



“He made a whip of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and the oxen, and spilled the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables, and to those who sold doves he said, “Take these out of here, and stop making my Father’s house a marketplace.”

- *St. John*

This weekend the Universal Church once again sets aside a Sunday in Ordinary Time, in order to celebrate another feast. This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Dedication of St. John Lateran’s Basilica.

This feast holds little meaning for many if not most Roman Catholics. For most of you have never seen this great basilica in Rome and there is a good chance that many of you will never see it in your life time. There are perhaps many things on our “bucket list” before we pass from this world to see and do, but there is a good chance that seeing the Church of St. John Lateran is probably not one of them.

In my priesthood I have been privileged to see this church on several occasions. This past winter, while studying art in Rome. I had a free Sunday afternoon, and with a city map in my hand, walked several miles through the maze-like streets of Rome to the Church of St. John Lateran. There I spent time in prayer and petition, admired the beautiful art and architecture at my own leisure, bought a couple of small souvenirs in their gift shop from a sweet Italian nun, and made my way home from this mini-pilgrimage before the sun had set.

The Church of St. John Lateran is significant to celebrate as a major feast for the simple fact that this church is the Cathedral of Rome. Many Catholics falsely conclude that St. Peter’s Basilica is the “Cathedral” of Rome and of the “Bishop of Rome”, namely Pope Francis. St. John Lateran is an ancient church as it was built as far back as 324. This great structure should hold spiritual significance for us regardless if we see it or not. For this church has been referred to in the Church as the “MOTHER AND HEAD OF ALL THE CHURCHES OF THE CITY AND THE WORLD.”

When you visit the churches in Rome, there is a certain “spiritual etiquette” that is required. Shorts on either men or women or flip-flops are not accepted when entering these venerable and holy places. You will be sent away by security if you try to enter under dressed. This past winter, as I was in the Basilica of St. Francis, in Assisi, one young girl (of high school age) came in with a very short skirt and bare legs. The security guard told her in Italian to leave. That girl looked very much like a deer in headlights. Equally, “spiritual etiquette” is required when you walk into the Sistine Chapel with the famous ceiling from Michelangelo. Every so often a security guard will say in Italian “Silence!”. Everyone quiets down and then slowly the talking builds.

There must be a little Italian blood in Christ for the Lord makes a whip of cords and drives out the money changers and those selling animal sacrifices in the temple in Jerusalem. With an equally strong voice the Lord said; “Take these out of here, and stop making my Father’s house a marketplace.”

“Reverence” has fallen out of favor with many religious Catholics, be they leaders in the church or lay people. We have embraced today in this country an attitude towards church behavior as “half-way is not half bad”. In many churches (luckily not Holy Rosary) there is more visiting and socializing with the people around us before Mass than praying to our Savior. (The question begs itself, why were “Gathering Spaces” built if people are still talking before Mass in the church proper?) Genuflecting when we enter or leave a church is many times forgotten or becomes a curtsy or bob of the head at best. Our dress is often anything but dignified for receiving the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Christ; but if pastoral leadership would challenge the faithful in this regard, the response is often; “Just be happy that they are coming to Mass.” Yet, would we go to a job interview, meet an important client, or even attend prom dressed with anything but the finest clothing? Do any of these things equal encountering Christ through the Holy Eucharist?

The Lord had a great love for the Temple of Jerusalem which was one of the great wonders of the ancient world. Our Redeemer believed in reverence. He believed that the temple was a place for prayer. He believed it was a place to encounter the “vertical” and not the day to day “horizontal”. In short, the Lord knew then and still knows now that the human condition spiritually needs a place to rest from the restless world outside. We need a “sacred space” that is quiet, consoling and prayerful and that will be a spiritual tool in this life to lead us to everlasting life! Be reverent! It is virtuous and leads us closer to Christ! Have a great week!

Rev. Paul van de Crommert
Pastor



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“Don’t give until it hurts; give until it feels good.”

Stewardship of Treasure

Adult (182)	\$ 9,604.48
Electronic Giving	1,937.25
Junior	35.95
Plate	401.10
Building Rent	1,235.00
All Saint's Day Collection	721.00
Grand Total	\$ 13,934.78

**(Our weekly budget is set at \$12,750.00)*

Special Collection

Mission Sunday	\$ 21.00
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STEWARDSHIP

We had another good collection this week that exceeded budget. Your stewardship has been wonderful. But stewardship is more than just the giving of "pennies" and "dollars", but also our "presence" and "devotion" at Mass. We were so blessed again last weekend with such wonderful Mass attendance. It was wonderful to not only see good Mass attendance at the Saturday and early Sunday morning Mass but to see at the 10:00 A.M. filled with a full choir loft as well. The Church is most beautiful when it is filled with the faithful. Thank you too for your stewardship of the "spirit".

DIOCESAN MINISTRIES APPEAL

We are only a week away from Commitment Sunday for the Diocese of New Ulm Annual Diocesan Ministries Appeal. Information packets and the Bishop's accompanying letter have been mailed out, so you should have received them by now. Our parish goal has been set by the Diocese at \$27,708.85, and in addition to all the ministries the appeal supports at the Diocesan level, all gifts over our goal will go to support our Catholic School subsidy and our other Diocesan Assessments.

The Diocesan Ministries Appeal offers us an opportunity to do our part to support the ministries that help to build the Church right here in the Diocese of New Ulm. This year's theme is: "Rivers of Living Water will flow from within Him". We become a part of the living water of Christ when we help provide ministries and services that no single parish could provide. Each one of us has been blessed by God's generosity and for that reason we have a spiritual need and desire to return some of that blessing back to God. If you are able, please also consider becoming a member or continuing your membership in the Bishop's Guild for folks who contribute \$1,000 or more to the D.M.A. Thank you for your support in 2014!

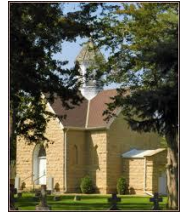


WORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

Please note that Worship Committee will be meeting this week in Conference Room 1 at 7:00 P.M. Materials will be handed out at the meeting. Thank you for your presence.

CALVARY CEMETERY

Many of our Catholic Cemeteries in our Diocese are struggling to maintain financial solvency. We are "SO BLESSED", by having such a beautiful and well-maintained cemetery in our community. For nearly all of my priesthood I have had to maintain multiple cemeteries. It is a great financial and maintenance challenge. Thank you for your generosity as we take up this weekend a second collection to care and maintain the final resting place of our dearly departed loved ones.



UPDATING OUR LISTS OF SICK AND HOMEBOUND



Through the help of Sister Mary Anne as well as my hospital visits and talking with the faithful, I am updating and beginning the process of visiting with regularity the sick and the infirm of our parish. This week as pastor I visited seven of our infirm. Normally, I have set aside a portion of each Friday to do this, when it is possible. I am informing you of this as you might know or might be someone who is sick, homebound and are in need of the sacraments. Please call the parish office to let us know. Thank you so much!

THANKSGIVING MASSES

Can you believe that the Feast of Thanksgiving is only 18 days away? (And if Thanksgiving is so close on the calendar, Christmas cannot be far away!) I will, be offering two Masses for Thanksgiving. In my past pastoral experience, I found that many of the faithful appreciated a Mass for Thanksgiving the night before Thanksgiving Day. I will offer that Mass, on Wednesday, November 26th at 5:15 P.M. The Ecumenical Service will be held at 7:00 P.M. I will also offer a morning Mass on Thanksgiving at 8:00 A.M. before I head out to my family.



MINISTERIAL MEETING

This week Holy Rosary is blessed to host the ministers of our various churches of the greater Mankato area at our parish on Thursday of this week. Please note that our parish will also be hosting the Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service on the vigil of Thanksgiving, November 26th at 7:00 P.M.

The Week Ahead

Monday, November 10: Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

8:10 am – Rosary in Church
 8:30 am – Mass – +John & Katherine Guertin
 9:15 am – *NO Bible Study*
 11:00 am – Mass – *Good Counsel Campus – Sr. Barbara Simek*
 4:30-7:30 – *Boy Scout Spaghetti Feed – Church Social Hall*
 7:00 pm – *Worship Committee Meeting – Conf Rm 1*

Tuesday, November 11: Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop

8:10 am – Rosary in Church
 8:30 am – Holy Communion Service
 5:15 pm – *Mass & Banquet – Good Counsel Campus – Great Promise Award – (Fr. Attends)*

Wednesday, November 12: Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr

8:10 am – Rosary in Church
 8:30 am – Mass – +Charles & Iola Orcutt
 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm – *Sewing Group – Lower Level Parish Center*
 4:30 pm – *Mass – Elementary Faith Formation – Church*
 4 pm, 6 pm, 7:15 pm – *Faith Formation*
 6-7 pm – *1st Holy Rosary Choir Practice – Choir Room - School*

Thursday, November 13: Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

10:15 am – *Mass – Pathstone Living +John Wittrock*
 *11:30 am – *Mankato Area Ministerial Assoc. Meeting Church Social Hall*
 6:00 – 9:00 pm – *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*
 7:30 – *KC Planning Meeting*

Friday, November 14: Weekday

8:10 am – Rosary in Church
 8:30 am – Mass – +Don Ledwein

Saturday, November 15: Weekday

5:00 pm – Rosary in Church
 5:30 pm – Mass – +Richard Oberle

Sunday, November 16: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am – Rosary in Church
 8:00 am – Mass – +People of the Parish
 9:30 am – Rosary in Church
 10:00 am – Mass – +Stanley & Ann Kremer

PRAYER CHAIN

If you, or someone you know, would like to be included in our prayer chain, please call Karen Etzell, 387-7877

Liturgical Roles – November 15-16

Lectors

5:30 pm: Brian Eggersdorfer & Chuck Frost
 8:00 am: Mary Homan & Michelle Fischer
 10:00 am: Laura Guetter & Tom Koch

Eucharistic Ministers

5:30 pm: Jim Theuninck, Eileen Wadekamper
 Rebecca Gruenes, JoAnn Borchert
 Steve & Mary Caron
 8:00 am: Gene Brandt, Jane Keltgen
 Cathy Neve, Jim Portz
 Kurt & Elizabeth Schroeder
 10:00 am: John Kuchinka, Dawn Matz
 Sid & Terri McGee
 Kevin Mettler, Tim McGowan

Altar Servers

5:30 pm: Reid & Riley Gruenes, Jonathan Hull
 8:00 am: Teresa, David & Tony Weber
 10:00 am: Sheamus & Elias Westerman
 Spencer Spaude

Presentation of Gifts

Confirmation Candidates & Family

5:30 pm: Kaylie Rauchman & Family
 8:00 am: Adam Schwartz & Family
 10:00 am: Haley Kohrs & Family

Ushers

5:30 pm: Larry & Maggie Bennett
 Bob Meyer, Tom Rheaume
 8:00 am: Paul Stevens, Chris Sturm
 Gary Zellmer, Craig Amundson
 10:00 am: Steve Enderle, Steve Fink
 Brent Friedrichs, Doug Helget

Music Ministry

5:30 pm: Joe Kunkel /Janelle Campeau
 8:00 am: Julie Gruber/Jeanne Makela
 10:00 am: Lori Chritiansen/Vicki Galli

FR. ED ARDOLF ENDOWMENT FUND

This fund is now at \$128,852.00. 85% of the earnings of this fund go to pay tuition at Loyola Catholic School for Holy Rosary families. Contributions to this fund may be dropped off at the parish office or sent to Amy at Loyola.

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYERS...

PRAYERS AND SUPPORT FOR ISAAC KOLSTAD AND ALL OF OUR SICK AND INJURED OF HOLY ROSARY PARISH

Our prayers continue to go out to Isaac Kolstad as well as all of the sick and injured in our parish who are at home, in the hospital, nursing homes or assisted-living residences. May God bless them and keep them under His guidance and protection!

FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY

Nick Blace	Matt McGraw
Jared Hiniker	Christopher Schmidt
Ann Winkler	Jonathan Heintz
Dana Schiller	William Backes
Mark Hansen	Ben Barsness
Alex Ek	Sean O'Dea
Timothy Eick	Daniel Fitterer
Anna Drummer	



FOR OUR FAMILIES

Monday	Kristen Fallenstein Family
Tuesday	No Mass
Wednesday	Michael Zwaschka Family
Thursday	Bernard & Marilyn Scheurer Family
Friday	Thomas & Janelle Rauchman Family
Saturday	Charles & Jeanette Lyons Family
Sunday	Barbara Radke Family

FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Mary Jane Ledwein, Tom Grausam, Don Haley, Jan Schmidt, Doris Lorentz, Bill Goettlicher, Lenore Sweers, Dolores Spreter, Richard Flynn, Jr., Krystal Portz, Lydia Meehling, Jan Brumm, Steve Fitterer, Kathy Eggersdorfer, Jean Weber, Nancy Marquardt, Gabriel Speckel, Shannon Murphy, Harriet Senesac, Lisa LaPoint Leland, Monica Haack, David Bruender, Marilyn Bastian, Betty Kotthoff, Isaac Kolstad, Nancy Wesely, Liz Brumm, Susan Zenk

Readings for the Week

Mon: Titus 1:1-9; Luke 17:1-6
Tues: Titus 2:1-8,11-14; Luke 17:7-10
Wed: Titus 3:1-7; Luke 17:11-19
Thurs: Philemon 7-20; Luke 17:20-25
Fri: 2 John 4-9; Luke 17:26-37
Sat: 3 John 5-8; Luke 18:1-8
Sun: Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

- Diocesan United Fund (D.U.F.), Diocesan Priest Pension Fund/ Medical Care and Diocesan Audit:
 DUE: \$78,103.92
 Pd. To Date \$26,071.64
- Annual Diocesan Ministries Appeal (D.M.A.)
 (*This will be taken up this November)
 DUE: \$27,708.85
 Pd. to Date: \$0.00
- Loyola Catholic School Assessment:
 DUE: \$238,000.00
 Pd. to Date: \$53,500.00

Total Assessments 2014-2015: \$ 343,812.77
 Total Paid to Date 2014-2015: \$ 79,571.64

HOLY ROSARY CHOIR UPDATE



Thank you to all of you that took the time to come to our organizational planning meeting for our newly formed parish choir. We are off and running...I mean singing!!! The first time that the choir will be assisting at the weekend liturgies will be on the weekend of the First Sunday of Advent, November 29-30th.

SATURDAY NIGHT MASS TIME CHANGE



The Saturday night Mass time will be changing on the First Saturday of Advent, November 29th, from 5:30 pm to 5:00 pm. This will be a permanent time change as recently voted on by the faithful. We will continue to post this in the bulletin through the month of November. Please remind, family, friends and neighbors.

K OF C COUNCIL #5551 NEWS

- November 13 – Planning Meeting
- November 28 – General Meeting & Card Party
- November 28 – KC Raffle Drawing for Religious Education
- November 28 – Christmas Tree Lot Opens
- December 6 – Parish Christmas Party



CALVARY CEMETERY WREATHS



Calvary Cemetery is now taking orders for Christmas Wreaths to be placed on your loved one's graves. For further information please go to www.calvarymankato.wordpress.com or call Terry Miller at 507-995-1010.

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH FAMILY!

We welcome this weekend two more households to our growing Holy Rosary Parish family. Please welcome Carol Reedstrom (and her husband Mark) from North Mankato. The couple has one son, Ryan. Welcome to our parish family!



We also welcome Paige Pearson and Robert Umhoefer who are also residing in North Mankato. We welcome them to Holy Rosary as they are now in preparation to be married in our church next year in 2015. Welcome to both of you.

If you see someone in church that you do not know, don't leave church as if the church is on fire. Leave church in a hurry with your heart on fire with the Holy Spirit, and shake hands with someone that you do not know!

VACATION RAFFLE



The Vacation Raffle will be held on Thursday, November 20, 2014. Tickets are \$50 (just a tank of gas!). The evening includes a delicious turkey dinner for two, beer, wine & popcorn as well as a silent auction. Tickets are available from the Pastoral & Finance Council members as well as from the parish office. There are still tickets to be purchased, contact the parish office to get yours today! Lots of Vacation Cash could be yours – plan to attend!! We are in need of new or slightly used items for the silent auction part of this event. Please drop off any items that you have at the Parish Office prior to November 19th.

FAITH FORMATION LIVING ROSARY

We would like to give a special and heartfelt Thank You to all who helped to make our Living Rosary last week so great! The "collective learning process" was so nice to see: the students themselves, the KCs, Arlyce Anderson and the Rosary Leaders, the Catechists, the 6th graders who carried and held the cross. As well the music people: Jeanne Makela, Rosal Molski, Nancy Evans and Lori Christiansen. And of course, thanks to Fr. Paul and Deacon Russ for explaining the history, the instructions and the organization of it all. It was so good to see the reverence and participation from the students and the adults helping the students around them. This is just one of the ways in which we pass on our faith! Thank you to all! *Maggie and Sue*

WIRED TO THE HEART FUNDRAISER

Wired to the Heart, Loyola's fall fundraiser, raises money for technology and science at Loyola. The event is November 14th. Buy a raffle ticket and be a part of this great event. Tickets are \$50 and give the buyer

a chance to win \$5,000 (winner need not be present to win). There will only be 400 tickets sold - Great odds! Tickets are available at the Loyola Advancement Office on the Good Counsel Campus or by contacting Carol Brady at [507-381-1381](tel:507-381-1381) or cbrady@chartermi.net.



Q. Why send your child to a Catholic school?
A. Research is conclusive that students who attend Catholic schools are more likely to be engaged in their faith during their adulthood.

Q. I want my child to be well educated, so they can choose the college of their choice, why would I choose to pay tuition when that can be done at taxpayer expense?

A. Because being happy in life involves far more than getting into the college of your choice. Faith and moral values are essential to happiness for humans.

Q. Why do so many people sacrifice so much so that we can have a vibrant Catholic School in Mankato?

A. Those who work so hard are convinced that there is nothing more important to learn in life than how to get to heaven. If you believe that, then you will do everything possible to ensure that you and your children understand this most important lesson of life.

Fr. Schneider - President and Chaplain - Loyola Catholic School

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE AREA

"ALL YOU CAN EAT"

BOY SCOUT TROOP 29 SPAGHETTI DINNER

Monday, November 10th, 4:30 pm – 7:00 pm at Holy Rosary Church Social Hall. The Boy Scouts will be serving Spaghetti, Garlic Bread, Green Beans, Applesauce, Olives, Pickles, Drinks and Dessert. Adults \$6, Seniors \$4, Kids 12 & under \$2, Preschool – free, family of 4 - \$20. Come enjoy an evening out!

LUNCH, MOVIE AND DISCUSSION

"PHILOMENA"

Join the Holy Spirit Retreat Center for lunch, movie and discussion of a film depicting an odd couple – Martin (a jaded journalist) and Philomena (an elderly Irish woman searching for her long-lost child). November 12, 11:30 am – 3:00 pm. Suggested donation is \$15 which includes lunch. Please register by November 10th.

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE AREA


FALL BRUNCH

Sunday, November 23, 8:15 am - 12:00 pm,
St Joseph the Worker's 27th Annual Fall Brunch.
Serving ham/egg bake, biscuits/gravy, sausage,
French toast, fresh rolls and muffins. Come
enjoy a brunch and fellowship. Adults \$7.00, children 6-12
\$4.00, 5 and under free



ECHO FOOD SHELF

THANKSGIVING DINNER BASKETS

 ECHO Food Shelf is once again preparing to distribute Thanksgiving dinner baskets to our neighbors who would not otherwise be able to afford them and we are asking you to consider helping us in this project. The baskets will include a turkey or a ham, potatoes, green beans, dressing mix and canned cranberries. The baskets will cost \$19-\$20 each and this year we are expecting to distribute about 1,300 baskets. Your contributions can be sent to ECHO Food Shelf, PO Box 3212, Mankato, MN 56001 or dropped off at ECHO at 1014 South Front St, Mankato. Thank you!

SAN LUCAS MISSION FUNDRAISER

Please join us for a Gala fund raiser for the San Lucas mission. Friday, November 21st at the Crow River Winery east of Hutchinson on highway 7. Doors open at 5:30 pm and supper is served at 7:00 pm. Silent and live auctions will be held. The proceeds from this Gala will be used to continue the educational, medical, and other ministries of the mission. The cost is \$50.00 per person. To reserve your ticket or for more information please call 651-454-0981 or visit www.sanlucasmission.org. Thank you.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Theresa House and Welcome Inn are hoping you and your family will reach out to one of their homeless or at-risk families this holiday season. Please contact Partners for Affordable Housing's Volunteer Coordinator, Onnie, at 387-2115 for details. Opportunities includes fulfilling the holiday wishes of a homeless child or family as well as helping wrap and tag Christmas gifts on Wednesday evening December 10th or Tuesday evening December 16th. Thanks for your help.

**HOLY ROSARY PASTORAL COUNCIL
MINUTES**

October 6, 2014

The Pastoral Council from Holy Rosary met in the conference room with a full membership of some 15 members present. Committee reports were given from C.C.W., Knights of Columbus, Worship and Finance Committee. (*Please review past minutes of those committees.)

Father spoke again to the Pastoral Council of their role as a consultative body that is being encouraged to meet regularly at the recommendation of Bishop LeVoir. Father stressed that the council knows the area and people far better than he does as pastor at this point. Father must rely on the council to advise him to insure the parish can move again both physically, financially and spiritually.

New membership was discussed. Father wishes to see the members being rotated on a regular basis as the parish has significant numbers to involve more of the faithful. Father does not see the Pastoral Council as a committee that one should be serving on for many years.

Father introduced the first spiritual task of the Pastoral Council to help identify the parish's strengths and weaknesses. These areas include: Spirituality, Worship, Structural, Financial, Outreach, Evangelization, Catechesis and the Future of Holy Rosary as a parish in the Diocese of New Ulm.

The first area that the Pastoral Council addressed at length was Worship/Spirituality. 1.) Strengths: Beautiful Church, Good Music, Children's Liturgy of the Word Program, Full Time Pastor, Core Group of Faithful Volunteers, Reforming of Parish Choir, Strong Volunteers, Urban Setting that is Growing, Parish is Warm and Welcoming, Broad Spectrum of People – Young – Middle Age – Mature. 2.) Weaknesses: Youth Attendance and Involvement in the Life of the Church, Teens Encounter Christ Involvement has Declined, Core of Volunteers is Shrinking, Community Events Have not Been Promoted, Few Attending Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Thursdays, Church is Closed Most of the Time, Little Adult-Ed Enrichment, Limited Training has Been Done for Liturgical Ministry at Mass, Very Few Ushers, Need to Do Again Time and Talent Survey of the Entire Parish.

The next Pastoral Council Meeting has been scheduled for November 24th at 7:00 P.M. in Conference Room 1. Future Business will include addressing Structural, Financial, Outreach, etc. of the parish in both its strengths and weaknesses. The meeting concluded with prayer.