



“For to everyone who has, more will be given and he will grow rich; but from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken from him.”

- St. Matthew

I recall a priest in my seminary days telling us that if we do not feel the call to be a “custodian”, we are not called to be “clergy”. It seemed a strange comment to me at the time, and just strange enough that I would remember it throughout my priesthood...because it was a very “truth-filled” statement.

This past Monday, after finishing my morning Mass in the parish, I celebrated my first liturgy at Good Counsel with the School Sisters. It felt very natural to offer Mass there, as the chapel reminds me of the churches I have offered Mass in throughout Europe from Italy to Holland.

As the First Reading was being proclaimed (for the second time for me), I looked up and the first window that caught my eye was that of St. Paul, from which the First Reading was being taken, from St. Paul to Titus. Although it was only a daily Mass in the 32nd Week of Ordinary Time, the singing of the Sisters, the quiet solitude of the space and the stunning architecture and art-glass, provided me with a bit of a personal retreat in what otherwise would have been another hectic and busy day.

Throughout the Mass, what repeatedly came into my mind was the amount of money that had been raised over the decades to bring that chapel and facility to the point that it is today. How many religious and countless benefactors had come and gone from the earth, leaving behind such a beautiful monument of stewardship that cries out from the “brick and mortar”, we believe that Christ has died! Christ has risen! Christ will come again!

In this weekend’s Gospel from St. Matthew on this final 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, we hear the parable of the servants and stewardship. Two out of the three invest their master’s stewardship and multiply what has been given to them, while that timid, third servant simply buries his stewardship in the ground for safe-keeping. *The point of the story is that being a good steward of the physical things of this world or of the spiritual things of the world to come involves the risk of having faith!*

I grew up at home, where we lived modestly. Unnecessary things were not bought. Old things were used before you took the new item. Things being clean was a requirement but they did not always have to be the newest or the latest. So many times we would go in a store and say to my Dad; “That would be nice to have!” My Dad would say in Dutch (translated) “Let them keep it.”

It is no mere accident or miracle that this weekend our Diocese of New Ulm begins again its annual appeal for its various ministries. The gospel parable of the stewards is a perfect backdrop for this annual appeal. Perhaps our initial

response to the Bishop’s Appeal might be: “I don’t need to give” or “I don’t have to give” or simply, “I don’t want to give.” Those are all statements and examples of you exercising your free will!

But, is burying our hands in our pockets in keeping with this weekend’s gospel or is it rather taking our hands out of our pockets and handing some of our stewardship in faith, to the needs of our Diocese, more in keeping with the gospel?

So often when I have been in a large city and there are people begging on the streets from “Rome” to really “Anywhere” U.S.A., I have given money to the pan-handlers. I am often chastised by those that are with me with excuses that “They are too lazy to work”, “it’s a scam.”, etc. Yet, maybe that is all true, but sitting on a hot sidewalk for hours a day cannot be an easy way to make a living! **But, regardless if they use the money in a proper or improper way, it does not spiritually matter. For when we give with an open and generous hand, our merciful God is most pleased with us!**

If you have given to the Annual Diocesan Ministries Appeal in the past, thank you. I pray that you will be generous, if not a little more generous to cover our goal and some of our parish needs. If you have never given, I invite you to give this year the monetary amount of gas that you put in your car or truck the next time that you fill up. For stewardship is not always about how much we give, but rather that most people give something. Thank you for your great stewardship through the first third of the year. I have FAITH that we will achieve our goal for the Bishop of \$27,708.85! God bless you! Have a great week!!!

Rev. Paul van de Crommert
Pastor

Stewardship of Treasure	
Adult (150)	\$ 12,146.00
Electronic Giving	3,981.75
Junior	34.42
Plate	293.35
Building Rent	925.00
Faith Formation Tuition	10.00
All Saint’s Day Collection	42.50
Grand Total	\$ 17,433.02
<i>*(Our weekly budget is set at \$12,750.00)</i>	
Special Collection	
Calvary Cemetery	\$ 1,563.51

STEWARDSHIP

The “Good News” of this week’s stewardship is that we again went well past our amount that we have budgeted. This week again we paid an additional \$5,000.00 towards our Catholic School subsidy and continue to chip away on it. Unfortunately, this week I was informed of a need to repair our heating system in the school at the cost of \$2,000.00. Last week, while teaching in one of the grade school religious education classes, the room was about 80 degrees. It was neither conducive for teaching, learning, or saving energy...much less for this priest who was teaching! Pray with me that the faithful from Holy Rosary will all do their part in order to not only achieve our Diocesan Ministry Appeal goal of more than \$27,000.00. If we exceed this amount, the additional monies will go towards the assessments we are paying to the school and Diocese this year. You are doing great!!!! Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!!!

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK



“He who has given a kindness to another should be silent; he who received a kindness should speak about it.”

DIOCESAN MINISTRIES APPEAL

We are only one week away from Commitment Sunday for the Diocese of New Ulm Annual Diocesan Ministries Appeal. Information packets and the Bishop’s accompanying letter have been mailed out, so you should have received them by now. Our parish goal has been set by the Diocese at \$27,708.85, and in addition to all the ministries the appeal supports at the Diocesan level, all gifts over our goal will go to support our Catholic School subsidy and our other Diocesan Assessments here at Holy Rosary.

The Diocesan Ministries Appeal offers us an opportunity to do our part to support the ministries that help to build the Church right here in the Diocese of New Ulm. This year’s theme is: “Rivers of Living Water will flow from within Him”. We become a part of the living water of Christ when we help provide ministries and services that no single parish could provide. Our need to achieve our goal is not only a spiritual but also a stewardship need. Whatever we do not achieve in our goal must be taken out of our parish funds. If you do not feel strongly to give to the needs of the Diocese, then please know that when you give, you are also supporting the needs of our local church!!! Thank you for your support in 2014!

THANKSGIVING MASSES

Can you believe that the Feast of Thanksgiving is only 11 days away? (And if Thanksgiving is so close on the calendar, Christmas cannot be far away!) I will, be offering two Masses for Thanksgiving. In my past pastoral experience, I found that many of the faithful appreciated a Mass for Thanksgiving the night before Thanksgiving Day. I will offer that Mass, on Wednesday, November 26th at 5:15 pm. The Ecumenical Service will be held at 7:00 pm. I will also offer a morning Mass on Thanksgiving at 8:00 am before I head out to my family.



**THANK YOU
CEMETERY STEWARDSHIP**

Thank You!

Thank you for such a wonderful and generous response for the second collection last weekend for Calvary Cemetery. The amount that we took in this year is double of last year’s amount! This is a great help to our local Catholic Cemetery that has so much to maintain and so many costs. It is a corporal work of mercy to bury the dead and to maintain their final resting places. Thank you for this generosity. A check in the amount of \$ 1,565.00 will be given in the coming days. Blessed be their memories!

BAPTISMAL BLESSINGS

Our prayers and best wishes go out to two more of our young families of Holy Rosary that have welcomed another member into their families and who we welcome this weekend into the parish family of faith. In a special way we welcome “Alex” Senske, the son of Matt and Joey Senske. We also welcome into the Church through the waters of Baptism, “Cale” Hansen, the son of Mitch and Tara Hansen. May the waters of Baptism be the beginning of these children drinking from the stream of eternal life! Congratulations!!!



REST IN PEACE



Please remember in your prayers the soul of +Jean Weber, the spouse of Loren Weber, who died on Sunday of this past week. A Memorial Mass of cremated remains was celebrated this past Friday at Holy Rosary with interment at Calvary Cemetery.

Please also remember in prayer the soul of +Janice Person who died on Thursday, November 6th. Her funeral will be held in Brainerd, MN.

Our sympathies go out to both of these families at their time of loss. Blessed be their memories.

The Week Ahead

Sunday, November 16: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

11:30 am – Senske & Hansen Baptisms

Monday, November 17: Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious

8:10 am – Rosary in Church

8:30 am – Mass – +Eunice Quade

9:15 am – Bible Study

Tuesday, November 18: The Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles

8:10 am – Rosary in Church

8:30 am – Holy Communion Service

Wednesday, November 19: Weekday

10:00 am – Mass – Monarch Meadows – +Jerome & Ethel Ritter

1:00 pm – 4:00 pm – Sewing Group – Lower Level Parish Center

4:45 pm – First Reconciliation Practice with Fr. Paul

6:30 pm – Mass – Elementary Faith Formation – Church – Joe & Martha Phillips

7:20 – 8:20 pm – Pastoral Classroom Visitation

4 pm, 6 pm, 7:15 pm – Faith Formation

Thursday, November 20: Weekday

7:40 am – Rosary in Church

* 8:00 am – Mass – +Lyle & Katherine Pearson

6:30 – Vacation Raffle – Church Social Hall

6:00 – 9:00 pm – Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, November 21: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:30 am – Mass – Oak Terrace – +Albin Hartung

Saturday, November 22: Saint Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr

**Note final Saturday evening Mass at 5:30 pm*

**Note – Diocesan Ministry Appeal Weekend*

5:00 pm – Rosary in Church

5:30 pm – Mass – +Eileen & Louis Carda

Sunday, November 23: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

**Note – Diocesan Ministry Appeal Weekend*

7:30 am – Rosary in Church

8:00 am – Mass – +Carol Hannick

9:30 am – Rosary in Church

10:00 am – Mass – People of the Parish

3:00 pm – First Reconciliation – Church

PRAYER CHAIN

If you, or someone you know, would like to be included in our prayer chain, please call Karen Etzell, 387-7877



Liturgical Roles – November 22-23

Lectors

5:30 pm: Maggie Bennett & Joe Kunkel

8:00 am: Cathy Neve & Caroline McGowan

10:00 am: Dave Lamm & Roxi Lang

Eucharistic Ministers

5:30 pm Brian Eggersdorfer, Karen Etzell

Gretchen Etzell, Dan Gowanlock

Karen Winters, Mary Beth Nygaard

8:00 am: Mary Homan, Michelle Ellingworth

Mark Traxler, Jim Theuninck

Craig Amundson, Arlyce Anderson

10:00 am: Mike & Diane O’Dea

Deb Stachon, Curt Stanke

Kathy Ulman, Tom Koch

Altar Servers

5:30 pm: Jolee Slechta, Larkin Hansen,

Zachary Eggersdorfer

8:00 am: Ben & Lauren Cahalan, Carson Fischer

10:00 am: Robbie & Elizabeth Meidl, Haily Barker

Presentation of Gifts

Confirmation Candidates & Family

5:30 pm: Katie Eggersdorfer & Family

8:00 am: Nick Eischers & Family

10:00 am: Sidney Kruse & Family

Ushers

5:30 pm: Scott & Brady Smith

Ann Richardson, Blaine Kolstad

8:00 am: Bill Fasnacht, Doug Homan

Jake Homan, Gary Zellmer

10:00 am: Steve Hlavac, John Jagerson

Steve Kaiser, Tom Kohls

Music Ministry

5:30 pm: Myra Schroepfer /Vicki Galli

8:00 am: Corrine Ort, Kurt Schroeder/Jeanne

Makela

10:00 am: Youth Choir/Jeanne Makela

FR. ED ARDOLF ENDOWMENT FUND

This fund is now at \$129,052.00. 85% of the earnings of this fund go to pay tuition at Loyola Catholic School for Holy Rosary families. Contributions to this fund may be dropped off at the parish office or sent to Amy at Loyola.

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYERS...

PRAYERS AND SUPPORT FOR ISAAC KOLSTAD AND ALL OF OUR SICK AND INJURED OF HOLY ROSARY PARISH

Our prayers continue to go out to Isaac Kolstad as well as all of the sick and injured in our parish who are at home, in the hospital, nursing homes or assisted-living residences. May God bless them and keep them under His guidance and protection!

FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY

Nick Blace	Matt McGraw
Jared Hiniker	Christopher Schmidt
Ann Winkler	Jonathan Heintz
Dana Schiller	William Backes
Mark Hansen	Ben Barsness
Alex Ek	Sean O'Dea
Timothy Eick	Daniel Fitterer
Anna Drummer	



FOR OUR FAMILIES

Monday	James & Shirley Mlodzik Family
Tuesday	No Mass
Wednesday	Matthew & Denise Dunn Family
Thursday	William Bernardy Family
Friday	Christian & Sandra Howe Family
Saturday	Dan & Harriet Senesac Family
Sunday	Chris & Christi Knox Family

FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Mary Jane Ledwein, Tom Grausam, Don Haley, Jan Schmidt, Doris Lorentz, Bill Goettlicher, Lenore Sweers, Dolores Spreter, Richard Flynn, Jr., Krystal Portz, Lydia Meehling, Jan Brumm, Steve Fitterer, Kathy Eggersdorfer, Nancy Marquardt, Gabriel Speckel, Shannon Murphy, Harriet Senesac, Lisa LaPoint Leland, Monica Haack, David Bruender, Marilyn Bastian, Betty Kothhoff, Isaac Kolstad, Nancy Wesely, Liz Brumm, Susan Zenk

Readings for the Week

Mon: Revelation 1:1-4:2:1-5; Luke 18:35-43
Tues: Acts of the Apostles 28:11-16, 30-31; Matthew 14:22-33
Wed: Revelation 4:1-11; Luke 19:11-28
Thurs: Revelation 5:1-10; Luke 19:41-44
Fri: Revelation 10:8-11; Luke 19:45-48
Sat: Revelation 11:4-12; Luke 20:27-40
Sun: Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17; 1 Corinthians 15:20-26,28; Matthew 25:31-46

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

1. Diocesan United Fund (D.U.F.), Diocesan Priest Pension Fund/ Medical Care and Diocesan Audit:
 DUE: \$78,103.92
 Pd. To Date \$26,071.64
2. Annual Diocesan Ministries Appeal (D.M.A.)
 (*This will be taken up this November)
 DUE: \$27,708.85
 Pd. to Date: \$0.00
3. Loyola Catholic School Assessment:
 DUE: \$238,000.00
 Pd. to Date: \$58,500.00

Total Assessments 2014-2015: \$ 343,812.77
 Total Paid to Date 2014-2015: \$ 84,571.64

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Please note that Holy Rosary Pastoral Council will be meeting a week from this Monday, November 24th in Conference Room 1 at 7:00 pm. Materials will be handed out at the meeting. Thank you for your presence.

SATURDAY NIGHT MASS TIME CHANGE NEXT WEEKEND!!



The Saturday night Mass time will be changing NEXT WEEKEND, on the First Saturday of Advent, November 29th, from 5:30 pm to 5:00 pm. This will be a permanent time change as recently voted on by the faithful. We will continue to post this in the bulletin through the month of November. Please remind, family, friends and neighbors.

K OF C COUNCIL #5551 NEWS

- November 28 – General Meeting & Card Party
- November 28 – KC Raffle Drawing for Religious Education
- November 28 – Christmas Tree Lot Opens
- December 6 – Parish Christmas Party



CALVARY CEMETERY WREATHS



Calvary Cemetery is now taking orders for Christmas Wreaths to be placed on your loved one's graves. For further information please go to www.calvarymankato.wordpress.com or call Terry Miller at 507-995-1010.

VACATION RAFFLE



The Vacation Raffle will be held on Thursday, November 20, 2014. Tickets are \$50 (just a tank of gas!). The evening includes a delicious turkey dinner for two, beer, wine & popcorn as well as a silent auction. Tickets are available from the Pastoral & Finance Council members as well as from the parish office. There are still tickets to be purchased, contact the parish office to get yours today! Lots of Vacation Cash could be yours – plan to attend!! We are in need of new or slightly used items for the silent auction part of this event. Please drop off any items that you have at the Parish Office prior to November 19th.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS TO ECHO FOOD SHELF!!



The ECHO Food Shelf donations have been taken to ECHO and weighed in – your donations totaled 58 pounds in total weight. Thank you for your donations to those in need!

TIME TO CHANGE THE MISSALLETTES

Volunteers are needed to change the Missallettes in Church on Monday, November 24th after Mass. Your help would be greatly appreciated! Please call the parish office if you are available to help. Thank you!!



MASS INTENTIONS



They knew him in the breaking of the bread

Thank you to those that responded to the parish request for additional Mass offerings and intentions. We are doing much better following our first appeal for the time being. However, we are still in need for more Masses in the near future. Please know that offering a Mass for a loved one is not

reserved only for those that have died but even more so for the living. The saints emphasized the great spiritual blessings that come to us when a Mass is offered for us and our intentions when we are still alive. Are you at a loss for giving a gift for Christmas, an anniversary, birthday or some other special occasion? Maybe praying the “Perfect Prayer” of the Mass would be the perfect gift. If you are interested in offering a Mass for a loved one, simply take an envelope, write your intention(s), and for each intention the Church asks for a \$10.00 offering. In this month of November, let us especially call to mind our dearly departed. Thank you so much!



LOYOLA CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

Our congratulations to Loyola students Ben Ellingworth, Michael Nguyen, Matthew Salzle, Brianna Johnston, and Andrea Ovalle, who were honored at Mass and dinner hosted by the School Sisters of Notre Dame on Tuesday, November 11. These young people are among 12 area seventh graders who received the Serra Club “Great Promise” Award in recognition of their character, leadership, generosity and service in their parish, school, and local community.



CONGRATS TO OUR YOUTH

LON SMITH AWARD WINNER



Congratulations to Danny Collins of our parish who was recently named this year’s recipient of the Lon Smith Award by the Mankato United Soccer Club. This award is based on sportsmanship, leadership on and off the field, commitment to Mankato soccer, academic achievement and overall exemplary behavior. Danny has also mentored aspiring young soccer officials, and has been very active at Holy Rosary, serving as a vacation bible school leader, helping facilitate mission trips and participating in a number of service initiatives. Congratulations Danny!

GREAT PROMISE AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to seventh graders Hailey Barker, Ben Ellingworth, Abi Lang, Rebecca Mueller and Andrea Ovalle who were awarded The Great Promise Award by The Mankato Serra Club this past week.



Each student has demonstrated qualities that show great promise of future Christian leadership as well as service, compassion, commitment, inquisitiveness, intelligence, trustworthiness, and value based living. All students and their families were hosted to Mass and dinner by the School Sisters of Notre Dame. Congratulations to you all!

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE AREA

WOODCARVING ART SHOW

Sister Mary Ann Osborne, SSND is having an art showing and sale of her woodcarvings at her studio in Florian Hall on Good Counsel Hill on Saturday, November 22nd from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. You will have the opportunity to purchase handmade, original one of a kind Christmas gifts.

FALL BRUNCH

Sunday, November 23, 8:15 am - 12:00 pm, St Joseph the Worker's 27th Annual Fall Brunch. Serving ham/egg bake, biscuits/gravy, sausage, French toast, fresh rolls and muffins. Come enjoy a brunch and fellowship. Adults \$7.00, children 6-12 \$4.00, 5 and under free



27TH ANNUAL HAM DINNER

Church of St. Mary – New Ulm: 27th Annual Men's Ham Dinner, Sunday, November 23rd from 10:30 am – 1:00 pm. Ham, potatoes, corn, cole slaw, ice cream and beverages. Take-outs available. Bake sale, homemade pies and raffle also. Thank you for your support!!



ADVENT RETREAT

An Ignatian Advent Retreat is being offered at SS Peter & Paul Parish this Advent season. Please join us as we prepare ourselves for the Son of God becoming man and for His second coming in glory. It is a special time for active expectation, desire, prayer, communication and joy. The retreat includes prayerful scripture reading, Ignatian contemplation on the infancy narratives, daily personal prayer and a group prayer meeting Tuesday evenings from 6:30 – 8:00 pm. The retreat will begin Tuesday, November 25th and end Tuesday, December 30th. If you would like to register or would like more information, please call Frank Cesario at 625-2395 or email at fcesario@hickorytech.net.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Theresa House and Welcome Inn are hoping you and your family will reach out to one of their homeless or at-risk families this holiday season. Please contact Partners for Affordable Housing's Volunteer Coordinator, Onnie, at 387-2115 for details. Opportunities includes fulfilling the holiday wishes of a homeless child or family as well as helping wrap and tag Christmas gifts on Wednesday evening December 10th or Tuesday evening December 16th. Thanks for your help.

**ECHO FOOD SHELF
THANKSGIVING DINNER BASKETS**

ECHO Food Shelf is once again preparing to distribute Thanksgiving dinner baskets to our neighbors who would not otherwise be able to afford them and we are asking you to consider helping us in this project. The baskets will include a turkey or a ham, potatoes, green beans, dressing mix and canned cranberries. The baskets will cost \$19-\$20 each and this year we are expecting to distribute about 1,300 baskets. Your contributions can be sent to ECHO Food Shelf, PO Box 3212, Mankato, MN 56001 or dropped off at ECHO at 1014 South Front St, Mankato. Thank you!



SAN LUCAS MISSION FUNDRAISER

Please join us for a Gala fund raiser for the San Lucas mission. Friday, November 21st at the Crow River Winery east of Hutchinson on highway 7. Doors open at 5:30 pm and supper is served at 7:00 pm. Silent and live auctions will be held. The proceeds from this Gala will be used to continue the educational, medical, and other ministries of the mission. The cost is \$50.00 per person. To reserve your ticket or for more information please call 651-454-0981 or visit www.sanlucasmission.org. Thank you.

**ADVENT DAY OF PRAYER
PREPARE THE WAY FOR JUSTICE, HOPE
AND PEACE ON EARTH**

Saturday, December 6, 2014, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Sacred Space Ministry, Good Counsel, Mankato, MN 56001-3138.

“Advent is a season of courage! It is a season for midwives and those who give birth to hope and peace.” *Megan McKenna*. Along with shopping, parties, caroling, tree decorating and baking, take time to prepare your heart, your spirit, your psyche for the coming of Christmas. This day will include input, reflection, stories and sharing. Fee: \$40, includes lunch. Please register by December 2, 2014. mjwelter@ssndcp.org or 507-389-4266.

BINGO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Thank you to all of the members of Holy Rosary Church who have and do volunteer for various events at Monarch Meadows Senior Community. We are looking to recruit volunteers to help with our afternoon Bingos. Volunteers would sit with residents who need extra help during the game and are invited to stay afterwards for a Social Hour with coffee and a snack. We play Bingo Tuesdays, Fridays, and Sundays at 2:00 pm. If you enjoy helping people and would be willing to help, please contact Tiffany Jones at Monarch Meadows at 507-344-1165.

