

St. Mary's Catholic Church

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 11, 2018

Dear parishioners,



The woman in the first reading has remarkable trust. She has only enough flour and oil to make one more meal. Then Elijah tells her not to worry. Use up the flour and oil to make him some bread.

I believe that most of us would think of ourselves first. We'd want to keep the oil and flour for ourselves even if it's only enough for one more meal. The widow does what Elijah asks, makes the bread, and for a year has plenty of flour and oil in the midst of the famine.

Maybe she thought she had nothing to lose. It would be like using our last two dollars to buy a lottery ticket. We could lose the little we have. She won the lottery. Hers was not luck, however. Because of her mercy shown to Elijah God showed mercy to her until the end of the famine. God is never outdone in generosity.

In our reading for Pastoral Council this week we were told to have mercy (forgiveness) for others, not so that we get mercy for ourselves as a reward, but because God has already shown so much mercy to us.

St. Clare of Assisi tells us to gaze upon the cross. Consider the humility, poverty, mercy, and love of the God-man hung upon the cross. Contemplate. Then imitate what we see and learn there.

Our RCIA catechumen and candidates have stepped out in that kind of trust. They are stepping out on a new path of commitment trusting in the love and mercy that God has shown in choosing them.

Sister Carol

Congratulations to Andrew Warren and Chelsie Myers married here this weekend. We pray for you a long and happy life together.

Weekend Masses

Sat Nov 10	4:00 p.m.	Ed Murphy
Sun Nov 11	10:00 a.m.	Gene Badertscher Imajeon Mathewson
Sat Nov 17	4:00 p.m.	Jim Badertscher Libby Schmenk
Sun Nov 18	10:00 a.m.	Jim Badertscher

Communion Services

Fri Nov 16 8:00 a.m. St. Mary's

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Adults	\$4,532.00	Loose \$829.00
Children	\$52.00	Total \$5,413.00
83 envelopes returned = 40%		

Thank you for your generosity!

Thank you also to those who give electronically!!

Assignments for November 17 & 18, 2018

Money Counters: Janet Begg and Barb Galvan

4:00 p.m.

Greeter: Jeanne Parinello

Cantor: Katie Hohenbrink

Ushers: John Parinello and Chuck Niese

Lector: Jim Kinn

E.M.: Diana Bucher and Jennifer Tschuor

Servers: Addison Businger, Elizabeth Honse,
Carson Meyer

10:00 a.m.

Greeter-East door: Steve and Kelly Yarnell family

Cantor: Katie Hohenbrink

Ushers: Greg and Gabe Denecker

Lectors: Chris Denecker and Mel Heitmeyer

E.M.: Amy Marcum, Luke Denecker,

Kaden Reneker, Hank Schroeder

Servers: Josh Meyer, Nathan Meyer,

Julia Mehaffie and Issabella Stechschulte

Readings for November 18, 2018

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1st Reading: Daniel 12:1-3

2nd Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14, 18

Gospel Reading: Mark 13:24-32

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Congratulations! to Keith Sunderhaus, Clay Adkins, Steve Speicher, Amanda, Alyssa, Lauren, Evan, Nathan, and Seth Speicher on coming to this first rite in the journey to full membership in the Catholic Church. Thanks for your inspiration!

The Finance Council will meet Tuesday evening, November 13, at 7:00 o'clock, in the library.

Pray for our second graders and their parents. They will be celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday, November 14.

**no one
deserves to live in
poverty**

Support the
Catholic Campaign for
Human Development

The collection for the Campaign for Human Development is next weekend, November 17 and 18. The envelopes for this collection are in your boxes of offering envelopes.

The Sisters of the Visitation, a cloistered community of nuns in our diocese, have asked the diocese for help since they are in financial straits. The bishop is asking that we have a special collection next weekend, November 17-18, on their behalf. They spend their days in prayer for the Church so this is an opportunity to show our gratitude and support.

You are invited to my
75th birthday party
Friday, December 7,
after the holy day Mass.
Mass is at 6:00 p.m.

Sandwiches, cake, ice cream, and beverages will be provided. NO gifts please. Instead you may, if you wish, bring a side to share—chips, salad, appetizers....

75 years...
S. Carol



Simply grateful.

Two young women from our Confirmation class as one of their projects are collecting feminine hygiene products for women who are homeless or in shelters. The items will be distributed to several different sites. There will be a collection box in the social hall for you to drop off your items. Please be as generous as you can.

Food needed for food pantry

Last month the local food pantry helped nearly 70 families, and now the shelves are very empty. Our donations from the pizza party helped, but much more is needed. Please bring donations up till and including at the Thanksgiving Day Mass.

Here is what is needed:

Paper products (toilet paper, tissues, paper towels), personal hygiene products (hand soaps, lotions and hand creams, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo), ramen beef, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce (no glass containers), boxed mac and cheese, cereal, baked beans, chili beans, Spaghettios and such, peanut butter, rice, Hamburger Helper, Manwich and sloppy joe, cake and cookie mixes, puddings and Jello, soups (especially cream of mushroom, Campbells chunky, chicken noodle, canned fruits and vegetables (no peas or corn needed), canned meats and tuna, condiments, salad dressings, sugar, flour, salt, coffee, tea, fruit drinks.

P.R.E.P

Children's Liturgy of the Word is during the 10 o'clock Mass.

K-6: Class is Wednesday, November 14th from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Also there is First Reconciliation.

Jr Hi Next class is Sunday, November 18th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

God Squad--High School Youth Group

Next class is Sunday, November 18, 2018.