

SUNDAY BULLETIN NOVEMBER 9, 2025
THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

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

Tuesday, November 11 — St. Martin of Tours

7:30 AM - Larry Solomon+

Wednesday, November 12 — St. Josaphat

8:15 AM - Art Haynes Jr+

Thursday, November 13 — St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

7:30 AM - Dorothy Riley+

Friday, November 14 — Mass for the Grace of Happy Death

8:15 AM - Kim Atwell+

Saturday, November 15 — St. Albert the Great

No Morning Mass

5:00 PM - Roy Quinn+ (Sunday Vigil Mass)

Sunday, November 16 — Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM - Annie Fisher+

10:00 AM - People of the Parish

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Scripture Readings

Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12

I Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17

John 2:13-22

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 WATERS OF THE RIVER GLADDEN THE CITY OF GOD,
THE HOLY DWELLING OF THE MOST HIGH!**

THIS WEEK’S SAINTS

November 10: Pope St. Leo the Great

Leo is known as one of the best administrative popes of the ancient Church. His work branched into four main areas, indicative of his notion of the pope’s total responsibility for the flock of Christ. He worked at length to control the heresies of Pelagianism—overemphasizing human freedom—Manichaeism—seeing everything material as evil—and others, placing demands on their followers so as to secure true Christian beliefs.

A second major area of his concern was doctrinal controversy in the Church in the East, to which he responded with a classic letter setting down the Church’s teaching on the two natures of Christ. With strong faith, he also led the defense of Rome against barbarian attack, taking the role of peacemaker.

In these three areas, Leo’s work has been highly regarded. His growth to sainthood has its basis in the spiritual depth with which he approached the pastoral care of his people, which was the fourth focus of his work. He is known for his spiritually profound sermons. An instrument of the call to holiness, well-versed in Scripture and ecclesiastical awareness, Leo had the ability to reach the everyday needs and interests of his people.

It is said of Leo that his true significance rests in his doctrinal insistence on the mysteries of Christ and the Church and in the supernatural charisms of the spiritual life given to humanity in Christ and in his Body, the Church. Thus Leo held firmly that everything he did and said as pope for the administration of the Church represented Christ, the head of the Mystical Body, and Saint Peter, in whose place Leo acted.

November 11: St. Martin of Tours

Born of pagan parents in what is now Hungary, and raised in Italy, this son of a veteran was forced at the age of 15 to serve in the army. Martin became a Christian catechumen and was baptized when he was 18. It was said that he lived more like a monk than a soldier. At 23, he refused a war bonus and told his commander: “I have served you as a soldier; now let me serve Christ. Give the bounty to those who are going to fight. But I am a soldier of Christ and it is not lawful for me to fight.” After great difficulties, he was discharged and went to be a disciple of Hilary of Poitiers.

He was ordained an exorcist and worked with great zeal against the Arians. Martin became a monk, living first at Milan and later on a small island. When Hilary was restored to his see following his exile, Martin returned to France and established what may have been the first French monastery near Poitiers. He lived there for 10 years, forming his disciples and preaching throughout the countryside.

The people of Tours demanded that he become their bishop. Martin was drawn to that city by a ruse—the need of a sick person—and was brought to the church, where he reluctantly allowed himself to be consecrated bishop. As death approached, Martin’s followers begged him not to leave them. He prayed, “Lord, if your people still need me, I do not refuse the work. Your will be done.”

November 12: St. Josaphat

In 1595, the Orthodox bishop of Brest-Litovsk in present-day Belarus and five other bishops representing millions of Ruthenians, sought reunion with Rome. John Kunsevich—who took the name Josaphat in religious life—was to dedicate his life, and die for the same cause. Born in what is now Ukraine, he went to work in Wilno and was influenced by clergy adhering to the 1596 Union of Brest. He became a Basilian monk, then a priest, and soon was well known as a preacher and an ascetic. At a relatively young age, upon becoming both bishop of Vitebsk and archbishop of Polotsk, Josaphat faced a difficult situation. Most monks, fearing interference in liturgy and customs, did not want union with Rome. By synods, catechetical instruction, reform of the clergy, and personal example, however, Josaphat was successful in winning the greater part of the Orthodox in that area to the union.

But the next year a dissident hierarchy was set up, and his opposite number spread the accusation that Josaphat had “gone Latin” and that all his people would have to do the same. He was not enthusiastically supported by the Latin bishops of Poland. Despite warnings, he went to Vitebsk, still a hotbed of trouble. Attempts were made to foment trouble and drive him from the diocese: A priest was sent to shout insults to him from his own courtyard. When Josaphat had him removed and shut up in his house, the opposition rang the town hall bell, and a mob assembled. The priest was released, but members of the mob broke into the bishop’s home. Josaphat was struck with a halberd, then shot, and his body thrown into the river. It was later recovered and is now buried in St. Peter’s Basilica in Rome. He was the first saint of the Eastern Church to be canonized by Rome.

November 13: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini

Frances Xavier Cabrini was the first United States citizen to be canonized. Her deep trust in the loving care of her God gave her the strength to be a valiant woman doing the work of Christ. Refused admission to the religious order which had educated her to be a teacher, she began charitable work at the House of Providence Orphanage in Cadogno, Italy. In September 1877, she made her vows there and took the religious habit.

When the bishop closed the orphanage in 1880, he named Frances prioress of the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart. Seven young women from the orphanage joined her. Since her early childhood in Italy, Frances had wanted to be a missionary in China but, at the urging of Pope Leo XIII, Frances went west instead of east. She traveled with six sisters to New York City to work with the thousands of Italian immigrants living there. In 35 years, Frances Xavier Cabrini founded 67 institutions dedicated to caring for the poor, the abandoned, the uneducated and the sick. Seeing great need among Italian immigrants who were losing their faith, she organized schools and adult education classes. As a child, she was always frightened of water, unable to overcome her fear of drowning. Yet, despite this fear, she traveled across the Atlantic Ocean more than 30 times. She died of malaria in her own Columbus Hospital in Chicago.

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KNIGHT RESPONSIBILITIES NOVEMBER 15-16		
Mass Time	Position	Knight(s)
Sat. 5pm	Acolyte 1 Acolyte 2	Shay Johnson Jackson Reeter
Sun. 8am	Acolyte 1 Acolyte 2	David Lentz Joseph Lentz
Sun. 10am	M.C. Thurifer Acolyte 1 Acolyte 2 Cross Bearer Torch Torch	Evan Randolph A.J. Warren Cameron Williams Oliver Perry Anderson Marcolla Harry Goad Grady Allen

LECTOR SCHEDULE NOVEMBER 16	
Mass Time	Lector
Sun. 8am	Steven Palmer
Sun. 10am	Brenda Fellhoelter



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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knight's Hall renovation is coming along nicely. We have someone doing sheetrock work now. Thanks to all who have donated, we have over \$21,000 to date. If you've been waiting to donate, now is the time. Any amount will be appreciated. Thanks again.

Weekly Offering November 2

Offertory \$15,605
Parish Property \$108
Birthright \$267

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

ST. LEO BUILDING DEDICATION

On Monday, November 10 (the feast day of St. Leo), at 2:50pm, we will solemnly dedicate the 1913 school building under St. Leo's patronage as well as bless the new stained glass window. All are welcome to attend.

MOBILE MEALS

Church Women United is very important locally as it is the sponsoring organization for Mobile Meals. If you could volunteer to deliver meals or would like information on receiving meals in your home, please call Marcia Moss, Mobile Meals Coordinator at 402-239-8470. The program is **BE KIND AT ALL TIMES. BRING A FRIEND**

Church Women United
World Community Day
Nov. 7, 2025, 9:30 AM
United Methodist Church
1414 Walnut St.
Chillicothe, MO

SCHOOL NEWS

Our last 2 home ballgames for the Middle School **basketball teams** will be played on Monday, Nov. 10 against Winston and Tuesday, Nov. 11 against Pleasant View. Monday is our **Eighth Grade Recognition Night**, for 8th grade basketball players. They are Ethan Anderson, son of Chris and Stephanie Anderson, Thatcher Rardon, son of Blake and Amber Rardon, and Sam and Charlotte Brobst, son and daughter of Ryan and Stephanie Brobst. On Tuesday, our 8th graders will be hosting their **Blue and Gold Night**, which is a fundraiser for March for Life. They will have some fun contests for the students to participate in at halftime and between the games.

Kudos to Mrs. Katharine Smith, our music director, for organizing a wonderful Veterans Day Program on Friday! The students worked hard to learn the songs and prepare for this special event. We were truly honored to welcome and recognize the Veterans in attendance and to express our heartfelt gratitude for their courage, dedication, and many sacrifices made in service to our country.

On Monday, November 10 at 2:50pm, Father Koster will lead a **dedication ceremony for the St. Leo Building**. The beautiful stained glass with the image of St. Leo I, also known as 'St. Leo the Great', was installed on Friday, October 31, above the main entrance of the building.

May God bless you abundantly,
Pam Brobst, Principal

POTLUCK SUNDAY

It's that time again.....3rd Sunday! Please come young or old and join us for some shared home-made favorite dishes. Gym will be open and kids can play. Meet right after 10:00 o'clock Mass over in the cafeteria on November 16th. Mark your calendars for December 21st and January 18th. We always have new people.

BIRTHRIGHT

Birthright of Chillicothe, an organization dedicated to helping area women who are facing an unplanned pregnancy, is looking for volunteers.

- Free training is provided.
- Work one afternoon or evening each month.
- Making a difference in the lives of babies and their families.

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