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33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ♦ NOVEMBER 15, 2026



"WELL DONE MY GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT."

~ MT 25:23

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To form and nurture disciples of Jesus Christ in union with the Roman Catholic Church.

Weekend Masses

Saturday
4:00pm.....Ss. Peter & Paul
5:30pm.....St. Thomas

Sunday
7:30am.....St. Thomas
9:00am.....Ss. Peter & Paul
10:30am.....St. Thomas

Weekday Masses

Tuesdays.....8:00am @ Ss. Peter & Paul
Wed, Thur.....8:30am @ Ss. Peter & Paul
Fri, Sat.....8:30am @ St. Thomas

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To join our parish, please go to our website, contact the Parish Office, or scan the QR code to the right to be taken to our online registration form.

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Confessions

Tuesdays.....7:15-7:45am @ Ss. Peter & Paul
3:30-4pm @ Ss. Peter & Paul
Wednesdays.....7:45-8:15am @ Ss. Peter & Paul
3:30-4pm @ Ss. Peter & Paul
6:15-7pm @ St. Thomas (w/Adoration)
Thursdays.....7:45-8:15am @ Ss. Peter & Paul
Fridays.....7:45-8:15am @ St. Thomas
3:30-4pm @ St. Thomas
Saturdays.....7:30-8:15am @ St. Thomas
3-3:45pm @ Ss. Peter & Paul

Sacrament Guidelines

Baptisms:
Make arrangements with the pastor. Copy of Birth Certificate must be submitted, at the latest, one week before the baptism.

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From Fr. Glen's DESK

This is the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. It is also the second to the last Sunday before Advent and the new church liturgical year. Our readings again pick up the theme of bearing fruit in the Lord's eyes to be ready for eternal life.

The parable in this Sunday's gospel uses the image of a wealthy man leaving on a journey and leaving varying amounts of currency, called talents, to his servants to use in his absence. They respond in varying ways. Two invest the money and make a return for their master. One does nothing with it and simply gives it back upon the man's return.

The obvious lesson to take from the servants' use of his money in his absence is that we are entrusted with talents. Not currency, but the gifts and talents each of us possess as a person. Jesus is telling us that no one is useless. Everyone has something to accomplish in the Lord's eyes. The man who left gave each servant a differing among to handle in his absence based as it said on the servants' ability. No more is expected of anyone than they are capable of.

With this in mind, we are meant to ask ourselves if we are using the Lord's talents He has given us as well as we can in His eyes? This is something that will bear on our judgment when we pass from this world to the next.

The prudent person will take some time to look inward and see what we find regarding how we use the talents God has given us to use for His glory. This is like preparing for our retirement to ensure that we will have the resources that we will need to survive after retirement. Only in this case, it concerns retiring from this life and moving into our eternal life hereafter!

Thanksgiving Day is coming right up and then the festival at Ss. Peter and Paul - ***ChristkindImarkt****. Mark your calendar for these two great events. We always have Mass on Thanksgiving Day - this year it will be at Ss. Peter & Paul at 9 AM. If you are not traveling or hosting, what better could we do than go to Mass and pray for our families and our gatherings that will be taking place to be blessed, peaceful, and joy filled.*



Turkey Bingo!

This Weekend - Sunday, November 15!

Bingo begins at 1:00 PM in the Ss. Peter and Paul Parish Center

$10 buys a card for 20 games plus luncheon of turkey sandwiches and more. Extra cards are 3 for $1.00 or 50 cents each.

Ages 4 years and under are free. Family cap: $40.00 (parent & their children)
Prizes will consist of cash and gift cards.



Free boys' &girls' bike drawing for all kids 12 and under (must be present).

We will play 3 extra games (2 regular and 1 coverall) for $1 per card.
Prizes will be for turkeys and $50 in cash for these games.
There will also be Door Prizes and Drawings!

This event is eligible for a Matching Grant from Catholic United Financial of up to $2,000.00. The Matching Grant will be given to the Schuler Seminary Fund and our Religious Education program.

COFFEE & ROLLS

All are invited to the Parish Center Dining Hall for coffee, juice and rolls following the 9 AM Mass.



BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Bulletin articles are due by 9:00 AM on Mondays, unless indicated else-where in the bulletin. All articles must be completely written before submitting. Please email to bulletineditorSPP@saintsppta.org.

Thank you.

Ss. Peter & Paul Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday
9am - 4pm

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SUPPORTING PARISH & COMMUNITY

PARISH FINANCIAL UPDATE *(July 2026-June 2027 contributions)*

Contributions toward our renovation project are not included.

Week Ending November 8, 2026

Donation Type	W/E Collection	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Difference	Prior YTD Actual
Envelopes	$7,033.00	114,574.72	$121,600.00	$ (7,025.28)	$113,232.00
Electronic Giving	$1,701.50	$38,156.17	$37,400.00	$756.17	$34,664.77
Loose Plate	$216.00	$5,112.65	$5,320.00	$ (207.35)	$5,672.15
TOTALS	**$8,950.50**	**$157,843.54**	**$164,320.00**	**$ (6,476.46)**	**$153,568.92**

For online Sunday Offering Contributions,
scan above QR code or go to sspap.org/online-giving.

THE GIVING OF TREASURE

Question:
Why are Catholics required to give money to the Church?

Answer:
Offering money and other goods to God and the Church is, before all else, a statement of gratitude. We see this when we look at how our spiritual ancestors showed their gratitude to God for the gifts they had received (e.g. Genesis 14:18-20 and Genesis 28:16-22). One of the ways they offered thanks to God was through a practice called "tithing," in which 10 percent of a person's goods (crops, livestock, money, etc.) were given back to God.

Today, the practice of tithing — giving 10 percent — is still common in many Protestant communities, but it is not required for Catholics. Instead, the Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us that, "The faithful also have the duty of providing for the material needs of the Church, each according to [their] own abilities" (no. 2043). This means that, although we are not bound to practice "tithing" in the traditional sense, we do share a responsibility to share our money or other resources with our parish communities. Like our spiritual ancestors, we give as a sign of our gratitude for the many gifts that God has given to us. Beyond this, we also share our resources with other Catholic organizations to help them finance their ministries, to continue and grow their outreach to the poor and the needy, and to provide just wages for their employees.

How much we give depends on our individual circumstances, but since we share a responsibility for the programs, outreach, and health of our parish communities and Catholic organizations, this question gives us a wonderful opportunity to ask some important questions about the quality of our giving and what our priorities are. Remember, we are only stewards of our time, talents, and treasures and as the First Letter of Peter reminds us, "As each one of you has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied graces" (4:10).

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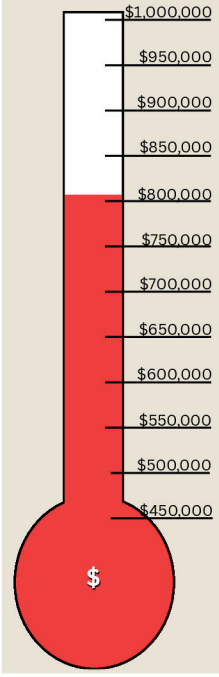

INVITE FRIENDS AND FAMILY

TURKEY BINGO

Over 20 turkeys with many chances to win! Don't miss out on the chance to enjoy Catholic-connection and a welcoming atmosphere!

NOVEMBER 22
LUNCH FROM 11AM
BINGO FROM NOON-3PM

The event is provided by the St. Thomas Men's Club, with profits largely supporting parish youth programs.

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OUR CATHOLIC FAITH



A Project Honoring the Saints

Our youth group recently had the exciting opportunity to receive a special gift that helped us bring our previous theme of focusing on the lives of the saints to a close while transitioning into our new theme of recognizing ourselves as children of God.

Some time ago, an anonymous donor generously gifted our youth group a collection of prayer cards, statuettes, books, and, most importantly, several relics of the saints. Wanting to bring together what we had been learning with a fun, hands-on project, the youth group took on the challenge of designing and building a reliquary to properly house and honor these relics.

The project began in the latter half of the summer, with the youth contributing their creativity, ideas, and hard work along the way. After months of planning and building, we finally brought the project to completion at our November 8th youth group meeting!

It has been a wonderful opportunity for our young people to exercise the creativity God has given them while growing in their appreciation for the saints and their examples of faithfully living out their call to holiness.

Please continue to pray for our youth group and for all the exciting opportunities the Lord continues to place before us!



Ten Men Prepare for December 12th Ordination to Permanent Diaconate

On December 12th at the Cathedral of St. Paul in St. Paul, ten men will be ordained to the permanent diaconate and its call to ministry of the Word, the liturgy and charity in the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis. Please keep these men in your prayers, especially Cory Plotts from St. Thomas, and Todd Ziesmer - our Parish Administrator.

NEWS & EVENTS

Ss Peter & Paul Christkindlmarkt

"SET-UP" BEGINS THIS TUESDAY EVENING!

Please see Set-Up Schedule Inserted in this bulletin

Tuesday night we need strong people to move the market stall panels down to the gym. **Wednesday night** the market stalls will be assembled along with the stage. Please bring your tools if you can.

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SILENT AUCTION

Reminder: Silent Auction items can be dropped off at the Loretto Parish Office during office hours (Tues. thru Fri., 9am-4pm), in the chapel kitchen after hours, or in the Parish Center kitchen during weekend Mass hours. We would like all items in by Sunday, November 22nd. Thanks!

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Homemade items are needed - hand-crafted and Baked goods can be brought to the Parish Center Dining Hall on Friday, November 27th or on Saturday morning, November 28th.

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PLEASE SIGN UP!

The festival is less than three weeks away and we need many more people to sign up on the volunteer board in the Parish Center. Please sign up for one of the 3-hour shifts as soon as possible to save us time on making phone calls. If you have questions on what a position entails, contact Joyce in the Parish Office.



CHURCH of ST. ALBERT ST. CHARLES Catholic Pilgrimages

A 10-Day Marian Pilgrimage to PORTUGAL, SPAIN & FRANCE with FR. JOE ZABINSKI

Fatima, Spain, & Lourdes, Pilgrimage Informational Meetings
Interested in the 10-Day Marian Pilgrimage to Fatima, Spain, and Lourdes with Fr. Joe Zabinski (April 12–21, 2027)? Join us to learn more, ask questions, and hear details about this special spiritual journey. Everyone is welcome! Feel free to invite family, friends, and anyone who loves to travel!
Information Meeting Dates:

- Tuesday, November 24 at 6:30 PM – St. Albert Parish Center, Dining Hall
- Thursday, December 3 at 5:00 PM – St. Albert Parish Center, Youth Room (light supper provided)

Attend either meeting to learn more! Bring a friend!
Pilgrimage Details: www.stcharlespilgrimages.com/zabinski
Questions? Contact St. Albert's 763-497-2474, Ext 1.

THIS WEEK

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Sat, Nov 21 - 4PM

Priest.....Fr. Bakatu
Sacristan.....Mary Schneider
Rosary.....Judy Arens
Ushers.....Ray Polson, Jeanne Zitzloff
Lector.....Gary Zitzloff
EMHC.....Rachel Polson
Choir EMHC....Wendy Martin

Sun, Nov 22 - 9AM

Priest.....Fr. Bakatu
Sacristan.....JoAnn Schlosser
Rosary.....Meg Clemens
Ushers.....Steve Beal, Paul Gibson
Lector.....Tim Spaulding
EMHC.....Angela Jendro
Cup Minister...Cindy Spaulding
Hospitality.....John & Bernie Grenzer

Mass Intentions

November 17-22, 2026

Tues.....+Fr. Theodore Campbell

Wed.....+Kevin Joseph Johnson

Thur.....+Chuck Ghostley

Sat.....4:00pm...Parish Cluster

Sun.....9:00am...++John & Maude Jordan

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 15, 2026

Sunday: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, Virgin

Tuesday: St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious

Wednesday: The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, Virgin

Saturday: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Next Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

JOIN US WEEKLY:

MON: CHOIR PRACTICE | 6:30-8:00PM (SPP Church Choir Loft)

WED: YOUNG ADULT STUDY | 6:30-8:30PM (SPP Conference Room)

THU: MEN'S SOCIAL GROUP | 9:00AM (SPP Dining Hall)

SUN: COFFEE & ROLLS AFTER 9AM MASS (SPP Dining Hall)

CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

SPP = Ss. Peter & Paul
ST = St. Thomas
DH - Dining Hall
CK - Christkindlmarkt

Sun, Nov 15	**CUF Turkey Bingo** | 1-4pm, Gym **Dead Theologians Society** | 5-8pm, Ss. Peter & Paul
Tue, Nov 17	**CK set-up begins** | 7pm, Parish Center
Wed, Nov 18-25	**CK set-up** | 7pm, Parish Center
Wed, Nov 18	**Parish Cluster Dinner** | 5:30-6pm, ST Dining Hall **Faith Formation** | 6:15-7:30pm, ST Parish Center
Thur, Nov 19	**CK -** See insert
Fri, Nov 20	**CK -** See insert
Sun, Nov 22	**CK - See insert** **St. Thomas Turkey Bingo** | 11am, ST Dining Hall **Holy Apostles Youth Group** | 6:30-8pm, SPP
Mon, Nov 23	**CK -** See insert
Tue, Nov 24	**CK -** See insert **Young Adult Men's Small Group** | 6pm, SPP Conf. Rm.
Wed, Nov 25	**CK -** See insert
Thu, Nov 26	**HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**
Fri, Nov 27	**CK -** See insert
Sat, Nov 28	**CHRISTKINDLMARKT FESTIVAL!** | 12 Noon to 8pm
Sun, Nov 29	**CK tear-down** | After 9am Mass
Mon, Nov 30	**CK -** See insert

See inserted *Christkindlmarkt Set-Up Schedule* for details.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 15, 2026

Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: Rv 5:1-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 19:41-44

Friday: Rv 10:8-11/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131/Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: Rv 11:4-12/Ps 144:1, 2, 9-10/Lk 20:27-40

Next Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2a, 2b-3, 5, 6/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46

CATHOLIC UNITED FINANCIAL

Ss. Peter and Paul Parish Volunteer Team #056

Our Catholic United Financial Parish Volunteer Team promotes our faith and strengthens our community through various activities. We are committed to the social, service, and religious needs of our parish community.

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PRAYER

PRAYER CHAIN MINISTRY

The Prayer Chain Ministry comprises parishioners dedicated to praying for others. To place someone on a Prayer Chain, please contact Lynn Scholtes at 612-801-1588 / lynnscholtes@gmail.com.

PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY

Eric Alger—Army; Patrick Eikmeier—Army National Guard; Nick Elsen—Air Force; Dalton Pouliot—Army National Guard; Nickolas Sieg—Army; Peter Weber—Air Force.

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PRAY FOR THE SICK

Because of our need to respect the privacy of individuals/families, we must have a member of the family call us to have a name included here. Unless we hear from the family, we will take a name off after 3 months. Thank you!

- Norm Winter (11/26)
- Luke Dugan (1/28)
- John Grenzer (1/28)
- Mary Jorgenson (1/28)
- Wally Johnson (2/11)
- Rosie Arens (2/11)
- JoAnn Schlosser (2/11)
- Special Intention (2/11)

PRAY FOR THOSE DISCERNING THE DIACONATE

- Cory Plotts.....Diaconate Formation
- Todd Ziesmer.....Diaconate Formation

Prayer for Those Who Will Soon Be Ordained as Deacons





Heavenly Father,

We pray for the men in Deacon formation who will soon be ordained, especially Cory Plotts from St. Thomas and Todd Ziesmer - our Ss. Peter & Paul Parish Administrator. Fill them with your Holy Spirit and strengthen them to serve Your Church with humility, faith, and joyful hearts. May they proclaim the Gospel with courage, minister with compassion, and reflect Christ the Servant in all they do.

Bless them, their families, and all who have guided them on this journey. May Our Lady and all the saints intercede for them as they prepare to answer Your call.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Area Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

Area Perpetual Adoration is in Our Lady of Loretto Chapel, which is located in the old Convent building on the Ss. Peter & Paul Church grounds. To sign up for an hour, please contact Sherry in the Parish Office (763-479-0535) or one of the members of our Adoration Core Team listed below.

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Morning Co-Division Leader	Judy	763-331-5703
Morning Co-Division Leader	Peggy	612-616-7143
Afternoon Division Leader	Lill	612-600-2050
Evening Division Leader	Connie	763-228-8330

Blessed Virgin's Rosary Ministry

Prayer Intention for

November 2026

- *For mercy upon our departed loved ones, that the full redemption of Jesus may lead them into the eternal joys of heaven;*
- *For the intentions written in the* Prayer Intention Book *in the Adoration Chapel; and*
- *For the intentions of the participants of the Blessed Virgin's Rosary Ministry.*

New members are always welcome. For information or to join, visit our website or contact Joanne at jmschu@live.com.



You shall also make a table of acacia wood, two cubits long, a cubit wide, and a cubit and a half high. Plate it with pure gold and make a molding of gold around it....**On the table you shall always keep showbread set before me.**

~ Exodus 25:23-24, 30



Adoration Open Hours

NIGHT HOURS:

Sunday	2:00 AM | 3:00 AM
Monday	2:00 AM | 3:00 AM
Friday	1:00 AM
Saturday	1:00 AM | 3:00 AM

MORNING HOURS:

Saturday	11:00 AM

AFTERNOON HOURS:

Sunday	3:00 PM

EVENING HOURS:

Thursday	10:00 PM

For questions, or to inquire about taking an hour, go to the website by scanning this QR code, or call the Ss. Peter & Paul Parish Office Administrator at 763-479-0535.