facilitated our own adoption as God's children, conformed to the image of His son (CCC 257).

Also known as benevolence or beneficence and derived from the theological virtue of charity, kindness is a fruit of the Holy Spirit (Galatians 5:22) and is a central theme in the famous parable of the Good Samaritan. In practicing kindness and seeking the good of another without prejudice or condition, the Samaritan reflects God's own plan of loving kindness for us.

The bridegroom came and those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him. Then the door was locked. Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.'"

– Mt 25:10b-12 Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

## Liturgical Schedule

**Sunday, November 15 8:00am**

**Lector** Dan Rynish

**Distributor** Amy Van Schyndel

**Servers** Clara Vander Heiden
Gracelyn Vander Heiden
Elaina Vander Heiden

**Ushers** Adam Vander Heiden
Preston Vander Heiden

ANGEL TREE

**Angel Cards are located near the lady's restroom. When you take an Angel Card, please write your name by the card # on the sheet.**

**All unwrapped gifts must be brought to the Parish Hall by Sunday, November 29th**
**Questions Call:**
**Alice Vanden Langenberg**
**#920-833-2919. Thank you!!**



VETERANS DAY
WE HONOR YOUR SACRIFICE

## Blessing for Veterans

O God,
Bless the men and women who have stepped forward in the service of our country.
Protect them in Your mercy,
care for their needs:
physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual.
Give them courage, strength, perseverance, and support.
Amen.

**Perpetual Monthly Giving Calendar Seymour Food Pantry- St. Vincent de Paul tocollect & deliver:**
**November: Cold Cereal**

**Ministry of the Sick:** Please notify the parish office if a member of your family is confined to their home or is hospitalized. Also, please inform the hospital of your affiliation with your parish.

**Baptisms:** Please call the parish office two months in advance.

**Marriage:** Please call St. John's parish office eight months in advance.

**Funeral Arrangements:** Please call St. John's parish office.

**Anointing of the Sick and Dying:** Please call St. John's parish office.

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**Current Hours: Mon - Wedn Please Call**
**Wed: 8:30 - Noon, Closed: Thurs & Fri**