ST. JOSEPH - ST. LAWRENCE
CATHOLIC PARISH

Parish Bulletin

November 15, 2026

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

REMINDER: Mass on November 21 will be held at 5 pm at St Lawrence NOT SJV. Please join us after Mass for the FALLFEST.

ROSARY: There will be a Rosary to pray for Maisyn on Sunday, **Nov. 15th** at 5:30 in the evening at St Joseph of the Valley Church. Everyone is welcome.

THANKSGIVING MORNING MASS: Rise with gratitude on Thanksgiving morning. Join us at 9:00 am Mass at St. Joseph of the Valley. Begin the day giving thanks where it matters most. See you there.

POPE LEO INVITES YOU to join Catholics around the world who are walking together through a process called synodality. This means praying, listening to one another, and discerning how God is calling the Church to serve. Small gatherings bring this worldwide effort into our own local communities. Lay folks and clergy from neighboring parishes gather to share experiences, discuss needs, and explore ways to work together. The purpose is to turn prayerful listening into practical action, with everyone contributing their gifts to the Church's shared life and mission.

You're invited to attend any of these:
• **Nov. 17th**, 6:30 pm, Leavenworth — Sacred Heart–St. Casimir Parish Hall, 1405 2nd Ave., Leavenworth.
• **Nov. 19th**, 7pm, Leavenworth — Immaculate Conception Parish, Miege Hall, 711 N. 5th St., Leavenworth.

-Fr. Bill

A GOSPEL THOUGHT: *"Since you were faithful in small matters…"* A master sets out on a journey and leaves his servants in charge of his money, which the parable describes as "talents." When he returns from his journey, he praises those who put what he gave them to good use.

In the parable, a talent is something of value. When we think about what we have to share, abilities like singing or painting may come to mind first. Other special abilities can be part of everyday life and easier to overlook, like the time we give someone, the attention we offer, and the patience we show. These everyday gifts can be a blessing to others.

Maybe you remembered to check in on a friend after her doctor's appointment. Or you helped fix a neighbor's leaky faucet. Perhaps you patiently sat with someone who told you the same story again. Those are small things, yes. But what you did may have been exactly what the person needed.

Each morning think about adding this to your prayers: "Lord, help me put what you've given me to good use today. Help me to notice when someone could use a hand or just needs a minute to talk. When there's even a small thing I can do for someone, help me do it gladly. I want to be faithful in everything, even the small matters."

-Fr. Bill

THANKS to our Lions Club that very generously donated $500 to our parish to support local charitable work. The Parish Finance Council decided to divide the gift among the Easton Methodist Church food pantry, Catholic Charities in Leavenworth, and to local families served by the Angel Tree program.

We're grateful to the members of the Lions Club for being good neighbors and partners in serving our community. Thank you for helping us put food on local tables and bring some Christmas joy to families in our community.

COLLECTION: Thank you for your gifts to our parish. The collection for last weekend was a total of $6243.00 with $399 Capitol fund Drive, Utilities $20, Ordinary Collections $5423, Mass Stipend $160, Social Receipts $290, and SL Cemetery $50. Online donations were $1100.03. Thank you for your generous donations!

SECOND COLLECTION will be held this weekend of **November 15th**, for Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD).

FALL FEST - November 21st: We will start serving chili and soups at 4:00 p.m. Meal tickets will be $12.00 for adults and $5.00 for children ($40 maximum per family). Turkey and Ham Bingo will follow the meal.

RAFFLE TICKETS - Raffle tickets are available for $1 each. Please help make this a success by selling at least 30 raffle tickets for some great prizes! 1st Prize - $1000, 2nd Prize - $750, 3rd Prize - $500, 4th Prize - $250, and 5th Prize - $50 Hilltop Gift Certificate, $50 Easton Café Gift Certificate.

SMALL TICKET RAFFLE: Please donate a theme basket for a ticket raffle. Tickets will be $1.00 each and those tickets will be deposited in boxes in front of the item. Winners will be selected from each box for each item.

DESSERTS – Please donate a wonderful dessert to be served with dinner.

Please drop off all donations, deserts and auction items by 2:00 pm, November 21st.

Please Sign Up To Help Us! Online sign-up is available at *https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0F49AFA72BA0FB6-67499992-fall*. If everyone helps a little, this event will be a success. Thank you for your help.

SETUP for Fall fest will start Friday, Nov. 20th at 1:00 pm. If you could donate a few hours – it would be greatly appreciated!

HELP KEEP OUR NEIGHBORS WARM! As the weather cools down, please clear out your closets and donate extra or outgrown coats, jackets, hoodies, sweatshirts, gloves, and brand-new socks to support those in need through Leavenworth Catholic Charities. Please drop your donations into the labeled totes in our church vestibules. Thank you for your kindness and generosity!

ADVENT SILENT RETREAT: GOD SENT HIS SON, Dec. 4th at 5:30pm**– Dec. 6th** at 4:30pm, at Christ's Peace House of Prayer, 22131 Meagher Road, Easton. This Advent retreat invites participants to contemplate the mystery of the Incarnation as a living and personal encounter with Christ.
To attend this retreat, fill out the Individual Retreat Form at *ChristsPeace.com* or call 913.773.8255

ANNUAL LIGHTS OF LOVE REMEMBRANCE MASS will be held Sunday, **December 6,** at Maur Hill-Mount Academy Chapel, Atchison at 6:00 pm. Following Mass, you are invited to tour the Christmas tree display, which includes the memorial tree and student-decorated trees. Beverages and other seasonal treats will be available. For more info- visit this QR code: Or email dfuller@mh-ma.com

CATHOLIC Q&A:
As we prepare to dedicate the new altar at St. Lawrence, our Q&A over the next few weeks will explore the meaning and significance of the altar in Catholic worship.

Q. How has the altar developed in Catholic worship, from the Last Supper to the churches we know today?

A. The Catholic altar has its roots in both the sacrifices of the Old Testament and the table of the Last Supper. On the night before he died, Jesus took bread and wine, gave them to his disciples as his Body and Blood, and commanded, "Do this in memory of me." His gift at that table was fulfilled in his sacrifice on the cross.

The earliest Christians gathered in homes to celebrate the Eucharist, using household tables. As Christian worship developed and reverence for Christ's Real Presence in the Eucharist deepened, the appropriate response was to create and set apart—to consecrate—altars solely for the celebration of Mass. Christians also celebrated the Eucharist near the tombs of martyrs, a practice reflected in the later custom of placing saints' relics beneath altars.

Over the centuries, altars took different forms. Many stood against the sanctuary wall and were adorned with crosses, candles, and elaborate artwork. Following the Second Vatican Council, freestanding altars allow the priest to face the people and the congregation to visually surround the altar, emphasizing that the Mass is the sacrifice of the whole Church. The priest acts in the person of Christ, while the faithful unite their prayers and the offering of their lives with Christ's sacrifice to the Father.

PRAYER REQUESTS. From time-to-time special needs arise in one's life: personal or family crisis, illness, death of a loved one. One prays, of course, but our petitions are more powerful when we lift up our prayers together. The members of our parish prayer team take time to pray every day for people's prayer requests. If you are in need of prayer, please go to SJSLparish.org, and click on the "Prayer Requests" tab to submit your petition. Your request is very soon forwarded to the prayer team who will begin that day to pray for your intentions.

EXPERIENCE A PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH & JOY! Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine & Girlstown **March 5–8, 2027** Join Archbishop Emeritus Joseph Naumann and friends for an unforgettable pilgrimage to Mexico! Encounter Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine in Mexico City. Celebrate Mass at the Basilica. Experience the joy of the Sisters of Mary Girlstown For ore info call 1-800-662-6316, or visit www.worldvillages.org/events/naumann-2027 Register Today!

BULLETIN ITEMS: Contact Kim Sachse, 913-775-0690 Or Email *Sjslparish@Gmail.com*. Mass intentions may be scheduled with Kim as well. MUST SUBMIT BY 9 pm TUES FOR INCLUSION.

PRAYER LIST: *If you would like to have a name added or removed from our prayer list, please contact Kim Sachse. Our Parish Prayer Ministers invite you to join them in praying for the following:* Karen Andrus, Phil Bell, Linda (Wagner) Biever, Vicki Bradford, Gretchen Brewster, Steve Bromell, Dave Brown, Delcie & Charles Brunk, Jennifer Brushwood, Maisyn Corpstein, Carl Davidson, Courtney Davis, George Dean, Gail DeMaranville-Zule, , Dorian DeVlaminck, Vince Eimer, James Farr, Tom Flack, Helen Frazier, Les Gates, Steve Hall, Alan Halstead, Robert Hecke, Marly Heim, Melanie Herken, Jon Highfill, Trista Highfill, Michael Jones, Tyonna Jones, Ed LaBruyere, Phillip Leon, Megan List, Kelly Long, Joyce Lowe, Kevin Lunsford, Dave Marsh, Shauna Marshall, Juanita McDermont, Jim Meinert, Mary Meinert, Jeni Mettelstedt, Mark Miller, Karl Morrison, Charles Mullins, Don Navinsky, Leslie Navinsky, Hung Nguyen, Lonnie Dean Phillips Jr., Lori Phillips, Mary Piche, Betty Pierron, Danny Roemer, Mary Beth Schrader, Mary Shelley, Tanner Siebenmorgen, Dawn Staver, Chrissy Stewart, Matt Stewart, Dennis Sullivan, Hugh Talley, Teresa Turner, Rick VanTuyl, Lori Wangerin, Vickie Welch, Pat Wilson, and David Zule.

PRAYER LIST FOR OUR SOLDIERS: ARMY: SPC Tristen Baker, MAJ Daniel Broaddus, Pvt. David Crook, SGT Colby Seifert, William Stradley. *AIR FORCE*: TSGT Jacob Fandrich, E-4 Robert W. Herken, TSGT A Scott Loecher, A1C Noah Tattershall. *NAVY*: Dennis Budasz Jr., Sterling Curry, YNSC (SS) Kevin Lansing. MARINE CORPS: Drake Budasz, Wyatt DeMaranville

MASSES THIS WEEK:

Sat, Nov. 14, *5:00 pm, SJV*
For the People of the Parish

Sun, Nov. 15, *9:00 am, STL*
Robert Noll ✞

Tues, Nov. 17, *6:00 pm, STL*
Carolyn DeMaranville ✞

Thurs, Nov. 19, *6:00 pm, SJV*
Maisyn Corpstein

Sat, Nov. 21, *5:00 pm, STL*
For the People of the Parish

Sun, Nov. 22, *9:00 am, STL*
David Gates ✞

	Reader:	Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:
11/14/26	*Jason Adelaine*	*Matt Brewster*
11/15/26	*Confirmation Class*	*Sharon Wagner*
11/21/26	*Julia Cummings*	*Diane Pohl*
11/22/26	*Ted Staver*	*Ted Staver*

OUR SUNDAY FUNNY:



"Follow this diet, and soon the temple of your soul will just be a small chapel."

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SATURDAY MASS 5pm St. Joseph of the Valley Church • SUNDAY MASS 9am St. Lawrence Church

Confessions are heard 30 minutes before the weekend Masses or by appointment

WEEKDAY MASSES: Tuesday 6pm St. Lawrence Church • Thursday 6pm St. Joseph of the Valley Church

