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Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe

November 24, 2019

From: Fr. Tony Hesse

As we are reminded about thanksgiving this week and the importance of showing our gratitude, one way we can do it is celebrating and being grateful to our Lord for His mercy. In next week's bulletin, we will have the confession schedule for Advent. However, we will kick it off with a **Reconciliation Service this coming Sunday, December 1st, at 4pm.** We will have several priests celebrating the sacrament **at St. Anne's in Wabasso** for our Area Faith Community (AFC). With gratitude, let us seek God's mercy and thank Him for it.

Hope you have a Blessed & Happy Thanksgiving!!



From: Fr. Christian Adike

WHO OR (WHAT) DO YOU GIVE MOST OF YOUR LEISURE TIME?

Primary (Grade) School teacher asked her pupils (students) to write an essay on "A Wish I Want From God" At the end of the day, the teacher collected all the essays given by her pupils. She took them to her house, sat down and started marking. While marking the essays, she sees a strange essay written by one of her pupils. That essay made her very emotional. Her husband came and sat beside her and saw her crying. The husband asked her, "What happened?" "What's making you cry" She answered "Read this, It is one of my pupil's essay."

THE ESSAY

"Oh God, Make me a Television. I want to live like the TV in my house. In my house, the TV is very valuable. All of my family members sit around it. They are very interested in it. When the TV is talking, my parents listen to it very happily. They don't shout at the TV. They don't quarrel with the TV. They don't slap the TV. So I want to become a TV. The TV is the center of attraction in my house. I want to receive the same special care that the TV receives from my parents. Even when it is not working, the TV has a lot of value. When my dad and mom come home, they immediately sit in front of the TV, switch it on and spend hours watching it. The TV is stealing the time of my dad and my mom. If I become a TV, then they will spend their time with me. While watching the TV, my parents laugh a lot and they smile many times. But I want my parents to laugh and smile with me also. So please God make me a TV. And last but not the least, if I become a TV, surely I can make my parents happy and entertain them. Lord I won't ask you for anything more. I just want to live like a TV. Please turn me into a TV."

When the husband completed reading the essay. He said: "My God, poor kid. He feels lonely. He did not receive enough love and care from his parents. His parents are horrible." The eyes of the primary School teacher filled with tears. She looked at her husband and said, "Our son wrote this essay."

What do you think of this piece?

May our children never desire to be WhatsApp or Phones or TV or Facebook et cetera. (Copied)

Permit me to ask these questions vis-a-vis Pope Francis famous questions: why do we sleep in church (or prefer not to stay in the church for a long time during mass) but stay awake in bars (parks, restaurants etc) for a very long time? Why is it so hard for us to talk to God (pray) but so easy to chat or discuss? Why is it not difficult to ignore or relegate Godly message to the background but very easy to cherish or entertain or enjoy the nasty ones? Why is it that we can listen to news on television or radio for a long time but always bored when a priest's homily is long? According to Rick Warren: "When you give someone your time, you are giving them a portion of your life that you'll never get back. Your time is your life. That is why the greatest gift you can give someone is your time" Please try and give more of your precious time to God, family, friends and others. At the end of the week calculate the time you spent with God, human beings and other things; from your result decipher if you are fair to God. WISH YOU A GRACEFUL AND ENJOYABLE WEEKEND. Fr Christian Adike.

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MARRIAGE

Contact the parish office at least nine months before intended marriage.

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EVENTS OF THE WEEK

SUNDAY - November 24

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

2Sm 5:1-3(162C), Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

8 AM Mass - St. Mary - Seaforth

d. Mary Warner

8:30 AM - 9:15 AM Sunday School - PRE-K

9:30 AM Mass - St. Catherine

d. Gary Bliss

10 AM Mass - St. Anne

d. Wilbur, Joan, Steve, Jim & George Frank

1:30 PM - KC Turkey Bingo-SC

4-5 PM Holy Hour - SC

MONDAY - November 25

St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin & Martyr

Dn 1:1-6,8-20; Lk 21:1-4

No Mass

7 PM Mom's Group-SC

TUESDAY - November 26

Dn 2:31-45; Lk 21:5-11

5:15 PM Mass - St. Catherine

d. Jim Schweinfurter

6 PM Mass - St. Mary - Seaforth

d. Ken & Shirley Heiling

7 PM Adult Ed #9 - St. Anne

WEDNESDAY - November 27

Dn 5:1-6,13-14,16-17,23-28; Lk 21:12-19

8 AM Mass - St. Catherine

Wilfred & Rita Kruschek

8 AM Mass - Our Lady of Victory - Lucan

d. Francis Kaufenberg

10 AM Mass - Sunwood

d. Margi & John Altmann

10 AM Mass - Serenity Suites

d. Willie Linsmeier

No Religion Classes-SC & SA

6:30-8 PM AFC-Youth Group - SA

7 PM Mass - St. Mary - Seaforth

d. Shirley Macht

7 PM Choir-SC

THURSDAY - November 28

Thanksgiving Day

Sir 50:22-24 (943.2), 1Cor 1:3-9 (944.1);

Lk 17:11-19 (947.6)

Office Closed

8 AM Mass - St. Catherine

In thanksgiving

No Adoration-SC

9 AM Mass - St. Mathias - Wanda

d. Inez & Bernard Schottenbauer

12 Noon-Thanksgiving Meal-SA

FRIDAY - November 29

Dn 7:2-14; Lk 21:29-33

Office Closed

No Masses

SATURDAY - November 30

St. Andrew, Apostle

Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22

8:30-9:30 AM - Adoration-SA

4 PM Mass - St. Mary - Seaforth

d. Donna Helget & Jackie Schlenner

5 PM Mass - St. Catherine

d. Madonna Baune & Jordan Joel Baune

6 PM Mass - St. Mathias - Wanda

People of our Parishes

SUNDAY - December 1

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Is 2:1-5 (1A), Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

8 AM Mass - Our Lady of Victory - Lucan

d. Frank & Marcy Ourada, Alan, Jerry, Jim & Brian Ourada

No Sunday School - PRE-K

9:30 AM Mass - St. Catherine

d. Jeanne Goblirsch

10 AM Mass - St. Anne

d. Roger Kallstrom

4-5 PM Holy Hour - SC

6 PM Catholic United Financial Christmas party/mtg-SA

| MASS SERVERS: NOVEMBER 28, 2019 - THANKSGIVING DAY - 8:00 AM | | | |
|--|----------------|----------------|-----------|
| Andy Fischer | Brooke Fischer | Thomas Fischer | |
| MASS SERVERS: NOVEMBER 30, DECEMBER 1, 2019 | | | |
| 5:00 PM Saturday | | 9:30 AM Sunday | |
| Brad Balko | John Balko | Noah U'Ren | |
| Cayden Johnson-Mariner | | Johnny Fennern | |
| | | Lola Luze | |
| Our Gifts to God and to His Church | | | |
| Adult Contribution | 3,446.00 | Adult for Week | 3,446.00 |
| Students | 12.00 | Adult Budget | 4,808.00 |
| Maintenance | 45.00 | | |
| Loose Plate | 1,481.30 | | |
| All Saints | 38.00 | | |
| Catholic Human Dev | 10.00 | | |
| Military Service | 135.00 | | |
| Thanksgiving | 25.00 | | |
| | | YTD Actual | 81,939.11 |
| Total | 5,912.30 | YTD Budget | 96,160.00 |

Christmas Flower Donation



If you would like to donate toward the Christmas flowers in memory of or in honor of a loved one, leave your donation in the envelope marked Christmas Flower Offering in your contribution envelopes or write "Christmas Flowers" on an envelope and put in collection basket. Be sure to list the name (s) you want remembered.



KC Turkey Bingo
Sunday, November 24th at 1:30 PM
at St. Catherine's Church
\$6.00 for 20 Games

Meals on Wheels



St. Catherine's is doing Meals on Wheels for December, please sign-up in the Gathering Space if you can help deliver meals on one or more days. Also, sign-up for Salvation Army bell ringing at Tersteeg's or Running's in the Gathering Space.



Share the Spirit—Angel Tree



We are sponsoring four families this year. Select an Angel from the Angel Tree in the Gathering Space and have fun shopping for a child/family in need. Do not wrap the gift, just tape the Angel to the gift and set under the tree. Deadline is Sunday, Dec. 8th.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education Classes Nov. & Dec., 2019

Sunday, November 24

- 8:30-9:15 AM Sunday School

Wednesday, November 27

- No Religion Classes - 6:30-8PM-AFC youth group-SA

Sunday, December 1 (*Thanksgiving*)

- No Sunday School

Wednesday, December 4

- 5:30-6:30 PM GR 1-6

- 7-8 PM GR 7-12 with Adoration & youth group

Sunday, December 8

- 8:30-9:15 AM Sunday School

Wednesday, December 11

- 5:30-6:30 PM GR 1-6 (6PM Pizza w/Padre GR 10-12-SC)

- 7-8 PM GR 7-12 with Adoration & youth group

Sunday, December 15

- 8:30-9:15 AM Sunday School

Wednesday, December 18

- 5:30-6:30 PM GR 1-6

- 7-8 PM GR 7-12 with Adoration & youth group

Sunday, December 22 & 29

- No Sunday School (*Christmas & New Years*)

Wednesday, December 25 & January 1, 2020

- No Religion classes (*Christmas & New Years*)



"Religious Education Prayer Ministry Opportunity:



Join us on Wednesday's at St. Catherine and St. Anne Churches from 7-8pm for Adoration in the Church. During this hour, we invite all those who feel called to pray on behalf of our students, teachers, families, and for an openness to God's grace for us all.

Cor Jesu

On December 8th at St. Anne's Church in Wabasso starting at 7:15 PM join us for the sound of Gregorian chant filling the air as incense rises in a candlelit church. After the Gospel and a short sermon, there will be an hour or adoration with sounds of sacred music. For more information visit: www.dnu.org/cor-jesu.

Advent Prayer Service



All families, especially those with children, are invited to attend an Advent Prayer Service with Bishop John M. LeVoir on Sunday, December 8. The service is at 4:00 p.m. in Bird Island at the Church of St.

Mary. This service is designed to help us focus on Advent and prepare for the true meaning of Christmas, centered on the birth of Jesus. Families are encouraged to bring the Baby Jesus figure from their home nativity set. The figure will be blessed by Bishop LeVoir individually as families come forward in procession. There will be a blessing on families and expectant mothers as they prepare for Jesus' birth in their hearts. A "swaddling clothes" collection (blankets, sleepers, layette items, etc.) and cash donations will be taken for babies in need. For more information, contact the diocesan offices at 507-233-5325.

Vocation Prayer Calendar 2019-2020

We have the Diocese of New Ulm 2019-2020 Vocations Prayer Calendars in the Gathering Space. Help yourself to this calendar which has seminarians, clergy, religious people and days to pray for them.

You are Invited!

....9th Annual Functional Fitness & Youth for Christ Turkey Trot 5K walk or run on Thanksgiving Day, Thurs, Nov. 28th. Pre-register \$15 & 3 food items, race day register \$20 & 3 food items. Walkers start at 8:30 AM, runners start 9 AM.

....Sausage Feed at Clements Legion Hall on Sunday, Dec. 1st from 4:30-7 PM.

....Church of the Japanese Martyrs in Leavenworth, MN Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, Dec. 1st from 9:30 AM—12:30 PM.

Thanksgiving Day Dinner

Thanksgiving Day Dinner at St. Anne's in Wabasso, MN on Nov. 28th at 12 noon. All individual & couples are invited to join us for dinner, please RSVP by Nov. 25th at 342-5190. A free will offering to go to WAFER.

St. Anne's & St. Catherine's Catholic United Financial members

St. Catherine Catholic United Financial members are part of St. Anne's Council as there isn't a council established at St. Catherine's. Members & their spouses are invited to the Christmas party/annual mtg on Sunday, Dec. 1st at St. Anne's Church social hall. At 6 pm the evening will begin with brass entertainment and followed by supper and meeting.

St. Mary's Fundraiser

"Taste of Bechyn" Supper & Raffle on Wed., Dec. 4th at the Olivia American Legion. Czech meal served from 4:30-7PM. To purchase a \$50 ticket contact Char at 507-644-3842.

Proceeds to be used for landscaping & kitchen repairs at St. Mary's in Bechyn.

2019 DMA Appeal

Thank you for your generosity to the 2019 DMA. We saw in the video last week the impact of our contribution on real people right here in the diocese. By joining with others around the diocese in support of these ministries, we can help those in need and support programs for youth and adults who need our prayers and assistance. If you haven't made your pledge or given a gift, please consider making your contribution now.

Remember that your gift also supports our parish project of updating our church lobby & air conditioner units. Be assured that your gift will only be used to support those ministries designated in the DMA brochure and no other.



DONATIONS FOR LOCAL FOOD SHELF!



Hunger takes some of the joy out of the holidays. Our local food shelf is in need!! Please place your donation in the shopping cart in the Gathering Space. You can drop your cash donations in the offertory in an envelope marked "food shelf", or drop off at the Parish office. God bless you!

This weeks Calendar Raffle drawing winners:

Nov 18 \$25 Cindy Schottenbauer Nov 22 \$25 Mary Ann Gray
Nov 19 \$25 Char Burgemeister Nov 23 \$25 Chris Frank/Deb Yeo
Nov 20 \$25 Mary Miner Nov 24 \$50 Linda Turbes
Nov 21 \$25 Mary Haas

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