

# St. Joseph Catholic Community

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**Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B**  
**November 18, 2018**

## Matthew 24:36

*But of that day  
and hour  
knoweth no man,  
no, not the angels  
of heaven, but my  
Father only.*



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**Welcome! We extend our hearts and hands to all who celebrate with us at St. Josephs. We would like to invite any guest to fill out the form below, if interested in becoming a registered member of this Parish.**

**Thank you for worshipping with us! Again Welcome, Bienvenidos, Benvenuto, Willkommen, Nno-nu, Byenveni!**

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[ ] New Parishioners, please send a Parish Registration Form

[ ] We've Moved, here is our new information

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, November 17

8:00 a.m. No Intention  
8:30 a.m. Rosary  
4:00 p.m. Confessions  
4:35 p.m. Rosary  
5:00 p.m. Patsy Butz +

### Sunday, November 18

#### - Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time -

7:10 a.m. Rosary  
7:30 a.m. Janis Lindzy +  
9:40 a.m. Rosary  
10:00 a.m. Parish Family

### Monday, November 19

8:00 a.m. Robert Lehman +  
8:30 a.m. Rosary

### Tuesday, November 20

7:00 a.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
8:00 a.m. James Lilley +  
8:30 a.m. Rosary  
8:30 a.m. Confession

### Wednesday, November 21

6:25 p.m. Rosary  
7:00 p.m. Deceased members of Joseph & Alma Beckman Family

### Thursday, November 22 - Thanksgiving Day

9:00 a.m. Rick Bowman +

### Friday, November 23

8:00 a.m. George Mohler Witwer +  
8:30 a.m. Rosary

### Saturday, November 24

8:00 a.m. No Intention  
8:30 a.m. Rosary  
4:00 p.m. Confessions  
4:35 p.m. Rosary  
5:00 p.m. Gonzalo Riveros +

### Sunday, November 25

#### - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe -

7:10 a.m. Rosary  
7:30 a.m. Parish Family  
9:40 a.m. Rosary  
10:00 a.m. Donnajeanne Wahman +

## MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Mon., Nov. 19- Thirty-Third Week in Ordinary**

**Time** - Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/ Lk 18:35-43

**Tues., Nov. 20** - Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/ Lk 19:1-10


**Wed., Nov. 21 - The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary** - Rv 4:1-11/ Lk 19:11-28

**Thurs., Nov. 22 - St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr** - Lk 19:11-28/ Rv 5:1-10/ Lk 19:41-44

**Fri., 23 - St. Clement I, Pope and Martyr; St. Columban, Abbot; Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro, Priest and Martyr** - Rv 10:8-11/ Lk 19:45-48

**Sat., Nov. 24 - St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest and Companions, Martyrs** - Rv 11:4-12/ Lk 20:27-40

**Sun., Nov. 25 - Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe** - Dn 7:13-14/ Rv 1:5-8/ Jn 18:33b-37

 **Our Love & Prayers Go Out To...** Bud & Sharon Miller, Genevieve Lohmuller, Becky Biberstein, Fern Britton, Evelyn Morrissey, Betty Meyer, David Carr, Ronnie & Bonnie Burns, Michael Green, Rick Cotterman, Frances Carr, Kelsey Peters, Tom Richhart, Carol Lochtefeld, Priscilla Rhodes, Tom Williams, Betty Anderson and John R. Smith.

## Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - November 18, 2018 - Year B

*We welcome Fr. Dennis Di Benedeto, associate pastor of St. Charles Borromeo in Fort Wayne, this weekend as the celebrant of our Saturday evening Vigil Mass. I thank him for being with us so that I could be away to celebrate a family wedding in Michigan earlier this Saturday afternoon.*

To all of our parishioners, visitors, and your families, may you have a blessed and joyous Thanksgiving! On this day, we give thanks to God for the many blessings and graces that He has placed in our lives. In my own reflections, I thank God everyday for the great blessing that He has given me in our own parish family here at St. Joseph's. To serve as the Father of our parish is the greatest honor and blessing that has ever been given to me.

As we enter our holiday week, what better way to give thanks for the many blessings in our lives than to join together in worship and thanksgiving to God at the Eucharistic sacrifice. The word "Eucharist" itself is a Greek word that literally means "thanksgiving." May we come together as a parish family to start our holiday with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass offered on Thanksgiving morning (Thursday, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>) at 9 AM.

### Scriptural Reflection for the 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

As we enter into the 33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, our liturgical year is quickly approaching its end. Next weekend, we celebrate the Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, and, the following Sunday, we enter into a new liturgical year with the beginning of Advent. Our readings, then, take an apocalyptic turn this weekend as we seemingly hear of the end times. These readings are very deliberately chosen. For, just as we hear of the end times of all worldly things this weekend, next weekend we will hear how Jesus Christ reigns above all. These readings, then, are to help keep our minds focused on what is truly important in this life. As St. John beautifully writes: "The world and its enticement are passing away. But whoever does the will of God remains forever" (1 John 2:17).

With the introduction of the Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel at the end of our liturgies, our first reading (Daniel 12:1-3) may have a familiar sound to it. In it, Daniel speaks of a prophecy that he hears in which "Michael, the great prince, guardian of [the Lord's] people" will appear to defend the people of God at the time of judgment. The Prophet is writing at a time of great persecution. Antiochus IV Epiphanes of the Seleucid Empire (much of the modern day Middle East) is attempting to hellenize Israel and force them to abandon their religious practices and following of the true God. Those who refused these attempts were persecuted and executed, as is detailed in 1 Maccabees 1:41-63. To Israel, suffering these great trials, the apocalyptic imagery of Daniel is to bring great consolation. Though they suffer here now on earth, their King, the true God, will come to save them in their faithfulness. As the reading concludes, the "wise shall shine brightly... and those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever." God will reward their faithfulness.

This apocalyptic literature continues in our Gospel (Mark 13:24-32) today. Our Lord even references the Book of Daniel and the coming of the Son of Man in glory. In the verses and chapter that follow our passage, Jesus enters into the Passover, is betrayed by Judas, and begins the final journey to Calvary and the Cross. These become some of the last teachings He passes on to His disciples as He is preparing them for the end that is to come. Though they may not fully understand what is about to occur or when He will return, His words to them remind them (and us) to always be prepared for His coming. For, though everything else shall pass away, He shall not. Jesus Christ remains the same yesterday, today, and always. And, as such, living as His disciples, each of us is called to always be living a life worthy of the Gospel. Every aspect of our life must be united to that singular sacrifice that He has offered on our behalf, as we have heard over the past six weeks in our second readings from the Letter to the Hebrews.

Though we hear of the end times today, we do not need to be afraid. As our liturgical year shows, with the coming of the end is always a new beginning. As we celebrate Jesus Christ as King of the Universe and hearts, we then enter into the Advent season to once again begin that time of waiting, in great anticipation, for the coming of Jesus Christ. Jesus Christ is the beginning and the end, the *Alpha* and the *Omega*. If we place our full trust in Him, we shall never be lost. - *In Christ, Fr. David*

## Advent Parish Mission



### The Three Symbolic Gifts

Every Thursday in Advent  
7 PM in the Social Hall



1st Thursday of Advent  
December 6, 2018  
Topic: Gold - Symbol of Kingship



2nd Thursday of Advent  
December 13, 2018  
Topic: Frankincense - Symbol of Prayer



3rd Thursday of Advent  
December 20, 2018  
Topic: Myrrh - Symbol of Death

St. Joseph Catholic Church  
1300 North Main Street, Bluffton

### SOUP'S ON!

Please gather together in the Social Hall for a soup dinner at 6:00p.m. and stay for the Advent Parish Mission— The Three Symbolic Gifts at 7:00p.m. December 6, 13 and 20th.

### Advent Reconciliation-

On December 20, after the Mission, confessions will be offered from 7:30-8:30 p.m. For your convenience, there will be several Priests here.



### PRESENTATION ON END OF LIFE CARE

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Pro Life Ministry is sponsoring a presentation by Dr. Andrew Mullally titled "Physician Assisted Suicide Coming to a City Near You -- Catholic Considerations for End of Life Care." He will be discussing hospice and palliative care and what to watch for regarding ethical vs unethical end of life care. It will be held in the parish hall at 120700 Aboite Center Rd. on Dec 5 at 7:00 pm. All interested people are invited.


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### PARISH CALENDAR FOR NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2018


- Sun., Nov. 18 - Donuts & Juice after 7:30 & 10:00 Masses served by the St. Joseph Social Group
- Thurs., Nov. 22 - Thanksgiving Day Mass - 9:00 a.m.
- Sun., Nov. 25 - No Religious Education Class - Thanksgiving Break.
- Sat./Sun., Dec. 1/2 - Sr. Rose to speak on Religious/Sister's Retirement Fund - NO second collection for Building/Rainy Day Fund; Instead a second collection will be taken up for Religious/Sister's Retirement Fund.
- Thurs., Dec. 6 - All Day Adoration - 8:30a.m. - 7:00 p.m. / Litany of the Eucharist/Benediction— 6:45 p.m.
- Thurs., Dec. 6 - Advent Parish Mission— The Three Symbolic Gifts - Gold, Symbol of Kingship - 7:00 p.m. in the Church.
- Fri., Dec. 7 - Vigil Mass of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception - 5:30 p.m.
- Sat., Dec. 8 - Feast of the Immaculate Conception, A Holy Day of Obligation, Masses - 7:30 & 10:00 a.m.
- Sat./Sun., Dec. 8/9 - Regular Mass Schedule of 5:00 p.m. and 7:30 & 10:00 a.m.
- Tues., Dec. 11 - Women's Christmas Party/Dinner - 6:00 p.m. Please bring a finger food/appetizer to share. All women of the Parish are welcome!
- Thurs., Dec. 13 - Advent Parish Mission— The Three Symbolic Gifts - Frankincense, Symbol of Prayer- 7:00 p.m. Church.
- Thurs., Dec. 20 - Advent Parish Mission— The Three Symbolic Gifts - Myrrh, Symbol of Death - 7:00 p.m. Church -  
\* **Confessions immediately following— 7:30-8:30 p.m.**

### WEEKEND OF November 24/25, 2018


#### CANTORS:

 **5:00** Marita Crawfis  
**7:30** Mike Morrissey  
**10:00** Larry Leitz


#### LECTORS:

 **5:00** Glenn Ryan  
**7:30** Geoff Frank  
**10:00** Dan Geimer


#### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

 **5:00** Kevin or Jessica Seago, Linda Huseman, Joe Baur  
**7:30** Dave Gruss, Jill Morrissey, Sherry Makowski  
**10:00** Monica Harris, Sandy Smythe, Rick Singer, Diana Cole, **Volunteer, Volunteer**

#### MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY:

 **5:00** **Volunteers**  
**7:30** Doug/Janet Lehman  
**10:00** Mike/Becky Anderson Family

#### SERVERS:

 **5:00** Wyatt Girod, McKenna McNabb, Emma Roembke  
**7:30** Clayton Vachon, Jacqueline/Phillip Mayer  
**10:00** Catherine Crawfis, Eve/Gabe McElhaney

#### Collection for Weekend of November 10/11, 2018

Adult Envelopes- \$4,885.00  
Child Envelopes-\$65.50  
Loose- \$264.00  
Religious Ed. Fund- \$0  
Repair/Rainy Day Fund—  
\$565.00  
All Saints' Day- \$15.00  
Votive Candles- \$68.75  
**Total- \$5,863.25**

#### The amount needed each week to make budget is \$5,116.40.

We are \$2,029.35 ahead of our monthly budget.

#### Other Collections within our Parish:

St. Vincent de Paul Fund- \$1,224.00  
All Soul's Day Mass Intentions-  
\$10.00

*Thank you for your gifts  
to St. Joseph's!*

### GOOD SHEPHERD BOOKS & GIFTS

Good Shepherd Books & Gifts, formerly Cathedral Books & Gifts, will be having their annual St. Nicholas Sale! Saturday, December 1 thru Saturday, December 8. 20% off your entire purchase! Free Hot Wassail & Cookies! St. Nicholas will be here to visit with children on Saturday, December 1 from 10am-4pm. St. Nick will be our guest reader for story time at 2pm! Please call 260-399-1442 for more info.



### ALL DAY ADORATION EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thursday, December 6, 2018 - 8:30a.m. - 7:00 p.m. /  
Litany of the Eucharist/Benediction— 6:45 p.m.

Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex  
and come spend an hour with Jesus in quiet prayer.

### KARING FOR KIDS/ANGEL TREE PROJECT

All gifts need to be returned, **UNWRAPPED**, by Tuesday, December 4th. You may drop off your gifts in the narthex on the weekends; at any other time, please drop them by the Parish office or leave by the office door if locked. Thank You!!!

### STEWARDSHIP CORNER

If we are going to serve the Lord, we should do so wholeheartedly, **and see what God will do in response.**

"Whatever your hand finds to do,  
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-Mother Teresa

Before you speak...

THINK!

T - is it true?  
h - is it helpful?  
i - is it inspiring?  
n - is it necessary?  
k - is it kind?