

SUNDAY BULLETIN NOVEMBER 16, 2025

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for November

For the prevention of suicide

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

CONFESSIONS HEARD 30 MINUTES BEFORE EACH MASS

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Tuesday, November 18 — St. Rose Philippine Duchesne

7:30 AM - Mike Anderson+

Wednesday, November 19 — Mass for Persecuted Christians

8:15 AM - Shirley Benson+

Thursday, November 20 — Mass for the Preservation of Peace and Justice

7:30 AM - Betty Link+

Friday, November 21 — Presentation of Mary

8:15 AM - Don Tomasek+

Saturday, November 22 — St. Cecilia

7:30 PM - Frank Ockenfels+

5:00 PM - Jim Alford+ (Sunday Vigil Mass)

Sunday, November 23 — Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:00 AM - People of the Parish

10:00 AM - Karl Schröder Family

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Scripture Readings

Malachi 3:19-20a
2 Thessalonians 3:7-12
Luke 21:5-19

DIOCESAN OFFICE OF CHILD AND YOUTH PROTECTION

THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS CITY-ST. JOSEPH IS COMMITTED TO COMBATING SEXUAL ABUSE IN THE CHURCH. IF YOU ARE A VICTIM OF SEXUAL ABUSE, OR IF YOU *OBSERVE OR SUSPECT* SEXUAL ABUSE:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-392-3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18) and

2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911 and

3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult* to the Ombudsman, 816-213-6024 or ombudsman@diocesekcsj.org.

if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of The Diocese of Kansas City - St. Joseph. The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator (VAC), at 816-714-2357 ext. 516 or victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

“ THE LORD COMES TO RULE THE EARTH WITH JUSTICE”

THIS WEEK’S SAINTS

November 18: St. Rose Philippine Duchesne

Born in Grenoble, France, of a family that was among the new rich, Rose learned political skills from her father and a love of the poor from her mother. The dominant feature of her temperament was a strong and dauntless will, which became the material—and the battlefield—of her holiness. She entered the Visitation of Mary convent at 19, and remained despite family opposition. As the French Revolution broke, the convent was closed, and she began taking care of the poor and sick, opened a school for homeless children, and risked her life helping priests in the underground.

When the situation cooled, Rose personally rented the former convent, now a shambles, and tried to revive its religious life. The spirit was gone, however, and soon there were only four nuns left. They joined the infant Society of the Sacred Heart, whose young superior, Mother Madeleine Sophie Barat, would be her lifelong friend.

In a short time Rose Philippine Duchesne was a superior and supervisor of the novitiate and a school. But since hearing tales of missionary work in Louisiana as a little girl, her ambition was to go to America and work among the Indians. At 49, she thought this would be her work. With four nuns, she spent 11 weeks at sea en route to New Orleans, and seven weeks more on the Mississippi to St. Louis.

She then met one of the many disappointments of her life. The bishop had no place for them to live and work among Native Americans. Instead, he sent her to what she sadly called “the remotest village in the U.S.,” St. Charles, Missouri. With characteristic drive and courage, she founded the first free school for girls west of the Mississippi.

Though Rose Philippine Duchesne was as hardy as any of the pioneer women in the wagons rolling west, cold and hunger drove them out—to Florissant, Missouri, where she founded the first Catholic Indian school, adding others in the territory.

Finally at age 72, retired and in poor health, Rose got her lifelong wish. A mission was founded at Sugar Creek, Kansas, among the Potawatomi and she was taken along. Though she could not learn their language, they soon named her “Woman-Who-Prays-Always.” While others taught, she prayed. Legend has it that Native American children sneaked behind her as she knelt and sprinkled bits of paper on her habit, and came back hours later to find them undisturbed. Rose Duchesne died in 1852, at the age of 83, and was canonized in 1988.

November 21: Presentation of Mary

Mary’s presentation was celebrated in Jerusalem in the sixth century. A church was built there in honor of this mystery. The Eastern Church was more interested in the feast, but it does appear in the West in the 11th century. Although the feast at times disappeared from the calendar, in the 16th century it became a feast of the universal Church.

As with Mary’s birth, we read of Mary’s presentation in the temple only in apocryphal literature. In what is recognized as an unhistorical account, the Protoevangelium of James tells us that Anna and Joachim offered Mary to God in the Temple when she was 3 years old. This was to carry out a promise made to God when Anna was still childless.

Though it cannot be proven historically, Mary’s presentation has an important theological purpose. It continues the impact of the feasts of the Immaculate Conception and of the birth of Mary. It emphasizes that the holiness conferred on Mary from the beginning of her life on earth continued through her early childhood and beyond.

November 22: St. Cecilia

According to legend, Cecilia was a young Christian of high rank betrothed to a Roman named Valerian. Through her influence, Valerian was converted, and was martyred along with his brother. The legend about Cecilia’s death says that after being struck three times on the neck with a sword, she lived for three days, and asked the pope to convert her home into a church. Since the time of the Renaissance she has usually been portrayed with a viola or a small organ.



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KNIGHT RESPONSIBILITIES NOVEMBER 22-23		
Mass Time	Position	Knight(s)
Sat. 5pm	Acolyte 1 Acolyte 2	Graham Randolph Shay Johnson
Sun. 8am	Acolyte 1 Acolyte 2	Alex Widner Gabe Widner
Sun. 10am	M.C. Thurifer Acolyte 1 Acolyte 2 Cross Bearer Torch Torch	Jameson Marshall Rowdy Miller Dominic Sherer Burke Beetsma Jack Marshall Jack Cooper Elijah Sensenich

LECTOR SCHEDULE NOVEMBER 23	
Mass Time	Lector
Sun. 8am	Kristy Lauhoff
Sun. 10am	Mary Pauley



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CHRISTMAS TREE RAFFLE

WIN A FULLY DECORATED CHRISTMAS TREE



TICKETS:

\$10 EACH/ 3 FOR \$25

DRAWING WILL BE HELD FOLLOWING THE HOLIDAY BAZAAR
11/20/2025

Please return money, ticket stubs and unsold tickets to the school by 11/22.
Money earned supports our BHS PTO and school. Winner need not be present to win!

Weekly Offering November 9

Offertory \$14,883
Parish Property \$307
Birthright \$25

October Income/Expense
Income \$81,550
Expense \$115,754
Income over (under) Ex-
penditure (34,204)

Visit the church website and Facebook page to keep up to date on church events.

Sunday Bulletins are also published on the website stcolumbanchurch.com

MARCH FOR LIFE FUNDRAISER

Dutch Apple Pie pick up will be at Hy-Vee, **Friday, November 21st from 4pm-6pm and Saturday, November 22nd from 11am-1pm.**



SCHOOL NEWS

Congratulations to our Middle School girls' basketball team for getting **first place** in the Tri-County Tournament, and to our **boys** for placing **third**. The teams that participated were Grundy County, Plattsburg, Pattonsburg, Tri-County of Jamesport, North Mercer, Winston, Bishop Hogan, and Gilman City. Our last games are at the opposing team's schools: **Hamilton Middle School on Monday, November 17; St. Joseph Catholic Schools Coop on Wednesday, Nov. 19, and Trenton Middle School on Tuesday, Dec. 2.**

Kudos to Mrs. Katharine Smith and the K-8th grade students on a well performed Veterans Day Program. Students sang several songs honoring the veterans, and Kale Walker did a great job playing Taps. Sergeant First Class Brandon Sachary from Brookfield was the guest speaker. **We are deeply grateful to the veterans for their courage, sacrifice, and their willingness to serve something greater than themselves!**

We want to extend a huge **'Thank you'** to those who helped our eighth graders out and prepurchase one of the **Dutch Apple Pies** that they will be making. We really appreciate it! Unbaked pies can be picked up on **Friday, Nov. 21 from 4:00-6:00 and Saturday, Nov. 22 from 11:00-1:00 pm.** If you still want one, we should have a few extras made up to sell at those times at Hy-Vee. If you aren't going to eat them right away, they can be frozen and baked later.

We hope you plan to attend the Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, November 22 from 10:00 am-3:00 pm. We have a good variety of vendors and PTO will have some delicious chili and chicken noodle soup and cinnamon rolls to enjoy! Plus you can buy raffle tickets for a beautifully decorated Christmas tree that could be yours!

May God continue to bless you and your family!
Pam Brobst, Principal