



# Howard County Catholics

Sts. Peter & Paul | St. Anthony | St. Joseph  
November 10, 2024

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### **Daily Mass Schedule:**

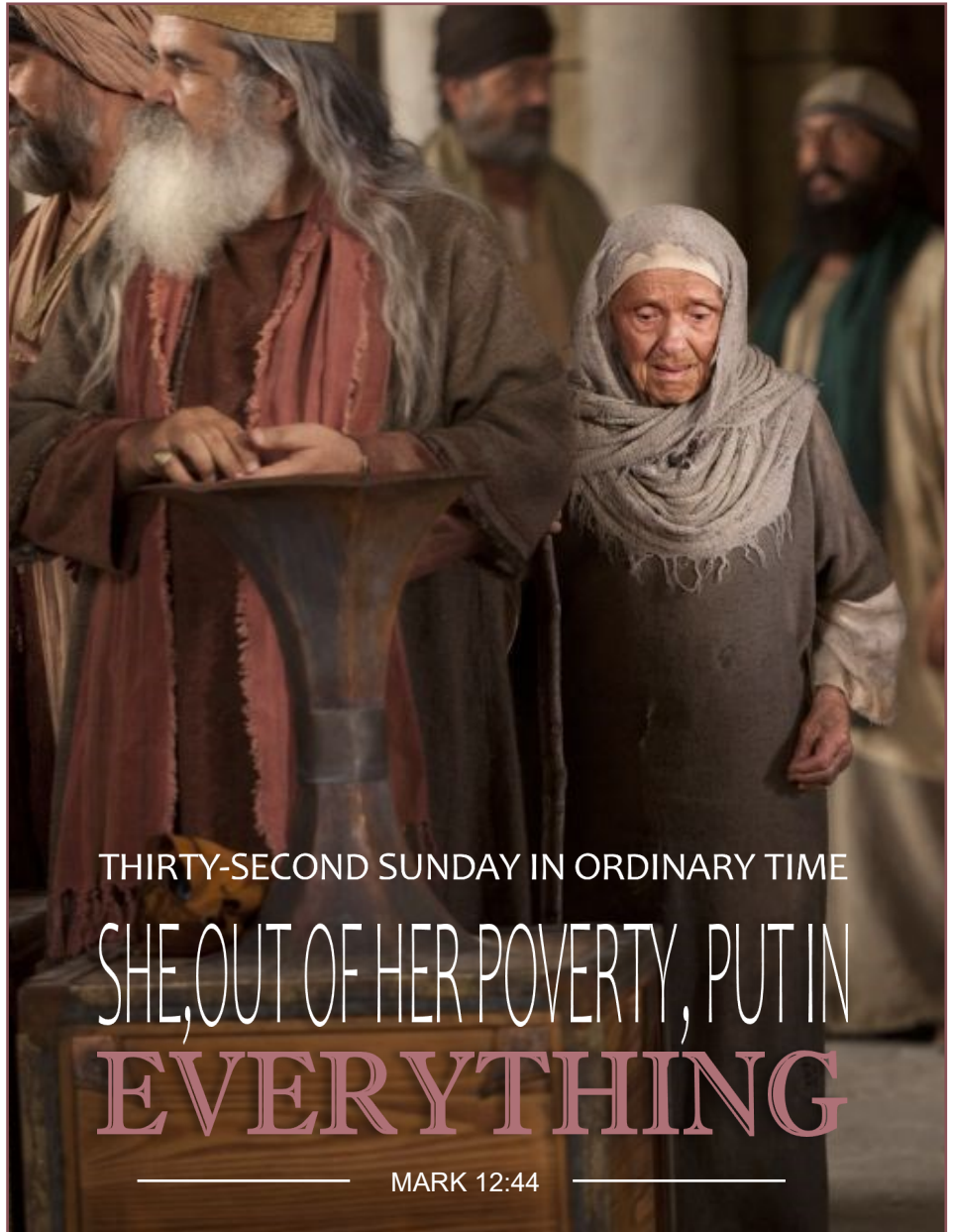
Tuesday-Thursday 8:30am SPP  
Friday 9:00am -  
at Matelyn/Brookfield

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturdays at 4:30pm or  
by appointment

### **Sacrament of Baptism**

Please call the Parish Office  
(308) 754-4002



THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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**EVERYTHING**

MARK 12:44



**Sts. Peter & Paul**  
713 Elm Street  
St. Paul, NE 68873  
(308)754-4002

Saturday Mass 5:00PM  
Sunday Mass 8AM & 10AM

**St. Anthony**  
103 Kerns Avenue  
Farwell, NE 68838  
(308)336-3351

MASS 1ST SATURDAY OF  
EACH MONTH 7:00PM

**St. Joseph**  
1803 Highway 11  
Elba, NE 68835  
(308)336-3351

MASS 3RD SATURDAY OF  
EACH MONTH 6:30PM

## The Thirty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

### NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

During the time of Jesus, there was a lot of pressure to fit in with the dominant cultures of the Romans and the Greeks. These cultures influenced many aspects of daily life, including language, customs, and beliefs. It was challenging for the Jews to maintain their identity and faith amidst these pressures.

The scribes stood out by holding on to their Jewish traditions and symbols. They did not give in to the surrounding culture, and this made them popular among their fellow Jews. Their resistance was seen as brave, earning them honor and respect.

However, we must question their motives. Did they resist because of true faith, or were they seeking honor and prestige? Their actions seemed more about gaining approval from others rather than genuinely serving God.

In our lives today, we also face pressures to conform to societal norms and values that may not align with our faith. Like the scribes, we might sometimes be tempted to act in ways that earn us praise and acceptance. We need to examine our motives and ensure that our actions come from a place of genuine faith and devotion to God.

The example of the scribes teaches us to be mindful of why we do what we do. Are we living our faith to please God, or are we seeking recognition from others? True faith is about sincere devotion and trust in God, not about gaining honor or prestige.

Reflections for consideration:

- Do we sometimes seek honor and praise for our faith actions?
- How can we practice true humility in our faith?
- What does the widow's trust in God teach us?

### Liturgical Ministry Directors

Deacon Neil & Julie Baquet  
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### Tri-Parish Media

#### Facebook:

St. Anthony Catholic Church of Padua/Farwell  
St. Joseph Catholic Church

Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church

#### My Parish App:

Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church

### Prayer Chain Contacts

St. Paul - Dianne Rice (308-571-0039)

St. Paul - Ann Rief (308-380-0619)

Farwell - Michelle Woitalewicz

& Thereasa Nealon (308-336-3349)

Elba - Betty Poss (308-750-0512)



### Directors of Religious Education

Mrs. Becky Knox - Preschool to 4th  
rebecca.knox@spwildcat.org

Mrs. Judi Baker - 5th to 11th grade  
office@howardcountycatholics.com

### Youth Religious Ed. Classes

Preschool - 4th Grades:  
Sundays 9:00am - 10:00am  
(Preschool/K also offered at alt. times)

5th - 11th Grades:  
Wednesdays 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Classes held at  
Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Life Center

## Ministry Schedule

### NOVEMBER 16TH & 17TH

#### SATURDAY 5:00PM MASS

S: Michael Happ / Sestaks / Julie Baquet

GREET: Chris & Terri Townsend /  
Mike & Cassandra Knapp

LECTOR: Sarah Townsend

EM: Frank & Mary Stepanek

SERVE: Jamie Stepanek / Peyton Reilly

#### SUNDAY 8:00AM MASS

SACRISTAN: Ken Vincik

GREET: Dan & Carrie Vech Family

LECTOR: Mike Thede

EM: Mike & Jean Thede / Anna Thede

SERVE: Hallie Bauder / Reed Coufal /  
Joe Thede

#### SUNDAY 10:00AM MASS

S: Russ Kosmicki / Neil Baquet

GREET: 2nd Grade Religious Ed. Class

LECTOR: Monte Brouillette

EM: Tami Reilly / Tara Sjuts / Nikki Bader/  
Kerry Townsend / Heather Valasek

SERVE: Jace Valasek / Lauryn Brandt/  
Tyler Brandt

## This Week's Schedule

### Monday, November 11

No Daily Mass

Women's Holy Hour 7pm (SPP)

### Tuesday, November 12

Daily Mass 8:30am (SPP)

Intention: †Ann Costello, †Ernest & Delores

Ziola By Marty & LaDonna Costello

Young at Heart Luncheon 12pm (PLC)

Knights of Columbus Meeting 7pm (NW Room)

### Wednesday, November 13

Daily Mass 8:30am (SPP)

Intention: †Bill Gregoski Sr.

By Kathy Carson

CCW Meeting 6pm (PLC Conference Room)

Religious Ed. 5th-11th 7pm (PLC)

RCIA Class 7pm (PLC Conference Room)

### Thursday, November 14

Daily Mass 8:30am (SPP)

Intention: †John McIntyre

By Dan, Barbara, & Tom McIntyre

### Friday, November 15

Daily Mass 9:00am (Matelyn)

Intention: †Matthew Parsons

By Kathleen Roehl

### Saturday, November 16

Reconciliation 4:30pm (SPP)

Weekend Mass 5:00pm (SPP)

Intention: †Steve Welch

By Buzz Welch

Weekend Mass 6:30pm (SJ)

Intention: †Anthony Dush

By Alan & Tina Dush

### Sunday, November 17

Weekend Mass 8:00am (SPP)

Intention: People of the Parishes

Religious Ed. Pre-4th 9am (PLC Classrooms)

Weekend Mass 10:00am (SPP)

Intention: †Dan Gorecki

By P.J. & Theresa Wood

Looking forward to Thanksgiving Mass!



Saturday, Nov.16 – 6:30pm  
at St. Joseph

Tuesday, Nov.26 – 6:30pm  
at Sts. Peter & Paul

Wed., Nov.27 – 6:30pm  
at St. Anthony





Great job by our students helping with our FOOD DRIVE for the Food Pantry! Pictured is our Confirmation Class who organized all that was collected.



UNITED IN HOLY MATRIMONY  
*Tanner & Jessie*  
 Wernsman  
 2 NOVEMBER 2024

*So very*  
**THANKFUL**

Thank you to our CCW and the Catholic Daughters for their generous donation of \$1000.00 each to pay for the new tables in the parish hall! Much appreciated!!

**PANS & DISHES**

**PLEASE GET YOURS FROM THE PARISH HALL KITCHEN!**  
 Thank you for donating desserts & salads ... please grab your bowls & pans from the kitchen.

Finance Corner

Sunday Collections & OSV Online Giving

**November 1 - 3, 2024**

<b>The Lord's Portion Farwell &amp; Elba</b>	
St. Anthony Church	\$2187.00
St. Joseph (Bazaar \$20)	\$240.00
<b>The Lord's Portion Sts. Peter &amp; Paul</b>	
Actual General Fund	\$4950.82
OSV On-Line General Fund	\$803.00
Parish Life Center	\$190.00
Maintenance	\$20.00
Restoring Our Father's House	\$3895.00

**November 2024 Totals**

Monthly Budget	\$20000.00
Actual General Fund	\$4950.82
Online General Fund	\$803.00
Surplus (Deficit)	<b>\$14247.18</b>

*Thank you for your continued support!*

**Tri-Parish Events & News**

**HALOWEEN CANDY**

Thank you for the candy donations! Much appreciated ~ Religious Ed.

**FOOD DRIVE**

Thank you for your generosity as our students went door to door! Items for the Food Pantry may also be brought to the back of Church as this is our month to support the needs of our communities.

**HURRICANE RELIEF**

\$958.00 was collected and sent on to our Diocese. They collectively sent all Parish donations to Catholic Charities USA to aid in disaster relief.

Eternal Life

*In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Karen Killion, mother of Glen Killion & sister of Judy Rose. Liturgy of the Word Services were November 7, 2024 at Peter's Funeral Home. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord.*

**2025 CALENDARS**

Our Parish Catholic Extension 2025 Calendars are now available in the back of Church. Please join us in thanking our sponsor, Peter's Funeral Home, for their generous support!

**VETERANS DAY LUNCHEON**

Soup & Sandwich Luncheon Nov. 11th, 11am - 1pm SPP Parish Life Center, Serving a variety of soups, sandwiches, & dessert! Free Will donation, all are Welcome. Sponsored by Catholic Daughters Sacred Heart Court #2015

Eternal Life

*In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Donald Smydra, of Boelus, who passed away on November 2, 2024. Mass of Christian Burial was November 9, 2024 at Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.*

**Area Events & News**

**SCHOOL BENEFIT SUPPER**

Friday, Nov. 15, 5:30-8:00pm Soups, Bread, Pie & Homemade Ice Cream First Baptist Church Gym Dannebrog Free Will - Dannebrog Amish School

**ST. MICHAEL'S FALL AUCTION**

Sunday, Nov. 17, Mass 11am, Roast Beef Dinner 11:30-1pm, Live Auction at 1pm, Silent Baskets, Candy Auction, & Bake Sale. Please join us!

**CATHOLIC FOUNDATION**

*Informative meeting, not a fundraiser Thursday, November 14, 6:30pm Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Hall, St. Paul About an hour: \*creating customized giving plan, \*Long term benefits, \*Giving strategies, \* Impact stories from around NE RSVP to Greg Fisher 308-382-6565 Dessert & refreshments provided.*

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