

10 NOVEMBER 2024

THIRTY– SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MUSINGS

By Father Lee Chase

St. Joseph's Missal and Advent Reflection Book

In the main entrance foyer of the Church are the new St. Joseph's Missals and Advent Reflection Books. The Missals will start to be used on the First Sunday of Advent on Saturday November 30 and Sunday December 1. We're asking for a \$5.00 donation for both books together. If you cannot afford that, please take a missal anyway. If you can afford a few dollars more to cover for those who can't pay, thank you.

The Greece/Charlotte/Hilton Pastoral Planning Task Force

Over the last three years, 24 people from St. Lawrence Church, St. Mark's Church, St. Charles Borromeo Church, Our Mother of Sorrows/Holy Cross Churches, and St. Leo the Great Church have met regularly as the Greece/Charlotte/Hilton Pastoral Planning Task Force. What is the task of this task force and how did it come to be? Just over 3 years ago, the pastors of those churches and Deacon Frank Patrone who is the Pastoral Administrator of St. Mark's Church met to begin a discussion about the future. In essence, how do we best meet the needs of the Roman Catholics in Greece, Charlotte, and Hilton in light of the realities of an aging priesthood, fewer vocations to the priesthood, smaller congregations, fewer financial and human resources, and ageing infrastructure. We decided to for this task force to come up with a plan, a recommendation, that we could give to the Bishop of Rochester. The members of the Task Force have met regularly over these three years. There are two members of each parish who were appointed by the pastor/pastoral administrator, as well as the pastors and pastoral administrator, one of the Parochial Vicars, a facilitator and a secretary who takes the minutes of the meeting comprise the group. We established three on going committees: a joint committee to focus on evangelization, a joint committee to focus on vocations, and a group that conducts a shared website. We have also prepared the recommendation paper to give to the Bishop regarding our future and future configuration and pastoral leadership. This group is not about closing any parish but meeting the needs of our Catholic community. We have met with the parish staffs of all the parishes and, recently, held a meeting with the members of the parishes' Finance and Pastoral Councils. They have given us good input. Now we want to meet with you. On Wednesday, November 20th we will hold two town hall meetings at 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. They will be held at St. Charles Borromeo Church on Dewey Avenue. The meetings will also be livestreamed. Next week, I will give you an internet link that will take you to the actual Draft document. I hope to have a bulletin insert summary as well. After the town halls, we will invite your input and reaction to this draft document. It is not in its finalized version and has not been given to the bishop yet. I hope you can read it, come to the town hall, and give us your written response. More next week!

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER



*This week, we light the
Sanctuary Lamp in Memory of
Father Frank Falletta*

Monday, November 11

Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop
No Mass and No Communion

Tuesday, November 12

Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr
8:30 a.m. Mass for Patty Lippa from Fran & Ron Lippa

Wednesday, November 13

Saint Francis Xavier Cabrini, Virgin
8:30 a.m. Mass for Elaine Spahn by Renee, her daughter

Thursday, November 14

Weekday
8:30 a.m. Communion Service, prayer for Priestly Vocations

Friday, November 15

Weekday
8:30 a.m. Mass for Bernice & Warren LaVigne by Family

Saturday, November 16

Weekday
4:00 p.m. Mass for Barb Walsh by Ed Walsh

Sunday, November 17

Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. Mass for St. Lawrence Parishioners by Father Chase
10:00 a.m. Mass for Harold George by daughter, Barbara Packard

Readings for the week of November 11, 2024

Monday, November 11: Ti 1:1-9/Lk 17:1-6
Tuesday, November 12: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14/Lk 17:7-10
Wednesday, November 13: Ti 3:1-7/Lk 17:11-19
Thursday, November 14: Phlm 7-20/Lk 17:20-25
Friday, November 15: 2 Jn 4-9/Lk 17:26-37
Saturday, November 16: 3 Jn 5-8/Lk 18:1-8
Sunday, November 17: Dn 12:1-3/Heb 10:11-14, 18/Mk 13:24-32

Attendance November 2 & 3, 2024
Total-950

November 2 & 3, 2024 Collection

	Amount Received	Weekly Budget	Surplus (Shortfall)
Sunday Collection	\$15,622.16	\$14,423.00	\$1,199.16
General Maintenance	\$1088.00	\$865.00	\$223.00
School Support	\$790.00	\$442.00	\$348.00

Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00 pm
 Sunday 8:00 am
 10:00 am

Mon - Wed, Fri 8:30 am
 Thu Communion Service 8:30 am.

Holy Days of Obligation
 Please see bulletin.

Confessions

Saturday 3:00 pm

Anointing of the Sick

Please call us if you or a family member wish to be anointed.

Baptism

Parents should contact the Parish Office at the rectory as soon as they know they are expecting.

Marriage

Engaged couples should contact us at least **one year** in advance of their desired date.

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 9 a.m. - Noon, 1 pm - 4 pm
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WHAT'S NOW

This Week At St. Lawrence Church

Monday, November 11

CYO Basketball Practice - School	5:30p.m.
Bible Study - Deacon Hall	6:30p.m.

Tuesday, November 12

Bible Study - Deacon Hall	9:00a.m.
CYO Basketball Practice - School	5:30p.m.
Faithful Voices - Church	7:00p.m.

Wednesday, November 13

CYO Cheer - Deacon Hall	2:30p.m.
CYO Basketball - Gym	5:30p.m.
Cards for Comfort - Deacon Hall	6:00p.m.
Song Prayers - Church	7:15p.m.

Thursday, November 14

Greece Food Shelf Mtg - Deacon Hall	9:00a.m.
CYO Cheer - Deacon Hall	2:30p.m.
CYO Basketball - Gym	5:30p.m.
ROC Mtg - Deacon Hall	6:30p.m.

Friday, November 15

Saturday, November 16

First Penance/First Communion Retreat - Deacon Hall	10:30a.m.
First Penance/First Communion Retreat - Deacon Hall	12:30p.m.

Sunday, November 17

Confirmation Classes - Deacon Hall	11:00a.m.
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"HOPE" For The Holidays, 3rd edition - (Previously entitled " Surviving" the Holidays)

This is a 2-hour program focusing on the upcoming Christmas and Thanksgiving Holiday season. Such times and others may activate a deep sadness which can seem unbearable. Some may want to hibernate and avoid usual traditions, gatherings and events. Whether your loss has been recent or some time ago, this program will offer incredibly effective and compassionate tips, tools which may be invaluable, and strength that may be drawn from Scripture.

Please be assured that all are welcome to this free, hopeful program. No previous Grieving with Great Hope or other grieving experience is necessary.

Location: Our Mother of Sorrows Church – Church Hall.

When: Saturday from 1pm to 3 pm, November 23, 2024

Contact: (585) 663-5432

St. Leo's Church in Hilton is having a Christmas Pie Sale. The pies are coming from Special Touch Bakery. All the pies are 10 inch for \$17.00 except the cannoli and the chocolate/peanut butter pie. These 2 pies will be \$23.00. If you like to make a pie order please call the Parish office at 392-2710. All orders must be pre-ordered and paid by check only made out to St. Leo's. Sorry no cash will be accepted and no extra pies will be available to purchase. We will be having a drive-thru on December 20 from noon to 2.

Are you an adult interested in learning about the Catholic Faith? Were you baptized Catholic, but have been away from the Church for a while? Do you need to receive First Communion or Confirmation?

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6:30 - 7:30 PM

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Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." JOHN 1:46



Join us for engaging discussions on the Catholic Faith in preparation for entering into full communion with the Church! Meetings take place weekly.

For more information, please contact Anna Flaitz
anna.flaitz@dor.org
585-663-8000 (press 2)

HOLY CROSS, OUR MOTHER OF SORROWS, ST. CHARLES BORROMEIO, ST. LAWRENCE



Parishioner meetings to give input on the draft Recommendation being prepared by the Pastoral Planning Task Force for the Bishop—please plan to participate

There are two opportunities to give your input to the task force on Wednesday, November 20—in the afternoon 1:30-3:30 PM and in the evening 6:30-8:30 PM. Both gatherings will be at St. Charles Borromeo, 3003 Dewey Ave. The draft recommendation is available on the Roc Catholics Northwest website: [ROC Catholics Northwest](http://www.roccatholicsnorthwest.org) or <https://www.roccatholicsnorthwest.org> or in the parish office. Please read it before coming to the meeting.



November 15 - Senior Luncheon Series

“Easy to Do Strength and Stretching” w/ Jennifer Muscato

November 15-17 – Men & Women Silent Retreat

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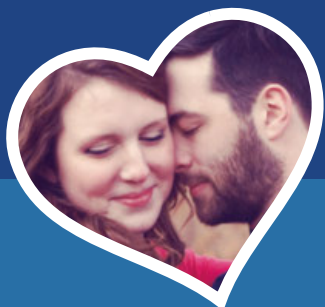
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