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October 20, 2024

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Masses
10am & 8:00pm

Confessions
Sunday, 7:30pm

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*In case of immediate need, call your parish office to reach a priest directly.

This Week's Happenings

Tuesday (10/22)

9:30am Bread Baking
11:30am Prayer Ministry
5:30pm Bible Study Wil's Place

Wednesday (10/23)

7:00pm Confirmation

Thursday (10/24)

6:00pm Praise Night

Sunday (10/27)

Diocesan High School Youth Day
11:00am Presentation and conversation
Peace & Social Justice

Being A Community of Prayer in this Election Season

At the beginning of His public ministry, Jesus stood up in the synagogue of His hometown of Nazareth, and read the following text from the Book of Isaiah:

"The Spirit of God is upon Me, for God has chosen Me, and sent Me to proclaim good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and recovery of sight to the blind, to set free the oppressed, and to announce the year of the Lord." (Luke 4:18-19)

What does it mean to be a community of His disciples in a society engaged in an election process? What roles can prayer play in our discernment of, and our active responses to, the relevance of the Gospel in our communication with one another? In the votes that we cast? In how we respond to whatever emerges from election day? Being prayerful involves such listening, being deeply attentive to and trusting fully in the presence and activity of God in the world. "Whatever our calling on behalf of the world, it must proceed from a foundational 'yes' to God, to participate in the most radical movement of all, which is the movement of God's love." (Fr Richard Rohr)

Being prayerful reminds us that we are not called to flee from the world, but to be a community of faith immersed in the world. In his recent pastoral statement, Bishop Neary put it this way, "We Christians must be a leaven in society to bring about a more just social order and to fortify the common good." Being prayerful can cultivate what Pope Francis refers to as, "a tender love of others."

"Politics must make room for love to draw near and become real. A movement that starts from our heart and reaches the eyes, the ears and the hands. Tenderness is the path of choice for the strongest, most courageous men and women." (Fratelli Tutti)

The following is a prayer that we can use for these final days of the election season, and beyond:

God of peace, these times demand a change of heart: to be, think, and act differently. Pour out your Spirit on your people as we prepare to vote. May we strive to make peace a reality by becoming agents of reconciliation, transforming and transcending polarization, misinformation, and division during this election. Help us to recognize the reality of our interconnection and interdependence and to make decisions for the common good. Amen. (Sisters of St Joseph of Peace, peaceministries.csjp.org/prayers)

The Newman Center is hosting an Election Day Prayer Vigil on Tues, Nov 5th. It begins at 7 am, when MN polls open, and concludes at 8 pm, when MN polls close. Each hour begins with a short prayer, and ends with another. The rest is time for silent prayer. Eucharistic Adoration is available, as are booklets with prayers for Election Day, and the weeks and months to follow. It will also be livestreamed for those who are unable to join us in person. Soup and bread will be available in the Terrace, from 5-8 pm.

May our voting be an act of love, rooted in prayer.

Kevin LaNave (Prayer and Spirituality committee Christ Church Newman Center)

Warren Christie (Chairperson, Prayer and Spirituality committee Christ Church Newman Center)

Parish Prayers

†Shawn Preisler
†Arleen Boyd, Mother of Glenda Prom
†Parisa
†Julie Gabrielson
†India Faith Krueger Wasilowski
†Bob Trisko
†Frank Roehl
•Nkeiru
•Innocent, Chinwe, and their family
†Mary Helen Montgomery
•Aaron Dockendorf
†Mary Morton

Are You Ready? Adult Day with PJ

Anderson This Monday is your last chance to register for the three events for adults happening next Saturday (10-26)!

Register at: <https://stcdio.org/event/are-you-ready-for-pj-anderson/> by Monday (October 21). The day includes a morning session for adults, an afternoon session for parents/families and a free concert at Bad Habit Brewery in St. Joseph in the evening.



October 26-27 → Please pray for the success of the **Diocesan Adult and Youth Days: Are You Ready?** taking place this weekend. May the adults and youth of our diocese grow closer to one another in faith and nurture their relationship with a loving God who accompanies them in their daily life.

Our parishes are participating in the Boxes of Joy program, a Christmas gift outreach program of Cross Catholic Ministries this year.

By packing a Box of Joy with toys, clothing, toiletries, and other supplies - you provide a gift to a child suffering from extreme poverty in a 3rd world country. You do not need to include \$\$ for postage - Parish groups will cover the cost of postage for our boxes.

Your filled donation boxes (or any shoebox sized package) must be returned to the parish offices (Holy Spirit, Newman Center and St. Anthony's Parish Office by Monday, November 4.

Please contact Pam Rickbeil 320-493-8347 (pamela.rickbeil@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

Youth Group Calendar for October/November:

October 20th: Men's & Women's Sessions

October 27th: No Youth Group (Senior High Youth Rally)

November 3rd: Adoration, Confessions, Praise & Worship

SAVE THE DATE

The Peace and Social Justice Committee second "presentation-and-conversation" (with coffee-and-rolls) about the process of applying the principles of Catholic Social Teaching to moral and political issues.

Sun, Oct 27th: after 10 am Mass, featuring Sr Eillis McCulloh, from NETWORK Catholic Social Justice Lobby

ONLINE GIVING:

Please scan this QR code to donate to the many needs of our parish. Thank you!



SEEK25 Conference Benefit Dinner Saturday November 2nd

Support our area college students and young adults going to the SEEK25 National Conference! They will be hosting a chicken dinner benefit at St. Anthony's parish center on Saturday, November 2nd. There will be a social at 5:30pm and dinner will be served at 6:00pm along with a program. Meal tickets are \$25, there is a child's meal offered for \$7. Contact Philip Shefveland for more information at 320-281-9518.

Tickets can be purchased using the QR code below or at www.scsucatholic.org/seek

Tickets can also be purchased by calling or visiting the Newman Center office at 320-251-3260.



ACC Faith Formation Reminders

Confirmation: October 23, 7:00 p.m.

K-9 Family Formation/SEND: October 30, 5:45 p.m.

First Sacraments: Nov. 16, Activity Day St. Anthony's

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