

The Saint Joseph Journal

Form Community. Share the Good News of Christ. Be Witnesses for Christ in Everything We Do.

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen was officially beatified on Thursday, September 24, 2026, during a historic Mass at The Dome at America's Center in St. Louis, Missouri. With this declaration, the famed radio and television evangelist is now officially recognized as "Blessed".

The Power of the Holy Hour:

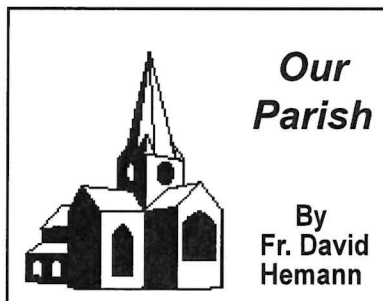
At his priestly ordination in 1919, Sheen made a vow to spend a continuous Holy Hour in the presence of the Eucharist every day—a promise he kept until his death. His teachings on this practice were deeply relational:

A Time of Presence: He described the Holy Hour not as a time to recite endless prayers, but to simply "be" with God. He often compared it to sunlight: if you sit in the sun, you get a tan; if you sit in the Eucharistic presence, you become tanned by the love of Christ.

Answering Christ's Plea: He rooted the practice in Christ's question to the apostles in the Garden of Gethsemane: "Could you not keep watch with me for one hour?" (Matthew 26:40). For Sheen, it was an act of companionship and reparation. The Secret to Transformation: He credited this daily hour as the source of his energy, his successful evangelization, and his enduring faith. It was a daily reset where the noise of the world faded into the silence of God.

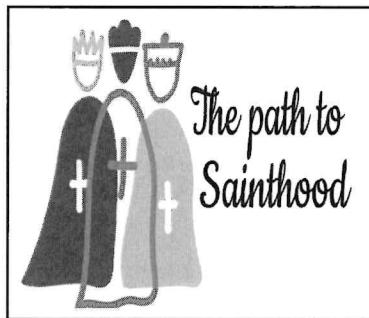
The Path to Sainthood

The Catholic Church's canonization process is a rigorous investigation designed to confirm that a person is in Heaven and worthy of public



vereneration.

Servant of God: The process begins when a local bishop opens an official investigation into the individual's life, writings,



and holiness.

Venerable: If the Vatican's Dicastery for the Causes of Saints determines the person lived a life of "heroic virtue," the Pope grants this title. It signifies that the person is a model of Christian life, though no public feast day is assigned.

Blessed (Beatification): This stage requires one scientifically unexplainable miracle attributed to the candidate's intercession after their death (unless they are a recognized martyr). Beatification allows for localized or limited public veneration.

Saint (Canonization): A second verified miracle, occur-

ring after beatification, is required. The Pope then officially canonizes the individual, recognizing them as a Saint and authorizing universal veneration across the global Church.

Befriending the Saints through their writings. Saints are not meant to be distant historical figures; they are intended to be spiritual companions. When someone compiles their personal stories, reflections, and spiritual encounters into a manuscript, they leave behind a permanent bridge for others to cross.

Reading the books, letters, and journals of the saints bridges the gap of time and brings their humanity into focus. When you read the writings of someone like Blessed Fulton Sheen, you encounter their personality, their specific struggles, and their unique way of loving God. Because the Church teaches that the saints are alive in Christ, reading their work is less like studying an academic text and more like listening to a living friend. Their words become a starting point for dialogue, allowing their insights to directly mentor you in your own spiritual life.

Fr. David Hemann

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NOVEMBER 2026

I AM
THANKFUL
FOR...

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 ✓ Mass at 9 a.m.	2 No Mass Today ✓ 7:30 p.m. AL-ANON Overflow ✓ 8 p.m.: AA Nazareth	3 ✓ Eucharistic Ador. 2-5:15 pm ✓ 5:15: Benediction ✓ 5:30 pm Mass ✓ 6:30 pm: OCIA, basement	4 ✓ 7:30 a.m. Mass ✓ 9 a.m.: Centering Prayer, St. Rita ✓ RELED: 5:15-6:15 & 7 to 8 p.m.	5 Mass at 7:30 a.m. ✓ 8 a.m.: Bible Study St. Rita's Room	6 ✓ 7:30 a.m. Mass	7 ✓ Mass at 4 p.m. ✓ 5 p.m.: CDA Veteran's Soup Supper
8 ✓ Mass at 9 a.m.	9 ✓ Mass at 5:30 p.m. ✓ 6:30 p.m.: St. Monica's Holy Hour AL-ANON Overflow ✓ 8 p.m.: AA-Naz	10 ✓ 7:30 a.m. Mass (NOTE CHANGE OF TIME) ✓ Eucharistic Ador. 2-5:15 pm ✓ 5:15: Benediction ✓ 6:30: OCIA, bsmt	11 ✓ 7:30 a.m. Mass ✓ 9 a.m.: Centering Prayer, St. Rita ✓ RELED: 5:15-6:15 & 7 to 8 p.m.	12 ✓ 7:30 a.m. Mass ✓ 8 a.m.: Bible Study-St. Rita's Room ✓ 11 A.M. ONES meet @ The Waterfront ✓ 5:30 p.m.: CDA	13 ✓ 7:30 a.m. Mass	14 ✓ Mass at 4 p.m. Altar/Rosary Dues collection
15 ✓ Mass at 9 a.m. Altar/Rosary Dues Collection	16 No Mass Today ✓ 7:30 p.m. AL-ANON Overflow ✓ 8 p.m.: AA Nazareth	17 ✓ Eucharistic Ador. 2-5:15 pm ✓ 5:15: Benediction ✓ 5:30 pm Mass Mass of Remembrance by CDA ✓ 6:30 pm: OCIA, basement	18 7:30 a.m. Mass ✓ 9 a.m.: Centering Prayer, St. Rita ✓ RELED: 5:15-6:15 Meal @ 6 pm & 7 to 8 p.m.	19 7:30 a.m. Mass ✓ 8:15 a.m. Bible Study, St. Rita's Room	20 ✓ 7:30 a.m. Mass Harvest Dinner Prep Work	21 Harvest Dinner Prep ✓ 1 pm SHARP table setting & potato peeling ✓ Mass at 4 p.m.
22 ✓ Mass at 10 a.m. (NOTE CHANGE of TIME) Harvest Dinner 11 - 1	23 No Mass Today ✓ 7:30 p.m. AL-ANON Overflow ✓ 8 p.m.: AA, Naz	24 ✓ Eucharistic Ador. 2-5:15 pm ✓ 5:15: Benediction ✓ 5:30 pm Mass ✓ 6:30 pm: OCIA, basement	25 ✓ 7:30 a.m. Mass ✓ 9 a.m.: Centering Prayer, St. Rita ✓ RELED: 5:15-6:15 & 7 to 8 p.m.	26 ✓ 9 a.m. Thanksgiving Mass Parish Offices Closed	27 No Mass Today! Parish Offices Closed	28 ✓ Mass at 4 p.m.
29 ✓ Mass at 9 a.m.	30 No Mass Today 8:30 am Baking Day ✓ 7:30 p.m. AL-ANON Overflow ✓ 8 p.m.: AA Nazareth					

1:21 PM
10/13/26
Accrual Basis

Saint Joseph Catholic Church
Profit Loss Prev Year Comparison

September 2026

		Sep 26	Sep 25	Jul - Sep 26	Jul - Sep 25
Ordinary Income/Expense					
Income					
	40000 · PARISH INCOME	44,224.96	82,191.38	234,044.55	192,663.52
	41000 · INVESTMENT INCOME	360.81	5,474.81	-13,402.36	14,742.43
	44000 · AUXILIARY INCOME	7,244.56	6,991.37	27,950.81	52,439.28
	47000 · CONTRIBUTIONS & DONATIONS	135.00	165.00	342.00	396.00
	49000 · OTHER INCOME	0.00	48,400.00	7,304.79	50,930.00
	Total Income	51,965.33	143,222.56	256,239.79	311,171.23
Expense					
	50000 · SALARIES AND WAGES	30,374.34	29,687.55	79,481.22	83,460.50
	51000 · ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	3,907.28	7,951.18	16,926.33	20,746.34
	51300 · MISSION EFFECTIVENES	2,144.33	2,868.79	29,970.03	17,019.02
	51400 · BUILDING AND GROUNDS	16,811.35	10,960.37	43,690.94	42,029.02
	51900 · OTHER ADMIN EXPENSES	0.00	182.00	749.58	550.32
	53000 · ASSESSMENTS	2,658.00	2,638.00	7,974.00	7,914.00
	54000 · AUXILIARY EXPENSE	6,764.82	2,648.21	18,246.64	17,949.62
	59000 · OTHER EXPENSES	3,989.21	3,511.15	10,942.94	11,955.79
	Total Expense	66,649.33	60,447.25	207,981.68	201,624.61
	Net Ordinary Income	-14,684.00	82,775.31	48,258.11	109,546.62
Other Income/Expense					
Other Expense					
	59943 · St. Joe's House Expense	284.36	419.30	248.36	921.93
	Total Other Expense	284.36	419.30	248.36	921.93
	Net Other Income	-284.36	-419.30	-248.36	-921.93
	Net Income	-14,968.36	82,356.01	48,009.75	108,624.69

**PLEASE mark this on your
calendar now!
Sunday morning Mass on
Sunday, November 22 will
change from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.
because of the
annual Harvest Dinner.**



1:32 PM
10/13/26
Accrual Basis

Saint Joseph Catholic Church
Balance Sheet Prev Year Comparison
As of September 30, 2026

	Sep 30, 26	Sep 30, 25
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Checking/Savings		
11000 · CASH	263,603.33	471,335.18
12000 · INVESTMENTS	1,369,671.64	1,176,982.51
Total Checking/Savings	1,633,274.97	1,648,317.69
Accounts Receivable		
13000 · GENERAL RECEIVABLES	0.00	17,835.87
Total Accounts Receivable	0.00	17,835.87
Total Current Assets	1,633,274.97	1,666,153.56
Fixed Assets		
18000 · FIXED ASSETS	3,768,316.01	3,768,316.01
19000 · ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION	-502,763.92	-502,763.92
Total Fixed Assets	3,265,552.09	3,265,552.09
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>4,898,827.06</u>	<u>4,931,705.65</u>
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Other Current Liabilities		
22000 · PAYROLL LIABILITIES	-139.13	0.00
24000 · FUNDS HELD FOR OTHERS	13,221.59	14,377.61
Total Other Current Liabilities	13,082.46	14,377.61
Total Current Liabilities	13,082.46	14,377.61
Total Liabilities	13,082.46	14,377.61
Equity		
31000 · UNRESTRICTED FUND BALANCE	4,622,880.08	4,593,848.58
32000 · PERMANENTLY RESTRICTED FUND BAL	198,421.84	198,421.84
33000 · TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED	16,432.93	16,432.93
Net Income	48,009.75	108,624.69
Total Equity	4,885,744.60	4,917,328.04
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	<u>4,898,827.06</u>	<u>4,931,705.65</u>

For Your Information

October Statistics

(as of October 20, 2026)

Baptized in Christ:

Solene Estelle Chicoine
daughter of
Jacob and Andrea Chicoine
October 11, 2026

Weddings

September 19, 2026
Weston Peters and
Kaitlyn Lenhart

September 25, 2026
Mary Laughlin and
Hunter Gorbey

September 26, 2026
Macy DenBest and
Benjamin McKernan

October 2, 2026
Grace Brinkman and
Reid Sorenson

October 3, 2026
Abby Erickson
and Kade Heikens

October 10, 2026
Samantha Olivaries and
Michael Cedar

October 17, 2026
Sunny Duffney and
Jackson Steburg

Deaths

+Mark Foss
Died: September 16, 2026
Service: October 10, 2026
Burial: Texas

+Don Ronsiek
Died: September 23, 2026
Service: October 16, 2026
Burial: At a later date

**Join us for Bible Study
Thursdays,
8 a.m.
in St. Rita's Room.
Good Fellowship.
Refreshments.**



All Souls Novena

Remember your loved ones in the All Souls Day Novena of Nine Masses which begin Tuesday, Nov. 3. Envelopes for this purpose are in your packet or located near the elevator. Deadline for inclusion in the bulletin is Wed., Oct. 28 at 12 noon.



The St. Joseph Parish Family warmly welcomes the following into membership:

- ✓ Keegan and Morgan Kloewer, Mila and Callahan, of Milford;
- ✓ Cole Keenan, of Spirit Lake;
- ✓ Jessica Paulson, of Spirit Lake; and
- Jamie and Jose Bousquet, of Milford.

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- 21 - Church Basement
- 22 - Kitchen

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*Copy for the next issue is due on
the 15th of the preceding month.*



**The 14th Annual
Veterans Soup Supper,
sponsored by
Catholic Daughters
Court Our Lady of
La Salette #1585,
will be held
after the 4 p.m. Mass
on Sat., Nov. 7, 2026**

**in the Parish Center at
St. Joseph Catholic Church.**

Doors open at 5 p.m. with social time.

**Soup Supper, program and
give-aways at 5:30 p.m.**

**The meal is FREE to all Veterans and
their spouse or significant other.**

**We appreciate your
service
to our country.**



✓ Mark Your Calendar For The.....
**2026 Annual
Roast Beef and Ham
Harvest Dinner
Sunday, Nov. 22**

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
(OR WHEN WE RUN OUT!)

at

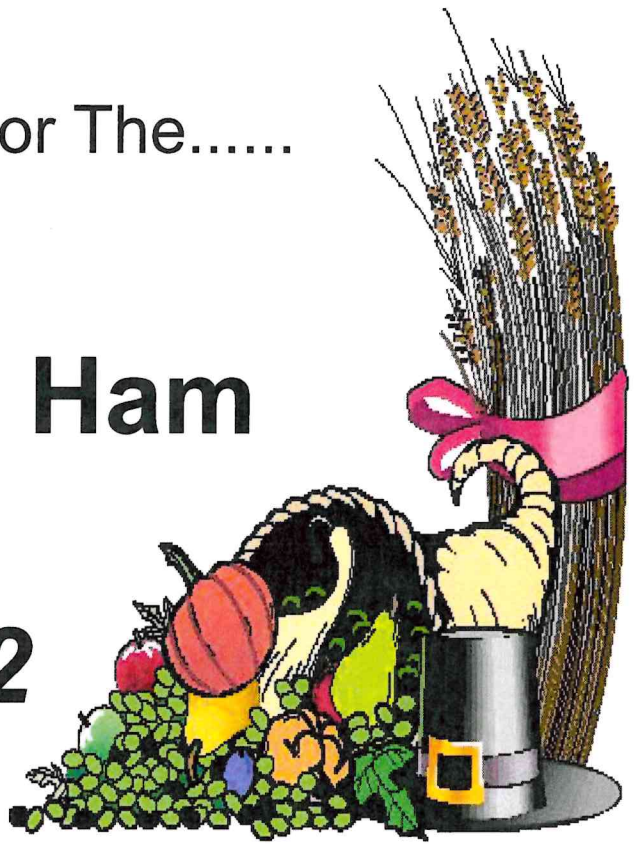
**Saint Joseph's Parish Center
Milford, IA**

**Cost is \$17 for adults; \$8 for children
ages 6-12, with preschoolers eating free!**

Carry-outs and Milford City delivery will be available.

**Call the parish office, 712-338-2274,
to be on the delivery list.**

(Logistics of meal is subject to change)



**Saint Joseph Parish
1305 Okoboji Ave.
Milford, Iowa 51351
712-338-2274**

Friday, Oct. 16, 2026

Dear Parishioners:

On Sunday, Nov. 22, 2026 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., we will have our annual Harvest Dinner here at Saint Joseph Parish, in Milford. This dinner will include roast beef and ham, real mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, salad and pie or dessert. To make this dinner a total success, it needs the cooperation of everyone. Printed elsewhere in this newsletter is a work sheet for that dinner listing the areas where volunteers will be needed. Sign-up sheets are on the windows in the church lobby. When all hands work together, we certainly will have a successful operation.

Cost for the dinner is \$17 for adults. Young people under 12 is \$8.00. Children under five is free. Once again, all tickets will be entered into a drawing for five \$20 cash prizes. Credit cards will be accepted.

Please also note that parish members whose last names are from **A-L** are asked to bring a **large salad that will feed 12-15 persons**. Those parishioners with last names **M-Z** are asked to bring **two homemade pies or a pan of dessert**. Please refrigerate your pies if they are of an egg nature. If you cannot bring either, a \$20 contribution is being asked. These pies and salads should be delivered to the church sometime Saturday, Nov. 21 or Sunday, Nov. 22 prior to 10 a.m. Carry-outs and will be available.

Again this year we will offer a delivery service. Persons residing within the Milford city limits can order a Harvest Dinner meal to be delivered to their home.

I am looking forward to this annual event so that we can appreciate the many blessings from the Lord and realize how He is blessing us and that we need to be good stewards. This Harvest Dinner can help remind us of all of that.

If you have any additional concerns or questions, please feel free to call the parish office.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. David

Your Pastor
Fr. David Hemann



HARVEST DINNER

Sunday, November 22, 2026 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Volunteer Schedule

Dinner Cooking Committee:

**Dean Reiser, Alex Jones, Joel Naber
Lyn Moritz, Scott Neppi, Mike Sjoblom**

Set-Up Saturday, November 21: (1 p.m. Sharp)

Bob Louwagie Linda Louwagie
Deb Bode _____

Water-Milk-Coffee:

Shift 1 - 10:30-12:00 - (Need 6)

Donna Goebel Patrick Goebel
Sharon Sjoblom _____

Shift 2 - 12:00-1:00 (Need 6)

Dessert Servers: 1 SHIFT: 9 am. to End (2)

Cheryl Houseman Rick Houseman

Dishwashers: Shift 1: Entire Shift (2)

Clean-Up: 1 PM (need many)

Many make light work for all!

Judi McIntosh

Bus People: (need 2 adults and 5 youth)

Shift 1: 10:30 until done.

Coffee Makers: 1 Shift - All Day -

Darlene Moritz

To be assigned where needed:

Ticket Signers:

Basket:

Kitchen Helpers:

Shift 1: 10:30-1:00

KITCHEN Shift 2: 12:00-2:00 (Need 2)

Michael Tindall Tracy Tindall

Gravy Maker: **Lois Eckard**

Money Table: (need 2)

Judi McIntosh

Credit Cards: **S. Reiser**

Scrapers: **Youth and Adults:**

Salad Servers: ONE Shift - (2):

10:30 a.m.-1 P.M.

Kollasch Girls

Kollasch Girls

Take-Out Line: (FULL)

Faith Garcia (Chair), Loretta Halbur

Pam Hanson

Money: **Cheryl Aumer**

Potato Crew (Peelers: 1 p.m. Sat. Sharp)

Potato Mashers and Servers

All Shifts: 10:30-1 p.m. (Need 2)

Lyn Moritz

Greeters and Seaters:

Shift 1: 10:30-1 p.m. (Entire Shift)

Delivery People - (Need 2)

Bill Aumer

Serving Line (1 shift-10:15-end) (FULL)

Bob Kollasch

Joe Kollasch

Sharon Mayer

Laundry: _____

Get in the Christmas Spirit with the



**Bring new mittens, gloves, scarves,
hats, etc. to be placed on the Mitten Tree
in the church.**

(Tree will be up and ready on Mon., Nov. 23)

**These items will be distributed to less
fortunate families this holiday season.**

**Deadline is Mon., Dec. 14.
Items will be delivered later that week.**

Altar/Rosary Minutes

The St. Joseph Rosary/Altar Society met October 6, 2026, in the parish center. Those present: Jerilyn Streit, Susan Reiser, Cheryl Aumer, Jeanette Kellar, and Sharon Mayer. Meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. Jeanette moved with a second by Cheryl to approve the minutes of the last meeting. All ayes. Carried. Cheryl moved with a second by Jeanette to approve the treasurer's report. All ayes. Carried.

OLD BUSINESS

R/A Dues: Rosary Altar dues will be collected the weekend of November 14th and 15th, before and after 4:00 & 9:00 mass. We need a volunteer to help on Saturday, Sunday is filled.

2026 Quilt Raffle Update : Ticket sales were good this year. Our cost to have the quilt made was \$500. Cheryl moved to pay this bill with a second by Jeanette. All ayes. Carried. We will have another quilt in 2027.

Cinnamon Rolls Up Date: We also had a good year with our roll sales. See you in 2027.

Church Calendars: 2027 Calendars will be available December 1st. Our cost was \$461.60. Jerilyn moved to pay this bill with a second by Jeanette. All ayes. Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Thanksgiving Dinner: The annual dinner will be held in November. Loretta Halbur and her family will be in charge. They will need volunteers to help cook, serve the meal, and clean up. Please call the office if you can help. Rosary Altar will cover the needed funds, should we run short of donations.

Christmas Staff Remembrance: Cheryl moved with a second by Sharon to approve the Christmas gifts to the staff. All ayes. Carried. Susan and Jerilyn abstained from the vote.

Nursing Home and Shut-in Holiday Remembrance: Once again Sharon Mayer will head-up the distribution of balloons for the holidays. If you wish to help, notify her directly.

Holiday Event: We will need volunteers for baking the goodies on November 30th and people to package on December 1st. Watch the bulletin for future details. Notify Susan if you can help.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm after closing prayer by Cheryl.

Next meeting will be held in January 2027.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerilyn Streit

Jerilyn Streit
Secretary



Remember that special person in your life with a Christmas Poinsettia and other seasonal flowers in December. Envelopes for this purpose are in your packet. Final details are still pending with a local florist. Watch the December newsletter and the weekly bulletins for more information about cost, etc. Christmas is just around the corner. These flowers will adorn the St. Joseph altar during the Christmas season.

**Home alone
on Thanksgiving?**

No place to go?

**You're invited to spend Thanksgiving
with other St. Joseph Parishioners
at the 13th annual Thanksgiving Dinner
THURSDAY, NOV. 26, 12 noon,
St. Joseph Parish Center, Milford.**

**The dinner is free but a reservation
must be made to insure adequate food.**

Call the parish office to reserve.

**There will be NO carry-outs
or deliveries.**



**JOIN US....for the 3rd
Annual Rosary/Altar Christmas Bazaar**

Saturday, Dec. 5

8:30-10:30 a.m.

Overflow Room at St. Joseph

***10 different and delicious Christmas
cookies will be baked by St. Joseph
bakers in the church kitchen
and packaged for sale!**

Price is only \$25.

**What an easy way to get your holiday
baking completed!**

***At the same time, lovely jewelry and
Christmas items will be for sale. This idea
is designed for children to be able to
purchase mom, grandma, the neighbor,
dad, uncle, brother, etc. an inexpensive
gift of for only \$5.**

Free gift wrapping!

All proceeds to building projects.



Annual Rosary/Altar Christmas Event

The "TEAM" has been assembled.

The recipes have been tested.

**The goal is to bake 600 each of 10 kinds of cookies
for a total of 6,000 cookies or 150 gift boxes.**

Thanks to all who volunteered for this adventure!

Mixers and Assistants:

Team 1: Lois Eckard & Sharon Sjoblom

Team 2: Pam Hansen & Jean Schmidt

Team 3: Linda Louwagie & Connie Tesene

Team 4: Tootie Stellmach and Kae Luchtel

Team 5: Donna Goebel & Diane Frank

Floaters and Dippers:

Susan Reiser, Diane Lynch, Marcia Collins,
Deb Travis, Mitzi Maranell, Darlene Moritz

There is always a job for another volunteer, like you, on
Mon., Nov. 30, 8:30 a.m. to mix the ingredients and bake!

Tues., Dec. 1 at 8 a.m. to package. Welcome to all!

Cookies will be on sale at the Holiday Bazaar at the Church

Sat., Dec. 5, 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.,

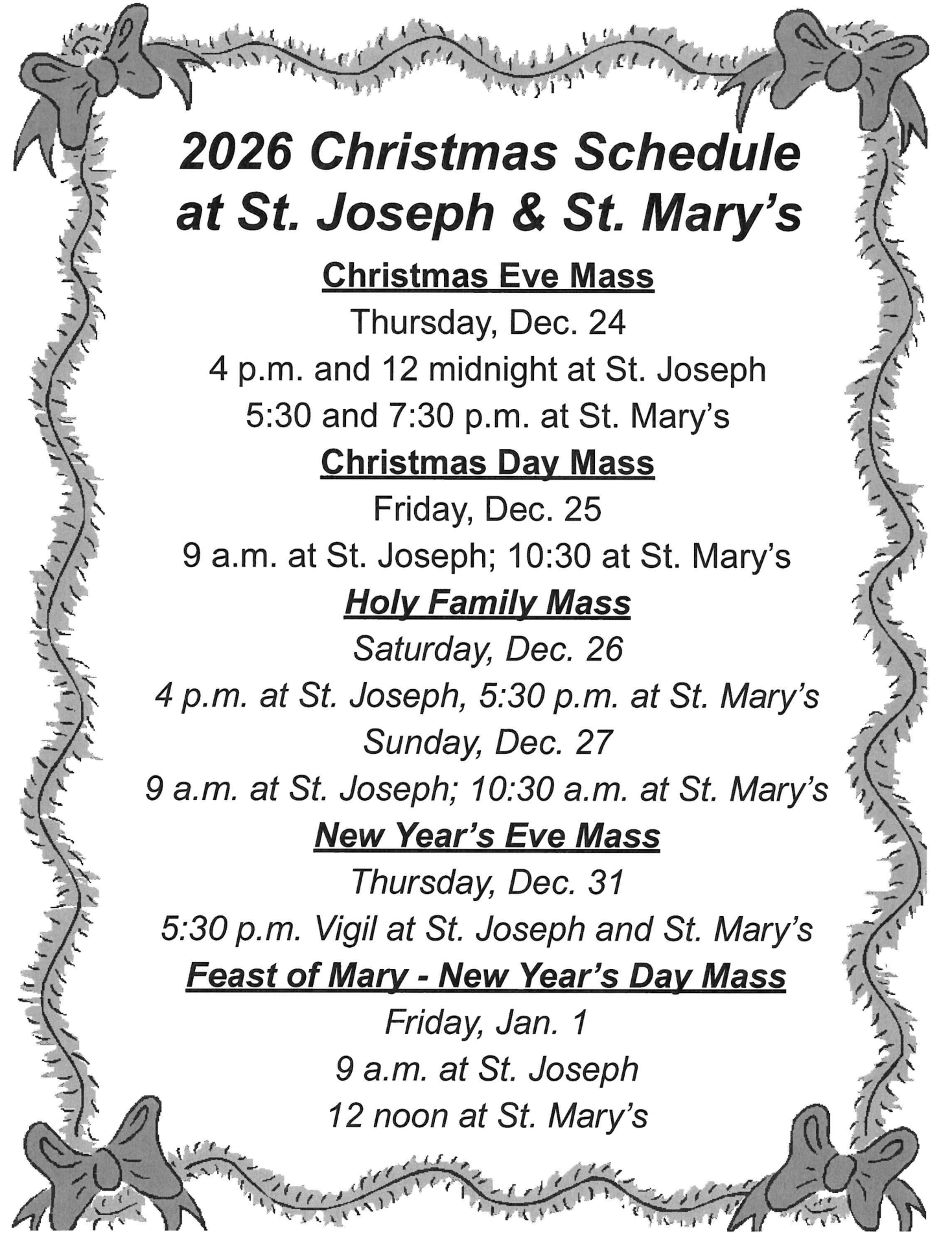
and at 4 p.m. Mass that day if any remain.

To reserve your box, call the parish office today!

THE PROPOSED COOKIE MENU

- | | |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Almond Bark Specials | 6. Sugar Cookies |
| 2. Mound Balls | 7. Chocolate Crinkles |
| 3. Peanut Butter Cups | 8. Thumb Print Cookies |
| 4. Reese's Cups | 9. Peanut Butter Blossoms |
| 5. Peanut Clusters | 10. M and M Cookies |





2026 Christmas Schedule at St. Joseph & St. Mary's

Christmas Eve Mass

Thursday, Dec. 24

4 p.m. and 12 midnight at St. Joseph

5:30 and 7:30 p.m. at St. Mary's

Christmas Day Mass

Friday, Dec. 25

9 a.m. at St. Joseph; 10:30 at St. Mary's

Holy Family Mass

Saturday, Dec. 26

4 p.m. at St. Joseph, 5:30 p.m. at St. Mary's

Sunday, Dec. 27

9 a.m. at St. Joseph; 10:30 a.m. at St. Mary's

New Year's Eve Mass

Thursday, Dec. 31

5:30 p.m. Vigil at St. Joseph and St. Mary's

Feast of Mary - New Year's Day Mass

Friday, Jan. 1

9 a.m. at St. Joseph

12 noon at St. Mary's

TREASURE CHEST Garage Sale Update

THANK YOU to everyone that donated items for the garage sale.
"You" are a big blessing for so many.

Items for 2027 will be accepted beginning March 1, 2027.

Here is a list of what we accept:

- ✓ All Household items
- ✓ Small appliances in working condition
- ✓ Glasswares (all varieties)
- ✓ Serving dishes, bowls, trays
- ✓ Cooking items, pots and pans, etc.
- ✓ Pictures - framed, mirrors
- ✓ Lamps
- ✓ Decor items
- ✓ Bedding sheeting, blankets, quilts & throws
(please mark size of sheets, quilts and blankets)
- ✓ Towels
- ✓ Christmas and Holiday items
- ✓ Books, hardcover, paperback, cookbooks, etc.
- ✓ Toys, games, cd's, dvd's, tapes, etc.
- ✓ Small furniture items - side tables, stools, chairs.
- ✓ Please call for large furniture items as we are space limited.
- ✓ Purses, suitcases, backpacks,
- ✓ Crafting items.
- ✓ Tools
- ✓ Men's items.
- ✓ Etc. - outdoor flags, gardening accessories.



What we DO NOT accept:

No televisions, microwaves, copy machines, large electronics, mattresses or bed pillows.

**We will start with all new items for 2027. Looking forward to working with all.
Remember do good while you can. Starting March 1, 2027.**

KC News



Knights of Columbus #7284 Milford, Iowa KC Meeting Minutes September 24, 2026

1. Call to Order 7 p.m. (11 Members Present)
2. Opening Prayer "Our Father"
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Officer Roll Call
5. Previous Meeting Minutes (Approval) Bob Moore: Moved, Bob Louwagie: Seconded, Approved
6. GK Message - Thanks to all who helped with Bingo at the

care center last month. We only had 5 participants because it wasn't posted. Hopefully we will have more next time.

I am well pleased with the number of volunteers who helped with pies this year. A big thanks to everyone. As of Sept. 20, we have only 35 pies left. I expect all pies will be sold by our Sept. 24 meeting. Added: Thanks to Knights who passed out Tootsie Rolls at Sunshine and Church.

7. Chaplain's/Lector's Report: Not attended

8. Insurance Agent Report: Rob offered to review Life Insurance and IRA of members. Also reminded Supreme Support for contributions to Seminarians.

9. Financial Secretary Report a. Bill Approval, Apple Pie Sales went well. Bill Approval: Motion Doug, Seconded Joseph, Approved.

10. Treasurer's Report Approval: Motion: Doug, Second: Dale, Approved

11. Old Business

a. We had a very successful pie season, making a total of 1,369 pies. We had lots of great help from men and women, including a woman from Fargo, North Dakota. Brad made motion to provide CDA \$1,000.00 for help provided in pie making, Mark seconded, Approved.

b. The Tootsie Roll drive has been completed. Donations have likely exceeded last year's amount. I will have the exact total at the Sept. meeting. Thanks to all the faithful who helped with the project. Bob Moore made a motion to provide \$2,378.70 to Hope Haven and \$264.30 to Iowa CPID Project Special Olympics, Mark seconded, Approved.

c. Ministries at the 4:00 Mass on Sept. 19 were fully covered. Thanks to all.

12. New Business

a. Doug Heller has secured the south gym at OHS for our free throw contest on Sunday, January 24, 12:00-3:00. Doors open at 11:30.

b. October is our month to pick up food at Walmart and deliver to UDMO. We are responsible for Mondays and Tuesdays starting October 5 and 6, thru October 26 and 27. Pick up time is at 8:30. I will have a sign-up sheet.

c. Food for Families - We will start collecting food on Saturday, October 31 through November. What do you think about taking all the food to UDMO along with our usual donation of \$1,000?

d. The next Bingo at the care center will be Wednesday, October 14.

e. Our next meeting will be Thursday, October 22.

Any Further New Business

13. Good of the Order: Mark Foss (Deceased), Other people needing prayers: Paul Kauten, Mike Laake, Jeff Luchtel, Terry Abbas, and Rhonda Wittrock.

14. Attendance Drawing: \$5.00 member drew not in attendance.

15. Closing Prayer and Adjourn, Hail Mary, Adjourned: 7:48 PM

Composed by Brad Shell

Submitted by Recorder Scott Neppl

CDA News



CDA Meeting Minutes-September 10, 2026

Our Lady of La Salette Court #1585 of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas met on Sept. 10, 2026. Regent D Johnson started the meeting at 5:30 p.m. with a Hail Mary and the Pledge of Allegiance. Regent Johnson welcomed everyone including several guests and recognized new and previous officers. Roll call of officers found all in attendance and 19 members were present, Minutes from the May, 26th meeting were approved as presented by general consent, The Treasurer's Report was given by C. Houseman and approved. Bills presented and motion to approve these expenses by C. Aumer, second by C. Mataloni. Motion carried. K Naber, Financial Secretary reported court has 50 members and all dues are paid for 2026. Two new members completed paperwork for membership. Correspondence: Father Guenther - Thank you, Youth group - Thank you for providing the breakfast before leaving for Rome. St. Mary's Court is requesting assistance with expenses for guest speaker, Gus Lloyd.

Following discussion court members asked to have someone from St. Mary's court to come to our October meeting to share more details before deciding.

Circle of Love Projects Reports: D Johnson reported on CDA fund-raising efforts for 2026.

Education: New member Coffee with C. Tesene and D. Johnson at Topog went well.

Leadership: D. Moritz shared report from the National Convention that she and C Tesene attended. Our court had donated pin cushions for the Iowa fund-raising table, the unsold ones were given to members present. Other items from the convention were available to members. Request for CDA to move their supplies to the Northeast classroom. It was decided this will occur after mass on September 11th. 26/27 CDA yearbook and standing committees will be updated and available at the Oct. Meeting. D Bode reported on CDA Sunday and 75th Anniversary on October 18. The court will participate in the Mass and the breakfast for members after Mass. Sign-up sheet was circulated for duties. IA CDA fall workshop at Emmetsburg on September 12th with D. Moritz going.

Legislation: We will participate in WRAP the end of October. October is Right to Life and this will be mentioned at the beginning of each CDA rosary during the month of Oct.

Quality of Life: Fall Food Event was discussed. Motion by C Aumer to donate a total of \$200.00, \$100.00 to Dickinson County Hunger Coalition and \$100.00 to the state CDA, 2nd by D. Moritz, motion carried. Veteran Soup Supper was discussed to be held November 7, 2026 with co-chairs C Houseman and C Tesene. Following discussion D Bode made motion for court to purchase \$200.00 in gift cards and 2nd by C. Tesene, motion carried.

Spiritual Enhancement: The Table of Remembrance will be out at the end of October. Mass and Rosary of Remembrance will be held November 17, 2026 with mass starting at 5:30 followed by the Rosary.

Future Dates: Court's 75th Anniversary Oct.18, 2026, Mass and Rosary of Remembrance Nov, 17, 2026. Prayer requests were shared.

For the Good of The Order: Vice Regent C Tesene shared information about 9/11 Following the closing prayer the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Remembrance Table

Once again, the Catholic Daughters of St. Joseph's invite parishioners to place photos of your family and/ or friends who will not be at your table for All Saints and All Souls Day through Thanksgiving.

The remembrance table will be set up Oct 28th by Mary's garden and removed before the 1st Sunday of Advent.

The Lakes Catholic Community Works of Mercy Outreach

The Lakes Catholic Community Works of Mercy Outreach Minutes

October 1, 2026

The Lakes Catholic Community Works of Mercy Outreach met Thursday, Oct. 1, 2026. The meeting was called to order by Fr. Hemann at 1 p.m. Members present were Fr. David Hemann, Fr. Brian Hughes, Cheryl Becker, Connie Stein, Bob Moore, Fran Cerny, Dedie Thompson, Sharon Shrunk, Julie Kliegl, Tom Johnson and Diane Clary. Fr. Hemann led the opening prayer.

Agenda Approval – Thompson made a motion to approve the agenda with a second by Kliegl. Motion carried.

Minutes – A motion was made by Johnson to approve the minutes with a second by Thompson. The motion was put to a vote, with all present voting aye. Motion carried.

Financials – Becker reported on the Works of Mercy Financials for fiscal year ending June 30, 2027. A motion was made by Clary with a second by Johnson to approve the financials as presented. The motion was put to a vote with all present voting aye. Motion carried.

Old Business

Food Assistance-Food Pantry – Per a report received from Bjornstad, 104 households/261 people from Milford, Terril, and Superior were served at the most recent food pantry. Fr. Hughes reported that Beth Lorch gave us a break on beef that was purchased, Nathan Krafty donated chicken thighs, and an anonymous person from West Bend donated 2 hogs and we paid for the processing. We will not need to purchase meat anytime soon for the food pantry.

Mission Project in Oaxaca Archdiocese, Mexico – Fr. Hughes reported that we have never received any communication back from the bishop of this archdiocese after sending them some money. After discussion, Fr. Hughes recommended we not pursue trying to work with this parish. Becker made a motion with a second by Thompson to remove Oaxaca Archdiocese from our agenda. Motion carried.

Father Hughes suggested we look into joining with a Campeche parish in the Yucatan Peninsula. He will do some research to make sure it would be a safe place to travel for mission work.

Clothing Room Ministry – After much discussion about security issues of having the school door unlocked every day, Father Hemann decided we should hand this over to the Safety and Security Committee.

New Business

New Officers – Kliegl graciously volunteered to be the new chair of the Works of Mercy Committee since Koelder has moved from the area. Becker has accepted the position of financial secretary for the committee and Bjornstad will remain the secretary.

Requests for Donations – There were no requests for donations.

Other

Susan came in and took a picture of the Works of Mercy Committee members.

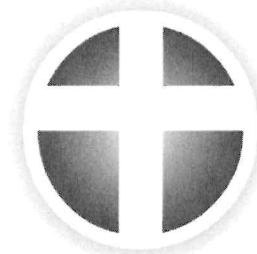
The next scheduled meeting is December 3, 2026 at 1:00. Father Hemann closed with a blessing. Meeting adjourned at 2 p.m.

Submitted by

Diane Clary

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Acting Secretary for Connie Bjornstad



Works Of Mercy Outreach

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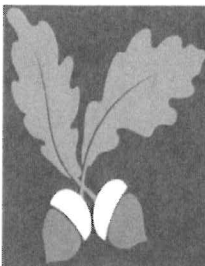
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NOVEMBER

Birthdays & Anniversaries

1 Cody Hagan
 1 Donald Nolan
 1 Porter Prentice
 1 David Rayner
 1 Andy Wintz
 1 Andy Wolf
 2 Shirley Ney
 3 Ellen Rague
 2 Joey Reiser
 3 Patty Determan
 3 Kim Haisman
 3 Darlene Moritz
 3 Connie Newman
 3 Jim Thompson
 4 Gina Cerrentano
 4 Rex Guthrie
 4 Nancy Higgins
 4 Mike Hinrichs
 5 Jan Nau
 6 Rick Barry
 6 Sally Clark
 6 Pam Niggeling
 7 Duane Hurley
 7 Jessica Kelley
 7 Mallory Myhre
 8 Michael Streng
 9 Randy Anthony
 9 Raymond Heller
 9 Emily Metzger
 10 Connie Chapman
 10 Carol Lee
 10 David Miller
 10 Michael Schon
 11 Lila Bousquet
 11 Joann Chaffin
 11 Cody Hagan
 11 Deborah Johnson
 11 Jeff Lambert
 11 Jared Mehan
 11 August Miller
 11 Kelly Norland
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 12 Tom Rierson

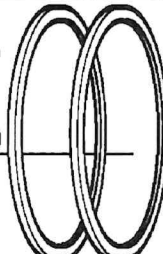
12 Danielle Scheck
 13 David Anderson
 13 Peyton Hromatko
 14 Wes Hunziker
 14 Dennis Lippon
 14 Emil Richter
 14 Stephanie Sauter
 15 Miranda Balster
 15 Colton Hagan
 16 Ron Baack
 17 Sheila Finch
 17 Mila Follon
 17 Brian Langel
 17 Dorothy Tatman
 18 Adam Anderson
 19 Paisley Gebel
 19 Gary Kilpatrick
 19 Dan Muhlbauer
 20 Emily DeHaven
 20 Logan Heller
 20 Jeff Knudtson
 20 Andrew Vos
 21 Jerron Heller
 21 Virginia Kelly
 22 Dylan Anderson
 22 Jerald Martin
 22 Jan Zwagerman
 23 Josie Berg
 23 Grace Schwaller
 23 Rod Hawkins
 23 Rod Simonson
 23 Ryan Wolterman
 24 Mariah Becker-McCarty
 24 Jocelyn Heller
 25 Danielle Hintz
 25 Mary Hawkins
 25 Jack Myers
 25 Tony Thelen
 27 George Henderson
 27 Trevin Lorch
 27 Trevor Lorch
 28 Connie Mart
 28 Kay Meyer

28 Betnard Siemers
 28 Tom Goyette
 28 Kraig Vos
 29 Kevin Hollenkamp
 29 Gary Weiskircher
 30 Kay Cook
 30 Kristina Kraninger
 30 Grayson Nelson
 30 Joe Zenkovich

November 2026						
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Celebrating

An Anniversary This Month



1 Randy and Lois Eckard
 1 Brian and Ashley Richter
 2 George and Margie Knudtson
 2 Jim and Amy Schlueter
 6 Gary and Sue Behrens
 7 Rick and Judy Pertzborn
 7 Norman and DeEtta Pixler
 11 Marshall and Shelly Matuska
 12 Scott and Teresa Goehring
 15 John and Deb Harmelink
 17 Jay and Patti Scott
 20 Bill and Bonnie Duhn
 20 Jack and Lucinda Myers
 22 Patrick and Laura Fairchild
 22 Dan and Linda Seivert
 22 Creighton and Susan Uridil
 24 Mark and Dawn Kramer
 24 Jeff and Charlotte Langel
 26 Bruce and Beth Lorch
 26 Frank and Rise Tracy
 27 Jack and Julie Kliegl
 27 Paul and Sally Schimp
 28 Bryan and Beth McCabe
 30 Gary and Dee Kilpatrick

November 2026 Volunteer Ministry Schedule

Solemnity of All Saints

Saturday, October 31st @ 4 p.m.

EMHC: Deb Bode, Karen Naber, Terri & Tom Rierson, Brad Shell

LECTOR: Molly Mulqueen

SERVERS: Brian Oyler

HOSPITALITY: Larry Arndt, Anne Donovan, Doug Heller, Monica Koeppen, Joel Naber

Sunday, November 1st @ 9 a.m.

EMHC: Maureen Higgins, Dori Lippon, Darlene Moritz, Scott Neppi, Marlys Nolan, Jan Pithan

LECTOR: Ron Swartz

SERVERS: Eli Cable, Sherlyn Santos

HOSPITALITY: Bill & Cheryl Aumer, James Nelson, Connie Tesene

LIVESTREAM: Jack and Julie Kliegl

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, November 7th @ 4 p.m.

EMHC: Faith Garcia, Eldon Kraninger, Irene McCoy, Sheila & Tony Thelen

LECTOR: Loretta Halbur

SERVERS: John Garcia, Thomas Henningsen

HOSPITALITY: Jim Baumgard, Dan & Mona O'Neil

Sunday, November 8th @ 9 a.m.

EMHC: Cheryl Houseman, Chris & Connie Jones, Cory Knudtson, Bev Kruger, Jerilyn Streit

LECTOR: 7th Graders

SERVERS: Emily Breuer, Brody Titterington

HOSPITALITY: 7th Graders, Jennifer Prentice, Abby Walleck, Simon Walleck

LIVESTREAM: Scott and Joni Neppi

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, November 14th @ 4 p.m.

EMHC: Deb Bode, Doug Heller, Connie Mataloni, Holly & Paul Skopec

LECTOR: Diane Frank

SERVERS: Liam Peter, Lleyton Peter

HOSPITALITY: Eldon Kraninger, Dick Mataloni, Joel & Karen Naber

Sunday, November 15th @ 9 a.m.

EMHC: Bill & Cheryl Aumer, Mike Gannon, Aaron & Erin Lorch, Becky Wittrock

LECTOR: Joseph Schmidt

SERVERS: Alex Anderson, Jacob Anderson

HOSPITALITY: Micheal & Sharon Sjoblom, Curt & Susan Willette

LIVESTREAM: Scott and Joni Neppi

Solemnity of the Our Lord Jesus Christ,

King of the Universe

Saturday, November 21st @ 4 p.m.

EMHC: Larry Arndt, Patrick Carr, Terri & Tom Rierson, Ron Swartz

LECTOR: Ali Johnson

SERVERS: Audry Johnson, Cadence Knudtson

HOSPITALITY: Doug Heller, Irene McCoy, Dan & Mona O'Neil

Sunday, November 22nd @ 9 a.m.

EMHC: Steve Eral, Connie Hinrichs, Bernie Kramer, Pete & Sara Laven, Jean Schmidt

LECTOR: Beth Lorch

SERVERS: Brody Titterington, Zac Titterington

HOSPITALITY: John Heller, Marshall & Shelly Matuska, Jon Sorenson

LIVESTREAM: Scott and Joni Neppi

First Sunday of Advent

Saturday, November 28th @ 4 p.m.

EMHC: Irene McCoy, Molly Mulqueen, Brad Shell, Holly & Paul Skopec

LECTOR: Lois Eckard

SERVERS: Cecelia Johnson, Brian Oyler

HOSPITALITY: Monica Koeppen, Connie & Dick Mataloni, Terri & Tom Rierson

Sunday, November 29th @ 9 a.m.

EMHC: John Heller, Deb & Mark Johnson, Jim & Laurie Murray, Micke DeVos

LECTOR: MaryBeth Gehling

SERVERS: Alex Anderson, Jacob Anderson

HOSPITALITY: James Nelson, Jennifer Prentice, Connie Tesene, Abby Walleck, Simon Walleck

LIVESTREAM: Jack and Julie Kliegl



LET US GIVE THANKS