

**CHRIST THE KING**  
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**Reconciliation:** Sundays 8:15-8:45am, Thursdays 7-7:45pm, or by appointment [www.stjosephparisar.org](http://www.stjosephparisar.org)

**\*\*Exposition/Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament –Tuesdays and Thursdays – noon until 8:00pm**

**Mass Intentions**

11/25	Monday		NO MASS	
11/26	Tuesday		NO ADORATION, MASS OR NOVENA	
11/27	Wednesday		NO MASS	
<b>11/28</b>	<b>Thanksgiving</b>	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>+Cecilia Bauer</b>	Barbara Bordenet
11/29	Friday	8:00am	<b>+Bill Baltz</b>	James & Theresa Komp
<b>11/30</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5:00pm</b>	<b>+Mike Ahrns</b>	Kenneth & Lisa Vines
12/01	Sunday	9:00am	<b>+Deceased &amp; Living Parishioners</b>	Father Polycarp

**FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK:** 11/25 – St. Catherine of Alexandria; 11/30 – St. Andrew, the Apostle

**FATHER WILL HAVE MASS AT 8AM ON THANKSGIVING MORNING.  
PLEASE OFFER YOUR SERVICES FOR THE VARIOUS MASS MINISTRIES THAT MORNING.  
Eucharistic minister, lector, gifts, servers, etc. (Shana & Sydney will provide music.)**

**Ministers for November 29 & December 1:**

**Saturday: 5:00pm**

**Eucharist:** Marcus Rainwater, Nick & Kim Neumeier  
**Servers:** Lainey Rainwater, Emerson & Ella Komp  
**Music:** Beth Ullrich & Debbie Rainwater

**Light Advent Candle:** Jason & Holly Komp family\_  
**Lector:** Randy Koch  
**Gifts:** Jerry & Kim Swedeen  
**Ushers:** S Elskan, J Schluterman, R Robberson, D Ullrich

**Sunday 9:00am**

**Eucharist:** Joey McGarrah, Kenneth & Lisa Vines  
**Servers:** Blaine, TJ Simon, Dominic Perreault  
**Music:** Shana, Leslie & Students

**Light Advent Candle:** Josh & Tracy Bradley family  
**Lector:** Ayla, Emmarae, Tatum  
**Gifts:** School Children  
**Ushers:** Noah C, Aidan & Chance N, Pasca S

**Donuts:** Chris Schneider

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- Nov. 23-30: CHURCH & SCHOOL OFFICES ARE CLOSED
- Nov 23/24: Mother's Society Christmas Bazaar in the hall after Masses  
Catholic Campaign for Human Development collection
- Nov. 25: NO RCIA – Deadline for SEARCH applications
- Nov. 26: NO ADORATION, NOVENA OR MASS
- Nov. 27: NO MASS OR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES
- Nov. 28: HAPPY THANKSGIVING!! MASS AT 8:00AM – NO ADORATION**
- Nov. 29: Advent series begins at 6:30pm in the hall (see notice below)  
Knights of Columbus "Coats for Kids" giveaway 10am-2pm (see notice below)
- Nov. 30/Dec. 1: **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT – Sat. Vigil Mass is at 5:00 due to the Christmas parade.**  
Second collection benefits St. Joseph School
- Dec. 1: Knights of Columbus meeting at Sacred Heart in Charleston. Rosary at 4:00 with meeting after
- Dec. 7/8: Second Collection for Retired Religious
- Dec. 9: Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Masses 8am & 6pm

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**November is the Month of the Holy Souls in Purgatory**

St. Paul implores Christians not to "be ignorant concerning the dead," reminding the faithful that death is not the end but a transition for those who die in Christ (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18). The Church teaches that purgatory is a state of purification for those who have died in a state of grace but still require purification before entering the fullness of Heaven.

**Mother's Society Christmas Bazaar is this weekend after Masses!**

Come over to the hall to purchase delicious homemade goodies and handcrafted items!!

**!!Advent Series!!**

**"Rejoice! Advent Meditations with Mary"**

**Fridays, 6:30 pm in the hall – Nov. 29, Dec. 6, 13 & 20.**

**Book are available at coffee and donuts this weekend or at the hall on Nov. 29.**

Stay after the discussion to enjoy a meal with your family and fellow parishioners!!

**Paris Knights of Columbus Council 3787 "Coats for Kids" giveaway - Friday, November 29!**

499 W. Walnut. Any child, small to teen 10:00 & 2:00 *1st come, 1st served.*

The **Catholic Campaign for Human Development collection** is this weekend. This appeal helps people living in poverty and struggling on the margins of society by giving them a hand up. 25% of the funds received remain with Catholic Charities of Arkansas to assist the poor and vulnerable in our area.

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*We welcome all visitors and invite newcomers to register at the church office where we would enjoy meeting you. If you regularly attend Mass at St. Joseph's and are not yet a registered parishioner but would like to be, please contact the church office at 963-2131.*  
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**St. Joseph School**

*Our mission is to empower students through our Catholic Faith, Academic Excellence, and Community Service to become leaders of integrity and compassion.*

**Thanksgiving Break: November 25 – 29.**

Mrs. Elder’s 3rd grade students were excited and happy to welcome Bryce Boyles as a new classmate on Monday!!

**Make plans now to attend St. Joseph School Christmas program on Wednesday, Dec. 18, at 6:30pm!**

A Best Choice UPC box is in the cry room for your convenience. You may leave used ink cartridges as well.

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**COS has asked our parish to provide cereal for their Christmas baskets again this year.**

You may begin bringing it at any time, placing it at the front where there are already a few boxes.

Submitted to the **Prayer Chain**: Brayden Zeiler/deployed; Sheila Law/surgery; Brenda Baltz/Mercy Rehab.

**Praise Report!** Peggy Ingle is able leave Greenhurst and go back to Farmington before Thanksgiving!

**Subiaco Abbey** monks need volunteers to help with peanut brittle production for things such as breaking the brittle, filling skilletts, packaging. Shifts are usually 3.5 hours, mornings or afternoons, with a flexible schedule. 934-1001.

**November 17 Coll:** Adult env (45) \$3296. Children: \$12. Loose: \$464. Total: \$3772. Candles: \$61. Masses: \$170.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** this week to Addie McGarrah, Thaddeus Gurley, Garret Schneider, Elizabeth Cauthron, and Frances Rhineheart.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY** to Jerry & Mary Freeman (25 years!)

**UPCOMING EVENT! December 31, 2024, 8pm-1am.** 1920’s style **Speakeasy** at St. Joseph Hall! **Gatsby attire.** *Music/Dancing! BYOB! Appetizers provided! \$40 per couple or \$30 single. Cash or check.* (Must be 21 to attend)

**ONE CHURCH**, our diocesan-wide initiative, will benefit NWA’s Sts. Peter and Paul Church in Lincoln. One Church helps small parishes/missions accomplish what they cannot do not do their own by providing them with a one-time financial boost, this time for renovation of their church, built in 1941. For more info: [dolr.org/one-church](http://dolr.org/one-church).

**NOVEMBER BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE**

Debbie Rainwater, Rosalia Rainwater, Tosha Reed, Rhonda Rhein, Kecia Schluterman, Tracy Schluterman, Sandy Schluterman, Marcia Schluterman, Alice Schluterman, Janet Schluterman, Tammy Schneider, Teresa Schneider, Vicki Schneider, Stephanie Simon, Karrie Sims, Paulette Spivey

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“Fidelity to promises is truly a masterpiece of humanity.” (Pope Francis)

Pray today to be faithful to all your promises, especially those made to your spouse and your children.

**What have you done for your marriage today?** [www.foryourmarriage.org](http://www.foryourmarriage.org)

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“Jesus answered, ‘My kingdom does not belong to this world.’” (John 18:36)

Life is short. How much time, energy and money do I put into building up “my” kingdom here on earth? We all know we can’t take it with us! The real kingdom is in the next life, yet how much time, energy and money do we invest in working for that eternal kingdom? Ask God for His guidance. We need to put effort into detaching ourselves from earthly possessions. We should generously share our material goods with others for the greater glory of God.

Sunday, November 17, was a perfect example of the Stewardship lifestyle that St. Joseph parishioners embody. The Ministerial Alliance Thanksgiving Service had record attendance!! St. Joseph parishioners were so welcoming to all who came, thanks to Parish Council greeters! The music was wonderful, thanks to Randy, Shana, Leslie and a small group of students who sang their hearts out! The church was decorated beautifully as was the hall, thanks to Betty and Leslie! Drinks were prepared and served to at least 150 in attendance, thanks to the Mother’s Society! There was a FEAST prepared by more members than could be counted, thanks to Jessie’s organization of that effort! Souls were lifted high with the prayers offered by various Ministerial Alliance members! Pastor Regena gave a stirring message of ways to be thankful every day! The congregation was exceedingly generous in their donations to benefit COS, with \$1,300.00 given! Thanks to Parish Council members who served as ushers! Thanks to all who stayed to help clean up – members of each of the above named organizations! Thanks to Racine and Chris for a final mowing, trimming and weedeating, making the grounds around church nicely manicured for this service! Thank you to the Steward who vacuumed the church! Thank you to the Steward who mopped the hall! All in all there was such a spirit of thankfulness among everyone in attendance. When asked, not one person could think of anything that could have made the evening better. St. Joseph parish is a wonderful example of a loving, giving, caring blend of people who are living out the Gospel!

**MAY GOD CONTINUE TO POUR OUT HIS GRACE ST. JOSEPH PARISH!**

**MAY EVERYONE HAVE A GRATEFUL, THANKFUL NOVEMBER 28, 2024!**

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