

St Joseph Parish

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Mission Statement

Empowered by the Holy Spirit to deepen our faith, through the joyful celebration of the sacraments, lifelong faith formation, generous sharing of our time, talent and treasure in service to one another and the larger community.

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time November 19, 2017



Using Our Talents - November 18 & 19 - "Let Us Love Not With Words But With Deeds"

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Sacrament of Penance (Confession)
Saturday: 3:15 pm – 3:45 pm
Anytime by appointment, call 869-2244

Homebound, Nursing Home or Hospitalized:
Please let us know when a loved one would like a visit or the weekly bulletin. Please call the parish office at 920-869-2244.

For all the following:

Baptism (classes required)

- Change of Address or Phone
- Funerals
- Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick
- Marriage (call 8 months in advance)

Please call the parish office, Monday thru Thursday between 9 am & 1 pm, at 869-2244 for assistance.

33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
NOVEMBER 19TH, 2017



God has given each of us special gifts (talents)

Jesus' parable of the talents was an allegory on wise stewardship for his disciples while they awaited his return and anticipated the Last Judgment. In the story, each servant was given a different sum of money to invest. (A talent was a Greek coin worth about 6,000 denarii, equal to a year's wages. Its modern-day meaning of a special aptitude or gift is derived from the use of the word in this parable.) The first two servants made wise investments and doubled their money. The third servant, fearing his master's rebuke should he fail, buried the money for safe-keeping. When the master returned, each individual was asked to give an account of his stewardship. The wise servants were rewarded for their fidelity. They were given even greater responsibilities, and were invited to the heavenly banquet. The one who saw his master as a tyrant and therefore acted unwisely was punished, losing the gift that had been given to him.

Fr. John C Katamba



Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, NOVEMBER 21

The Scriptures tell us nothing of Mary's hidden life or about her presentation in the temple. That which is known is found in the seventh chapter of the Apocryphal gospel of James, which has been dated by historians prior to the year 200 AD. This book gives us a detailed account in which Mary's father Joachim told Anna his wife that he wished to bring their daughter Mary to the Temple of the Lord. Anna responded that they should wait until the child was three years old. When the day arrived, the priest received her, blessed her and kissed her in welcome. He proclaimed, "The Lord has magnified thy name in all generations. In thee, the Lord will manifest His redemption to the sons of Israel." Mary was placed on the third step of the



Temple and there danced with joy and all the house of Israel loved her. It was there in the Temple that she was nurtured and her parents returned glorifying the Almighty. Though it cannot be proven historically, Mary's presentation has an important purpose. Through the Holy Spirit, Mary became a greater

temple than any made by hands. Jesus, the Son of God, came to dwell in her and sanctified her for her unique role in God's saving work.

Thanksgiving Day (U.S.A.)

On June 20, 1676, the governing council of Charlestown, Massachusetts instructed Edward Rawson, the clerk, to proclaim June 29 as a day of thanksgiving. Benjamin Franklin wanted to make the turkey (Tom, after Thomas Jefferson) the United States national symbol because the bird is quick, wary, sharp-sighted, and exhibited a regal stance. The bald eagle nudged out the wild turkey for our official national symbol. The actual day we celebrate Thanksgiving in America was picked by our presidents, starting with George Washington who declared a one-time holiday. Abraham Lincoln proclaimed the last Thursday in November to be "...a day of Thanksgiving and Praise to our beneficent Father who dwelleth in the Heavens." Franklin D. Roosevelt moved it to the fourth Thursday of November in 1939, to lengthen the Christmas shopping season. Norman Rockwell's cover painting for the Saturday Evening Post made the family Thanksgiving meal famous.

Faith Formation

MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS

FIRST WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

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Let us love, not with words but with deeds

“This Day is meant, above all, to encourage believers to react against a culture of discard and waste and to embrace the culture of encounter”. “This Sunday, if there are poor people where we live who seek protection and assistance, let us draw close to them: it will be a favorable moment to encounter the God we seek. Following the teaching of Scripture (cf. Gen 18:3-5; Heb 13:2), let us welcome them as honored guests at our table; they can be teachers who help us live the faith more consistently”. “If we truly wish to encounter Christ, we have to touch his body in the suffering bodies of the poor, as a response to the sacramental communion bestowed in the Eucharist. The Body of Christ, broken in the sacred liturgy, can be seen, through charity and sharing, in the faces and persons of the most vulnerable of our brothers and sisters”. “When the disciples asked Jesus to teach them to pray, he answered in the words with which the poor speak to our one Father, in whom all acknowledge themselves as brothers and sisters. The Our Father is a prayer said in the plural: the bread for which we ask is “ours”, and that entails sharing, participation and joint responsibility”. “Precisely because he kept his gaze fixed on Christ, Francis was able to see and serve him in the poor. If we want to help change history and promote real development, we need to hear the cry of the poor and commit ourselves to ending their marginalization”.

We are called, then, to draw near to the poor, to encounter them, to meet their gaze, to embrace them and to let them feel the warmth of love that breaks through their solitude. Their outstretched hand is also an invitation to step out of our certainties and comforts, and to acknowledge the value of poverty in itself.

How can you respond to Pope Francis’ call, and live your faith through concrete deeds in your parish, your neighborhood, and your communities.

Blessings+

Mary van Schyndel

Weekly Mass Schedule

11-18 (Sat) 4:00 pm – Mass for Jean Van Den Eng
 11-19 (Sun) 10:00 am – Mass for Ralph Matuszak and Leland, Vivian and Ronald Hansen
 11-22 (Wed) **No Faith Formation Classes**
6:30pm Thanksgiving Mass for Anthony and Margaret Diederich
 11-23 (Thurs) No Mass Office Closed -Happy Thanksgiving
 11-24 (Fri) 8:00 am – Rosary
 8:20 am – Mass Office Closed
 11-25 (Sat) 4:00 pm – Mass for John Burkel
 11-26 (Sun) 10:00 am – Mass for Jerome Hermus

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ST. JOSEPH UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov 29 (Wed) **No Faith Formation**
 Nov 30 (Thurs) 8:00am – Rosary
 8:20am – Mass
 6:00pm Finance Council Meeting
 7:00pm Parish Council Meeting
 Dec 1 (Fri) 8:00am – Rosary
 8:20am – Mass
 Dec 2 (Sat) 10:00am -3:45pm Parents Day Out
 4:00pm – Mass for Lillian Hermus and Kathy Brennan
 KC Food Collection
 Dec 3 (Sun) 10:00am - Mass for Edmund Pasowicz
 KC Food Drive

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Saturday, November 25, 2017 Mass @ 4:00 pm

Sacristan: Lianne and Melina Dennis
Hospitality/Ushers: Joy and Tom Eisenreich, Nancy Sobieck
 Dorothy Fisher
Lector: Nancy Kaczmarzinski
Musician: Barb VanBeek
Cantor: Marge Doxtator
Bread: Dcn. Jim Heider
Cups: Cal and Mary Seidl (CO)
 Rhonda DeRuyter and Shelly Vankauwenberg (CL)
Servers: Melina Dennis and Courtney Simons

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Sunday, November 26, 2017 Mass @ 10:00 am

Sacristan: Kolleen Rathburn
Hospitality/Ushers: Ruth Boyea, Bill Vanden Langenberg,
 Alan and Marlene Kocken
Lector: JoAnn Vanden Langenberg
Musician: Mary Slavek
Cantor: Adult Choir
Bread: Dcn. Jim Heider
Cups: Sue Lindberg and Kolleen Rathburn (CO)
 Sandy King and Kathy Szymanski (CL)
Servers: Ava Williamson and Hallory Domnick

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POPE FRANCIS & BISHOP RICKEN

Monthly Prayer Intentions - November

Pope Francis (Christians in Asia): That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace, and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions.

Bishop Ricken (Homeless): That our brothers and sisters who are homeless within our communities find shelter and protection, and that those who care for them may be strengthened in their ministry.

Cleaning Team #1 ~ 12/12/17

If you cannot clean on your week, please call a sub or Florence Banaszak at 869-7768.

Best Advent Ever: *Best Christmas Ever*

Go to <http://dynamiccatholic.com/best-advent-ever>, starting on Sunday, December 3rd until Tuesday, December 26th and watch a series of short videos or get a free song every Monday through Saturday. This Advent, we want to help you prepare for Christmas in a new way. We prepare for everything important in life, and that includes Christmas. We shop for gifts, bake cookies, decorate our trees, and visit family and friends until we're ready to drop. This year, slow down and focus on what matters most.



Feast Day Mass for the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Please join us at The National Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help, 4047 Chapel Drive, Champion, WI, 54229 on December 8, 2017 for "Feast Day for the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary". Rosary at 10:30 am and Mass to follow at 11:00 am.

What God knows about me is more important, than what others think about me. (Quotediary.com)

New Worship/Liturgy Committee

We are in need of 5 volunteers to help make this committee a great one! No experience necessary!! It's an easy job, to help out. Please contact the parish office if you are willing to help (869-2244).



Diocese of Green Bay 150th Anniversary Jubilee Celebration

From 1868 to 2018

Bishop Ricken invites the faithful from the Diocese to gather in thanksgiving to God in a series of 12 special liturgies at the Diocese's Mother Church, St. Francis Xavier Cathedral in Green Bay. This all starts in January of 2018, so watch the bulletin for updates or **Contact the Office of Divine Worship** at (920) 272-8341 or e-mail worship@gbdioc.org.

Parents Day Out

On Saturday, December 2nd from 10 am to 3:45 pm, we will be doing our Annual Parents Day Out. You can shop till you drop or just relax while we take care of your young ones ages 3 to 12. Sign up by calling the parish office or return your sign up slip to faith formation classes.

KNOW YOUR FAITH

Session five: Tuesday, November 21 from 6 to 7:30 pm.

Topic: "The Bible & Sacred Tradition"

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Session six: Tuesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> from 6 to 7:30 pm.

Topic: "Non-Catholic Christians & Movements"

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**The November Bulletin is  
in memory of  
Gerard & Elizabeth Schevers**