

Offertory 2017

	Needed	Weekly Offering
Nov. 1st	\$3,500.00	\$ 997.00
Nov. 5th	\$3,500.00	\$4,072.20
Nov. 12th	\$3,500.00	\$3,740.55
Nov. 19th	\$3,500.00	
Nov. 23rd	\$3,500.00	
Nov. 26th		
Total		

As stewards we are accountable to God for our time, talent and treasure. We return to the Lord, the giver of all our gifts, a truly grateful first share of our time, talent and treasure.

Como cristianos corresponsables, somos responsables ante Dios, por nuestro tiempo, talento y tesoro. Le regresamos al Señor, el dador de todos nuestros dones, la primera porción de nuestro tiempo, talento y tesoro con verdadero agradecimiento.

Please Remember the Following:

Linda Arian; Dan Browning, Patricia Carroll; Savanna King; Rita Witchman; David & Carol Leonard; Billie Lanier; Born Family; Dan Christ; Linda Christ; Sammi Pedersen; Bob & Lola Godat; Fred Vandehey; Gal Kessel; Debbie Enneberg, Carmen Orsi; Katie Jordon; Mindy Hopfer; Joanne Besio; Mike Mulvihill; Jennifer Christy; Chuck & Dee Wettstein; Paul Paquin; Carlos Coit; Jeff Born; Glen Johnston; Jessie & Gilbert Sharp; Hazel Engstrom; Ann Pedersen; Jan Sletager; Richard Moore; Jim Lanning; Cal and Bernice Dubisar; Heather Messick; Family of Ralph and Mary Lee; Deborah Horrell; Hernán Enrique Cáceres; Verónica Natalia Chávez; María, Sol Montel; Verónica Rodríguez; Luz Alejandra Bringas, Carolina Silvia Brizuela Pérez; Rodolfo Martin Arruabarrena; Susan Markie, Nettie Irene Downing, Harley Mayfield, Sam Lane, Ron Edgerly, Naomi Blankenship, Bill Nicholson, Bud Gilvinski, Joanne Gleason, Danilo Salgado, Betty Salgado, Bev Carlton, Courtney Lynn Viescas, Frank Smith, for the special intentions of our parishioners and others.

Daily Readings Nov 20th – Nov 26th

Mon – Mac.1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Luk.18:35-43	Fri. – Mac.4:36-37, 52-59; Luk.19:45-48
Tues – Mac.6:18-31; Luk.19:1-10	Sat. – Mac.6:1-13; Luk.20:27-40
Wed – Mac.7:1, 20-31; Luk.19:11-28	Sun. – Eze.34:11-12, 15-17; 1Cor.15:20-26, 28; Mat.11:9, 10
Thurs – Sir.50:22-24; Luk.17:11-19	

St. Joseph Catholic Church

Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 19, 2017



Vigil Mass Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday Mass 9:00 am English
12:00 Noon Spanish
Holy Days 8:00am and 6:00pm
Monday- Tuesday –Thursday 8:00am
Wednesday and Friday 12:15pm

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Sacraments

Sacrament of Penance: Wednesday: 11:45am – 12:15pm, and Saturday: 3:30-4:30pm * Other times by appointment* Contact Fr. Joseph for preparation of the Sacrament of Baptism or Marriage and the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Rosary Schedule

Sun. Rosary: half hour before Mass
Every Sunday after the Rosary the Prayer for Vocations (by Bishop Cary) will be said together.

Date Nov. 19th – Knights of Columbus

Date Nov. 26th – Lectors

Date Dec. 3rd - Choir

Every committee is responsible for the rosary being said each Sat. & Sunday

Prayer for Priestly Vocations

Lord Jesus Christ, Living Bread come down from heaven, in Your Name we ask the Father to bless the Diocese of Baker with vocations to the priesthood. By the prompting of the Holy Spirit call forth from among us men who are able to sympathize with our weakness and deal gently with the wayward, men who will give us confidence to draw near to the font of Mercy and find grace in the time of need. Send us priests to bring comfort to the afflicted, pardon to the sinner, and peace to the dying; priests to hand You over to us in the Breaking of the Bread. High Priest, of the New and Eternal Covenant, we place our trust in You. To You be glory and praise forever. Amen

~Composed by Bishop Liam Cary~

2017 August Weekend Ministry Assignments

Thursday Nov. 23rd 10am:

Acolyte – Rick Nolte

Lectors – Barb Johnson
Diane Giovanini

Euch. Min. – Evelyn Stirnaman
Nancy Redfern

Altar Serv. – Roman Stenbeck
Blaine Viescas

Saturday Nov. 25th 9am:

Acolyte – Steve Schilling

Lectors – Tom MacDonald
Kathie Leonard

Euch. Min. – Sue Godat
Mary Norton

Altar Servers- Blaine Viescas
Isabel Sherman

Sunday Nov. 26th 12pm:

Acolyte – Rick Nolte

Lectors – Gary Thompson
Diane Giovanini

Euch. Min – Barbara M Kurtz
Cathy Baxter

Altar Serv. – Sam & Max LeFerve
Avery LeFerve

Sunday Nov. 26th 12pm:

Acolyte – Max Hernandez

Lectors – Juana Villagomez
Martha Villagomez

Euch. Min – Celia Nunez
Alfredo Villagomez

Altar Serv. – Allen Sotelo
Diocelina Sotelo

***If you cannot be available please find a substitute. *Altar Servers* call Rick Nolte* @ 541-954-2331**

FR. Joseph's Corner...

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) Part - 1

In Romans 8:35, St. Paul tells us that nothing can separate us from the love of Christ. If nothing can come between us and the love of God through Jesus Christ, why is reconciliation so important? If I die before I can make a last confession, will I still go to heaven?

There are many presumptions and misunderstandings about the Sacrament of Reconciliation or Confession. Some of the presumptions are due to our own "false reasoning" to pacify our emotional disturbances when we sin or we justify in order to hide our guilt.

I like to answer the questions in two parts.

First: It is true that nothing can separate us from Christ. But in our daily lives we experience that due to our own selfishness, stubbornness and pride, we separate ourselves from the love of Christ. Like the prodigal son in Luke 15, we, instead of enjoying the love and comfort of the father in the house, run away and chose our own way, thinking that we do not have freedom to do what we want.

We all sin. Sin is before all else an offense against God, a rupture of communion with him. At the same time it damages communion with the Church. For this reason conversion entails both God's forgiveness and reconciliation with the Church, which are expressed and accomplished liturgically by the sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation. (CCC 1440).

God's grace, mercy and forgiveness comes to us through Christ and his church. In all our prayer we pray and end the prayer saying 'this we ask through Christ Our Lord'.

He has bought us this grace with his blood. The church not only calls us to humble repentance but also intercedes for us and helps us toward ongoing conversion.

Reconciliation is coming back home to the Father. This sacrament also brings an inner healing to each individual. Three very important and radical changes take place in an individual when s/he does his Confession.

1. The wounds caused by sin is healed. 2. The penitent is freed from evil forces. 3. The capacity to do good is strengthened by the grace he receives from the Sacrament.

It really brings an inner healing to those seek it with sincere repentance. "Whoever confesses his sins...is already working with God. God indicts your sins; if you also indict them, you are joined with God. Man and sinner are , so to speak two realities: when you hear "man"- this is what God has made; when you hear "sinner- this is what man himself has made. Destroy what you have made, so that God may save what he has made" (St. Augustine) **(Continued.....next week) Prayerful wishes, Fr. Joseph**





The Knights of Columbus Offer breakfast every first Sunday of the month after the 9am Mass. **December 3, 2017**

Social Time

Please join us for coffee **every 3rd Sunday** after the 9:00 am Mass Sunday Coffee Hour Schedule:
 December 17th – Carol Smith
 January 21st – Betty Viescas
Volunteers Needed for Coffee Hour, to help call the Office at 541-447-6475.

Mass Intentions Nov. 18th – Nov 24th

One must never forget the infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit ones soul.

(L) =Living (D) = Death

Sat. 8am – Loren & Rachel Scheel (D) / Cliff & Patty Scheel

Sat. 5pm - Neil Rosenbaum (D) / Becker Family

Sun. 9am – James Mura (D) / Kate Erickson

Sun 12pm – Herculano Vargas & Maria Guadalupe Vargas (D) / Maria Gonzalez

Maria Ester Ambriz (D) / Maria Gonzalez

Mon. 8am – Jeff & Colleen Collier &, Norton Family Intentions (L) / Tom & Mary Norton

Tues. 8am – Neil Rosenbaum (D) / Becker Family

Wed. 12:15pm – Priests of the Diocese of Baker (L) /

Thurs. 8am – Fern Shepard (D) / Cliff & Patty Scheel

Fri. – 12:15pm- Jolene Sparks Walter (D) / Cliff & Patty Scheel

Thank you to everyone who helped make St. Joseph Holiday Festival a success.

Those who made and contributed hand crafted sale items, cooked and served a delicious enchilada lunch help with set and takedown of tables and decorations, etc. And of course those who purchased items. The bazaar net \$2,773.05 and was a success thanks to all that participated.

Thanksgiving

Poor People....
 Who are the Poor People???

One day, the father of a wealthy family took his son on a trip to the country with the express purpose of showing him how poor people live. They spent a couple of days and nights on the farm of what would be considered a very poor family. On their return, the father asked his son, “Did you enjoy your trip?” “It was great, Dad.” “Did you see how poor people live?” the father asked. “Oh yeah,” said the son. “So, tell me what did you learn from the trip?” asked the father. The son answered: “I saw that we have one dog and they had four. We have a pool that reaches to the middle of our garden and they have a creek that has no end. We have imported lanterns in our garden and they have the stars at night. Our patio reaches to the front yard and they have the whole horizon. We have a small piece of land to live on and they have fields that go beyond our sight. We have servants who serve us, but they serve others. We buy our food, but they grow theirs. We have walls around our property to protect us, they have friends to protect them. The boy's father was speechless. Then his son added, “Thank, Dad, for showing me how poor we are.” Isn’t perspective a wonderful thing? Makes you wonder what would happen if we all gave thanks for everything we have, instead of worrying about what we don’t have. Appreciate every single thing you have, especially your friends!” Life is too short and friends are too few.”

Prayerful wishes, Fr. Joseph

Parish News

Thanksgiving Mass will be Thursday, November 23rd at 10am.

There will be no Mass on Friday November 24th.

Fr. Joseph will now have confession time on Wednesdays 11:45am – 12:15pm and also Saturdays 3:30pm – 4:30pm

Today Sunday, November 19th is reversed collection for the poor among us. If you want to donate money, please ask for an envelope from the ushers to mail it to St. Vincent de Paul. Thanks for your understanding and cooperation.

Christmas Pageant

Please come to the St Joseph Christmas Pageant December 17 from 2-4 PM, put on by the children of our parish. The children will perform a live Nativity with music and refreshments to follow. Enjoy and support our youth.

We will be resuming Bible Study

November 29th, 6:30 PM Room 1 in the Church Hall. This session we will be **PHILIPPINS, LIFE IN CHRIST** by Tim Gray. It is a study in Christian friendships, on how to become partners in the Gospel and how to share in the citizenship of heaven. Join us in this new adventure. There will be a sign-up sheet in the back of the Church. Call the parish office or Sue Godat @ 406-439-6582 for more information

Celebration of Our Lady of

Guadalupe, Saturday December 9th. Everyone is welcome to come and celebrate. Mananitas offered at 6am. Coffee/bread offered in the church basement following

mananitas. Return for mass at 12pm, proceed after mass to the parish hall and enjoy Mexican folk dances arranged by a group of women and children and more entertainment following.

Volunteers are needed in various areas for this celebration: breakfast, coffee/ Mexican bread, plates, napkins, cake, music, games decorations and clean up or donations. If you are interested in helping please call Apolonio Villagomez at 541-420-8946 or Ruby Ruiz at 541-350-8833.

Todos son bienvenidos a La Celebración de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe que se celebra el sábado 9 de diciembre. Las Mañanitas serán a las 6 de la mañana. También se ofrecerá Café y pan en el sótano de la iglesia siguiendo las mañanitas. La misa será a las 12:00pm, después de la misa son todos bienvenidos al salón de la Iglesia para disfrutar de danzas folclóricas mexicanas organizadas por un grupo de mujeres y niños y más entretenimiento posterior. Se necesitan voluntarios en distintas áreas de esta celebración: desayuno, café/ pan mexicano, platos, servilletas, torta, música, juegos, decoraciones y limpiar o donaciones. Sí está interesado en ayudar, por favor llámele a Apolonio Villagómez al 541-420-8946 o Ruby Ruiz al 541-350-8833.

Knights of Columbus Christmas Cards

for sale after the 9am Mass. November through December 24th in the Parish Hall.

A Very Special Thank You

to the men of St. Joseph’s, who gave their time in the residing of the south exterior walls of the parish hall and rectory: Charley Kurtz, Steve Schilling, Mark Luckey, Bob Leonard, Mike Koivisto, Mike Koivisto, Mike Carroll, Don Arian, Bruce Greenwood, Gary Thompson, Tom Burke and Matt Luckey.

Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



1st R. – Pro.31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

Res. Ps – 128:1-2, 3, 4-5

2nd R – 1The.5:1-6

Gospel Accl – Joh.15:4a, 5b

Gospel – Mat.25:14-30

33rd Sunday – A

This penultimate Sunday of the liturgical year reminds us not only of the end of the liturgical year but also of the end of all things and of the preparations we need to make to reach Heaven. The main theme of the three readings is an invitation to live in such a way that we make the best use of the talents God has given us, so that at the hour of our death Our Lord will say: “*Well done, my good and faithful servant! Come and share the joy of your master*” Matthew 25: 21).

The first reading suggests that we should be as diligent and industrious as a loyal and

faithful wife in the use of our God-given gifts with “*the fear of the Lord.*” In the second reading, Paul advises us to keep awake and be sober, encouraging and building each other up as we wait for the “Day of the Lord.” He challenges the Thessalonians to turn fear of the Lord into positive, constructive and life-affirming action.

Today’s Gospel challenges us to ask the questions: Are we using our talents and gifts primarily to serve God? Are we doing everything we can to carry out God’s will? The parable of the talents challenges us to do something positive, constructive and life-affirming with our talents here and now.

The parable is set in the last of Jesus’ five great discourses -- this one focusing on Jesus’ eschatological teaching. The three parables in the twenty-fifth chapter of Matthew (The Wise and Foolish Virgins, The Talents, The Last Judgment) are about the end times, the end of the world, and the end (intent, purpose, and upshot) of our lives. Matthew’s account provided good advice to the early Christian community as to how they were to behave in the period following Jesus’ Resurrection and Ascension while they await his imminent *second coming*. Whatever had been given to them — money, talent, opportunity — was meant to bear fruit for the glory of God and the salvation of souls. The same is true for all of us. Perhaps, Jesus was condemning the Jewish religious authorities. They were like the third

servant, so carefully bent on preserving in its purity the tradition with which they had been entrusted that they lost their openness for new things and refused to accept Jesus’ message. In the early community the parable was allegorized. The master was equated with Christ, his departure with the ascension, and his delayed return with the delay of the Parousia or the “second coming.”

We need to trust God enough to make use of the gifts and abilities we have been given. Some of us are clearly very gifted with valuable abilities, but there is no one, absolutely no one, who can say he has been gifted with nothing. We may be especially talented in teaching children or cooking meals or repairing homes or programming computers. So we should ask ourselves how we are using our particular gifts in the service of our Christian community and the wider society. Why not follow the example of people who use their God-given talents the best way possible, like, for instance, nursing assistants who take great pride in keeping their patients clean and comfortable, or carpenters who gain enormous satisfaction from building quality homes, or teachers who find joy in the discoveries of the classroom, or attorneys who keep the goal of justice at the very center of their practices?

We need to make use of our talents in our parish. God calls us to live in a world of abundance by taking risks and being generous. In addition to our homes and families, the best place to do this is in our

parish. This means that we should be always willing to share our abilities in creative worship in the Church and innovative educational events in the Sunday school. We can fulfill needs we will find right in our parish: feeding the hungry, visiting the sick or the elderly, housing the homeless, and welcoming strangers in our midst. We need to make the bold assumption that there’s going to be a demand for every one of our talents in our parish community. We should step out, with confidence, believing that every God-given gift we have is going to be exceedingly useful and fruitful!

We need to "trade" with our talent of Christian Faith: All of us in the Church today have received at least one talent. We have received the gift of Faith. Our responsibility as men and women of Faith is not just to preserve and “keep” the Faith. We need to work with it. We need to offer it to the men and women of our times. Unless we do this, we stand in danger of losing the Faith just as the third servant lost his talent. The way to preserve the Faith, or any other talent that God has given us, is to put it to work and make it bear fruit.

