



# ST. JOSEPH

## P A R I S H

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**November 12, 2023**

## **Thirty – second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Pastor** - Fr. James Starasinich

**Parochial Vicar** - Fr. Gregory Parrott  
(For St. Joseph Parish, Sacred Heart Church and  
Christ the King Church)

### **Office Hours:**

Mon-Thurs 8:30am-4:30pm

Friday 8:30am-3:00pm

### **Mass Schedule: Weekends**

Saturday 4:00pm

Sunday 8:00am and 10:00am

### **Weekdays and Holy Days**

(See schedule in the bulletin)

### **Reconciliation**

Saturday 3:00 - 3:45pm



The parable of the ten virgins. Matthew 25:1-13

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This week five of the six saints who have memorials or optional memorials are women. Three were members of religious orders, and two of them served here in the United States. The other two were married and raised children.

Monday is St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, who was called to the Lord on 22 December 1917 in Chicago. She was the youngest of thirteen children, small in stature and considered sickly, having been turned down by a religious order. However, a priest encouraged her to serve at an orphanage and some years later the bishop of her diocese helped her found the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart. She had her sights set on China but in a meeting with Pope Leo XIII, he told her to go west, and she obeyed. She landed in New York with six sisters accompanying her and it was a difficult mission from the start. The Archbishop of New York did not even welcome her but told her that she should return to Italy. She saw the suffering of the immigrants and the sisters began their work.

One of the foundations that has great importance for me was an orphanage she founded in Kearny, New Jersey. The Ku Klux Klan (KKK) burnt a cross on the lawn of the orphanage not too long after it was established. It did not deter the sisters from their work. As the years passed, orphanages began to close thanks to foster homes. The property in Kearny continued as a Montessori school, staffed by the Sacred Heart Sisters. The chapel became a shrine of the Holy Face of Jesus and eventually the school and property were up for sale. Interested parties included other churches, one that was anti-Catholic. In 1990, through the intercession of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, the building and grounds became home to Redemptoris Mater Archdiocesan Missionary Seminary of the Archdiocese of Newark. Mother Cabrini's missionary spirit never left the property!

The story about the seminary is impressive. Two priests departed Rome with twelve seminarians to establish a "diocesan-missionary" seminary in the United States, hoping to do so in New York. It seemed to follow the same trajectory of Mother Cabrini as they, too, did not have luck in New York. Crossing the Hudson River, they inquired in the Archdiocese of Newark, and it seemed they were getting the same answer until someone mentioned a property available near the Passaic River in Kearny. The future formators had petitioned the Blessed Mother and St. Joseph for help in establishing this new seminary. They also thought that a saint from the United States should be invoked as well. They soon learned that Mother Cabrini received citizenship in the United States, so it made sense to ask this Italian nun for her help. Upon learning that this was her foundation, well, enough said!

I am grateful for this patroness of immigrants and migrants, who certainly has interceded for all the men who have been ordained priests from that house of formation. I would not be here if not for her. As the late, great Paul Harvey would say, "And now you know the rest of the story."

God Love You!!!

*Fr. Jim Starasini*



## Weekly Readings and Mass Intentions

|                                      |  |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Monday, November 13, 2023:           | St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin   |
| <i>Wis 1:1-7/Lk 17:1-6</i>           | 9:00am - Christ the King - John Hager†   |
| Tuesday, November 14, 2023:          | Weekday  |
| <i>Wis 2:23-3:9/Lk 17:7-10</i>       | 8:00am - Ernie & Mary Ann Betlach†   |
| Wednesday, November 15, 2023:        | Weekday - St. Albert the Great, Bishop & Doctor of the Church                        |
| <i>Wis 6:1-11/Lk 17:11-19</i>        | 8:00am - Marianne Warner†  |
| Thursday, November 16, 2023          | Weekday - St Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin                              |
| <i>Wis 7:22b-8:1/Lk 17:20-25</i>     | 8:00am - Dorry Kenney†   |
| Friday, November 17, 2023            | St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious  |
| <i>Wis 13:1-9/Lk 17:26-37</i>        | 9:00am - Christ the King - Bernard & Luella Heim,†<br>Joanne Racek† & Benita Nelson† |
| Saturday, November 18, 2023          | Weekday - Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter & Paul, Apostles                 |
| <i>Wis 18:14-16,19:6-9/Lk 18:1-8</i> | St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin   |
|                                      | 8:00am - Donald Schlitz†   |
| Sunday, November 19, 2023            | Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time   |
| <i>Prv 31:10-13, 19-20,30-31</i>     | 11/18/23 4:00pm - Parishioners   |
| <i>1 Thes 5: 1-6</i>                 | 11/19/23 8:00am - Ed & Dora Pumper†  |
| <i>Mt 25:14-30</i>                   | 11/19/23 10:00am - Troy & Holly Liebl family   |



### November 12 – Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time:

In today's Gospel Jesus challenges us to "stay awake" by taking time to seriously look at ourselves, the priorities of our lives, and how we are growing spiritually.

**Ask yourself "What would Jesus Christ do?" and then donate to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that those who are suffering will be able to celebrate Thanksgiving. On Tuesday evening, Vincent's Table provided meals to 160 individuals on Tuesday evening.**

**Membership** - We meet the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at **6:30 p.m., at St. Joseph's Church.** If you would like further information on growing your spiritual life and serving those in need in our community, please join us at a meeting or contact Ed Wacek at [edwacek46@gmail.com](mailto:edwacek46@gmail.com).  
**Our phone is 507-676-5508.**

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**Facebook**– <https://www.facebook.com/StJosephParishOwatonna/>



## Liturgical Ministers Schedule November 18/19, 2023

### Saturday - 4:00pm

EMs: Dianne Unruh, 2 Volunteers

Lector: Tim Vogt

Sacristan: Matt Thurnau

Ushers: Scott & Sue Yentsch  
Volunteer, Volunteer

Altar Servers: Volunteer, Volunteer

Greeters: Volunteer

### Sunday - 8:00am

EMs: Sue Heller, 2 Volunteers

Lector: Annika Slacter

Sacristan: Joan Salmonsens

Ushers: Joel & Rhynda Dulas  
Volunteer, Volunteer

Altar Servers: Henry & Stella Seykora

Greeters: Volunteer

### Sunday - 10:00am

EMs: Katie Holzerland, Lee Jardine, Volunteer

Lector: John Connor

Sacristan: Ellyn Jardine

Ushers: Jerry & Dina Atkinson  
Volunteer, Volunteer

Altar Servers: Lucas & Macey Ginskey

Greeters: Volunteers

### Help is needed in all the ministries.

Consider sharing your God given talents at the Mass.

You can sign up on the parish website at  
[stjosephowatonna.org](http://stjosephowatonna.org). (click on Liturgical Protocol &  
Schedules) or contact the Parish office at 451-4845.

### Renewal Reminder!

Don't miss an issue of the Magnificat!  
Your current subscription will end with  
the December issue.

*The cost is still \$29.95! Checks can be  
made payable to: St. Joseph  
Parish* (please note "Magnificat" on the  
envelope or memo line of the check.)  
Checks can be dropped in the collection basket at  
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New subscribers are welcome!

*If you plan to order a subscription for family  
members out of town through St. Joseph Parish,  
there is an additional fee of \$3.92 per issue to cover  
the media mailing cost.*



## Patriotic Rosary Novena

Please join us as we pray for peace & unity in our nation  
and in the world.

- Especially for the conflicts in the Middle East with Israel and  
Palestine and Ukraine/Russia.

### Sacred Heart Church

6:30 pm – 7:30 pm

- Monday, November 13
- Monday, November 20
- Monday, November 27
- Monday, December 4
- Monday, December 11
- Monday, December 18
- Monday, January 8
- Monday, January 15
- Monday, January 22



### Court Owatonna Catholic Daughters of the Americas Memorial Service Monday, Nov. 20th at 5:30pm in St. Joseph Parish.



We will honor our deceased  
members from this past year - *Mary Trender,*  
*Mary Van Den Hemel, Sr. Nadine Touhey,*  
*Lois Dardis, Sr. Cecile Schueller,*  
*Jean Zamboni, and Dorothy Diekmann.*  
A light supper will be served after the Memorial  
Mass followed by our Court meeting.

### Keeping Christ in Christmas! Parish Christmas Cards are back!



**A pack of 25 cards for \$25**

St. Joseph Parish Card  
featuring the beautiful mosaic of  
St. Joseph and the Holy Family

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Sacred Heart Church Card  
featuring the beautiful renovation of  
Sacred Heart Church  
**Both cards can be purchased in the  
parish office.**

Proceeds from the sales of these cards assist  
the Knights of Columbus with their  
charitable work.

## ST. MARY'S SCHOOL NEWS

On November 1st St. Mary's second graders led the school in an All Saints Mass. Second graders were in their saint costumes throughout mass and afterwards presented to parents and grandparents about their chosen saint. Also after mass our seventh graders presented their Saint Wax Museum. The K-8th grade was able to learn unique facts about the Saints!



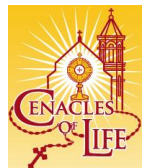
**Turkey Bingo at Litomysl**  
**Sunday, Nov. 19th • 7:00pm**  
 Everyone is invited for an evening of Turkey Bingo at Holy Trinity Church in Litomysl. **20 Games for \$5.00!** Door prize for one turkey! Catholic United Financial will be bring extra prizes! Pop and popcorn will be available for purchase. **The youth will have a bake sale!** Invite your family and friends and join us for a fun filled family event at Holy Trinity Church, Litomysl!



### Cenacles of Life • Hour of Prayer

Fridays in the Adoration Chapel  
 St. Joseph Parish • Noon to 1pm

The Cenacles of Life are for renewing the Spirit of Life - from within the Church. It is the graces from these Cenacles that will be used to transform the face of the earth and to defeat this war on life. All are welcome to join in prayer in the Adoration Chapel!



2023  
 Catholic  
 Ministries  
 Appeal

### Building Christ's Church Fulfilling Christ's Mission

**Appeal Goal: \$51,028.00**

**Current Balance: \$31,039.23**

*Give online: [catholicfsmn.org](http://catholicfsmn.org)*

**Envelopes are in the Gathering Space too!**





Please consider becoming a Liturgical Minister at St. Joseph Church. There's something for everyone! See contact info. below:

**Altar Servers** – Parish Office (507)451-4845, [parishoffice@stjosephowatonna.org](mailto:parishoffice@stjosephowatonna.org)

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**Ushers** – Pat Rose (507)456-1146 [rosepatp@gmail.com](mailto:rosepatp@gmail.com)

### November Funeral Chairpersons

**Dave & Rita Goodnature**  
**507-444-4146**

*Contact the parish office if you would like to help with funeral luncheons. 451-4845*

### Owatonna KC Council 945 Benefit Breakfast for St. Mary's Home & School

**Sunday, November 12th • 8am - 12pm**

St. Mary's School Cafeteria

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### Toys for Tots & Family to Family of Steele County

work together to provide a Christmas for needy children, age 15 & younger and families in Steele County. You can help this year by taking an Angel tag from the tree and return it with an unwrapped gift to the Toys for Tots drop box in the Gathering Hall or Parish Office.

**The final day for toy donations is Thursday, Dec. 14th!**



**If you would like to apply to receive toys**, applications are available in Joseph Hall by the bulletin board. **Application deadline is Wed. Nov. 29, 2023.**

**If you would prefer to donate money, please send a gift card or check to:**

Toys for Tots PO Box 199 Owatonna, MN 55060

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For more information contact  
Zach Rawson, Special Events Coordinator  
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Knights of Columbus Council 945 will have the Memorial Mass for their Brother Knights who have passed this last year Thursday, Nov. 16, 2023 at 5:30pm in St. Joseph Parish. All are welcome!



For all the latest news from Christ the King Church Medford, MN.  
**Scan the QR Code!**



This Monday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, Fr. Jim Starasinich will be speaking at the St. Serra Club meeting at 6:45 pm in Joseph Hall. The subject of his talk will be Father Emil Kapaun who was a Veteran and is a candidate for sainthood. Veteran's Day is Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>, so this is very appropriate. Everyone is invited.

We'll begin at 5:00 pm with Eucharistic Adoration at the Catholic Community Adoration Chapel which is located at St. Joseph Parish off the west parking lot. We pray from a book with prayers for Vocations which we read out loud together. Then we go to St. Joseph's next door for a light supper at 6:00 pm. Then we'll have a very interesting program by Fr. Starasinich at 6:45 pm. The St. Serra Club prays for our Priests, Religious, and Deacons, for more Religious Vocations and for our own Spirituality.

Come to St. Joseph Church downstairs in Joseph Hall at 6:45 pm on Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> for Father Jim's talk after prayer and supper.



## Family Holy Hour

Church of the Sacred Heart, Owatonna

December 3, 2023 | 4 - 5 p.m.

810 South Cedar Avenue, Owatonna, MN 55060

Open to all ages and demographics - single, married, and with or without children | Presided by Monsignor Thomas Cook

Free Event | Dinner will follow

Order The Praying Family Advent Pack by either purchasing a pack at this event, or ask your local Faith Formation Coordinator to fill out The Praying Family Order Form.

Learn more about this Diocesan Initiative here:

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## Catholic Campaign for Human Development Collection Sunday, November 19, 2023



"The Catholic Campaign for Human Development is the national anti-poverty program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops. The money you give to CCHD works to break the cycle of poverty by helping low-income people

participate in decisions that affect their lives, families and communities. CCHD offers a hand up, not a hand out. 25% of the funds collected each year go to local anti-poverty programs. In 2023, the CCHD collection helped fund three local initiatives. The funds enabled uninsured families in Worthington to receive free, high-quality medical care through the Our Lady of Guadalupe Free Clinic. They also equipped low-income families in the Hayfield area with essential cleaning supplies, toiletries, and hygiene products through the Hayfield Community Food Pantry. Lastly, the funds empowered immigrant families throughout Southeastern Minnesota to obtain legal representation and avoid family separation through Southeastern Minnesota Interfaith Immigrant Legal Defense. Please give generously to help provide a hand up for those in poverty in our community and across the country!"

## Pie and Dessert Bingo in the Parish Hall November 18th at 6:30pm - 8pm

Christ the King CCW invites you to an evening of family fun benefiting our Faith Formation Program!

The event will be in Parish Hall basement.



Bingo Cards - \$1 for 5 games with chances to win your Thanksgiving Pie. Choose from fresh or frozen!

Extra baked goods, crafts and handmade quilts will be available for purchase!

Pizza and beverage available (with free will donation)

**Come join the fun!**



## Please Contact the Parish Office If...

- \* A member of your family is in the hospital.
- \* You want communion brought to your home.
- \* Your address, phone, email has changed.
- \* You wish to register your family with the Parish.

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