"THEY DEVOUR THE HOUSES OF WIDOWS"

Many of us are likely experiencing heavy hearts with a majority of Missourians who voted Tuesday voting for Amendment 3. It has been a tough fight, especially with lobbyists pouring millions and millions of dollars into deceptive advertising to ensure sufficient confusion and chaos surrounded the issue. The issue at it's core is simple: they fought for the ability to shed innocent blood, and they have sown seeds of deceit and confusion that are bearing ugly fruit.

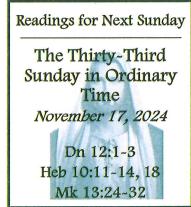
We might be tempted to lose heart in the midst of all of this, but please remember (as I continue to remind myself) God is in control- and prayer will move mountains. We must continue now more than ever before to work to protect the lives of the innocent within our state- even in the face of such brazen evil forces that work against us. Many people are so misled- and we need to offer our witness and our own gentle correction on the issue.

Jesus makes it very clear in the Gospel for the weekend- the ones who devour the houses of widows- or do any sort of thing to the innocent (the unborn included) and attempt to "baptize" what they do- are in severe danger. We cannot lose heart because hearts and souls are in danger because they either don't know the full gravity of what they do or they don't care, unfortunately. They need our witness, our prayers, and our encouragement to follow our God and to truly protect the dignity of every man, woman, and child- especially those who have no voice for themselves. Much more discussion needs to be had!

Amendment three- or any such thing- should not stop us in our battle for the innocent. With prayer, sacrifice, petition, and our own witness, and with God's help, we can work to turn the tide and restore more protection to life for our generation and generations to come.

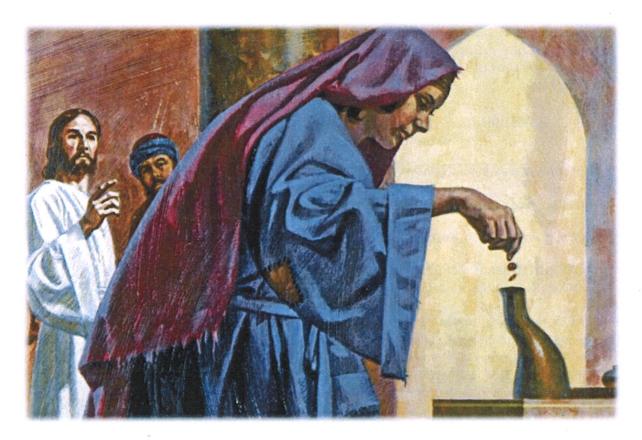
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Mass Schedule									
Sat.	Nov	9	4PM	Dennis Gosche	Thu.	Nov	14	7AM	Shelby & Charlene Steger
Sun.	Nov	10	8:30AM	Parish Family	Fri.	Nov	15	7AM	Karl, Joe, & Theresa Westrich
Mon.	Nov	11	No Mass		Sat.	Nov	16	4PM	Lillian Westrich
Tue.	Nov	12	6PM	Janet Vetter	Sun.	Nov	17	8:30AM	Parish Family
Wed.	Nov	13	7AM	Louis & Anna Glastetter					

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

SUNDAY COLLECTION:

November 3, 2024: Loose \$354, Envelopes \$3422, Total: \$3776.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14th, PASTORAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING. Meeting at 6PM in the Parish Center.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14th, NEW SERVER TRAINING. Starts at 7PM in the Church.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15th, ADORATION. St. Lawrence Church, 7:30-10:30AM.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15th, CHURCH CLEANING. Chairman: Steve & Denitra Holman Jamie Bellville, Derrick & Rosemary Irwin, Brian & Emily James.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10th, MASS OF REMEMBERANCE. 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.**

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.

Lector &Communion Distributor:	Sat.	Nov	16	4PM	Stephanie Burger
Organist/Cantor:	Sat.	Nov	16	4PM	Cheryl Kern/Kari Bickings
Gift Bearers:	Sat.	Nov	16	4PM	Mr./Mrs. Gary Kluesner
Servers:	Sat.	Nov	16	4PM	Tucker Dirnberger/Saylor Dirnberger/Eli Holman
Ushers:	Sat.	Nov	16	4PM	Christopher Crook/Kevin Curry/Kyle Curry/Jim
					Dennis

Lector & Communion Distributor:	Sun.	Nov	17	8:30AM	Sally O'Brien
Organist/Cantor:	Sun.	Nov	17	8:30AM	Cheryl Kern/Mary B. Glastetter
Gift Bearers:	Sun.	Nov	17	8:30AM	Mr./Mrs. Gary Kluesner Jr.
Servers:	Sun.	Nov	17	8:30AM	Vanelope DeShaney/Charleigh DeShaney/
					Hailey Heuring/Heidi Heuring
<u>Ushers:</u>	Sun.	Nov	17	8:30AM	Kendal Deason/Dirk Dirnberger/Blake
					Dirnberger/Gerard Dirnberger

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28th, PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION YOUTH THANKSGIVING MASS. We will have Youth Mass at 8AM on Thanksgiving Day. Come and give thanks to God for the many blessings He has given us. There will be a Noisy Offering collection for the Jesus in Disguise Food Pantry. So, remember to bring your loose change and let's once again make a joyful noise and make a change for those in need in our area.

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.

THANK YOU. Thank you to all who donated items to the Country Store at the Fall Dinner. We believe this was the largest store we have ever had, and the selection and variety were amazing. Thanks to all.

THANK YOU. To all who helped in any way with the Fall Turkey Dinner. God again Blessed us. It was a success in every way. We had good help and support from our neighboring parishes. We served 700. Thank you to those who washed dish towels. Thanks to God and Thank You to St. Lawrence parishioners, who once again showed great sacrifice and goodwill. Chairman -Pat Moore, Carol Klipfel. Dinner gross was \$10,415.

SECOND COLLECTION NOVEMBER 23/24. Annual Second Collection to support the work of Catholic Charities of Southern Missouri (CCSOMO). Thousands of individuals and families turn to CCSOMO every year for help. CCSOMO responds to all with Christ-like compassion in the name of our entire Catholic community. Please be a partner this year by making a generous donation to the Second Collection supporting CCSOMO.