SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2015 THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 11:00 AM—Mass (Barb Hanna)
- 12:00 PM—Fair Trade Sale
- 12:00 PM—Altar & Rosary Lasagna and Mac & Cheese Luncheon

Monday, November 9 THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10 Weekday; (31); Saint Martin de Porres, Religious

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

Saint Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church

- 9:00 AM—Communion Service, followed by coffee.
- 6:30 PM—K-8 Faith Formation
- 6:30 PM—High School

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12

6:30 PM—Knights of Columbus Dinner & Meeting

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

Saturday, November 14



"Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.' Mark 13:31

Weekday SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 15 THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 11:00 AM—Mass (Liz Duich).
- 12:00 PM—Fair Trade Sale



Starting today after mass and continuing through November, the social action Committee will be conducting a Fair Trade market. There will be items for you to buy as gifts or for your personal use. There will be jewelry, decorative items, baskets, chimes, candle-holders, chocolate and coffee (we hope—the coffee was back-ordered but should be here soon.)

- Fair trade recognizes the DIGNITY OF THE WORK of artisans and farmers and ensures that they earn fair wages.
- Fair trade producers CARE FOR GOD'S CREATION by treating the environment with respect.
- When you purchase fair trade products, you are standing in SOLIDARITY with the poor and

vulnerable.

"There is no worse material poverty than the poverty which prevents people from earning their bread and deprives them of the dignity of work.' —Pope Francis



SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK

Monday

Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12 Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9

1 Cor 3:9c-11 Jn 2:13-22

Tuesday:

Rom 12:5-16b

Ps 34:2-3, 16-19

Lk 17:7-10

Wednesday

A poor widow also

came and put in two

cents.

Mark 12:42

small coins worth a few

Wis 6:1-11

Ps 82:3-4. 6-7

Lk 17:17:11-19

Thursday

Wis 7:22b—8:1

Ps 119:89-91, 130, 135, 175

Lk 17:20-25

Friday

Wis 13:1-9 Ps 19:2-5b

Lk 17:26-37

Saturday

Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9 Ps 105: 2-3, 36-37, 42-43

Lk 18:1-8

Sunday

Dn 12:1-3

Ps 16:5, 8-11

Heb 10:11-14, 18

Mk 13:24-32

SOME DATES TO NOTE

Nov. 12—Knights of Columbus Dinner and Meeting

Nov. 17—Social Action Committee Meeting

Nov. 19—Finance Council Meeting



ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

Everyone's help is needed We have pledges for \$14,615.00

Our Goal is \$17.840.00 We are 82% of the Way to Our Goal

Thank you to all who have pledged. You are very generous as

always. Those who have not yet had a chance to pledge, please do so soon.





LASAGNA AND MAC&CHEESE LUNCH IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING MASS TODAY, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8 FREE WILL OFFERING

PREPARED BY THE ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY



Give and it shall be given to you, good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over... Thank you for your gifts.

Collection	\$4,844.50
(\$1,568.00 auto-giving)	,
Food Pantry	\$194.6
Campaign for Human Development	
Faith Formation Reg. Fees	\$1,025.00



From the Deacon's Desk

Of Medal of Honor Winners and Saints by Sister Mary Ann Walsh

Military heroes move me. At Baltimore–Washington International Airport I've cried. Once it was when I stood with others at attention as a fallen hero in a flagdraped coffin was carried to his final flight home. Another time was when I met veterans in red teeshirts and blue baseball caps in wheelchairs, in town to visit the World War II memorial. Heroes came to mind most recently when I learned that five military chaplains since the Civil War awarded the Medal of Honor were Catholic priests.

One of them, Fr. Emil Kapaun, an Army chaplain from Kansas, died as a prisoner of war in Korea. Another, Fr. Vincent Capodanno, a Maryknoll priest from Staten Island, New York, died when, despite his own war injuries, he tended injured Marines during battle in Vietnam. The Navy named the USS Capodanno after him. The Church has named both "Servants of God," a step toward becoming an officially recognized saint. That's achievement on two fronts.

The three other Medal of Honor winners have dramatic stories too. Fr. Joseph O'Callahan, a Jesuit priest and Navy chaplain in World War II, ministered to injured sailors on a ship hit by two bombs. He worked to jettison bombs close to exploding and led a group on a dangerous mission to water down other ammunition hot enough to explode. The Navy named the USS O'Callahan after him.

Fr. Charles J. Watters, from New Jersey, served in Vietnam. He rescued wounded men at the Battle of Dak To. He ran through intense gunfire to help wounded soldiers. He carried one man to safety. Once though, injured himself, he moved about war zone to apply bandages and give food and water to other wounded. He died in the worst "friendly-fire" incident in Vietnam when he and 41 others were hit by shrapnel when a 500-pound bomb dropped by a Marine fighter hit a tree over the US command post.

Fr. Angelo Liteky, who later changed his first name to "Charles," won his medal for carrying 20 wounded soldiers to safety during intense fighting on a search and destroy mission in Vietnam. Afterward, he became a peace activist, left the priesthood in 1975, and renounced his medal in 1986. It's on display at the National Museum of American History

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This week, Wednesday, November 11, is Veteran's Day. Let us remember with gratitude all veterans who gave so much that we might be free and keep them in our prayers. Let us especially remember and pray for those who gave their life or were seriously injured. We pray also for their families that they may find peace and comfort and that we as a country will take good care of them. God bless them all.

God's abundant blessings Dc. Joe

Annual Winter Coat Drive

The Social Action Committee will be collecting coast for until Sunday, November 15. We will see if any of the coast can be used by the Riverview Center in Prairie City. What ever they don't want will go to St. Mary's Center in Des Moines. If you have coats that you no longer need, please bring them to the church.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

Thursday, October 12 Dinner at 6:30, meeting at 7:00

Sign-up sheet in the Gathering Space.

Altar & Rosary Society News

The A&R is conducting their annual fall supply drive. A list of needed items can be found in the gathering space. However, paper towels, toilet paper, paper cups (please no Styrofoam), and general cleaning products are always needed.



FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Regular class from 6:30 to 7:30 this week.. Parents of First Communion candidates (second grade) will meet on Wednesday, Dec. 2, at 6:30 PM.



Youth Ministry News

The high school you will gather on Wednesday evening, November 11, at 6:30. All high school youth are urged to attend.

ALTAR & ROSARY SOCIETY MEETING SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 9:30 AM PARISH HALL (CHURCH BASEMENT)

Thank you!!

Thank you to the Altar & Rosary Society members who worked so hard last week to clean and organized the storage areas in the lower level of the church and gathering space. They look great. Your efforts are appreciated.

A Stewardship Moment Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus points out to his disciples the poor widow who has just dropped two simple copper coins into the temple treasury. He then delivers a teaching on stewardship. Despite her poverty, the poor widow in today's Gospel does not refuse God her generosity. Out of her desperately impoverished life she contributes to an earthly institution to give God glory and praise. It is not the monetary value of the gift that was important, but the love, trust and gratitude expressed through the gift. The Gospel asks us similarly compelling stewardship questions: What do we value? In what or whom do we place our trust? How do our own contributions to our community of faith reflect our generosity toward God?



Coffee and Donuts

Thank you to the Bob and Joyce Brown and Francis and Luann Millburn for hosting coffee and donuts this last week. If you would like to host the donuts and coffee in the future, please let Dc. Joe know.

Liturgical Ministers Schedule Ministers: November 8, 2015—11:00 AM

Lectors: Nancy Hopkins & Laurie Moffitt

Eucharistic Ministers: Susan Heggen & Elizabeth Birkenholtz

Altar Servers: Irma Bell & Brooke Dross

Greeters: Bob & Joyce Brown

Ministers: November 15, 2015—11:00 AM

Lectors: Phil Webb & Lisa Bussan Eucharistic Ministers: Claire Williams &

Sharon Jones

Altar Servers: Meta Hill & Taylor Shepley

Greeters: Wood Family



Pray for God's Peace and Joy

Please pray for:

Al Schendel

Greg Ernst, nephew of Rita Krueger

Kendra Jackson (sister-in-law of Lilita Woody)

Susan Hildebrandt, sister of Sarah Hildebrand-Evans

Gladys (Linda Barnum's aunt)

Julia Jorensen, niece of Mary May

Wes and Donna Koebrick (parents of Linda Barnum)

Jeannette Weldon, mother of Irma Bell

JoAnn Besler, sister of Karen Van Dusseldorp

Michael John Nelson, cousin of Mike Wood, nephew of Diane Wood

James and Edward cousins of Janette Baldwin and Claire Gillan

For our parish and our faith formation program. For all who have died and for vocations.



Prayers for Our Deacon Candidates and for our Seminarians

It is important that we keep our deacon candidates and our seminarians in our prayers as well as all who are discerning a call to the priesthood or diaconate. In the gathering space, you will find a brochure concerning prayer for our deacon candidates as well as for our semenarians. Please take them and add them to your daily prayers.

If any man in our parish is considering the diaconate, please see Dc. Joe soon. Even if it is only a slight possibility, you and Dc. Joe can talk about it to help you discern. If you are interested in the diaconate, preparation in order to enter the next class (which begins in two years) should start soon.

Prayer for Vocations

Compassionate God, You speak your word to us through prophets of long ago and you continue to reveal your message of love today. With great expectation we look to your Spirit empowering us to serve you as Jesus did.

May we listen for your word and respond generously to your call. Renew in us the grace of our baptism. Strengthen married couples, single men and women, deacons, priests, sisters, and brothers as they seek to serve you by sharing their love and compassion.

Grant wisdom to those who are discerning their call. With gratitude we proclaim the Good News of Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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THE LORD'S LAUGHTER

"The One whose throne is in heaven sits laughing." Psalm 2:4

More Label Instructions

In case you needed further proof that the human race is doomed through stupidity, here are some actual label instructions on consumer goods:

- On Nytol Sleep Aid: "Warning: May cause drowsiness." (and...I'm taking this because???....)
- On most brands of Christmas lights: "For indoor or outdoor use only." (as opposed to...what)?
- On a Japanese food processor: "Not to be used for the other use." (now, somebody out there, help me on this. I'm a bit curious.)
- On Sunsbury's peanuts: "Warning: contains nuts." (talk about a news flash)
- On an American Airlines packet of nuts: "Instructions: Open packet, eat nuts." (Step 3: maybe, uh...fly Delta?)
- On a child's superman costume: "Wearing of this garment does not enable you to fly." (I don't blame the company. I blame the parents for this one.)

SAINT OF THE WEEK FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI 1850–1917

Memorial—November 13

In 1946, Mother Cabrini was the first US citizen to be canonized; she is the universal patron of immigrants. She was born in Italy,

the youngest of 13 children, and became a schoolteacher. Denied admission to two religious orders because of frail health, she was given charge of an orphanage in Codogno. In 1880, she founded the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart with seven of her former orphans. The order spread rapidly from northern Italy to Rome, and then in 1889 to New York City, where Mother Cabrini became famous for her work among Italian immigrants. Before dying of malaria in Chicago, she had opened schools, orphanages, and hospitals around the United States, South America, and Europe.



PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

To report child abuse contact: Iowa Department of Human Services Child Abuse Hotline: 800-362-2178 and if it involves clergy or church personnel also notify Alicia Owens, the Victim Assistance Coordinator, 563-349-5002; vac@diodav.org or PO Box 232, Bettendorf, IA 52722-0004.

Wounded by Abortion? Project Rachel Can Help:

Project Rachel understands the emotional pain that follows an abortion. Please call the Helpline: 563-333-4107 or 1-888-456—HOPE. Calls are answered personally and confidentially Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Voice messaging is available all other times. Calls will be returned promptly and directly.