



## “Good St. Joseph, Pray For Us”



*St. Joseph Red Lake Falls*



*St. Joseph Brooks*

### Weekend Mass Times

St. Joseph RLF  
Saturday 5:30 pm  
Sunday 10 am

St. Joseph Brooks  
Sunday 8 am

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### CREDO: A New Evangelization Witness

By Fr. Bob Schreiner

#### The Culture of Life Part I: A Plan To Reclaim And Restore

This is the first of a four part conclusion to a series of CREDO articles I began a little over a month ago. In light of everything we've been witnessing within our culture, I posed the question: What is the cure for cultural madness? Appealing to the thought of St. John Paul II, I suggested we review his analysis of the problem from the vantage point of seeing this as a cultural illness, which he called "The Culture of Death." It can be summarized in three parts, namely: The Death of God, The Death of Reason, and the Death of Man.

I suggested we keep in mind a number of things when looking at the three-fold movement of the Culture of Death. **First, bad ideas take time to yield their most bitter fruits.** The origins of the current Culture of Death we are experiencing can be found in the thought and institutions of the 16<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> centuries. To properly diagnose our *current* situation we **MUST** understand the *roots* of the problem which reach back nearly five centuries. To formulate any response to the current problem without conducting a deep analysis first is like picking off the head of a dandelion and ignoring its root system. It will just come back and take deeper root. The 20<sup>th</sup> century began to unfold the bloody, destructive destiny of what was sown in the previous centuries. The 21<sup>st</sup> century's legacy was to be horrifically and symbolically inaugurated on 9/11/01 serving as one portent of what awaits us if we don't proactively disentangle ourselves from the wretched tentacles of the Culture of Death. **Second, these three movements are deeply connected to one another.** If you wound one aspect, you wound all aspects. If you destroy one aspect, you will end up destroying all aspects. The profound and necessary interconnectivity of the existence of God, the unity of intelligence and the truth about man is itself the target for those forces which seek to sow cultural decay and destruction. When God, reason and the human person begin to be separated from one another the resulting first fruit is chaos. Cultural chaos and disintegration is the unambiguous signal that the Culture of Death is on the march and having its way with the ultimate, demonic goal of death. **Third, the Culture of Death finds its incubation site and launching pad from within institutions.** This is perhaps the least understood aspect of St. John Paul's analysis of the Culture of Death, in my opinion. And I surely cannot unpack the density of his insight in a bulletin article. Suffice it to say: when an institution is corrupted with the bad ideas of the Culture of Death, it inevitably perpetuates and replicates its corruption with devastating effectiveness. And what's more – institutions are stubbornly (if not absolutely) resistant to conversion unless the people who operate within them examine their personal conscience and accept the call to conversion.

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*October 11, 2020*

*Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**This Week: October 12 —October 18, 2020**

**Monday, October 12**

Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1; Lk 11:29-32

**Parish Office Closed**

8:00 am Reconciliation-RLF

**8:30 am Mass-RLF**

†Bonnie King by Steve & Bev Philion

4:00-8:00 pm Adoration-RLF

7:00 pm Catholic Daughters in Church Basement

7:00 pm Knights of Columbus in Gathering Space

**Tuesday, October 13**

Gal 5:1-6; Lk 11:37-41

**No Mass**

4:00—8:00 pm Adoration-RLF

**Wednesday, October 14 Feast of Saint Callistus I, Pope**

Gal 5:18-25; Lk 11:42-46

6:00 pm—Reconciliation-RLF

**6:30 pm Mass—RLF**

†Delphine (Schafer) Frank by Bob Schafer

**Thursday, October 15 Feast of Saint Teresa of Jesus**

Eph 1:10; Lk 11:47-54

8:00 am Reconciliation-RLF

**8:30 am Mass -Brooks**

†Christopher Novak by Mary Anne Tupa

**Friday, October 16 Feast of St. Hedwig**

Eph 1:11-14; Lk 12:1-7

**Parish Office Closed**

8:00 am—Reconciliation—RLF

**8:30 am—Mass RLF**

†Margaret Brown by Helen Schmitz

4:00-8:00 pm Adoration-RLF

**Saturday, October 17 Feast of Saint Ignatius of Antioch**

Eph 1:15-23; Lk 12:8-12

5:00 pm Reconciliation-RLF

**5:30 pm Mass—RLF**

†John St. Marie by Linus & Bev Schmitz

**Sunday, October 18 Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Is 45:1, 4-6; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

7:30 am Reconciliation—Brooks

**8:00 am Mass-Brooks**

Pro Populo

**10:00 am-Mass-RLF**

†Hazel Perras by Pete & Kathy Stich



**AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**  
**when one cannot receive the Holy Eucharist:**

My Jesus,  
I believe that You  
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment  
receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were already  
there and unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from  
You. Amen.

**ELECTION NOVENA FOR OUR STATE & NATION:**

The bishops of Minnesota have posted a 2020 Novena prayer online for our state and nation. It includes prayers and a video-taped message for each day of the novena. Go online and take a look if you're interested in praying this novena for our state and nation: <https://www.mncatholic.org/novena/>

**MEMORIAL MASSES AND REMEMBRANCE IN NOVEMBER:**

Please note we will hold our annual **Memorial Masses** for the souls of our departed brothers and sisters. The Knights of Columbus / Catholic Daughters of the America memorial Mass will be **Monday, November 9th at 6:30pm**. The Parish-wide candle service and Mass for the souls of all our departed parishioners will be at the 6:30pm Mass on **Wednesday, November 11th**. Given current protocols, we'll not have a procession of candles. But memorial candles will be provided for you to take home.

The **table of remembrance** will be set up for you to bring photos of your deceased loved ones starting on the weekend of **October 31st - November 1st** and will remain up until the First Weekend of Advent. You may bring the photo at any time throughout our month of prayer for departed souls in November.



**St. Joseph extends our sympathy and prayers to the family of Fred Moser.** May he find eternal rest and peace.

## Faith Formation Registration:

Registration letters and forms were recently mailed out to previously registered RE families. If you did not receive that letter, and wish to register a child for online faith formation this year, please contact the parish office and we'll mail out a registration form to you. **Please return to parish office as soon as possible with online classes opening after Monday October 5th.**

## Lectors for Weekend of October 17-18

Saturday, October 17      Hallie Harmoning  
Sunday, October 18      Mary Derosier

### Brooks

Sunday, October 18      Alice Jobe



## ATTENTION Catholic Daughters of Court St. Cecilia #2025:

There will be a meeting for our Court on **Monday, Oct. 12, 2020, at 7 p.m.** in the church basement. If you are able to attend, please wear a mask, and there will be social distancing. Please bring a rosary.

Dues of \$20 are now being collected for 2021. You may give them to or mail them to Financial Secretary, Janet Hagl, at 22821 110th Avenue SW, Red Lake Falls, MN 56750.

**Knights of Columbus** will meet **Monday, Oct. 12, at 7:00 pm** in the Church gathering space.

### Call for civil dialogue. Join *Civilize It*

*Civilize It* is about making room in your heart for those with whom you disagree. We are called to recognize that each person is a beloved child of God and should be treated with respect because of our inherent human dignity. *Civilize It* is a Catholic, non-partisan call to focus on the dignity of all people, even when we disagree, and to put faith in action by bearing witness to compassion and civility. Take the pledge and find helpful resources at [CivilizeIt.org](http://CivilizeIt.org).

**The Brooks ARISE Prayer Group** began its fall sessions on Wednesday, October 7, 2020, at 6:30 pm at the Field Drainage office in Brooks. Classes will continue on the following dates: October 14, 21, 28 and November 4. Please contact Barb Schmitz (218-280-9180 or 218-465-4512 to join or for more information). The Brooks ARISE Prayer Group will begin its fall sessions on Wednesday, October 7, 2020, at 6:30 pm at the Field Drainage office in Brooks. Classes will be held on the following dates: October 7, 14, 21, 28 and November 4. Please contact Barb Schmitz (218-280-9180 or 218-465-4512 to join or for more information).

## Church Support October 5, 2020—RLF

Offertory	\$6,114.00
Religious Ed.	\$245.00
Building	\$534.00
World Mission	\$30.00
<b>YTD Offertory</b>	<b>\$57,767.00</b>

## Brooks October 5, 2020

Offertory	\$893.00
Mission Trip	\$170.00
<b>YTD</b>	<b>\$17,963.00</b>

## World Mission Sunday

**Next Weekend**, we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities.

Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society of the Propagation of the Faith.

## In Memoriam:

### St. Joseph Construction Fund

+Don Delorme by Robert Schafer, Allen & Lois Remick



### Please pray for

Sarah (Olson) Talle, Susan Olson, Herb Johanneck, Kim Perreault, Ryan Olson, Betty Thibert, Msgr. Jerry Noesen, Noella Reese, Owen Nelson, Jason Reopelle, Gloria Parenteau, Del & Cindy Determan, Msgr.

**Mike Patnode, Helen Schmitz, our military, law enforcement personnel wounded in the line of duty, retired priests and all receiving the prayer blankets made by our Sewing Angels.**

*Blankets are available in both parishes for you to pass along to those you know who need prayers. Names to this list are added at the request of the individual or by family on behalf of the individual. The name remains on the list unless and until we are contacted and told to take it off.*

## Victim Assistance Statement of the Diocese of Crookston

If you or someone you know has been the victim of sexual misconduct on the part of a priest, deacon, or individual representing the Diocese of Crookston, its parishes, or its schools, your first call should be to law enforcement. In addition, the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator is available at 218-281-7895 (24-hour confidential number).

## Dial-A-Ride Service

Due to lack of usage, we will be discontinuing our DIAL-A-RIDE Service. There still is the Bus operating in Red Lake Falls. Due to the corona virus, you must call to arrange your ride. Call 1-800-201-3432.

**ATTENTION:** In October the Red Lake Falls Food Shelf will be open from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the last 2 weeks of the month only ~

Wednesday – October 21

Wednesday – October 28

Please make arrangements to do your shopping on one of these Wednesdays. THANKS!!



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**The Culture of Life**, as John Paul proposed it, is the Church's response to the Culture of Death. We can shorthand a summary of what he means by the Culture of Life with two themes he returned to throughout his entire pontificate. The first is the biblical theme he chose for the Jubilee Year of 2000 and the beginning of the new millennium: "*Christ: The same yesterday, today and forever.*" (Hebrews 13:8). The second theme was taken from Vatican II's document on the Church in the modern world (Lumen Gentium # 22): "*Christ...the revelation of the mystery of the Father and of His love fully reveals man to himself and makes his supreme calling clear. It is not surprising then, that in Christ all truths...find their root and attain their crown.*" I highly recommend one often pray over these two themes so as to gain spiritual insight into the cultural battle in which we are currently engaged.

It's important to note here: St. John Paul isn't inventing anything new. Rather, his proposal of the New Evangelization's Culture of Life is a re-proposal of the eternal and everlasting Truths entrusted to the Church as the deposit of faith. But what makes the New Evangelization specifically 'new' is that these eternal Truths ('...yesterday...') are now proposed with a clear-eyed understanding of the unique challenges of our '...today...' so that our '...tomorrow...' may flourish in freedom and grace. In Christ, who is '*the fulness of the revelation*' of these truths, we find the grounding for the answers we need to push back and defeat the chaos and confusion which is sown by the Culture of Death. Only in Christ can we find the meaning for which we yearn to inspire our lives with purpose and direction. Christ reveals who each one of us is as a human being (all human beings without distinction!) and what our purpose and place in life means ('...*Christ fully reveals man to himself and makes his supreme calling clear...*'). In the next CREDO article I'll review the Culture of Life's response to the Death of God movement, namely: **The Priority of God**. In the meantime, if you want to dig deeply into the hope-filled proposal for the renewal of culture in the St. John Paul's writing, I'd recommend you read his Apostolic Letter which welcomed the 3<sup>rd</sup> millennium of Christianity entitled: 'Novo millennio ineunte...' ['At the beginning of the new millennium']. push back and defeat the chaos and confusion which is sown by the Culture of Death. Only in Christ can we find the meaning for which we yearn to inspire our lives with purpose and direction. Christ reveals who each one of us is as a human being (all human beings without distinction!) and what our purpose and place in life means ('...*Christ fully reveals man to himself and makes his supreme calling clear...*').

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