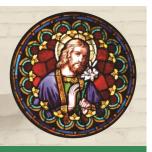
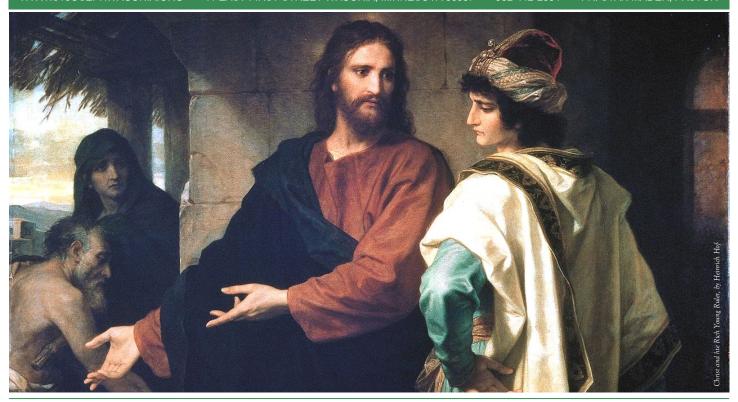
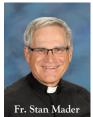
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We have some staff updates to share due to recent retirements and changes. As previously reported, Sandy Rosetter, our administrative assistant (and so much more) for the past 21 years, is retiring. Bonnie Delaney, who has served St. Joseph for 27 years most recently as an accountant and previously as a business administrator-is also retiring. We held a staff farewell for them this past Monday, and it was heartwarming to see some former pastors and staff in attendance. We plan to host an event for

parishioners to honor them after their departure; they will be with us for a few more weeks to help onboard new hires.

Last weekend, we introduced Sheila Wald as Sandy's successor. Sheila began her role this past Monday, diving into the various responsibilities that come with the position. We also welcomed Rachel Provence as our new accountant. Rachel is undergoing her onboarding process and is a graduate of St. Joseph School. Her parents, Dr. Cecil and Mary Provence, both of whom passed in 2021, were beloved members of our community. Rachel holds a degree in accounting and brings valuable experience to our team.

We are pleased to announce that Elizabeth Hoffmann will lead our music program. Elizabeth has professional experience in this area and previously filled in here for nearly a year about three years ago. She will continue her full-time role with The Catholic Cemeteries while coordinating music selections and

WELCOME!

A warm welcome for Rachael Provence!



Provence has joined our parish staff as our new Finance Manager as of October 7!

We are excited to

announce that Rachel

Over the next couple of weeks, Bonnie Delaney will

working closely with Rachael to help her become familiar with all aspects of our parish. Please join us in welcoming Rachel to our St. Joseph community!

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MASS TIMES

Mon: 6:30 pm | Tues, Wed, Fri: 8:15 am Sat: 5:15 pm | Sun: 8:30 am & 10:30 am

RECONCILIATION

Mon: 5:30 pm | Sat: 4:00 pm or by appointment

ADORATION

Mon-Tues & Thur:5:00-9:00 pm Wed: 5:00-10:00 pm

ROSARY

Half hour before every daily Mass Saturday - 4:45 pm Sunday - 8:00 am

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday | 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

New to the Parish? WELCOME! Contact Cheryl Salz 952-442-3712 csalz@stjosephwaconia.org

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(Fr. Stan's message continued...)

performers for our services. Elizabeth aims to rebuild the choir and introduce new initiatives, including:

- Adult Choir (ages teen and up): The choir will reconvene under a new format, rehearsing one evening a week and singing at rotating Masses once a month. This structure is designed to encourage greater participation with a less demanding commitment, allowing for better mastery of a variety of music. The choir will also perform at special Holy Days such as Christmas and Easter.
- Little Ringers (ages 3-10): This group will begin playing a song before the 10:30 am Mass once a month. Ringers will arrive 15 minutes early for a fun, informal experience with music. They will play two colored bells in response to flashcards shown by the director, making it an easy and engaging introduction to music for our youngest members.

Elizabeth is also seeking accompanists, cantors, and instrumentalists to join our music ministry. We know there are many talented musicians among us, and we invite you to participate!

In exciting news, Kevin Thomas Kenney, a priest of the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis, will be ordained as an auxiliary bishop on Monday, October 28. 2024, at 1:00 pm at the Cathedral. The public is invited to attend, and the ceremony will be live-streamed on the Archdiocese's Facebook page, as well as on the Cathedral's YouTube account and Metro Cable Channel 6.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Catholic Service Appeal over the past seven months. We have exceeded our goal and will receive a return as a result.

The annual financial report has been mailed and should arrive shortly. Thank you for another financially successful year!

Congratulations to the Knights of Columbus, who will be remembered particularly during the Saturday Evening Mass this weekend (October 12), the anniversary of Columbus' first landing in the New World. Our local council has earned the Star Council Award two years in a row, possibly making them the only council in Minnesota to achieve this honor. Men, we encourage you to join them!

Finally, we will be closing on the Peterson House (corner of Main and Pine) on October 15!

In Stan Mader

News & Events

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS

Cabrini Arivah Newlove; Child of Troy & Lyssa

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

The Book of Remembrance is available in the Narthex. You are invited to write in the names of your loved ones who passed away this past year. (If you have already added a name, you do not need to do so again.) Those whose names are written in the book will be remembered at our November Masses.

SMALL GROUPS

Interested in small groups? Would you like to start a new group? Learn more by

coming to a Small Group information session on Monday, October 21 from 7:00-8:00 pm in the Parish Center. Check the website for details on small groups currently offered.



WELCOME RETREAT

Are you thriving or surviving? Welcome is a parish renewal/retreat weekend that connects you closer to your faith and parish community. Save-the-Dates for the Men's overnight retreat weekend on February 22-23, 2025 and the Women's

overnight retreat weekend on March 1-2, 2025. Scan the OR Code or go to the parish website to learn more and register today!



MASS INTENTIONS

| MON | OCT 14 | 6:30 pm | Gordon & Alice Wickenhauser † | |
|-----|--------|----------|--|--|
| TUE | OCT 15 | 8:15 am | Living & Deceased Members of the John & Regina Pieper Family | |
| WED | OCT 16 | 8:15 am | Collective: | |
| | | | George Notermann † | |
| | | | Daniel Mangan † | |
| | | | Ron Dressel † | |
| THU | OCT 17 | | No Mass | |
| FRI | OCT 18 | 8:15 am | Deceased Members of the Hubert Giesen & Orville Schwalbe Families | |
| SAT | OCT 19 | 5:15 pm | Collective: | |
| | | | Tom & Annette Williams † | |
| | | | Marilyn E. Kelzer † | |
| | | | Mary Meyer † | |
| SUN | OCT 20 | 8:30 am | Collective: | |
| | | | Living & Deceased Members of the Fred & Anna Bauer Family | |
| | | | Georgiana Johnson † | |
| | | | Debra Vanderlinde † | |
| | | 10:30 am | St. Joseph Parishioners | |
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^{*} Indicates the family has requested to take up the Gifts.

PRAY

Please pray for the following:

Mia G, Joyce J, Shawn S, Julie W, Art W, Paul T, Joan H, Rene F, Jeff E, Chuck P, Nathan D, Stella W, Jeremy P, Marilynn P, Marilyn B, Diane V, Lori S, Rick S, Barbara S, Jake W, Theresa L, Sandy M, Brian N, Sarah R, and Ryan P.

And for St. Joseph loved ones in the Military:

Airman Riley M, Sergeant Ryan H, Sergeant Allyna S, PFC Dalton W, Sergeant Robin L, Staff Sergeant Weston H, Staff Sergeant Sean W, Tech Sergeant Michael S, Major Leah M, First Lieutenant Samuel M, Col. Mitch D, Lieutenant Commander Philip L, and SPC Justin S.

And for those in Law Enforcement:

Logan H, Adam M, Alex W, Andy F, Dennis F, Fred R, Tyler S, Eric W, Adam H, and Cory W.

And for those Discerning a Religious Vocation:

Seminarian: Mónico H.

THIS WEEK

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14

5:00-9:00 pm: Adoration (Chapel)

5:30 pm: Confession

6:00 pm: Parish Rosary (Church)

6:30 pm: Mass

7:15 pm: School Board Meeting (School Media Center)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15

7:45 am: Parish Rosary (Church)
8:15 am: Mass with the School
9:00 am: Scripture Study (Parish Center)
9:00 am - 9:00 pm: Adoration (Chapel)
6:00 pm: Bell Choir Rehearsal (Choir Loft)
7:00 pm: KC General Meeting (Parish Center)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16

7:00 am: Morning Prayer (Chapel)

8:15 am: Mass

5:00 - 10:00 pm: Adoration (Chapel)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17

No Mass | Fr. Stan's Day Off 4:00 pm: Holy Hour (Chapel) 5:00 - 9:00 pm: Adoration (Chapel)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

Parish Office Closed

7:45 am: Parish Rosary (Church)

8:15 am: Mass

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

4:00-5:00 pm: Confession 4:45 pm: Parish Rosary (Church)

5:15 pm: Mass

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

8:00 am: Parish Rosary (Church)

8:30 am: Mass 10:30 am: Mass

LOOKING AHEAD

| NOV 1 | All Saints' Day (Holy Day of Obligation) Mass at 8:15 am with the School & 7:00 pm | NOV 28 | Thanksgiving Mass at 9:00 am No Adoration Parish Office closed on Nov 28-29 |
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| NOV 1 | Rake for a Reason St. Joseph School Service Day | NOV 27 - DEC 1 | Thanksgiving Break St. Joseph School |
| NOV 2 | All Souls' Day Mass of Remembrance at 9:00 am | DEC 1 | First Sunday of Advent |
| NOV 23 | Turkey & Fixings Event | DEC 6 | Winter Wear Drive 8:00 am–7:00 pm in the Parish Center |

LET'S TALK about PRO-LIFE

Excerpts from the 2022 "Election Year Statement from the Catholic Bishops of Minnesota":

"The task of politics is to foster justice and the common good. Despite our many differences, pursuing justice is a cornerstone political value shared by almost all Americans. In Catholic social doctrine, working for justice requires establishing right relationships between persons, where each is given his or her due [...]

Pope Francis teaches, we cannot stay silent when nearly a million unborn lives are being cast aside in our country year after year through abortion [...] Right now in Minnesota, the situation is troubling: in spite of the fact that scientific inquiry has definitively determined that human life begins at conception, a woman can procure an abortion for almost any reason at any stage of pregnancy up till birth [...]

Fostering right relationships requires that we determine what we, as a society, owe the unborn child in the womb. At minimum, that is the right an innocent has to life, as well as the protection of the law from being killed. It also requires welcoming the child into the world."



Read the full statement by scanning the QR Code or go to www.archspm.org/electionstatement-from-the-catholic-bishops -of-minnesota/

TURKEY & FIXINGS

Help & Donations are Needed!



Help us provide everything needed to make a Thanksgiving Dinner for those who are in need this Thanksgiving. You can offer to help by giving of your time by signing up to volunteer at the event, and by providing donations for the Thanksgiving Dinners to be given away to those who sign up through Love, INC.

Donations will be received from October 14 - November 13. Please place food donations in the St. Joseph Outreach Bin under the sign for "Turkey & Fixings", or at Door 1 or Door 4 at St. Joseph Catholic STEM School. Here is a list of items that are requested:

- Box of Poultry Stuffing
- Box of Mashed Potatoes
- Turkey Gravy Packets
- Canned Green Beans
- Canned Corn
- Iellied Cranberries
- Boxed Dessert



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SCHOOL BOOK FAIR

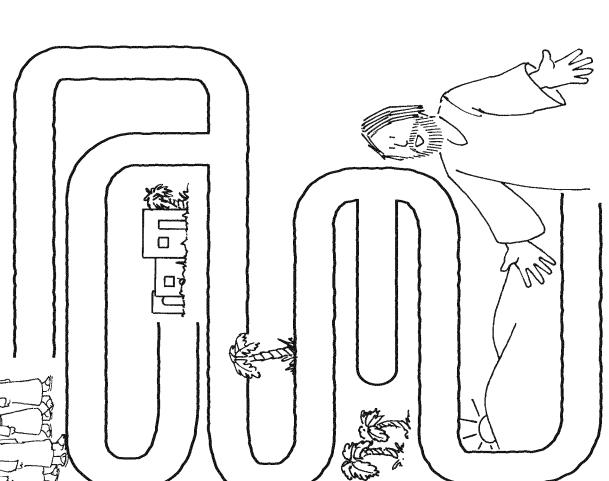
October 1-15, 2024

Support our school and get some great new reads at the same time! When you shop through our Book Fair, 25% of the proceeds will benefit St. Joseph Catholic School. The fair runs online from October 1-15. Don't miss this opportunity to stock up on books for your family and friends while supporting a great cause!







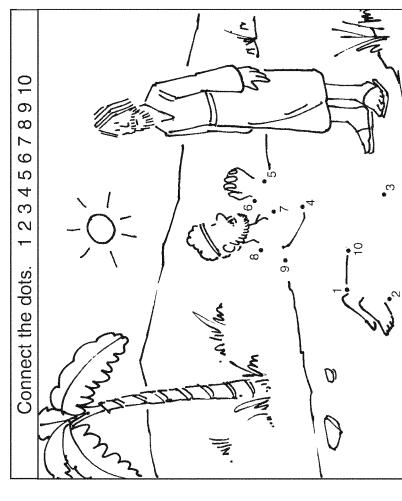


The Rich Young Man

October 13, 2024 • Mark 10:17-31

Ages 3+

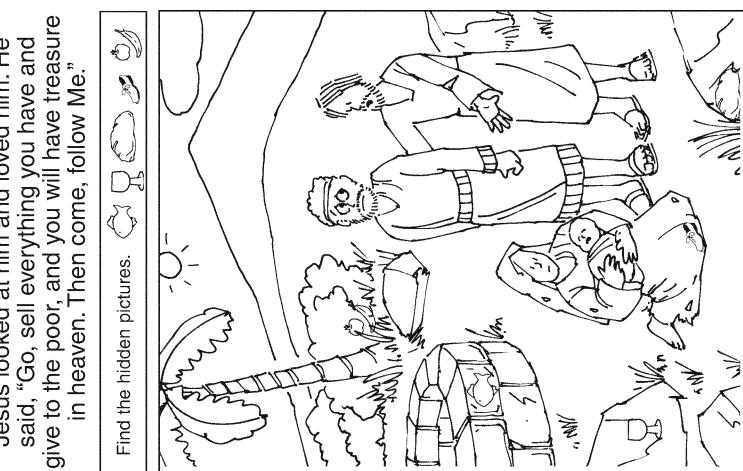
Him. "Good teacher," he asked, "what must a man ran up and fell on his knees before As Jesus started on His way, do to inherit eternal life?"





Jesus looked at him and loved him. He said, "Go, sell everything you have and

in heaven. Then come, follow Me."



Jesus said to His disciples, "How hard it is But all things are possible with God." to enter the kingdom of God!

