

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Over the course of my time here as pastor, I have mentioned Vatican II many times in homilies, columns, and conversations. But what exactly is Vatican II? Vatican II was a council of the church convened by Pope St. John XXIII in 1959 with the goal of renewing Catholic life and uniting all Christians. The bishops met in Saint Peter's Basilica for two months during the autumn over the course of 4 years beginning October 11, 1962 and ending December 8, 1965. On average there were 2200 bishops from 116 countries that met. The council lasted for 38 months, although the bishops met for only 8 of them. Over the other 30 months much of the actual work was completed by sub-committees made up of bishops and theological experts. Over 70 schemas (draft documents) were prepared for consideration by the bishops.

Throughout the four years the council produced 16 documents. The documents present a coherent unit and offer a vision for the church. That vision was intended to reevaluate, renew, and reform contemporary Catholic life for the sake of the effectiveness of the mission of the Church. In a sense, the bishops sought to rebalance various dimensions of doctrine and church life that had become unbalanced over the years.

The council authoritatively promulgated these documents to be normatively constitutional for the Catholic Church. In other words we are not free to simply disregard them. *Father Rick*

PARISH NEWS



We would like to add **David LeMeur** and **Eligio Bevacqua** to The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed list for All Souls Day in our bulletin last weekend. Please keep David and Eligio and all those names written in our Book of Remembrance in your prayers.

PIZZA NIGHT: Join us November 16 after the 5:30 Mass for homemade pizza, salad, dessert, beer, wine and soft drinks. It's sure to be a wonderful evening of fun, food and fellowship. Cost of the dinner is a donation. Sign-up sheets are at the church doors or call the parish office. We will also be taking donations for **Diapers and Such Ministries**, run by our neighbors at Trinity Episcopal. They are in need of size 5 and 6 diapers, Pull-Ups-any size, wipes and toilet tissue. Thank you in advance for your generosity. Come and enjoy this fun night!

SCRIP IS HERE! Your everyday purchases can help support St. Joseph School. Starting your Christmas shopping early? Stop by the Scrip table after Mass or the parish office during the week to purchase gift cards to your favorite stores.

Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments-Homeless Youth and Protecting Youth: We Consider our homes to be safe places for our children, but 1.7 million US youth experience homelessness every year. 50,000 youth sleep on the streets for six months or more each year. One of the main causes of youth homelessness is family instability, which includes child abuse and/or neglect, domestic violence, parental substance abuse and family conflict. The website of the National Child Traumatic Stress Network (www.ncmec.org) offers information on a range of child safety topics. **To see what the Diocese of Erie is doing to help maintain safe environments, visit <https://www.eriecd.org/childprotection/>**



MINI NCYC! CCY NOVEMBER 17TH—5-12th GRADES

We will gather on November 17th from 4-5:30pm at Holy Redeemer Church for a fun night of faith and fellowship, a guest speaker, games, music, and adoration to celebrate all the fun of NCYC for those of you who can't make it to Indianapolis with us.

MULTI-GENERATIONAL WELCOMING ADVENT EVENT

All ages are invited, November 17th from 9:20-10:30am in the T-K Room at Holy Redeemer Church as we prepare for the Advent season. Activities will include construction of an Advent Wreath and Family Prayer Box, decorating cookies and enjoying fellowship with our church community. Coffee, donuts and pastries will be provided.



CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS FOR THE NEEDY

Beginning Thanksgiving Day through December 20th, St. Joseph will again help the Salvation Army by collecting food and delivering to over 100 of our county's neediest families for Christmas. The food and supplies will be packed on Friday evening, December 20th and delivered on Saturday morning, December 21st. We would appreciate donations of nonperishable food, cleaning, and paper products. Please leave your donations on the altar steps. **Please do NOT bring in turkeys – we have no space to store them.** Monetary donations are also useful to purchase turkeys, fresh foods locally and from Erie's Second Harvest Food Bank. Please designate on the envelope or check (made out to St. Joseph Church) that the money is for **Christmas Food for the Needy** and the money will be deposited correctly. Please place your envelopes in collection baskets during Mass or leave in the parish office or mail to the church address. Your contributions and prayers make a real difference to those in need. Thank you for your faithful support.

Work Bee: Do you have a few hours to spare on Friday November 15? If you do, we are looking for people to help clean the "grotto" areas of St. Joseph and the Sacred Heart before the Advent season. Duties include washing the globes and dusting the surrounding area. If you are interested, please call the parish office. Cleaning will begin at 1:30pm.

#iGiveCatholic December 3rd: As part of the Erie Diocese, St. Joseph School will be participating in this national day of online giving. Known as "Giving Tuesday". Simply go to erie.igivecatholic.org and search for St. Joseph School. Once found, you'll be able to view the school's profile page and make a donation. The advanced giving period is November 18-December 3 if you'd like to get a head start with your gift. No computer? No worry, envelopes will be available at the church office and in the pews. What better way to thank God for His continued blessings than to give back to our community? Thank you!



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LITURGY INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, 11/10	Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am	(St Luke) For the Living & Deceased Members of St Joseph Parish
10:45am	Mark Rouche by Beth
Monday, 11/11	Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop
12:00pm	(St Luke) No Mass today
Tuesday, 11/12	Saint Josephat, Bishop & Martyr
12:05pm	No Mass today
Wednesday, 11/13	Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin
9:05am	Mark Still by Mom & Family
Thursday, 11/14	Weekday
12:05pm	Frank Chiodo Sr by Family
Friday, 11/15	Saint Albert the Great, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
8:00am	Patrick J Sheehan & Mary L Sheehan by Family
Saturday, 11/16	Saint Margaret of Scotland, Saint Gertrude, Virgin
5:30pm	For the Living & Deceased Members of St Joseph Parish
Sunday, 11/17	Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am	(St Luke)
10:45am	Anthony Mozick by Mike & Lisa Lewis

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULES

	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Extraordinary Ministers</u>	<u>Altar Servers</u>
11/16		*D Geiger, J Anderson,	M Alexander
5:30pm	R Williams	*P Bailey, G & P Peck,	N Alexander
		*J Caumban-Lim, Volunteer	T Abplanalp
11/17		S Mineweaser, M Skerda	Joey Mack
8:00am	Janet Mack		
10:45am	Students	J Rickert, C Feaster, T Siliano,	E Dippold
		J Hausmann, A Kirkpatrick,	K Dippold
		M Kirkpatrick, D Pusateri	L Dippold

11/13 Rouse Home—Deacon Phil Skerda & Carol Knapp
 11/17 Mass Ushers—Becky & Bob Pangallo

New EMHC's: Linda Davis, Andrea Shene, Deanna Beyer and Carrie Pearson have recently been trained as Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion. We thank you for helping to nourish our parish community. And thank you Carmen Bevacqua for the instruction and time you provide our EMHC.

WEEKLY SANCTUARY CANDLES IN MEMORY OF *Gordon Albaugh by Laura & Family*



In your charity please pray for the soul of **Helen Yarzabek**, aunt of **Mary Sowa** who passed away this week. We extend our sympathy to her family and friends and ask God's love and strength to bring them peace and consolation.

St. Joseph Parish Weekly Offering—November 2nd & 3rd

Saint Joseph Church Weekly Offering - \$7168.50
All Saints /All Souls Days Offering—\$1884.75
Saint Luke Church Weekly Offering - \$1044.00
All Saints/All Souls Days Offering—\$295.00

Thank you for your continued weekly support of our Parish!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday	Wisdom 1:1-7; Gospel Luke 17:1-6
Tuesday	Wisdom 2:23—3:9; Gospel Luke 17:7-10
Wednesday	Wisdom 6:1-11; Gospel Luke 17:11-19
Thursday	Wisdom 7:22b—8:1; Gospel Luke 17:20-25
Friday	Wisdom 13:1-9; Gospel Luke 17:26-37
Saturday	Wisdom 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Gospel Luke 18:1-8
Sunday	Malachi 3:19-20a; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Gospel Luke 21:5-19

SPECIAL EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday, November 10	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am	(St Luke) Mass
10:45am	Mass
	Liturgy of the Word for Children—DOG
Monday, November 11—No School—Thank You to All Veterans!	
12:00pm	(St Luke) No Mass—Fr Rick is away
Tuesday, November 12—No School	
	Confirmation Retreat at Wesley Woods
10:30am	Bible Study (St Luke Church)
12:05pm	No Mass—Fr Rick is away
4:30pm	Soup Kitchen
6:00pm	Lion, Tiger, Bear Cub Scouts (Loranger Hall)
Wednesday, November 13	
9:05am	Mass (School Mass)
10:30am	Faith Share (Meyer Hall)
6:00pm	Webelo/ Arrow of Light Cub Scouts (Loranger Hall)
Thursday, November 14	
10:15am	Wild Goose Bible Study (Meyer Hall)
12:05pm	Mass
12:30pm	Eucharistic Adoration (Mothers Chapel)
6:30pm	PTU Meeting
7:15pm	Evening Prayer
Friday, November 15	
8:00am	Mass
1:30pm	Cleaning of the Shrines in the Church
Saturday, November 16—Parish Pizza Party	
4:30-5:15pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:30pm	Mass
	Pizza Party following Mass in the Gym
Sunday, November 17	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00am	(St Luke) Mass
9:15am	EDGE @ Holy Redeemer Church
	CREW @ St Joseph Church (Meyer Hall)
9:20am	Welcoming Advent Event @ Holy Redeemer Church
9:45am	Sonrise Choir Rehearsal in the Church
10:45am	Mass—Youth Mass—Sonrise Choir will sing
	Liturgy of the Word for Children—DOG
	Coffee & Donuts after Mass in the Cafeteria
11:45am	Baptism of Everleigh Faith Alex
3:00pm	Wolf Cub Scouts (Loranger Hall)
4:00-5:30pm	CCY 5th—12th Gr—Mini NCYC @ Holy Redeemer

Thank you to our Veterans and those currently serving in the Military and their Families! God Bless!