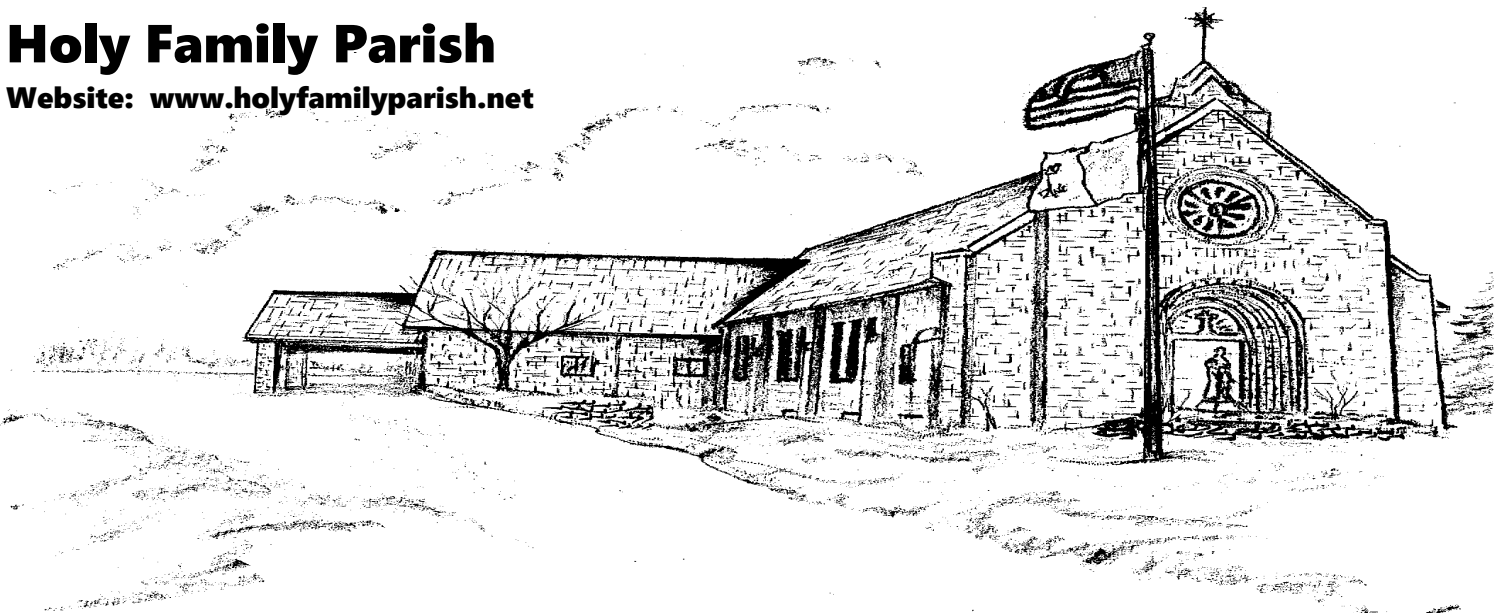


# Holy Family Parish

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## Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – November 12, 2023

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### Pastoral Council Members

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Pam Marenger – Liturgy Committee  
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### Finance Council Members

Gerald Miron Piper Desy  
Mary Kay Nolde Frank Chenier

### Sacrament of Marriage

Notice of six months is required

### REQUIREMENT FOR SACRAMENTS

The basic requirement for the sacraments of First Communion, Confirmation and Marriage is that you be a practicing Catholic. One parent must be a practicing Catholic to present a child for Baptism

### Sacrament of Baptism

Please notify the pastor during the pregnancy in order to schedule sacramental instruction, if necessary.

### Sacrament of Penance

Saturday 3:00 to 3:45 P.M.

7:30 am – 7:50 am

before daily Mass or by appointment

### Sacrament of the Sick

The sacrament is for anyone you know who has any continuing or serious illness or at point of death, or is having surgery and would like to celebrate this healing sacrament. Contact Fr. Sebastian at (906) 440-4193

Please remember our sick in your prayers.....

*Diane, Barb, Eric, Pat, Joan*

*Roger Tourangeau, Jan Carter, Jean Way*

*Amanda, Mike Mosher, Shelly Polaczyk*

Attention parishioners. We will start with our prayer list back in the weekly bulletin. If you have a family member or friends who are sick and in need of prayers, please call the parish office at 786-1209. This will be the new corner for the names. The Mass intentions are now listed in the weekly calendar.

# CATECHETICAL CORNER

## Life after Death

**Death:** Those who don't have faith in God or eternal life, death is the end of everything. But those believe in God are anxious to know 'What happens after death?' So far we believe that the soul is immortal, it should continue to live beyond this world and away from our bodies. Then the question as what is to become of it? The soul will still be its conscious self, able to experience happiness or misery under the new conditions to which it has gone. What will be those conditions be? Those who have not yet died obviously have to rely on **Revelation** to answer these questions. God alone knows what confronts men after death, and He alone can tell us about it. This He has done and His Revelation is contained in the definite teaching of the Catholic Church.

In regard to death itself we should remember it is; **a) A punishment for sin.** God said to Adam and Eve: "You are free to eat from any of the tress of the garden except from the tree of knowledge of good and bad. The moment you eat from it you are surely doomed to die" (Gen 2:16b-17). After their sin, God solemnly pronounced the sentence: "By the sweat of your face shall you get bread to eat, until you return to the ground, from which you were taken; for you are dirt, and to dirt you shall return" (Gen 3:19). St. Paul comments on death in Romans 5:12, "Therefore, just as through one person sin entered the world, and through sin, death, and thus death came to all in as much as all sinned." Paul again says in Romans 6:23, "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

**b) Death is the moment on which our eternity depends:** For after death there is no more time for repentance or merit. Every opportunity to gain eternal life is given to us on earth only. Those who fail to use the given chances will never get another chance beyond this world. Earthly life is the only platform where we can gain merits for our eternal life.

**The time and circumstances of death is uncertain:** Jesus says, "You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come" (Lk 12:40). These days t he medical science is pretty accurate in predicting many things based on the test reports. But no doctors have ever predicted the time of one's death.

**Particular Judgment:** According to the teaching of the Catholic Church, immediately after death the souls stand before the Tribunal of Christ to face the Particular Judgment. As soon as the souls separate from the bodies, their fate is decided by God. There is no formal definition of the Church on this point, but it is clear from the Union Decree of Pope Eugene IV in 1439, the profession of faith of Michael Palaeologus in 1274, the Bull Benedictus Deus of Pope Benedict XII in 1336 that a Particular Judgment takes place for the souls before the Lord.

There are no Scripture texts which clearly and directly teach that immediately after death the eternal destiny of each separated soul is decided by the just Judgment of God, but that truth is implied in many passages of the Scripture. The parable of the rich man and Lazarus is one: "When the poor man died, he was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried, and from the netherworld where he was tormented..." (Lk 16: 22). To the penitent revolutionary on the cross, Jesus says, "Amen I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise" (Lk 23:43). The early Church certainly believed in the fact of the Particular Judgment. It is clearly and emphatically stated by St. Augustine: "Souls are judged when they depart from the body, before they come to the Final Judgment which must be passed on them when reunited to the body, and are tormented or glorified in that same flesh which they were inhabited" ( De Anima et ejus Origine). In support of this view Augustine quotes the parable of the rich man and Lazarus.

**(We will continue next week).**

November Ultreya  
When: November 19<sup>th</sup>  
Time: 7:00 PM and St. Annes Parish Hall

**THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY**

Mon.	Nov. 13 <sup>th</sup>	<b><i>Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin</i></b> 8:00 A.M. – Mass – For all of our special intentions
Tues.	Nov. 14 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 A.M. - Mass – Lisabeth Kudwa (6 <sup>th</sup> Anniv.) 5:00 P.M. - St. Vincent de Paul Society meeting
Wed.	Nov. 15 <sup>th</sup>	<b><i>Saint Albert the Great, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</i></b> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Henry Hughes (5 <sup>th</sup> Anniv.) Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help 6:30 P.M. - NO CCD Classes
Thurs.	Nov. 16 <sup>th</sup>	<b><i>Saint Margaret of Scotland; Saint Gertrude, Virgin</i></b> 8:00 A.M.- Mass – Betty Lou Tourangeau <b>7:00 P.M.</b> - NO Smear League
Fri.	Nov. 17 <sup>th</sup>	<b><i>Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious</i></b> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Special Intention ----- Parish Office closed
Sat.	Nov. 18 <sup>th</sup>	<b><i>The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles; Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin</i></b> 3:00 P.M. - Confessions heard until 3:45 PM 4:00 P.M. - Mass – Bert & Cecile Meyette
Sun.	Nov. 19 <sup>th</sup>	<b><i>Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i></b> 8:00 A.M. - Mass – Joyce Viau 10:00 AM - Mass – For the people of our parish

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

92 envelopes returned for Sunday, Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>

Adult Offering.....	\$ 4,357.00
Loose.....	79.00
General Maintenance.....	240.00
Fuel.....	295.00
Mass Stipends.....	380.00
All Saints.....	696.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$ 6,047.00</b>

**Budgeted weekly Income & Expense... \$4,389.42**  
**Overage..... \$ 1,657.58**

St. Vincent DePaul Society..... 80.00

Its that time to put in your request for the WORD AMONG US. Yearly subscription is \$20. Call the parish office to put your name on the list.

**Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm  
All Saints Church, Gladstone**

Join us once again in the Religious Education Center, Multi-Purpose Room as we gather to focus on building discipleship and living the faith in today’s world through a video series, small group discussion and prayer. There is no cost to participate and it is open to all high school students in the area.

**Ladies of the Parish Christmas Party**

All ladies of the parish are invited to the Christmas party which starts at 5:30 pm. The cost for the night is \$15 for a catered chicken & meatball meal, and if you want to participate there is a \$10 gift exchange. We also collect toys for the baskets. Mark your calendar and plan to attend this fun event! ***If you plan to attend, please sign up at the back of Church by November 30<sup>th</sup>.***

## SPIRIT LIFTERS

**Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>** - My grandfather once told me that there are two kinds of people; Those who do the work and those who take the credit. He told me to try to be in the first group; there was much less competition there.

**Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>** - Ideas are funny little things, They won't work unless you do.

**Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>** - And when in the mansions above, The saved all around me appear, I'd like to hear somebody say; It was you who invited me here.

**Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>** - Jesus' timing is always perfect, regardless of our limitations and expectations.

**Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>** - Remove all obstacles to interior peace - and then await in patience the coming of Jesus. -St. Louise de Marillac

**Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>** - The strange thing about Jesus is that, although He is always being crucified, never does He die.

**Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>** - You may not have been responsible for your heritage, but you are responsible for your future.

### St. Vincent DePaul Corner

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 put your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul envelope so that those who are suffering will be able to celebrate Thanksgiving. For more information contact Beverly Miller at 428-3610.

### **St. Anthony/St. Thomas Annual Dinner Bazaar 2023 St. Thomas Parish Hall**

Sunday, Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>, serving Ham, Pigs in a Blanket, Meatballs, etc., serving from 11:00 to 2:00 pm. Adults \$15, ages 6-15 \$7, 5 and under free with adult. There will be a bake sale, silent auction, raffles, 50/50 a silver dollar and craft sale.

## THIS WEEK'S READINGS

### **Monday**

Wis 1:1-7  
Lk 17:1-6

### **Wednesday**

Wis 6:1-11  
Lk 17:11-19

### **Friday**

Wis 13:1-9  
Lk 17:26-37

### **Tuesday**

Wis 2:23—3:9  
Lk 17:7-10

### **Thursday**

Wis 7:22b—8:1  
Lk 17:20-25

### **Saturday**

Wis 18:14-16 19:6-9  
Lk 18:1-8

### **Sunday**

Prv 31:10-13,19-20,30-31  
1 Thes 5:1-6  
Mt 25:14-30



The 56<sup>th</sup> Annual U.P. Catholic Services Appeal has started. Our goal for this year is \$41,006.97. Thank you to all who have returned their pledge cards.

*To date we have received 99 pledges totaling \$25,755. Thank you! There are still 82 outstanding cards.*

### CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT GROUP

The Fire Starter's Catholic Young Adult Group is for people in their 20's and 30's in Delta County. This group welcomes all including young families. They have monthly gatherings and share the Word in each other's lives. For more information please contact Megan Hansen at 906-280-2665 or find them on Facebook

### BACKPACK PROGRAM

Holy Name School is looking to improve on providing quality food for their student Backpack Program. The Backpack Program helps provide certain identified students with nutritious, non-perishable, and easy-to-prepare food items. The program is for elementary through high school students.

If you like to donate or have any questions on this great program, please contact Rachel Sierpien at [ras2600@yahoo.com](mailto:ras2600@yahoo.com) or call/text 703-678-5101. There is a list of items they could use posted in the glass case at the entrance of church.