

Saint Philip Neri Church (Reed City) and Saint Anne Mission (Paris)

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Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time November 12, 2023

Sunday, November 12

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Wisdom 6:12-16; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18;
Matthew 25:1-13

Monday, November 13

St. Francis Xavier Cabrini

Wisdom 1:1-7; Luke 17:1-6

1:00 PM Al-anon

Tuesday, November 14

Wisdom 2:23-3:9; Luke 17:7-10

**1:00 PM -3:00 PM – Bible Study St. Philip Neri
Parish Room**

Wednesday, November 15

St. Albert the Great

Wisdom 6:1-11; Luke 17:11-19

**No Faith Formation
Office Closed**

Thursday, November 16

St. Margaret of Scotland, St. Gertrude

Wisdom 7:22b-8:1; Luke 17:20-25

Friday, November 17

St. Elizabeth of Hungary

Wisdom 13:1-9; Luke 17:26-37

**9:00 AM – Daily Mass –
Rectory**

†Tom and Margo Eichenberg - Anniversary

Saturday, November 18

The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul: St. Rose Philippine Duchesne

Wisdom 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Luke 18:1-8

3:00 PM Reconciliation at St. Philip Neri

4:00 PM Mass at St. Philip Neri

†Carl Taylor by Irene Taylor

Sunday, November 19

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31;

1 Thessalonians 5:1-6; Matthew 25:14-30

Turkeys

For those who have donated turkeys, please bring your frozen turkey(s) to **St. Philip Neri** between **9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Sunday, November 19**. Thank you to all you have donated towards the Thanksgiving Baskets this year. Another huge success. This would not have been possible without the generosity of our Parish.



Thank You

Thank you everyone that donated bake goods, purchased bake goods or helped with the bake sale. It was a huge success. The proceeds will help to purchase the additional items needed for the Thanksgiving baskets.

Community Outreach Opportunity

As Christmas approaches, we are reminded there are many who go without. Our Brothers' Keeper has a need for pillows for their residents. New "basic" pillows with handmade cases will be donated to Our Brothers' Keeper for Christmas. New pillow donation (in original wrapping) will be accepted through the end of November. All donations may be dropped off in the Pius room at St. Philip Neri or at the parish office during the week.

Thank you. Beth Hoeh

Annual Coat Drive

The Reed City Ministerial Association (RCAMA) 'Coat Drive' is going on. Please bring gently used coats, hats, mittens/gloves and boots to the donation box that is in the entryway of the church.

Gifts for Kids 2023

Osceola County Residents Only

Need Help with Gifts and Food during the Christmas Season?

All persons interested in registering for help during the Christmas Season must contact Salvation Army at 231-779-5205 or 231-253-1940.

Volunteers are available to take calls October 16 – December 1, 2023. Monday–Friday from 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM.

Event will be held on Saturday, December 9 at Evart Middle School. Prior registration is required.

Second Collection

There will be two collections next Saturday. First one is for your weekly contribution and the second one will be for Catholic Campaign for Human Development.

Faith Formation News

During the month of November, the readings often speak about the end times, the last days. The Gospel this weekend speaks about being prepared, for we do not the time or the hour when the Son of Man will come. As the days count down to the new liturgical year and we hear about the end times, I invite you reflect on the 4 last things: Death, Judgement, Heaven and Hell. I offer you the following from Archbishop Blair of Hartford Diocese.

“Death: For a human being with an immortal soul, death is not just a biological, physiological phenomenon dictated by the laws of nature. Death, the Catechism says, is the end of our earthly pilgrimage, during which God offered us his grace and mercy so that we can work out our earthly life in keeping with his divine plan and decide our ultimate destiny. Mortality should make us realize that we have only a limited time in which to respond to Christ’s call for us to “repent and believe.” For those who die in Christ’s grace, death is a participation in his death so that they can also share his resurrection.

Judgment: Some of the greatest art in the world, Michelangelo’s for example, in the Sistine Chapel, depicts the last judgement, which will be God’s triumph over the revolt of evil after the final cosmic upheaval of this passing world, But a the very moment of our individual deaths there comes what the Catechism calls “the eternal retribution” received by the soul of each us in accordance with our faith and works (or lack there-of); either entrance into the blessedness of heaven—immediately or through purification (purgatory)—or immediate and everlasting damnation in hell.

Heaven: Heaven means eternal life with God, a communion of life and love with the Most Holy Trinity and with all the saints. It is the great banquet spoken of in the New Testament Book of Revelation and anticipated at every Mass when the priest says: “Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb!” Pope Benedict once compared heaven to being plunged into an infinite ocean of eternal joy. And we remember the words of St. Paul: “Eye has not seen, or ear heard, what God has prepared for those who love Him.”

Hell: It is important to note with the Catechism that hell is a state of definitive self-exclusion from communion with God and the saints. It is the lot of those who refuse by their own free choice to turn away from sin and believe, even at the moment of their death. And lest we wonder “who would possibly self-exclude from God?” We have to remember that sin, adamantly chosen, can create a blindness and a hardness of heart such as Christ witnessed among those who rejected him even in the face of all his grace-filled words and astounding works. The devil is real and is always at work to deceive and to ensnare us with falsehood and evil. There are many challenges to sound teaching today, and forgetfulness of fundamental truths can lead to spiritual ruin. May we take to heart the “Four Last Things” as the Church presents them to us, for our salvation and the salvation of the world.” (Archbishop Leonard P. Blair, October 1st, 2022).

In hope, Beth Dake Director of Faith Formation

Knights of Columbus



Msgr. Victor Gallagher Council 1266

PASTY SALE RESULTS

The Knights wish to thank everyone who purchased pasties. Over 500 pasties (250+ boxes) were sold. Proceeds from the sale will be used to support the charitable programs and projects of our council and parish. A drawing for two gift certificates was held for those who purchased 3 or more boxes. The winners were Roberta St. Onge and Sandy Krugler. Each received a \$60 gift certificate to Ruby Tuesday.

Another pasty sale is being planned for next spring.

SCRAP METAL COLLECTION

Collection of scrap will pause for the winter on November 30th. Scrap metal collection will resume next spring.

The 2023 Giving Tree Project

You will find in the entrance of St. Philip Neri Church numerous tags available on the Giving Tree for you to take.

The intention is for a person to take a tag or as many tags as he or she wishes, purchase the item(s), and then bring it back unwrapped with the tag attached. **Please bring the gift(s) to St. Philip Neri no later than Wednesday, December 6.** These items will be distributed to those in need on December 9. Our parish works with the Skilled Care/Rehab Nursing Center of Spectrum Health—Reed City Campus and Gifts for Kids. *The tags for the Skilled Care/Rehab Nursing Center include items like large-size shower gel, large-size body lotion, slippers, diabetic socks, etc.* The Gifts for Kids section, for which we are responsible, is “Children Ages 4-7.” Since the children are only allowed one gift, please make this gift a value of \$25. **No clothing please.** When you bring your gift, take an ornament off the tree as a small token of appreciation. Persons interested in making a monetary donation to “GFK” may forward checks made payable to **GFK 2023:**

**Mecosta Osceola County DHHS
800 Watertower Road
Big Rapids, MI 49307**



Collection Report November 4, 2023

St. Philip Neri/St. Anne

Envelopes	(37)	\$1,930.00
Loose		\$234.00
		\$2,164.00
Wkly. Budget:		\$3,100.00
O/ (U) Budget:		(\$936.00)
YTD Budget:		\$58,900.00
YTD Total:		\$52,680.09
		(\$6,219.91)

Schedule of Ministers

November 18, 2023 4:00 PM

Eucharist:	Beth Hoeh
Eucharist:	Bob Shepler
Eucharist:	Cecile Slywka
Word:	Amy Shank
Hospitality:	Betty Yost
	Jerry Slywka
	Larry Wisniewski
	Jim Kaverman