

The Pastor's Corner

LOVE WITH EVERYTHING

We've all been in this situation- you are working on a project, and then another thing comes up. And then another. And then another. Or perhaps you are in the middle of some task, and a child appears and suddenly that task gets pushed to the back burner. It is a simple fact of life that human beings are not very good at focusing on many things at once, but rather we do much better by focusing on one thing at a time. Then we can give it our full attention, and full ability.



Did you notice how the Gospel this weekend tells us to love God? You might think there are all sorts of ways to love someone, but God is actually very specific in the way He wants to be loved: with all of your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The commandment to love one's neighbor then comes after. God doesn't want to take second place. He doesn't want to be the thing you get to when you pray your Rosary because you can't sleep at night. He wants to be first. He wants your undivided attention. He wants you to pursue Him with all your strength.

We have so many things begging for our hearts, our minds, and our souls. So many things beckoning for us to attend to them- and perhaps even concurrently. Yet in the midst of it all- give God your best! He doesn't want to be in second place or just one priority amongst many. Love Him with all your heart, your soul, your mind, and your strength!

Give God your all!

-Fr. Belken

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Readings for Next Sunday

The Thirty-Second
Sunday in Ordinary
Time
November 10, 2024

1 Kgs 17:10-16
Heb 9:24-28
Mk 12:38-44

THE THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME · NOVEMBER 3, 2024



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31st Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 3-9, 2024
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Mass Schedule

Sat. Nov 2 4PM	Andrew Essner	Thu. Nov 7 7AM	Jeff Steger
Sun. Nov 3 8:30AM	Parish Family	Fri. Nov 8 7AM	Ricky Duncan
Mon. Nov 4 No Mass		Sat. Nov 9 4PM	Dennis Gosche
Tue. Nov 5 6PM	Lorena Beussink	Sun. Nov 10 8:30AM	Parish Family
Wed. Nov 6 7AM	Hubert Scheeter		

SUNDAY: OUR LADY OF FATIMA VISITATION. NOV 3-Coonie Essner, **NOV 10**-Mary B. Glastetter, **NOV 17**-Terri Stuckey, **NOV 24**-Norma Seyer.

SUNDAY COLLECTION:

October 27, 2024: Loose \$257, Envelopes \$2441, Total: \$2698.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8th, ADORATION. St. Lawrence Church, 7:30-10:30AM.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8th, CHURCH CLEANING. Chairman: **Brian & Lauren Heuring**
Dean & Leonna Heuring, Jon Heuring, Shawn Heisserer.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd, ST. LAWRENCE PARISH FALL DINNER & COUNTRY STORE. Times: 10:30AM-1PM.
Serving turkey, dressing, cranberry sauce, sweet potatoes, slaw, buttered potatoes, green beans, drink & homemade desserts. Adults: \$15, Children (6-12): \$6, 5 & under free. Come out and support St. Lawrence.
Thank you to all who are helping with the Fall Turkey Dinner.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7th, ST. ANNE'S SODALITY MEETING AND BIRTHRIGHT BABY SHOWER, ROSARY AT 6PM AND MEETING AT 6:15PM. Donations for Birthright will be collected. Bring your items to the meeting or leave them in the drop box in the back of the church. Please see the flyer in the church foyer for a list of items needed. Items need not be wrapped. Come join our meeting and enjoy refreshments and games. **Donations will be accepted until November 10th.** Thank you. Refreshment committee: Chairperson-Diane Ashcraft, Stephanie Asmus, Karen Backfisch, Sarah Backfisch, and Jennifer Beardslee.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10th, MASS OF REMEMBRANCE. St. Lawrence will have a Mass at 5pm to remember the loved ones lost during the calendar years of 2023 and 2024. This will be an additional weekend mass and does fulfill the Sunday obligation. A parish potluck meal will be held in the Parish Center following the **Mass of Remembrance**. Sign-up sheets for the meal are in the back of church. All are invited to celebrate. **Volunteers are needed for Lector, Servers, and Ushers for this Mass.**

Lector & Communion Distributor:	Sat. Nov 9 4PM	Dorothy Deason
Organist/Cantor:	Sat. Nov 9 4PM	Bernice Kern/Mary B. Glastetter
Gift Bearers:	Sat. Nov 9 4PM	Mr./Mrs. Dustin Kluesner
Servers:	Sat. Nov 9 4PM	Daniel Dunn/Paxton Beck/Oliver Beck
Ushers:	Sat. Nov 9 4PM	Russell Burger/Daniel Carroll/Thomas Carroll/ Shannon Cureton

Lector & Communion Distributor:	Sun. Nov 10 8:30AM	Frank Glueck
Organist/Cantor:	Sun. Nov 10 8:30AM	Bernice Kern/Kari Bickings
Gift Bearers:	Sun. Nov 10 8:30AM	Mr./Mrs. Billy Johnson
Servers:	Sun. Nov 10 8:30AM	Eli Holman/Mady Johnson/Wyatt Farrow/ Isabell Crook
Ushers:	Sun. Nov 10 8:30AM	Otto Kern/Floyd Klipfel/Rodney Dock/Steve Griffith

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17th, SENIOR CITIZEN'S BINGO. The St. Lawrence High School Religion Class invites their grandparents and senior citizens to bingo after 8:30 Mass in Shibley Hall. We hope all can join us. Thanks.

JESUS IN DISGUISE FOOD PANTRY. We need your help. Your gift of \$25 helps us provide a turkey and all the trimmings to one of our families for Thanksgiving. Please place your check/cash in an envelope marked for Food Pantry in the collection basket or bring to the church office by Nov 10th. Thanks to all helping us keep our Food Pantry running.

COUNTRY STORE. The "Country Store" during our annual Fall Dinner needs your support. Please show off your talents and donate crafts, sweet treats, baked goods, our famous dry noodles and dumplings, holiday décor, etc. Let's fill up the "Country Store" with items for sale. Items can be dropped off in the Parish Center on Saturday, November 2nd or early Sunday, November 3rd. Please let's all be generous.

ANGEL TREE. The Angel Tree will start Saturday, November 9th. Please keep your eyes and hearts open to the beginning of this Christmas season for giving. More details will follow next weekend.

STUFF A TRUCK. The Scott City Knights of Columbus will hold a stuff a truck canned food/ Toy drive on Saturday November 9th at their hall from 830-11AM. We collect nonperishable items and canned goods for the Jesus in Disguise food pantry at St. Denis and the Scott City food pantry. We will also be collecting NEW and UNWRAPPED toys to help the Marine Corp league Happy Slapowitz toy drive