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FROM THE PASTOR

Another question from “Pizza with Padre”: “Some churches in our diocese are using kneelers to allow people to kneel while receiving communion. Is this something St. Joseph [and St. Paul] would consider? First, let me start with what the norm is for the United States as laid out in the General Instruction of the Roman Missal (aka GIRM), “When receiving Holy Communion, the communicant bows his or her head before the Sacrament as a gesture of reverence and receives the Body of the Lord from the minister. The consecrated host may be received either on the tongue or in the hand, at the discretion of each communicant. When Holy Communion is received under both kinds, the sign of reverence is also made before receiving the Precious Blood.” (160) It is because of this paragraph that I was taught in seminary that we are to instruct people not to kneel while receiving communion. However, the instructions from Redemptionis Sacramentum paragraph 91 states, “it is not licit to deny Holy Communion to any of Christ’s faithful solely on the grounds, for example, that the person wishes to receive the Eucharist kneeling or standing.” It is also in paragraph 90 of this same instruction that gives the power to the Conference of Bishops in each country to determine the custom of receiving Holy Communion, ““The faithful should receive Communion kneeling or standing, as the Conference of Bishops will have determined, with its acts having received the recognitio of the Apostolic See.” Thus, I have absolutely no problem with anyone who chooses to receive Holy Communion in one of three ways, 1) standing in the hand, 2) standing on the tongue, 3) kneeling on the tongue. As far as putting kneelers out to make it easier to do so, it is more of an aesthetics thing for me. It looks weird to me having kneelers in the middle of the main aisle in front of the sanctuary. I’m not saying other pastors are wrong for doing this, but at this point, putting out kneelers is not something I want to do currently. It is a personal preference thing, not necessarily liturgical.

Oakley Musicians Abroad students are selling Poinsettias. They are offering 3 different colors red, red glitter, and white for \$37 each. If you are interested, please contact Nolin Kuhlman, Brooke Smith, or Kenna Selzer. **NOTE – These do not replace the normal poinsettias for the parish.**

YOUNG ADULT NIGHT – November 19th at 6:30pm. Over the last few months I have been seeing more and more young adults/couples show up to church, which is fantastic! To help foster community amongst this group, I will be hosting a Young Adult Night. Food and games will be provided. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP to Fr. Luke by November 12th. Hope to see you there!

ST. JOSEPH NEWS

St. Joseph Pizza Hut Fundraiser will be held on Monday, November 20th. 2nd grade parents will deliver.

If you have not done the new parishioners data form that was done during Mass, last weekend, please either pick up a hard copy at the entrance of the church or complete it online. (if it does not have a ministry list in the form, you’re doing the wrong one).

ST. PAUL NEWS

The **Angelus K of C** will have a **Trap shoot** on Sunday, November 19th at 12pm.

At the beginning of Advent, I will put out signup sheets with lists of tasks to be done for clearing out the church on Wednesday, December 27th. Some things that will be generally needed are clean pickup beds to haul to the K of C Hall, basic power tools, a couple ladders, boxes, and carpet remnants to put between the faux organ pipes while they are being stored in the garage.

Thank you to the men who helped clean out the bell tower last Saturday. I was amazed to hear the number that showed up to help and how quickly the clean-up was finished. In case people don’t know, over 100 buckets of “stuff” were taken out of the bell tower. Thank you again for your hard work and generosity.

Capital Campaign Update: \$638K pledged and \$315K in the bank. Thank you for your continued support!!!!


**“His Mercy Endures Forever”
 Tune into Divine Mercy Radio’s fall care-a-thon
 Nov. 28 – Dec. 1.**

Tuesday, November 28 at 8 am – Fr. Fred Gatschet & 10 am – Angie Gaede

Thursday, November 30 at 7 am – Bill Meagher, 9 am – Fr. Gale Hammerschmidt
 10 am – Fr. Brian Lager, 12 pm – Fr. Rich Daise, and 5 pm – Carolyn Meyer

Friday, December 1 at 10 am – Bishop Gerald Vincke, 12 pm – Fr. Joshua Werth
 4 pm – Scott and Clare Stramel

Full schedule at dvmercy.com. For trivia and pledges call 785.621.4110. Listen on radio, computer, phone app or Alexa. Live on Rumble, Facebook and YouTube.



Our Tithes from Last Week
 Oakley: \$3249.00 Angelus: \$486.00

DAILY SCHEDULE

Sat	18 – 5pm Mass - Parishioners
Sun	19 – 8am Mass (Angelus) + Leon Fellhoelter 10:30am + Mildred Kuhlman 12pm Angelus Trapshoot 6:30pm Young Adult Night at the rectory
Mon	20 – No Mass
Tues	21 – 8:30am Mass + Rita Schwarz 9:30am Bible Study
Wed	22 – 7:30am Mass (Angelus) + Bernard Huelsman NO CCD
Thur	23 – 8am Mass (Angelus) + Stella Krannawitter 9:30am + Peggy Muehlenkamp
Fri	24 – 7am Mass + Linda Zerr
Sat	25 – 5pm Mass + Weber/Moorhous Families
Sun	26 – 8am Mass (Angelus) + Maggie Redetzke 10:30am - Parishioners

Confessions 30 minutes before Weekend Masses, by appointment, or if indicated on the schedule.

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Saturday Nov 25 th 5 pm	Servers	Volunteers	Sunday Nov 26 th 10:30 am	Servers	Ava G, Alexander B & Ivan J.
	Lector	Tom Halbleib		Lector	Brad Joseph
	Gifts	Bob & Sherri Kuhlman		Gifts	Chris & Jessica Halbleib
	Hospitality	Bob & Sherri Kuhlman		Hospitality	Chris & Jessica Halbleib

Sunday, Nov 26 th 8 am	Servers	LaRynn Rumbak
	Lectors	Millie Baalman & Doug Robben
	EMHC	Bob Schwarz
	Gifts	Gary & Cheryl Ostmeyer
Hospitality	Lee Fellhoelter, Jim Fellhoelter, Jason F. & Steve F.	