

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2014

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, Nov. 17	8:00am	Special Intention (JML)
Tuesday, Nov. 18	8:00am	† Mark Taylor
Wednesday, Nov. 19	8:00am	† Gil & Marty Drager
Thursday, Nov. 20	8:00am	Special Intention (TMW)
	10:30am	Perpetual Care Adoration—Fennimore Manor Care Nursing Home
Friday, Nov. 21	8:00am	Special Intention (TMW)
	11:00am	Perpetual Care Adoration—Fennimore Park Place
Saturday, Nov. 22	8:00am	† Msgr. George Hastrich (TLM)
WEEKEND LITURGIES		
Saturday, Nov. 22	4:00pm	† David Klaas
Sunday, Nov. 23	9:00am	† Evelyn Lange
	12 noon	Misa

REFLECTION— 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little, I will set you over much...”- Matthew 25:21
 God expects us to nurture and develop the gifts He has given us and then generously give back with increase. He doesn't want us to waste or hoard the gifts He has given us; He expects us to grow our gifts, use them wisely and be generous with them.

Private Reconciliation—every day, one hour before each Mass & Thursdays after morning Mass until 9:30am.

Eucharistic Adoration on Thursdays beginning after 8am Mass and concluding with Rosary and Benediction at 8pm.



It's Coats for Kids Time

There are collection boxes at both entryways of the church for coat donations. Coats should be in good shape. Please no sweat shirts. Winter hats, mittens, gloves and scarves will also be accepted. Please leave your items in the boxes before Nov. 27. Thanks for your donations.

With Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to the family of Elda Hottenstein who died Tuesday, November 4; and to the family of Cletus Wunderlin who died Monday, November 10th.
Eternal rest grant on to them Oh Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

Our next Mobile Food Pantry is this Friday, November 21st.
Help is always needed to unload, distribute food and clean up.
Food will be distributed from 10am –11am.
 Fresh produce, canned goods, breads, meat.
Free—no qualifications—all welcome.
 Bring your own container to take food home.

Our Parish Book of Names honoring those who have died will be displayed through the month of November. The book is located near the center entrance of church. You are invited to enter the names of your beloved dead **that have not been previously entered.**

The Platteville Children's Choir and the Platteville Chorale will present their fall concert on Sunday, November 23 at the Brodbeck Concert Hall in the CFA. All are welcome. Tickets are available at the University Box Office.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31—1 Thes 5:1-6
 Mt 25:14-30.
Monday: St. Elizabeth of Hungary
 Rv 1:1-4, 2:1-5—Lk 18:35-43.
Tuesday: The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts Peter and Paul, Apostles
 Acts 28:11-16, 30-31—Mt 14:22-33.
Wednesday: RV 4:1-11—Lk 19:11-28.
Thursday: Rv 5:1-10—Lk 19:41-44
Friday: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary—Rv 10:8-11—Lk 19:45-48.
Saturday: St. Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr
 Rv 11:4-12—Lk 20:27-40.
Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe
 Ez 34:11-12, 15-17—1 Cor 15:20-26, 28
 Mt 25:31-46.



Anyone requesting prayer may call 348-6041. Please call in the morning between 8am & 9am. If no answer please leave your prayer.

ST. MARY PARISH GIVING November 9, 2014

Weekly Envelopes.....\$ 2,362.00
 Offertory.....\$ 396.00
 Weekly Average Electronic Funds \$ 900.00
Thank you for your generosity!

Saturday, Nov. 22 4:00 pm		Sunday, Nov. 23 9:00am
Max Frommelt	Altar	Joseph Vystroil
Mic Frommelt	Servers	Dushan Vystroil Andy Eggers
Lector & Leader of Prayer		
John Pluemer		Lee Eggers Diane Eherenman Mark Ihm
Barbara Stevenson		
	Sacristan	
Dan Frommelt		Mike Momot
	Musicians	Classic Choir
Kim & Youth		
	Greeters	
Carol Henry		Mike & Julie Tashner
	Rosary	
Linda Schmidt		Joel Schaefer



ST. MARY'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR—NEXT SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2014; 8:00 a.m. — 11:00 a.m.

Your talents are needed in many ways such as crocheting, knitting, stitchery, painting, woodworking; garden produce and canning items. Baked goods are needed; and cookies for the "Cookies by the Pound" booth. Sign up sheets are in the church entrances if you would like to help make the Christmas Sugar Cookies and for donations for ingredients on November 20th. Cash donations to offset expenses are most welcome. This is a great time for students to earn service hours. If you have any new or gently used Christmas décor you would like to donate we have a booth for that also.

Diane Drefcinski with her Mary Kay products and Retha Mulrooney with her wool mittens, candle mats and rugs and other vendors will be there.

Set up will be on Friday, November 21 at 6pm. Please contact Barbara Stevenson at 717-387-1212 or Dee Woolf 348-7403 if you have further questions. **You may bring your donations anytime on Friday or Saturday morning before 8:00 .**

Thanksgiving Basket Update

As of Wednesday, November 12 we need the following items to complete our food baskets: 13 cans of cranberry, 12 pudding and pie filling, 9 large canned milk, 11 margarine/butter, 12 turkey gravy, 14 boxes of instant mashed potato. ***Please take items to the church kitchen by this Monday, November 17th.***

Christmas Basket Outreach

The envelopes for the Christmas basket collection are on the tables in the back of church. Any money that is over and above what we need for these gifts will be added to our Outreach Fund. Just to give you an idea about our outreach, this is how the Outreach Fund money was used from July 1, 2014 through October, 2014. We helped a total of 62 families/individuals with \$250 in food vouchers, \$870 in gas vouchers, \$250 for lodging, \$140 in security deposits and \$250 in utilities. Your generous monetary donations make it possible for us to continue to help area residents and the homeless that come to our door. Linda

HOPE HOUSE

The sign-up sheet for Hope House December 1st meal will be at St. Augustine's from November 9 to 22 and at St. Mary's from November 23 to 30. You can email Walt or call him any time to volunteer waltwis@centurytel.net

Parish Breakfast at Dickeyville campus school gym, Sunday, Nov. 16, 8:30—Noon

Holy Name Breakfast at St. Joseph's Parish, Sinsinawa, WI Sunday, November 23 8:30-12:00.

Sponsored by Holy Name Society

Grant County Homelessness Coalition Open House

Sunday, November 16th, 2 – 4 pm, at Cunningham House Emergency Shelter, 80 Market Street (on City Park). Grant County Homelessness Coalition has completed an efficiency apartment to be used as an emergency homeless shelter. Please come for a tour, snacks, information about homelessness in our community, and about Family Promise, a coalition of Grant County churches working to provide shelter and services to the homeless in our area.

Religious Education News

Classes Wednesday:

Grades 1-5 (6-7pm) —Grades 6-11 (7:15-8:25pm).

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Tuesday—Rel. Ed. Meeting, 6:30pm.

Wednesday—*Bible Study*, 2:30pm.

Religious Education see below.

Thursday—Pastoral Council meeting, 6:30pm.

Friday—Food Pantry.

Saturday—Christmas Bazaar 8am-11am.

PASTORAL COUNCIL COLUMN

Settling Accounts

The day of the Lord is coming, Paul warns in today's Epistle. What matters isn't the time or the season, but what the Lord finds us doing with the new life, the graces He has given to us.

This is at the heart of Jesus' parable in today's Gospel. Jesus is the Master. Having died, risen, and ascended into heaven, He appears to have gone away for a long time.

By our baptism, He has entrusted to each of us a portion of His "possessions," a share in His divine life (see 2 Peter 1:4). He has given us talents and responsibilities, according to the measure of our faith (see Romans 12:3,8).

We are to be like the worthy wife in today's First Reading, and the faithful man we sing of in today's Psalm. Like them, we should walk in the "fear of the Lord" - in reverence, awe, and thanksgiving for His marvelous gifts. This is the beginning of wisdom (see Acts 9:31; Proverbs 1:7).

This is not the "fear" of the useless servant in today's parable. His is the fear of a slave cowering before a cruel master, the fear of one who refuses the relationship that God calls us to.

He has called us to be trusted servants, fellow workers (see 1 Corinthians 3:9), using our talents to serve one another and His kingdom as good stewards of His grace (see 1 Peter 4:10). In this, we each have a different part to play.

Though the good servants in today's parable were given different numbers of talents, each "doubled" what he was given. And each earned the same reward for his faithfulness - greater responsibilities and a share of the Master's joy.

So let us resolve again in this Eucharist to make much of what we've been given, to do all for the glory of God (see 1 Corinthians 10:31). That we, too, may approach our Master with confidence and love when He comes to settle accounts.

(Dr. Scott Hahn, salvationhistory.com)

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