

St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church

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Bulletin for the Week of November 1, 2009



ALL SAINTS DAY

The solemnity of All Saints is a celebration rooted in both faith and hope: faith that through Jesus Christ all of humanity has been offered redemption, and hope that one day we and our dearly departed ones will be together with Christ in heaven.

The Gospel today is the Beatitudes from Matthew's narrative. In 8 great statements, Jesus declares blessed the poor in spirit, the mourners, the meek, the merciful—so many of those whom the world holds in contempt. Each of them will receive the kingdom, expressed in a wonderful variety of ways: they will be comforted, satisfied, shown mercy; they will inherit the land, they will see God, they will be children of God. The Beatitudes show us the way to holiness in an incredibly simple yet challenging way. The last of the Beatitudes is perhaps the most challenging of all. "Blessed are *you*," Jesus says at last, when you are persecuted and falsely accused. "Rejoice and be glad!" (5:12) For then, you most closely resemble the saints.

Today's solemnity reminds us that the saints are beyond all counting: God is generous. Among them are surely members of our families and friends who have helped us on our way to faith. Today is also a reminder that we are *all* called to be saints, and that heaven is full of souls whose names we do not know.



Saturday Masses are now celebrated at 4PM
Confessions are at 3PM

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From the Desk Of Our Pastor

SECURING the PRESENT

Final In Church Invitation Next Weekend

“As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied grace.” 1 Peter 4:10

- Next weekend, November 7-8, will be the **final weekend** for the in church invitation phase of our capital campaign to help retire our facilities mortgage with its burdensome interest payments.
- Immediately following Mass next weekend, I invite you to join me in church for a very brief session lasting **no more than 20-minutes**.
- During that time, a member of our campaign committee and I will briefly review a folder of important information that has been prepared for your household. I will then ask you to consider offering your financial support for this opportunity to help secure our faith community.
- **You will NOT be asked to submit your financial decision at that time.**
- Instead, you will be encouraged to take your folder home, review the information, prayerfully offer your commitment, and return it to me in the confidential envelope.
- Please join us for one of the 20-minute sessions after Mass and save us the time and energy of a volunteer personally contacting your household in the coming weeks and months.

Thank you! *Fr. Kevin*

BIBLE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Nov 02: Wis 3:1-9; Rom 5:5-11; Jn 6:37-40

Nov 03: Rom 12:5-16b; Lk 14:15-24

Nov 04: Rom 13:8-10; Lk 14:25-33

Nov 05: Rom 14:7-12; Lk 15:1-8

Nov 06: Rom 15:14-21; Lk 16:1-8

Nov 07: Rom 16:3-9,16,22-27; Lk 16:9-15

PASTORAL MINISTRY

Baptism Preparation class will be held on Monday, November 9. The next scheduled class will be Monday December 14th at 7 pm in Pius X room, church basement.

The Separated and Divorced Area Support Group, meets the first and third Tuesday of the month, from 7-8:30pm in the Pius X room, located in the church basement. Our next meeting will be Nov. 3rd, our topic of conversation will be “Trust in God”. Come and experience support as you move through this time in your life. For more information call Mary at 952-873-6781 or Deacon Bob at 758-0463.

Evening of Prayer and Remembrance- We invite all who have lost a loved one, especially in the last year, to a special prayer of remembrance on Sunday November 1st at 7pm in church, there will be a social following the prayer on the lower level of church. On Monday, November 2, All Souls’ Day and throughout November, the monks of St. John’s Abbey will remember your deceased loved ones and friends in their daily liturgies and prayers. Please send to St. John’s Abbey the names of your deceased relatives and friends whom you would like the monks to pray. These individuals will be remembered in the monks’ daily office and liturgies throughout the month of November. You may mail your names to: Office of the Abbot, All Souls’ Remembrance, Saint John’s Abbey, PO Box 2015, Collegeville, MN 56321.

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PARISH NEWS

Our Act of Faith

Weekly Financial Gifts

Actual for the week 10/25.....	\$ 13,622
Under Budget.....	-\$ 835
Actual YTD.....	\$ 247,535
Budgeted for Next Week.....	\$ 14,457

*Please remember St. Wenceslaus Endowment Fund
in your wills and other estate planning.*

2009 CALENDAR CORNER

Thank you St. Wenceslaus School & Odenthal Meats for being this week’s calendar sponsors.

Congratulations to the following winners:

Oct 26: #2716 Jonathan Vlasak	Oct 27: #2517 Shelly Nieman
Oct 28: #2075 Archie Kocina	Oct 29: #1111 Tricia Belfield
Oct 30: #3060 Ron Schoenecker	Oct 31: #2020 Jo Ann Kartak
Nov 01: #1278 Diane Burmeister	

The Adult Discussion Group will meet at 6:30pm (time change)

in the Parish House on Sunday, November 1. The topic of discussion will be “Revelation: Scripture & Tradition”. All are welcome!

There is still time to sign up for the CCW-Scrapbooking

Retreat scheduled for Nov 16th 8am-8pm. If interested or you would like more details please call Theresa Mader @952-758-6388.



A time of Watching and Waiting

The season of Advent is set aside by the Church for reflection and expectation for the coming of Jesus Christ. Come join us on Sunday, Dec. 6th as adults, youth, and children of the parish gather to pray, share faith, and learn more about the meaning of Advent and ways to keep the season holy. We will start after Mass with a lunch of soup and other heartwarming dishes. Please RSVP by Dec. 2nd by calling the FF office at 758-2276 or 758-0486.

On All Soul’s day, Monday November 2nd, the chapel at St. Wenceslaus Cemetery will be open from 9-4 for prayers. It is a tradition that people come to pray the rosary for their deceased loved ones. A volunteer will lead the rosary every half hour. Some of the students from St. Wenceslaus School join us.

The following will lead the rosary:

9:00-9:30am	Jeanette Deutsch
9:30-10:00am	Ann Schoenbauer
10:00-10:30am	Marie Kajer, Ms. Harty’s 3 rd Grade Class
10:30-11:00am	Peg Wermerskirchen, Ms. Malecha’s 3 rd Grade Class
11:00-11:30am	Diane Vaughan
11:30-12:00pm	Jean & LeRoy Geiger
12:00-12:30pm	Lil Kafka, Ms. Kreger’s 4 th Grade Class
12:30-1:00pm	Carolyn & Milo Rynda, Ms. McNamara’s 4 th Grade Class
1:00-1:30pm	Vi & Stan Chromy, Ms. Busch’s 5 th Grade Class
1:30-2:00pm	Mary Ann Maruska Ms. Zwirner’s 5 th Grade Class
2:00-2:30pm	Darlene Witt

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2:30-3:00pm Evelyn Moore
3:00-3:30pm Karen & Fritz Tupy
3:30-4:00pm JoAnn Zaun

CCW will hold a memorial prayer service for the following deceased members, Mary Tupy, Jean Malinski, Alice Deutsch, Anna Ruzicka, Marian Schatz, Patricia Busch. The prayer service will be held on November 16, at 7pm in the church with Deacon Bob presiding. If there is a CCW member we have missed please give Connie Westall at call at 758-4264.

It's time to start thinking about ADOPT-A-FAMILY FOR CHRISTMAS LeSueur County



For 20 years this program has operated through St. Wenceslaus Parish with assistance from Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, and other churches in

Montgomery, LeCenter, LeSueur, Kasota and Kilkenny. In early October, forms were sent out from the LeSueur County Dept. of Human Services. Parents fill out the forms listing their children's ages and gift choices with a focus on warm clothing. The forms are forwarded to a St. Wenceslaus YAC group where they are numbered and names are removed to respect the privacy of the families. Families, individuals, or groups choose a child or family to shop for and bring the gifts to the parish office. The gifts will be distributed to the families on Saturday, December 19th at five locations in the county.

Please consider helping to make Christmas brighter for a family.

Family lists may be obtained after all of the Masses on November 14th 15th, 21st 22nd, Thanksgiving Day, November 28th 29th and December 5th and 6th.

If you would rather donate cash, groups of shoppers from our YAC group will shop for you. Please make checks payable to Adopt-A-Family.

For more information, call Kathy McNamara, 758-6239.



There will be a Fall Harvest Party on the afternoon of November 5th from 2:30-4:30pm in the Parish Activity Center. This is a Fundraiser for our 7th & 8th Graders who will be going to Washington DC this April. This party is open for all children of the parish. There will be crafts, games, & concessions available. This is a perfect way to end the week as there is no school on Friday, November 6th.



Over 60 youth and adults participated in our Rake-n-Run event on Saturday, October 24. They

were able to rake the lawns of 17 households in our community. It was also National Make a Difference Day. Our youth definitely make a difference in the lives of all those they encounter. Thank you to all participants! Thanks also for the generous donations to the Youth Ministry program. We appreciate it very much.

Junior High Youth Ministry is sponsoring a NET retreat for all 7 & 8 grade parish youth on Tuesday, November 17. We will start with a light supper at 5 p.m. and be finished by 9 p.m. This is a great opportunity for our youth. It is the same faith, but presented to them in a "fun" fashion. Encourage someone you

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know to attend. Pre-registration is required by November 11. Call Laura at the Faith Formation office; 952.758.5131. Thank you!

Guatemalan Youth Mission trip. There will be an informational meeting regarding a trip planned for July 2010. If you will have completed grades 10-12 and are interested in learning more, plan to attend the meeting. It is Sunday, November 1 at 6:30 pm in the Faith Formation office located in the PAC. Call Laura at 952.758.5131 with any questions.

Faith Formation Fundraiser. Reminder: Faith Formation families are selling Casey's partnership cards. Please contact any faith formation family to purchase one of these cards. They quickly pay for themselves and make a great gift! Sale ends November 11, 2009.

MEETINGS & EVENTS

Monday, Nov 2:

Fatima Prayer Cell after am service, Chapel
Mentor Couple meeting, 6:30-8:30pm, Parish House Dining Room

Tuesday, Nov 3:

Fatima Prayer Cell after AM service, Chapel
Area Sep/Divorced Support Group, 6:30-9pm, Pius X Room

Wednesday, Nov 4:

Early AM scripture study, 6:45-7:50 am, Pius X Room
Fatima Prayer Cell after am service, Chapel
Morning Bible Study, 9-11am, Pius X Room
Faith Formation Classes

Thursday, Nov 5:

Fall Harvest Party, DC Fundraiser, 2:30-4:30pm, PAC

Friday, Nov 6:

Adoration, 9 pm-11 pm, Chapel
No School

Saturday Nov 7:

Fr. Kevin's Bible Study, 9:30-11am, Pius X Room
CCW Decorates, 4-8pm, PAC

Sunday Nov 8:

RCIA, 8am-12 pm, Parish House Dining Room
Donut Hospitality, Church Basement, 8-12pm
CCIII in church contribution invitation, after am Masses

PARISH LITURGY

M-F Rosary 7:30 AM Sat. at 8:00 AM

Monday, November 2 & Tuesday, November 3

8 AM.....Word & Communion Service

Wednesday, November 4

8 AM.....Mass of all saints planned by the 4th grade

Thursday, November 5

8 AM.....Margaret Ogard, John C., John M. & Phil Simon

Friday, November 6

8 AM.....Mass

Saturday, November 7 FIRST 4 PM MASS

8AM.....1st Sat. Devotions

2 PM.....Wedding of Bob Widmer & Diana VonBank

4 PM.....Benedict Bruzel, Hilda Bruzek, John Hanzel

.....John Fitzgerald, Don Schanus, Eugene Ambroz

Sunday, November 8

8:30AM.....Mass for All Veterans

.....George Horejsi, Marcella Bartusek, Lucy Pexa

.....Emma & Max Kalina

10:30 AM.....John C., John M. & Phil Simon

.....Beatrice Barta Slavik in honor of her 100th B-day