

Howard County Catholics

Sts. Peter & Paul | St. Anthony | St. Joseph October 27, 2024

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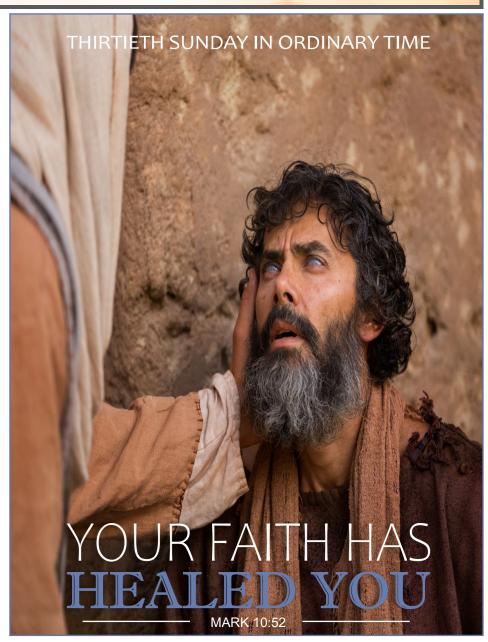
Tuesday-Thursday 8:30am SPP Friday 9:00am at Matelyn/Brookfield

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays at 4:30pm or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism Please call the Parish Office (308) 754-4002





Sts. Peter & Paul 713 Elm Street St. Paul, NE 68873 (308)754-4002 Saturday Mass 5:00PM Sunday Mass 8AM & 10AM St. Anthony
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MASS 1ST SATURDAY OF
EACH MONTH 7:00PM

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Prayer Chain Contacts

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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 2ND & 3RD

SATURDAY 5:00PM MASS

S: Michael Happ / Sestaks / Julie Baquet

GREET: Leo & Gina Haggerty Family

LECTOR: Meagan Dubas EM: Larry & Jeanne Haap

SERVE: Paislee Call / Verah Paulsen /

Claire Dubas

SUNDAY 8:00AM MASS

SACRISTAN: Ken Vincik

GREET: Kirk & Crissy Bader / Clint &

Wanda Nilson **LECTOR:** Al Wemhoff

EM: Carol Vincik / Mark Verlev

SERVE: Reed Coufal / Emily Schenck

SUNDAY 10:00AM MASS

S: Russ Kosmicki / Neil Baquet

GREET: 4th Grade Class **LECTOR:** Morgan Meyer

EM: Todd Peters / Kevin Brandt / Matt &

Ann Rief

SERVE: Ike Gawrych / Jace Valasek

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The Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

OCTOBER 27, 2024

NOTE FROM OUR PASTOR

In a few short days, Tuesday November 5, 2024, is national Election Day in the US. Pundits are suggesting that this year, citizens are experiencing some of the highest levels ever of voter anxiety. People watch from around the world; even Pope Francis has weighed in on our country's election choices.

The country seems deeply divided along party lines and hot-button issues, and most people agree that the communications between candidates has not been very healthy. The platforms and proposed policies of each candidate are murky and difficult to clarify through the fog of rhetoric.

At times when we might be flummoxed about who to vote for, or anxious about what might happen if one or the other candidate wins the election, God does

First, He reminds us that He, the maker of heaven and earth, is still the ultimate Lord (ruler) over our country and all nations of the earth, regardless of who is elected or holds office. Secondly, in Romans 13, we are reminded that earthly leaders are still accountable to Him, and He does work for the common good through them, even if it seems to run contrary to our ideas. We trust in Him.

We could cite countless examples of national leaders who have failed to acknowledge God or listen to Him and heed His will, but God is STILL the ultimate Lord. God establishes and authorizes each office, and works through even bad leaders toward the goals of the office toward His ultimate will.

While earthly leaders are accountable to God, so are we as citizens. In a democracy, it is part of our Christian walk to fulfill our civic duties, becoming informed about issues and speaking up / speaking out, voting for leaders but following whomever is elected, honoring and praying for them, and becoming engaged in civic causes for the common good.

We are called to explore the issues, carefully examine the proposals, evaluate the rhetoric, and earnestly become involved in our citizenship role within our democracy.

We can have peace because we trust God to guide and bless the outcome. We know that the vote is just the beginning of a time of prayerful and respectful support of whomever the collective citizens of our country elect. And to put forward our invested effort toward a common good.

May God bless us in His loving care and give us HIS PEACE in HIS PROMISE to remain the ultimate Lord.

In His service among you,

This Week's Schedule

Monday, October 28

No Daily Mass

Women's Holy Hour 7pm (SPP)

Tuesday, October 29

No Daily Mass

Communion Service 8:30am (SPP)

Wednesday, October 30

No Daily Mass

Communion Service 8:30am (SPP)

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

RCIA Class 7pm (PLC Conference Room)

Thursday, October 31

All Saints' Day Vigil Mass 5:30pm (SPP)

Intention: †Tony Boysen By Tom & Pat Knutson

Friday, November 1 (Parish Office Closed)

All Saints' Day Mass 7:00am

Intention: Dedic Family By Kathy Lewandowski

All Saints' Day Mass 12:05pm

Intention: †John McIntyre

By Dan, Barb, & Tom McIntyre

Saturday, November 2 - All Souls' Day

Wernsman & Valasek Wedding 1:30pm (SPP)

Reconciliation 4:30pm (SPP)

Weekend Mass 5:00pm (SPP)

Intention: †Eldon Geiger By Pat Geiger

Weekend Mass 7:00pm (SA)

Intention: †Wysocki Family

By Kathy Carson

Sunday, November 3

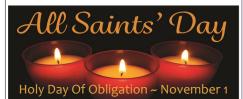
Weekend Mass 8:00am (SPP)

Intention: People of the Parishes

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

Weekend Mass 10:00am (SPP)

Intention: †William & †Venice Woitalewicz By Family



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Our Parish Bazaar was a great success!

We had a delicious dinner, a wonderful crowd, & our super Catholic Community all helping make it possible!!! TOTAL NET PROFFIT = \$15,626.22

The Lucky Winners:

Quilt by SPP Quilters ~ Barb Sack Afghan by Pat Kuchta ~ Carol Vincik 1/4 Beef by Kirk Bader ~ Emily Gregoski \$300 by CCW/CD/Knights ~ Jim Bogus \$100 by Carpet Plus ~ Cindy Peters \$100 by St. Paul Vet Clinic ~ Wyatt Bader \$100 by River Junction ~ Kennadi Dickes \$100 by Reilly Ag ~ Tim Scheer \$100 by Al & Angie Brennan ~ Glen Killion \$100 by Peter's ~ Neal Hahn \$100 by Teresa's Floral ~ Ted Rother

Thank you to Sandi Mudloff, Charlene Potter, Amy Christensen, & Beth Svoboda for organizing the event! Special thanks to our CCW & all the Committee Chair-persons! Many thanks to all that helped behind the scenes, in the dining area, & in the classrooms! Thank you to all that donated for the raffle too! We are abundantly blessed!

Tri-Parish Events & News

OCTOBER - MONTH OF THE ROSARY

Join us Monday - Thursday 9am SPP

HURRICANE DISASTER RELIEF

Donations collected will be sent to our Diocese, then collectively to Catholic Charities USA as they are actively working in affected areas. You may also donate directly on-line at https://catholiccharitiesusa.org/

FOOD DRIVE

Wednesday, November 6th, 7-8pm Religious Ed. students will be going door to door in St. Paul collecting non-perishable food items for the Howard/Greeley County Food Pantry Please leave your light on for us!

Mark your Calendar

Knights of Columbus - November 12th, 7pm at SPP PLC NW Classroom Young at Heart Luncheon -November 12th, Noon at SPP Parish Life Center. Bring a dish to share CCW Meeting - November 13th, 6pm SPP Parish Life Center

ADORATION

Due to the All Saints' Holy Day, we will have Adoration on the second Friday of this month - November 8th, from 10am to 5pm at Sts. Peter & Paul Church. Please help fill up the hours on the sign up sheet.

FATHER JIM SCHKO

Celebrating Mass with us November 2nd & 3rd. Retreat: 60 Minutes for Jesus -Sunday to Tuesday, Nov. 3rd - 5th, 7:00pm at SPP Church.

HALOWEEN CANDY

Religious Ed. gladly accepts extra!

Eternal Life

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Lavern Miller, of St. Paul, who passed away October 13, 2024. Memorial Services were October 18, 2024 at Peter's Funeral Home. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.

Area Events & News

ST. LIBORY PARISH SOUP SUPPER

Sunday, November 3rd, 2024
Soup being served 3:00pm-5:30pm
Homemade Turkey Noodle Soup,
Chili Soup, Pie, & More! Free will
donation. Activities start at 2pm
with Bingo, Country Store,
Cake Walk, & Raffle.

PRAYERS FOR ELECTION

by Bishop Hanefeldt at Cathedral Sunday, November 3, 2024 7-8pm Holy Hour for the election & our Nation: the Exposition of the Holy Eucharist, recitation of the Rosary, and quiet time for prayer and Benediction. Everyone is invited to attend & pray for renewal of our culture in our State & our Nation.

Celebrating ALL SAINTS' DAY & ALL SOULS' DAY

The month of November is the traditional season for Catholics to prayerfully remember all those who have gone before us 'marked by the sign of faith'.

The Solemnity of All Saints, November 1, remembers all those who have lived the life of faith with integrity and are now one with the Lord in heaven.

The following day, November 2, we celebrate All Souls Day. This day of prayer for the dead provides the opportunity for us to surround our beloved dead with our prayers, alms, deeds, and especially Eucharistic celebration, as we companion them on their journey to the Father.

Our **Book of Remembrance**, in which you can commemorate your dearly departed, will be in the back of Church during the month of November.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

<u>Finance</u> Corner

Sunday Collections & OSV Online Giving
October 20, 2024

The Lord's Portion Farwell & Elba

St. Anthony \$372.00 St. Joseph Church \$469.00

The Lord's Portion Sts. Peter & Paul

Actual General Fund \$2807.00
OSV On-Line General Fund \$1867.00
Parish Life Center \$300.00
Maintenance \$60.00
Restoring Our Father's House \$865.00

October 2024 Totals

Monthly Budget \$20000.00
Actual General Fund \$9107.00
Online General Fund \$3734.00
Surplus (Deficit) \$7159.00

Thank you for your continued support!









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