

**THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

NOVEMBER 17, 2019

SCRIPTURE REFLECTIONS for Nov. 24th Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
2 Samuel 5:1-3

Pray for our leaders of the nation.
Pray for the religious and leaders of our church.

Colossians 1:12-20

With whom do you still need reconciliation?
Make a renewed act of commitment to Christ.

Luke 23:35-43

How would your word to Jesus compare with the crowd?
Which of the criminals' words is closest to yours?

WEEKDAY MASSES November 19 - 22

Tues: 5:00 pm +Marie Fetsch
Wed: 8:40 am **School Mass** +Maurice Kappes
Thurs: 5:00 pm +Mary Shankar
Fri: 10:15 am **Maple Manor** +Joe Tholkes

WEEKEND MASSES November 23 - 24

Sat: 5:00 pm St. Edward's - Nekoma Pray for David Zeis Jr.

7:30 pm St. Alphonsus +Felix Essler
Reader: Colin Fetsch
EMHC: Holly Lyons
Servers: Regner Family
Musicians:

Sun: 8:30 am St. Alphonsus +Wayne Gendreau
Reader: Greg Fetsch
EMHC: Harvey Metzger
Servers: Volunteer
Musicians: Bob & Choir

9:00 am St. Michael's - Wales People of the Parishes

10:30 am St. Alphonsus +Peter & Carla Sauer
Reader: Dennis Horpestad
EMHC: Dennis Horpestad
Servers: Sean Gette
Musicians: Bob & Choir

Fellowship Hall Host: Dorothy Sauer

Fr. Phil's cell phone: 701-740-7593 and Fr. Will's cell phone: 701-640-2858
Website for St. Alphonsus Parish – <http://www.stalphonsuslangdon.com/>
Sacrament of Reconciliation – Tuesday after 5:00pm Mass, Wednesday after 8:40am Mass, Thursday after 5:00pm Mass & Saturday at 6:45

Weekly Reflection for November 10, 2019: This week's reflection of the parishioner's relationship with God and with the parish

Adult Envelopes	\$5,052.00
Intentional Givers	\$275.00
Plate	\$295.00
Fuel	\$5.00
Improvements	\$5.00
Total	\$5,632.00

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

It has been said that the art of teaching is to tell students what you are going to tell them, then tell them – and finally remind them of what you told them. That may be slight exaggeration, but the number three was used a lot in connection with teaching in bygone civilizations and cultures. We may see signs of this in some of the old folk songs and certainly nursery rhymes and children's stories of the distant past: three blind mice, Goldilocks and the three bears and so on. Gospel parables often describe their scenario in threes. In the good Samaritan parable, there is a priest and a Levite who both pass by on the other side of the road, ignoring someone injured, before the third person, a Samaritan at that, stops to attend to the injured man's needs. The parable of the talents involves gifts given to three people to invest for their master. And so it goes on.

In today's Gospel, Jesus the prophet speaks of things yet to come, and most of the events predicted would have taken place by the time this Gospel was written, so it was already known that these had been fulfilled – the end of Jerusalem, the destruction of the Temple, wars, persecutions – the latter can be read of in the Acts of the Apostles. Likewise, floods, earthquakes and other disasters were known to have happened; and unfortunately such things are still happening today. This is historically interesting to us, but perhaps the remainder of what Jesus has to say is more relevant to our own day. Taken from The Living Word

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"...Rather, we wanted to present ourselves as a model for you, so that you might imitate us." - 2 THESSALONIANS 3:9

Most people who live a grateful and generous lifestyle don't go around bragging about it. But through their actions and words, others do take notice. They notice because of the joy and peace that results and other people desire this in their own life. Know that the way you live your life may be the only interaction others have with our Catholic faith.

CD of the Week: Shakespeare – The Catholic – Joseph Pearce – Playwright. Poet. Actor. Catholic? Much has been studied and written about William Shakespeare, perhaps the greatest and most famous author in the English language. With compelling detail and wit, Joseph Pearce outlines the objective, documented, and historical evidence that both Shakespeare and his family were practicing Roman Catholics, who persevered in professing and promoting the faith even in the midst of great persecution. The evidence is staggering, and illumines a remarkable cultural opportunity for evangelization in a "post-Christian" world. **Donations keep new CDs, books, DVDs, etc. coming!**

Jen Lagein is holding an Introductory Session on the Creighton Model FertilityCare System. The system provides natural choices for achieving and avoiding pregnancy as well as procreative wellness. The Introductory Session will be Saturday, November 23rd at 7:00pm at the Religious Ed Center at St. Joachim Catholic Church in Rolla. Contact Jen Lagein at 701-367-6386 to register. Cost \$25.

The Langdon Presbyterian Church will host a soup & sandwich luncheon at noon on Sunday, Nov. 17, with a concert by the Balyeat Family at 1:00pm. Free-will offering. Please join us for food, fellowship, and some inspirational country music!

Adopt a Student is a program that we have, to help support our students that attend St. Alphonsus Catholic School. Adopt a Student is financial help that goes toward students' tuition and learning needs. We not only ask for a financial donation when you fill out the Adopt a Student card but also to pray for the students that they have a successful school year, successful learning path, and stay strong in their spiritual journey. The Adopt a Student cards are in the back of the church under the bulletins. You can either drop the envelopes in the collection box marked "Office – Jackie" or drop them off at Jackie's office. Thank you so much for supporting our students at St. Alphonsus Catholic School.

Are you Trying to Cope With Life Alone? Check out "Beginning Experience" The Catholic Church does have a "Support Program" exclusively for divorced, widowed, & separated people. A "Beginning Experience Weekend" will be held at Maryvale near Valley City, Nov. 22-24, 2019. It is for Catholics and also for people of all faiths. For more information contact Bonnie (701-318-0949) or Marlene (218-998-4300) wild@prtcl.com. See also the website: beginningexperience-easternnd.org.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Our Sympathy to the family of Olga Feil who was called home last week. May she rest in the love of the Father.

We honor all our Veteran's as we observed Veteran's Day on Monday. We pray in thanksgiving for all who have served in the military. We especially pray for those who died in service to our country.

Mass at Maple Manor on Friday, November 29th has been moved to Wednesday, November 27th at 10:15am.

St. Edward's Parish Meeting on Thursday, November 21st at 1:00pm at the Pain Reliever.

St Edward's, Nekoma and St Michael's, Wales: next weekend, Confessions will be offered ½ hour before Mass.

Please join us for Community Coffee with Mrs. Hope on Tuesday, November 19 in the St. Alphonsus School Cafeteria at 7:30am to chat about the school, what we are busy doing this year, and plans for the future.

Please join us on Monday, November 18 for our PCSA meeting. (Parent, Community, School Association) we will meet in the school cafeteria at 7:00pm. FREE DAYCARE is provided!

The Catholic Daughter Gift Case has Advent Candles as well as one Advent Wreath for sale in the Gift Case.

Soup with the Saints – benefit for Clyde Anderson on Wednesday, November 20th from 11:30 – 1:00 at the Cafeteria. All are welcome to attend.

In less than one hour, learn your best options for Medicare and Supplement Health Insurance at a free workshop, sponsored by Catholic United Financial, a financial services company that honors your Catholic faith. When is the best time to enroll in a Medicare plan? Is it possible to close gaps in my Medicare coverage? Our guest speaker will answer these questions and more. The workshop will be held on Tuesday, November 19th at 6:00PM at St. Alphonsus. Nothing will be sold at this workshop. To RSVP for this workshop, contact Philip Zubrod at (701) 840-8560 or workshops@catholicunited.org. Catholic United Financial is not connected with or endorsed by the US government or the federal Medicare program.”

Altar Society Dues are now due – special cash and retired members only. Dues may be paid by sending them to Candace Bimler, 10028 103rd Ave. NE, Wales, ND 58281 or put it in an envelope marked “Altar Society” (be sure to include your name) and drop in the weekend collection baskets. Thank you.

Fellowship Hall cleaning for November – 16th – Heather Rime & Kim Schneider; 23 – Wanda Howatt & Denise Otto

SAVE THE DATE! St. Alphonsus School's annual "Festival of Trees" will be held on **Sunday, December 8th**. This year's theme is "A Journey to Bethlehem." Come and enjoy joyful Christmas music, food, silent auction, beautiful themed trees, and a walk-through Bethlehem. If you are interested in donating a silent auction basket, decorating a tree, etc, please contact Sue Bata @ 256-2354 ext. 128. More information to come as time draws near!

Grieve Share – come and join us for soup and Surviving the Holidays on Sunday, November 17th from 6:00 – 8:00pm at the United Methodist Church in Langdon.

Tonya Peterson Benefit will be held on Saturday, November 23rd at the Langdon Eagles. Free will-offering supper starts at 5:00pm features beef and pork smoked by Sporty's Jesse Johnson and a variety of salads and sweet treats | Silent Auction – starts at noon with winners announced at 8:00pm | Live DJ | Raffles | Bingo

St. Alphonsus School is currently selling raffle tickets for the following prizes: 1st: \$1,500.00 Cash; **2nd:** \$1,000.00 Cash; **3rd:** 500.00 Cash. Drawing will be held on Sunday, December 8th at SAS Christmas Tree Festival (need not be present to win). Tickets can be purchased from any family that has a student attending SAS, any school board member

or by stopping at the SAS School office. Ticket price is \$10.00.