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November 24, 2024

**34th 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

Monday (11/25)

7:00pm OCIA Meeting

Tuesday (11/26)

11:30am Prayer Ministry

5:30pm Bible Study Wil's Place

Wednesday (11/27)

No Faith Formation Classes

Thursday (11/28)

Happy Thanksgiving (Office Closed)

Friday (11/29)

Office Closed

Dear brothers and sisters,

A very Happy Thanksgiving to each of you! We have so much to be grateful for. Our faith, family, and friends are just a few that come to mind for me. What comes to mind for you? One important way to pray is by offering a grateful heart to God. We should name the things that we are grateful for. Does God know that you are grateful? Or is it taken for granted. We shouldn't assume he knows! I challenge you to write a list of everything you want to thank God for. Then, share it at your Thanksgiving meal with family and friends. Challenge others to mention out loud what they are thankful for.

On that day, you will say:

I give you thanks, O Lord;
though you have been angry with me,
your anger has abated, and you have consoled me.

God indeed is my salvation;
I am confident and unafraid.

For the Lord is my strength and my might,
and he has been my salvation.

With joy you will draw water
from the fountains of salvation,

And you will say on that day:
give thanks to the Lord, acclaim his name;
Among the nations make known his deeds,
proclaim how exalted is his name.

Sing praise to the Lord for he has done glorious things;
let this be known throughout all the earth.

Shout with exultation, City of Zion,
for great in your midst
is the Holy One of Israel! *Isaiah 12:1-6*

Let us remember that we are in the holy presence of God.

Loving Creator,

We asked for strength, and you gave us difficulties to make us strong.

We asked for wisdom, and you gave us problems to solve.

We asked for prosperity, and you gave us purpose and brains to use.

We asked for courage, and you gave us fears to overcome.

We asked for patience, and you gave us situations where we were forced to wait.

We asked for love, and you gave us troubled people to help.

We asked for justice, and you called us to be just and to lead with integrity.

Lord, we have received nothing that we asked for or wanted.

And yet, we received everything that we needed.

For this, we give thanks.

Peace,

Fr. Derek



December 1st is Children's Liturgy Sunday at the 10am Mass! Kids ages 4-4th grade are welcome to join to hear the Word of God and ponder its meaning in an age-appropriate manner. Our leaders will bring the children down to the Terrace when the readings begin upstairs, and they will return at the Preparation of Gifts. We will offer this ministry on the first Sunday of every month at our 10am Mass.

TEC - Together Encounter Christ

You are invited to join Warren and Becky Christie at a TEC (Together Encounter Christ) retreat January 18-20, 2025. TEC is based on the Pascal Mystery of Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension. Other retreat dates include:

Dec 28-30, 2024 Feb 15-17, 2025 March 7-9, 2025

Register at CMTEC.org

If you have questions, contact Warren at 320-493-5404

Advent Faith-Sharing opportunities

The Prayer and Spirituality Committee is offering parishioners several avenues for faith-sharing during Advent Sundays following the 10 am Mass -- Dec 8th, and Dec 15th, Tuesdays 10-11 am (facilitated by Warren Christie, at a local coffee shop) - Dec 3rd, Dec 10th, and Dec 17th Wednesdays, 9 - 10 am, 12 - 1 pm, and 4-5 pm (facilitated by Kevin LaNave) -- Dec 4th, Dec 11th, and Dec 18th (these times include both in-person and a Zoom option)

We'll be using excerpts from a book entitled "The Advent of Christ: Scripture Reflections to Prepare for Christmas", by Edward Sri (Franciscan Media).

To sign up and/or wanting more information? Contact Warren Christie (320-493-5404; wbcristie56@gmail.com) or Kevin LaNave (320 640-7627; klanave@scsucatholic.org)

ETERNAL REST

Michael Sullivan, long time member of Christ Church Newman Center, died peacefully at St. Cloud Hospital on November 12, 2024. His funeral will be on December 6 at 2:00 pm at St. John's Abbey Church in Colledgeville. The visitation will be at 1:00 pm preceding the funeral.

Giving 2024

Any 2024 contributions have to be received to the office by December 31, 2024.

Youth Group Calendar for November:

November 24th: No Youth Group, Happy Thanksgiving

December 1st: Adoration

December 8th: Topic Night

Renewal 2025

Renew Today! Scan the QR code and fill out the form. You can also call the Newman office to complete or request a paper copy. Form available on website as well. scsucatholic.org



ACC Faith Formation Reminders

Confirmation: December 11, 7:00pm

K-9 SEEK/SEND: December 4, 5:45pm meal 6:15pm class

First Sacraments: December 11 Learning Stations 3-6pm

Parish Prayers

- †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
- Abbie's Grandfather
- Barb Pladson

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