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 November 5, 2023  
 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**LITURGICAL SCHEDULES AND INTENTIONS:**

Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 p.m. – For the Parish  
**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** 20 minutes before Mass  
**STEWARDSHIP FROM LAST WEEK:**  
 Envelopes \$1,362.75; Loose \$262.23; Candles \$44 – Thank You  
**LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK:**

**Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 p.m.**  
**Lector:** Teresa Braunseis  
**Minister: Body of Christ** Barb Jany & Pat Tinoco  
**Minister: Blood of Christ** Susan Halt & Joan Killebrew  
**Servers:**  
**Crossbearer:**

Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 a.m. – Robert Gutjahr

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 Sandi Gerdes  
 Margie Bahan & Mary Anne Hopper  
 Jennifer Neff & Vic Klein  
 Riley Neff & Anastasia Gerdes  
 Lydia Huffman

**31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Today’s readings present two portraits of pastoral leadership. The prophet Malachi conveys God’s message to errant priests. They have not cared for their people but have “caused many to falter” by their instruction. They have not listened to or sincerely obeyed God. God is clearly disgusted. In the Gospel, Jesus has a similar quarrel with the scribes and Pharisees. They “love places of honor”, lay burdens on the people’s shoulders, and do not practice what they preach. While acknowledging that their rules must be followed, Jesus warns the people not to imitate them and gives his own vision of leadership in the Christian community: “the greatest among you must be your servant”; “you have but one teacher, and you are all brother”. This community of learners looks to Christ and the Father. In the second reading, Paul describes Christian leadership at Thessaloniki. His affection for his flock is genuine; his efforts to serve them have been heartfelt and strenuous. He has focused on relaying God’s word, not establishing a reputation for himself. We can well imagine Paul praying today’s responsorial psalm and recommending it to his congregation. It is saturated with the Christian character – humility and receptivity to God’s Word. It is as relevant for us today as it was thousands of years ago. How often do we busy ourselves with what we think are “great things”, when the time could be spent on things that bring more peace instead of anxiety? How often do we accept too many responsibilities, taking time and energy away from our home and our families? How often do we convince ourselves that we are too busy to help others?

**THANKSGIVING DINNERS**

If you or someone you know is in need of a Thanksgiving dinner, the Society of St. Vincent DePaul Belleville Council and the Catholic Diocese of Belleville will provide Thanksgiving dinners.  
**Thanksgiving Day – Thursday, November 23, 2023**  
**Dinner will be served at:**  
**Msgr. Voss Parish Center, St. Henry Catholic Church, Belleville**  
**10:45 am – 12 Noon**  
**Delivery available (maximum 3 meals) to homebound only**  
**Reservations for dining at St. Henry or delivery are required.**  
**Call 618-722-5024. Reservations must be made by November 17<sup>th</sup>.**

**CCW NEWS**

Thank you to all who made the day another success. Our gross (before expenses) was \$16,226.95, a special “thank you” to all the ladies who prepared and served the delicious meal and to all the bakers who supplies the Bake Shop of all the goodies. Thank you to the ladies who came and helped with turkey’s, cutting up the bread, deboning the turkeys, making pumpkin bars, decorating the hall, making up the baskets and all the other jobs in hosting the Pumpkin Party. Thank you to Tom Glauber for the pumpkins and to Vic Klein for the other outside decorations and decorating. Thank you to Tim Rekosh for helping in the kitchen and to Merle Jany and Frank Hart for working in the parking lot. **The Pumpkin Party wouldn’t be possible without everyone’s help and dedication.**  
 Main Raffle Winners are:  
 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Sue Walsh  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Mary Bergman  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Doreen Musial  
**SAVE THE DATE:** Ladies Christmas Party is Monday, December 4<sup>th</sup> at the Bull Pen. A sign-up sheet is in the entrance of the church. In place of a gift exchange, please bring 4 nonperishable food items for your name to be entered into a drawing for prizes.

**2023 QUILT RAFFLE**

Our winner of the January quilt was Jim & Jodi Probst, February – Gloria Sollee, March – Christine Hopper, April – Emily Cortner, May – Carol Quirin, June – Betty Bolt, July – Marty Assmann, August – Barb Jany, Sept. – Rosemary Yaekel, October – Jeremy Neff. You have 2 more chances to win.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEEDS YOUR HELP AGAIN!**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Night-Time Drop-In Center continues to operate at full capacity every night, providing shelter and helping homeless men, women and children survive the dangers of the city streets. In addition, Cosgrove’s Soup Kitchen serves an ever-growing number of hungry people each day. We humbly ask for your prayers for the staff and clients and, if you are able, to once again provide any of these much-needed items: Individually packaged cookies, fruit cups, tuna and chicken snack packs, chips, crackers, cheese sticks, yogurt cups, cereal, Pop Tarts, breakfast bars, soup or pasts in a cup, bottled water, and other individual-serve drinks. In addition, laundry detergent pods, paper towels, toilet paper and tissues are always in short supply. Items may be left in the entrance of church.

**St. Michael’s Prayer Chain** – To request that someone be added to the Prayer Chain contact Karen Mueller at 473-3401. The person will be on the “prayer chain” for one (1) month, unless the person that requested the prayers asks for longer.

**ST. LUKE NOON LUNCHEON & CARD PARTY**

St. Luke’s Noon Luncheon will be on Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> at Noon. The cost is \$10 for Salisbury Steak, Noodles and Gravy, Glazed Carrots, Cake, coffee, hot tea, iced tea, and water.

**THANK YOU!**

Thank you to Jeff Birkner for installing the baseboards in the Sacristy and the Church. Thank you to Merle and Barb Jany for picking up the trim, having it stained, and the use of their trailer. The church looks great!

**NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS**

**Spiritual Cinema** including Reflection and Discussion – Tuesdays, Oct. 10 & Nov. 14 from 5:30 – 8:30 pm. Cost: Free will offering.  
**Women’s Retreat** – I Want to See You – Friday, November 10, 4:00 pm through Sunday, November 12, 2:00 pm. Cost \$200 per person (includes lodging and meals). To register call 618-397-0584.  
**Way of Lights Volunteer Request** – Looking for a special way to share the holiday spirit? Volunteer for a shift or two during the Way of Lights greeting visitors to the Christmas tree display at the Shrine from November 17 through December 31. This is also a great opportunity for youth service hours. If interested, please email [programs@snows.org](mailto:programs@snows.org), call 618-394-6281 or go to our website at: [www.snows.org/wayoflights](http://www.snows.org/wayoflights).

**ANNOUNCEMENTS!**

**CATHOLIC URBAN PROGRAM:** St. Michael’s November collection; Sheets, Blankets, Quilts – Thank you!  
**St. John the Baptist, Smithton** – Quilt and cash Bingo, **TODAY** November 5<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm  
**ICS Trivia Night** – November 10<sup>th</sup> doors open at 6 pm, Trivia starts at 7 pm, \$200 per table of 10. Questions or to Register email Jackie Weaver, [Schmidjk@gmail.com](mailto:Schmidjk@gmail.com)  
**Zion Church, Millstadt** – Wurstmart, Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. Dine in or Carry Out 3 pm – 7 pm Cost \$15. Dine in or Carryout  
**St. Boniface, Evansville** – Quilt, Hams, Cash Bingo, Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. Food starts at 11:00 and Bingo starts at 1:00.