



Veterans Day

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

A Grateful Nation Remembers.

November 8, 2020 † Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Those who were ready went into the wedding feast with him."

Dear Friends in Christ,

We are finishing this liturgical year. God gave us another parable to explain to us how we can enter his kingdom. A good question for us, are we prepared?

In our first reading, we heard, "she hastens to make herself known in anticipation of their desire;" the book of Wisdom is telling us how our salvation starts in our hearts. The desire to be with our Creator for eternity is our motivation. We need to be aware that we need to work hard and do whatever we need to do in order to be ready every day to face God. The book of Wisdom was written about fifty years before the coming of Christ. This book was written in Greek; its teachings are based on the earlier Old Testament writings' in-depth knowledge. When we read this book, we found that the author's primary purpose was the edification of his coreligionists in a time when they had experienced suffering and oppression. It was amazing for me to read that the first ten chapters of this book provide a background for the teaching of Jesus and some New Testament theology about Jesus. Our Catholic Church uses this book very often to help us to be prepared to follow the teaching of the New Testament.

In the second reading, we heard Saint Paul telling the Thessalonians how there will be the second coming of Jesus. According to the apostle, in this way, the people will be taken, "the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air." I am very sure that you think who are the dead in Christ? For Saint Paul focuses first on hope for the departed faithful in the love of God and his mercy. They knew the need for preparedness for those who must achieve their goal to be with Christ.

Jesus in the Gospel is telling us, very clear, elements that we need to be aware of to be ready to face our God. This parable tells us that we do not need to know the time or hour that he's coming. The ten virgins represent all Christians as we wait for Christ to return at the end of time in glory. But according to the parable, when he comes, he finds that half of them are unprepared. They are not evil, just rather lazy, shallow, and thoughtless. They had been hoping to freewheel into the feast, maybe relying on the good works of others to get them there.

This week, I would like to invite you to think about how are you preparing to enter heaven? To the mystical marriage, Jesus is inviting us to be united with Him to perfect love, which will be consummated forever in heaven. It's for us now to respond generously to this call to love him in the same way.

— Fr. Rubén Darío Muñoz Jiménez

Mission Statement

"We are a welcoming spiritual home that provides community and personal growth through liturgy, evangelization, the Word of God and a call to His service."

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Pastoral Staff

Pastor Rev. Rubén D. Muñoz
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Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
 9:30 am - 5:00 pm St. Joseph

Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Wednesday 11:00 am St. Raphael
 Thursday, Friday 11:00 am St. Joseph
 Saturday 4:30 pm St. Joseph
 Saturday 6:30 pm St. Raphael
 Sunday 9:00 am St. Raphael
 Sunday 11:00 am St. Joseph

Sacrament of Penance

By appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents interested in having their children baptized need to contact the pastor for further information.

Sacrament of Marriage

Those seeking this sacrament are required to contact the pastor at least six months in advance. Pre-marriage instructions are required.

Bulletin Deadline

Wednesday at Noon - 10 days prior to publication
 Send info to stjosephonekama@gmail.com,
 or drop off hard copy to the Parish Office.

Ministry Schedule

St. Joseph

Saturday, November 14, 4:30 pm

Lectors Pam Stokes
 Body of Christ Not needed at this time
 Precious Blood Not needed at this time
 Altar Servers Savina Anhalt
 Usher/Greeter Joel Lyman & Wanda Garcia
 COVID Cleaners **Volunteers Needed**

Sunday, November 15, 11:00 am

Lector Nan Kamaloski
 Body of Christ Not needed at this time
 Precious Blood Not needed at this time
 Altar Servers Landyn Kequom
 Usher/Greeter BJ Tooker & Joe Veverica

St. Raphael

Saturday, November 14, 6:30 pm

Lector Rex O'Connor
 Body of Christ Not needed at this time
 Precious Blood Not needed at this time
 Altar Servers Michael Schaub
 Usher/Greeter **4 Volunteers Needed**
 COVID Cleaners **Volunteers Needed**

Sunday, November 15, 9:00 am

Lector Carlina Breitner
 Body of Christ Not needed at this time
 Precious Blood Not needed at this time
 Altar Servers Pat Mullen
 User/Greeter **4 Volunteers Needed**

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, November 10th

10:00 am Holy Hour followed by 11:00 am Mass St. Raphael

Wednesday, November 11th

11:00 am Mass St. Raphael

Thursday, November 12th

10:00 am Holy Hour followed by 11:00 am Mass St. Joseph

Friday, November 13th

11:00 am Mass St. Joseph

Saturday, November 14th

4:30 pm Living and Deceased Parishioners St. Joseph

6:30 pm Living and Deceased Parishioners St. Raphael

Sunday, November 15th

8:00 am TV Mass for the Homebound Fox 32 (Cable Channel 3)

9:00 am †Henry & Mary Rose Leik (Philip Leik) St. Raphael

11:00 am †John & Michelle Nolan St. Joseph

Prayer Requests

Please pray for all service men and women who are serving our country.

Sgt. Gabe Caldwell, Army
 SSgt Hannah Janicki Davis, USAF
 SSgt Kyle R. Davis, USAF
 Mark J. Debano, Jr., OD LT, MSC,
 USN
 2 Lt. Daniel J. Debano, Engineer,
 MIARNG
 Sgt. Chris DeVoll, Army
 Spc. Renada DeVoll, Army
 Charles Draeger, USAF Special Unit,
 MIARNG
 2nd Lt. Connor Fitzpatrick, Army
 Olivia Fouchey, USAF
 Jay Long, Air Force

Mike Meyers, Air Force
 Adam O'Neill, Army
 Capt. Courtney Pierce, RN, Army
 Capt. Karina Pierce, Army
 Sgt. Benjamin Pingel, Navy
 Adam Schuessler, Army, USAF
 Austin Soller, Navy
 Sgt. Dylan Somsel, Army
 Trevor Tomkinson, Marine
 Capt. Kent Turner, Army
 Yeoman John Tucker, CG
 Yeoman Sarah Tucker, CG
 Daniel Tanner, Navy

Please remember in your prayers all the homebound, those who are in the Medical Care, adult foster care homes, and those who are ill including:

Chris Appicelli
 June Bartlett
 David Bassey
 Janice Berben
 Ann Bialik
 Dianna Bialik
 Kyleigh Borah
 Ned Brown
 Anna Charlich
 Brian Chinavare
 Jack Chinavare
 Mark Dagnall
 Dennis Daldine
 Karen Daldine
 Martha Dirksen
 Blake Elmer
 Frank English
 Mary Evans
 Ken Franken
 Don Gurn

Pat Gurn
 William Hogarth
 Addy Hollifield
 Tammy Holmes
 Bruce Howell
 Stephen Kuczynski
 Joyce LaFleur
 Ryan LaHaie
 Tony & Judy Lavecchia
 Marilyn & William Lotz
 George Macko
 John David Martuch
 Tammy May
 Julie Miller
 Kelly Miller
 Olivia Miller
 Dale Moody
 Gino Nacco
 Nielsen Family
 James Oliver

Judy Pendencygraft
 Becky Petersen
 Reed Family
 Nancy Satal
 Kelli Sattler
 Bob Saul
 Chad Schualer
 Chris Schulz
 Paul Sedlar
 Susie Silvey
 Richard Smith
 Sue Snyder
 Linda Stark
 Mary Steen
 Ronald Stokes
 Jack Sysko
 Kay Thompson
 Tom Wasco

Spiritual Guidance Resources

We would like to offer you some resources for daily prayer, live streaming of adoration, Mass, reflections, and more.

Please check our parish websites frequently as new information will be posted as it becomes available.

Ascension Press - <https://ascensionpress.com/pages/spiritual-guidance>

EWTN - <https://www.ewtn.com/> (Available for TV viewing in most areas)

Diocese of Gaylord - [Remote Viewing | Listening of Mass](#)

Online Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration - <https://virtualadoration.home.blog/>

Download **myParish App** on your mobile devices (Apple and Android) for additional resources. Both St. Joseph and St. Raphael Parishes are combined under St. Joseph Catholic Church in Onekama.

Stewardship By the Book - "The greatest among you will be the one who serves the rest," Jesus says in today's Gospel. What wonderful good news for those who give their time in service to others!

Vocation View - "Credibility" becomes a household word, not because there is so much of it, but because there is such a lack of it. The Church also needs people who not only practice what they preach, but can also preach what they practice.

Family Perspective-by Bud Ozar- The bridesmaids in today's gospel were considered "foolish" because they let their lamps go out. Don't be foolish. Pay attention to the small acts necessary to keep the flame alive in all your relationships.

Protecting our Children - Diocese Promise to protect; pledge to heal - In an effort to protect all children and to promote healing, the Diocese of Gaylord encourages victims of child abuse or neglect to report the matter. In fact, many professionals are required by Michigan State law to report suspected abuse or neglect of a child or minor. Individuals should contact their local office of the Department of Human Services. If an allegation involves sexual misconduct of a minor by clergy or any employee of the Diocese of Gaylord, even if it is in the past, individuals may also contact Larry LaCross at (989) 705-9010.

Ushers, Greeters, and COVID Team Ministers

The ministers for each Mass at both churches and a brief explanation of any changes to that ministry are as follows:

Sacristans, Gift Bearers, Cantors, and Eucharistic Ministers are not needed at this time.

Altar Server (1) – Light candles, carry Cross, tray, ring bells

Lector (1) – Lector will read both readings and intercessions. The Lector will not walk in the procession with the priest. Lector is to remove their mask while reading from ambo.

Ushers/Greeters (4-5) – Ushers **MUST** wear gloves and masks while actively serving. Duties include opening doors, taking temperatures, seating assistance, providing guidance during communion and dismissing the congregation at the end of Mass. This is an essential ministry!

COVID-19 Ministry Team (4-6 on **Saturday only**) – Team members **MUST** wear gloves and masks that will be provided. They are responsible to spray down all touched surfaces after Mass.

If after reading through the above expectations for each ministry, and you feel the Holy Spirit nudging you to volunteer, please contact the church office, or call Chris Sattler at 231.620.9075.

A grateful and heartfelt "thank you" to our volunteers helping us to continue offering public Masses.

Upcoming Community Events

Wednesday, November 11th

9:00 am Bible Study St. Raphael
12:00 pm Pastoral Council Meeting... St. Raphael
5:30 pm Finance Council Meeting St. Joseph

Friday, November 13th

9:30 am Bible Study St. Joseph

Celebrating Birthdays

11/10 Holly Riley-Lampinen
11/11 Philip Kadzban
11/12 Richard Russell
11/13 Mark Prieur
11/15 Robin Fink, Jewelee Franklin

Celebrating Anniversaries

11/09 M/M Robert Sidor
11/12 M/M Joseph Chick

St. Joseph Ladies Guild News

The Ladies Guild are in need of birthday and anniversary cards. If you have any laying around and would like to donate them there will be a basket in the front entrance where you can drop them off. Thank you in advance.

The St. Joseph Ladies' Guild is saving Family Fare receipts that may be put in the same box in the entry. When you go to Family Fare, all you have to do is sign-up for their reward card. The Ladies are also collecting cancelled postage stamps.



Stewardship of Treasure

May Our Lord bless us through our generosity.

Thank you so very much to those who have been able to continue with their financial support of our parishes during this very difficult time. It is greatly appreciated.

St. Joseph

Envelope Offertory	\$2,072.00
Loose Offertory	\$443.31
Stole Fee	\$100.00
Donation	\$0
Total	\$2,615.31
Building Envelopes	\$20.00
Food Pantry	\$760.00

St. Raphael

Envelope Offertory	\$805.00
Loose Offertory	\$233.00
Stipend	\$0
Vigil Lights.	\$16.00
Donation	\$0
Total	\$1,074.00
Building Envelopes	\$0