



**THIRTY-THIRD
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME
November 15, 2009**

Pastoral Ponderings.....

“If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet. For I have given you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you.” – John 13: 14-15

Last weekend we had our Stewardship Fair and looked at the **two gifts** that we have been given, **time and talent**. We tried to help each other realize *where* our service is needed, and *what talents* we might bring to serve. Also, *what time* we can offer. Once all the questions have been asked, and the answers discerned, it’s time for **action**. Often, it helps to put our **commitment in writing**. We might want to post our commitment in a place where we will frequently see it, or make a note on our calendar that reminds us to evaluate our progress on that commitment. Placing our signature at the conclusion of your commitment is like saying “Amen!” I will do this!” Someone is waiting for our service...in Christ’s name.

A **third gift** we include this weekend is the **Gift of Treasure**. The gift of our treasure is probably the most challenging to each of us as well as being a test of our faith. Our *secular culture* holds wealth and possessions as symbols of our independence, power and personal success.

But what of our *spiritual efforts*? We must prayerfully consider “moving forward in faith” in an unconventional way – without guarantees of a return or gratification from our financial gifts. We are not “buying” anything with our gifts but rather making a return to the Lord for the many gifts He has bestowed on us.

Our blessings are only ours through the grace of God and those blessings can help to do God’s work by supporting our parish’s mission and its many ministries. We are called to serve others with our gifts. Pope John Paul says: “*We cannot stand idly by, enjoying our riches and freedom if, in any place, the Lazarus of the 21 Century stands at our doors.*”

How do I move forward in faith and what is expected? We can move forward in faith by making a Sacrificial Gift from our “substance rather than surplus” each and every week in our regular envelope.

The **next step is to evaluate our own giving**. Everyone should be able to give something no matter how small. The ideal would be to be giving **5%** of our gross annual income **to the parish** and another **5% to other charities** such as Catholic schools, diocese, CFSA, colleges, high schools, world missions and the poor. Recent studies indicate that Catholics give between 1.1% - 1.4% of their gross income. It would be unrealistic to ask people to jump from giving 1.1% to 5%. Perhaps you might prayerfully consider increasing your giving by 1% annually (spread out over 52 weeks until you reach the 5% - 10 % level in the future.) Again, this takes **action** on our parts to make it happen by filling out our **Intention card** for the coming year and following through each week!

Thank you for your stewardship in the past! We’ve been able to do great things. May it just be the beginning of what is yet to come!

Fr. Ed Pierce

Schedule of Masses

Monday	St. Margaret of Scotland
	7:00 a.m. +Joan Heilman
Tuesday	St. Elizabeth of Hungary
	7:00 a.m. +Gladys Maloney
Wednesday	St. Rose Philippine Duchesne and the Dedication of the Basilicas of Peter & Paul
	7:00 a.m. Int. Donna Ashdown
	12:10 p.m. +Gerald Braun
Thursday	
	7:00 a.m. +Paul Henjum
Friday	
	7:00 a.m. +James Simon
Saturday	Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
	8:15 a.m. +Agatha Schatz

THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD CHRIST THE KING

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	+Brad Peterson
Sunday	7:30 a.m.	For Our Parish
	9:30 a.m.	+Int. James May
	11:30 a.m.	+Kate Stiles

LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

For the weekend of	Nov. 21 st and Nov. 22 nd	
Saturday 5:00 pm	Scott Solberg	See Schedule
Sunday 7:30 am.	Therese Leon	See Schedule
Sunday 9:30 a.m.	Mary Ann Whitman	See Schedule
Sunday 11:30 a.m.	Jenelle Remily	See Schedule

ALTAR SERVERS

For the weekend of	Nov. 21 st and Nov. 22 nd
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Andrew/Daniel Holmstrom, Gabriel Heller
Sunday 7:30 a.m.	Matt/Nolan Schlosser
9:30 a.m.	Alexandra/Annika Mattern, Allison Thielsen
11:30 a.m.	Matthew/Catherine Falk, Tanner Gardner

GREETERS

For the weekend of	Nov. 21 st and Nov. 22 nd
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Mary Ellen Heitman, Elton/Rita Herman
Sunday 7:30 a.m.	Sal Crogan/Jane Hengel, Ed/Mary Keller, Daniel/Alvina Baumgartner
9:30 a.m.	Justin/Toni Feickert, Jan Frink, Betty Sanders
11:30 a.m.	Linda Salfrank, Pat/Roberta Gallagher

VAN DRIVER THIS WEEK

Sun., Nov. 22nd –Steve Everson – 225-4509



Traveling Icon for Vocations.

Gert Mangan will have the icon Nov. 15th – 21st. Lu Murphy will have the icon Nov. 22nd – Nov. 28th.

STEWARDSHIP

Last Week's Collection (including All Saints)	\$13,416.59
Youth envelopes	\$75.60
Geo-Thermal - funding needed including parking lot	\$467,581.35
Amount paid	\$400,293.68
CFSA	pledged \$105,733.68
	Paid \$92,963.68
Home Mission (paid)	\$3,214.00

We took in \$1,460.00 last week. Thus far during the *Crusade* we have collected \$85,015.33. Our daily interest paid is \$124.95

We started our *Crusade* at \$898,652.00. As of 11-1-09 our balance was \$830,522.79. We await the interest/principal from last week and this. We so appreciate your generosity. \$876.05 per week covers interest due. \$5,000 per week covers principal and interest due.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday, Nov. 15th

Breakfast will be served by the K.C.'s after the 7:30 and 9:30 a.m. Masses

Blood Drive will be from 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in the parish hall

Youth Groups: Grades 7-12 meet from 7-9 pm in the parish hall.

Blood Pressure Screening after all Sunday Masses – parish hall

Monday, Nov. 16th

General Altar Society will meet at 6:00 p.m. in the parish hall

Band 6 will meet at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall.

Tuesday, Nov. 17th

RCIA will meet in the Religious Ed. Office at 6:30 p.m. Topic: God Becomes Human: Incarnation and Paschal Mystery.

Wednesday, Nov. 18th

CCD Regular Classes – Reconciliation & prayer checks grades 8 & 10. Gr. 9 Salvation Army night – meet there. All grades plan Christmas Projects. ADVENT lessons.

Thursday, Nov. 19th

Parish Council and Finance Council will meet at 6:00 p.m. in the parish hall.

Saturday, Nov. 21st

Prayer Shawl Group will meet at 10:00 a.m. in the parish hall.

Young Men – Join seminarian Nick Michels of St. Mary's Parish in visiting the college seminary at the University of St. Thomas. Attend classes, participate in Mass and communal prayer, and visit with current seminarians. There is no charge for the event and space is limited! Contact Fr. Zilverberg to sign up. St. John Vianney Seminary in St. Paul, MN – November 19-21. Cardinal Muench Seminary in Fargo, ND – November 20-22.

PLEASE DONATE BLOOD today in the parish hall from 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Did you know that our area patients need nearly 1200 units of blood every week? The only source of blood for these patients is VOLUNTEER BLOOD DONORS! You can work miracles by donating blood...It's safe, simple and saves lives! So get your appointment now! Sign up on the appointment sheet at each entrance!

EPIPHANY CELEBRATION

Sacred Heart will once again hold an Epiphany celebration. We will perform "He Is the Light of the World" arr. By Russell Mauldin at 7:00 p.m., January 3rd. Everyone is welcome to participate. If interested, or for more information, please contact Charlene Blondo at 225-7065.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NOTES: UPCOMING EVENTS

Nov 18: Salvation Army night for 9th graders Weekdays during Advent: Advent Vespers in the chapel. 5:15pm

Dec . 9: Living Rosary

Dec 16: grades 3-7 Bell Ringing

Inter-Parish

Family Rosary – Tue., Nov. 17th, at 7:00 pm—at Sacred Heart.

WE AS A COMMUNITY:

Extend our Sympathy and Prayers to the family and friends of Daniel Guhin and Tillie York whose funerals we celebrated this past week.

RONCALLI (this week)

Mon. Nov 16:

Tues. Nov 17: Oral Interp Regions at Aberdeen – 8:00 pm

Wed. Nov 18: RES Mass – 12:10 p.m. – Sacred Heart

RHS Booster Club 7:00 pm

End of 1st Trimester

Thur. Nov 19: RPS Mass – 12:10 p.m. – St. Mary's

VB State at Watertown

Fri: Nov 20: RHS Mass – 9:30 a.m.

VB State at Watertown

Sat. Nov 21: VB State at Watertown

The Roncalli Booster Club is looking for a two wheel utility trailer with about a six foot bed suitable for hauling aluminum cans. Side boards can be added later, if needed. Prefer a donated trailer, with a clear title, to be used to recycle cans for money donation to Roncalli School System. Any additional questions can be directed to Scott Wherry, President Roncalli Booster Club at 290-1799.

The Booster Club is looking for space to store the golf cart, used at football games at Swisher Field, for the winter. Please contact Scott Wherry at 290-1799.

RONCALLI NEARLY NEW:

We are having a ½ price pink tag clothing sale on Nov. 17-18-19 -21. Also check out our book bargains. Shop Tue., Wed., Thur. and Sat. and are located at 220 N. Main. Your support is always welcome!!

Family Faith Formation – Nov. 15th

Theme: Jesus will come again.

Listen to the word: As you hear this rather strange Gospel today, what words or phrases strike you? What image or idea lingers in your memory?

Question for Children: If Jesus came to visit you today, what would you do? What would you say? How would you act?

Question for Youth: If today was your last day, what would you be most thankful for? What would you regret?

Question for Adults: If today was your last, what would you do with it?

SUPPORT AND HELP

Project Rachel is for women and men who suffer from the pain of previous abortions. Call 1-800-700-7867.

Natural Family Planning Classes: Learn more about a way of responsible parenthood that is supported by the Catholic Church. Call 226-2232 or Sacred Heart at 225-7065.

Annulments: A possible 2nd chance for marriage in the Catholic Church. For more info, call Sacred Heart 225-7065.

Catholic Family Services: Call 226-1304.

Marriage Encounter: to make a good marriage better!

Web site is www.wwme.org or call 362-0924.

Retrouvaille: Help for hurting marriages. Call 988-3763 or 988-3776 or 2021@retrouvaille.org for more information.

Pregnant? Alone? Afraid?: Call BIRTHRIGHT at 229-0258 or toll-free 1-800-550-4900. **Aberdeen Right to Life:** On the 1st Thu. of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the basement of the Brown County Courthouse. Marilyn Wachs 226-2232 or Joan Hartung 226-0153.

Make me understand...for then I shall see your miracles.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon. 1 Mc 1:10-15,41-43,54-57,62-63
Ps 119:53,61,134,150,155,158 Lk 18:35-43
Pray for victims of domestic violence.

Tue. 2 Mc 6:18-31 Ps 3:2-7 Lk 19:1-10
Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Wed: 2 Mc7:1,20-31 Ps 17:1,5-6,8,15 Lk 19:11-28
Pray for an end to abortion & true respect for life.

Thur: 1 Mc 2:15-29 Ps 50:1-2,5-6,14-15 Lk 19:41-44
Pray for the poor, hungry and homeless.

Fri. 1 Mc 4:36-37,52-59 (Ps) 1 Chr 29:10-12 Lk 19:45-48
Pray for all priests and religious.

Sat. 1 Mc 6:1-13 Ps 9:2-4,6,16,19 Lk 20: 27-40
Pray for loving and dedicated marriages.

Sun. Dn 7:13-14 Ps 93:1-2,5 Rv 1:5-8 Jn 18:33b-37
Pray in loving tribute to Our Lord Jesus Christ the King.

CHRISTMAS COOKIE & CRAFT SALE

Band 6 will hold their annual cookie, craft and book sale on Sat. Dec. 5th in the parish hall from, 8 am – 12:00 noon. Come join us for coffee, cranberry tea and white and caramel rolls while you select your cookies and browse our gift items. Free poinsettias will be given away throughout the morning.

SACRED HEART BAND 10 FAIR TRADE JEWELRY SALE

in conjunction with Band 6 Cookie Sale on Sat. Dec 5th from 8 am – 12:00 noon in the parish hall. Get ready for Christmas and help promote families in Nepal.

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING FOOD COLLECTION:

Sacred Heart will collect non-perishable food items for those in need. Boxes are located at each Church entrance to collect food donations or you may place your donations on the altar steps anytime up through the weekend of Nov. 28th and Nov. 29th Suggested items include: boxed meals or cans (stew, soups, canned fruit, spaghetti, etc.), cereals, peanut butter & jelly.

If you would like to donate money instead, simply put your donation in an envelope marked “Thanksgiving Food Collection” and place it in the collection basket during Mass or mail it to our office at 502-2nd Ave. SE. Bless you for your generosity.

The **Knights of Columbus** will be distributing Tootsie Rolls after all Masses Nov. 21st and 22nd for free will donations. All proceeds are divided between Special Olympics and the Roncalli Special Education Program. Please be generous.

GREAT GIFT IDEAS

Don't let your gifts end up in a yard sale; give them something they will cherish forever ~ **The Truth!**

Choose from a selection of Lighthouse Catholic Media Gift Certificates for just \$3 each and place your donation in the donation box. The recipient of your gift will be able to select the titles they want and “pay” with their gift certificates.

You don't have to worry about wrapping another gift or running out to the store – just stop by the kiosk after Mass! Consider enclosing one in a Mass card, thank you card, and two in a birthday card!



Our Enkindle The Flame Program will be held on Sun., Nov. 22nd in the parish hall from 1-3:30 p.m. Please, join us at 11:30 a.m. Mass if possible. S.F. Community members will share with one another; as well as all LOTW members. Please attend! An education component will help us prepare for Advent. God Bless!