ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY HECKER, ILLINOIS 62248 REV. VON C. DEEKE, PASTOR PARISH OFFICE 473-2217 FAX 473-9141 E-MAIL ADDRESS: staug@htc.net PARISH WEBSITE: staugustineofcanterburyhecker.weebly.com To contact Father Von when not in Parish Office, Cell #618/214-6852 St. Vincent de Paul Help Line 618/792-4059 House of Neighborly Service Help Line 618/939-8680 Confessions: are heard each Saturday night from 4 to 4:45 pm and each Sunday from 8 to 8:20 am. Parish Office Hours: Mondays and Thursdays, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Closed from 12 noon to 1:00 pm for lunch.

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**THEME FOR THE THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:** The Lord is full of mercy and compassion, slow to anger and of great kindness. He has come to search out and save what was lost. Let us be more concerned with doing the Lord's work than with idle speculation about when he will come again.

#### MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat. 11-2	5:00 pm – Phillip & John Rheinecker
Sun. 11-3	8:30 am For Our Parish at St. Augustine's
Tues. 11-5	8:00 am – Bonnie Casey (Month's Mind)
Wed. 11-6	8:00 am – Frank Gregson
Thurs. 11-7	8:00 am – Clyde Kreher
Fri. 11-8	8:00 am – Cletus Kreher
Sat. 11-9	5:00 pm – Quentin & Veronica Gregson
Sun. 11-10	8:30 am For Our Parish at St. Augustine's



# ORGANIZATIONS

**BLESSED VIRGIN ALTAR SODALITY** – The ladies meet the first Tuesday In September, November, January & March at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center. Details regarding the annual Christmas Party and Spring Breakfast are shared in the bulletins closer to those dates.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** – meet the second Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center. Any changes or special activities are given elsewhere in the bulletin.

**QUILTING** – ladies meet to quilt each Tuesday in the Parish Center from 8:30 am to 3:30 p.m. except during the summer. Any questions call Margie Holle at 473-2944 or Alice Kuehn 473-2817.

#### PARISH COUNT: 120 OUR SACRIFICE MADE TO GOD: 10-27-19

Sunday Envelopes (46) - \$1,805.00 Loose - \$136.00 Youth (2) - \$10.00

Scholarship Fund - \$141.00

(Total Donated since 8/1/2019)

Thank you very much for your generosity!

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK		
Saturday, November 9 <sup>th</sup> ; 5pm	Sunday, November 10 <sup>th</sup> ; 8:30am	
Ushers: Mel Parker & Dwight Kern	Ushers: Ralph Eckart & Larry Schaltenbrand	
Greeters: Sue Hepp	Greeters: Schaltenbrands	
Servers: Days	Servers: Donius	
Lector: Elaine Rader	Lector: Jonella Donius	
Extraordinary Ministers: Gary Wittenauer,	Extraordinary Ministers: Marvin Parker,	
Alice Kuehn and Debbie Harbaugh	Angie Parker and Eric Schreder	
OFFERTORY FAMILIES		
Sat. 11/9 – Sue Hepp & Elaine Rader	Sun. 11/10 – Matthew Kern Family	
Sat. 11/16 – Mike Kern Family	Sun. 11/17 – Mary Kujawski	
Sat. 11/23 – M/M John Kuehn	Sun. 11/24 – M/M Jerry Mollet	
<b>Sat. 11/30</b> – M/M Dwight Kern	Sun. 12/1 – Todd Papenberg Family	
Sat. 12/7 – Annie Lovelace & Arline Wittenauer	Sun. 12/8 – Kay Rist & Dorothy Christiansen	
Sat. 12/14 – Darren Mehrmann Family	Sun. 12/15 – M/M Marvin Parker	

## Please pray for the following:



Darlene Frisch, Ellen Daniels, Dave Bruss, Dorothy Vogler, Janet Hayes, Maxine Linnertz, Kathy Lynn Kromat, Ray Mavers, Robert & Alice Mueller, Bob Dennler, Bob Reed, Pam Wilderman Woodward, Shirley Wittenauer, Madalyn Killebrew, Stephanie Amann Stosberg, Ranetta Adams, Nancy Grohmann, Sheila Zubrzyski, Lowell Powell, Renee Krebel, Kristen Christ, John Joseph Materniak, Beverly Moskop, Ruth Cortner, Lois Papenberg, David Williams, Diane Guttmann, Mathew Myers, and Rita Tyberendt.

Submitted names will remain on the prayer list for one month's time. Please call the Parish Office 473-2217 to submit names for the prayer list.



## FINANCE COMMITTEE AND PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

• Quarterly Parish Council Meeting, Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, 7pm in the Parish Center.



The Choir will be practicing on: Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 1:30 pm

The Choir will be singing at the Sunday, 8:30 am Mass on: Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, November 17th



# DIOCESAN EVENTS

#### NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS

#### Way of Lights Volunteer Request -- Friday, November 22 – Tuesday, December 31

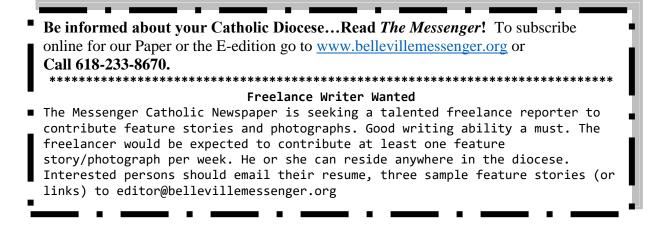
Looking for a special way to share the holiday spirit? Volunteer for a shift or two during the Way of Lights greeting visitors to the Christmas tree display or helping at the children's craft area at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows from November 22 through December 31. This is also a great opportunity for youth service hours. If interested, please email programs@snows.org or call 618-394-6281 snows.org/wol

Volunteers Needed at Catholic Urban Programs

**Monday mornings – 9:00 a.m. – 12 Noon – Front Desk** -answering the phone/handling intakes for the food pantry

Wednesday mornings – 9:00 a.m. – 12 Noon – Front Desk -good people skills/ability to multi-task

This is a great opportunity to use your gifts to help those in need. If you are interested and would like additional information, please contact Gerry Hasenstab at 618-398-5616 or email him at <u>cup@diobelle.org</u>



**COMING AREA EVENTS** 

## FLYERS WILL NOW BE LOCATED IN A 3-RING BINDER AT THE FRONT ENTRANCE TO CHURCH. FEEL FREE TO CHECK OUT THE BINDER IF YOU NEED ADDITIONAL INFO ABOUT AN EVENT.

Nov. 3rd - Fall Festival & Dinner; St. Joseph in Apple Creek MO; 11am-2pm Buffet Style

Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> – Wurstmarkt & Polka Mass; St. Augustine's Belleville; 10:30am; Dinner 11am-6pm.

Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> – Fall Quilt & Cash Bingo; St. John's Smithton; 1pm; Doors Open 10:30am; Refreshments served

10:30am-1pm; \$1 per card; BYOC; Attendance Prizes/Raffle/Pot of Gold/Basket Raffle

**Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> –** Fall Quilt Bingo; Holy Rosary Fairmont City; Doors open 11am; Bingo 1pm; Cake & Misc. Raffles; refreshments available including popular Mexican dishes.

Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> – Wurstmart; St. Patrick's Ruma; Serving 11am-3pm; Raffle, Country Store.

Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> – Noon Luncheon & Card Party; St. Luke's Belleville; \$8; Cards, Bingo etc.; Chicken Casserole etc

Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> – Luncheon & Holiday Craft Bazaar; Our Lady of Lourdes in Sparta; 9am-2pm.

Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> – Steak Dinner; St. Agatha KC's New Athens; 205 S. Market St; 4-8pm

Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> – Trivia Night; St. Teresa Belleville; Opens 6:30pm; Starts 7pm; Benefits scholarships & teachers' needs; Max 8 per table, \$100 per table; BYOS; email <u>Janine.gosebrink@stteresatigers.org</u> or call 618/235-4066 **Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>** – "Away in the Basement, A Church Basement Ladies Christmas; 7pm; Avon Theatre in Breese;

\$15; call The Messenger 618/233-8670 to reserve tickets.

**BINGO - BINGO - BINGO** on Monday nights at CKL of I in Swansea. Bingo (no machines) begins at 7pm and proceeds benefit Althoff Catholic High School. Food and drinks are available **Euchre --** Every Thursday afternoon starting at 1:00; St. Michael's Paderborn.

As many of you are aware, St. Louis County Police Office Mitch Ellis was killed on his way home to Hecker from work on October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Mitch, his wife and five children have lived in Hecker for many years.



We are planning to have a second collection on **Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>.** 

The monies will be sent to the St. Louis County Police Family Association who will direct the monies to the Ellis Family. This 501C3 Association assists families of fallen St. Louis County police officers.

Additionally, if anyone would be interested, Nicole Ellis's sister has set up a "Meal Train" which is a way to schedule taking a meal to the family on a certain date. If you are interested in signing up for this, please call Joan at the Parish Office and she can enter your information. Call 473-2217 or email staug@htc.net.

Save the Dates for Hecker's Quasquicentennial Celebration



January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Kick Off Celebration/Dinner @ Hecker Community Center Doors Open 5pm; Dinner 6pm; \$25 ticket includes Dinner, Entertainment, Draft Beer/Soda, & Souvenir Glass February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020 -- Fish Fry @ Hecker Community Center June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020 -- Firemen's Muster @ Backstreet Wine & Dine September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020 -- Parade/Picnic @ Hecker Community Center Grounds

## The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal 2019

...Blessed to receive, chosen to give

**YOUR GIFT** to The Catholic Service and Ministry Appeal helps Gerry Hasenstab and the staff of **Catholic Urban Programs (CUP)** provide food, clothing, shelter and assistance of every kind to people who lack the basic necessities of life to survive – 30,400 individuals and 4,213 families were served just last year!! If you haven't yet done so, consider making a gift today to The Appeal and enable Catholic Urban to continue their important work.

Our parish participation goal for the appeal is 58 households and our financial target is \$6,000.00. Please be as generous as you are able.

Pledges to Date: 39

\$6,220.00

103% of Total Goal



This Sunday starts National Vocations Awareness Week. National Vocation Awareness Week (NVAW) is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promote vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations. Please pray each day this week for an increase of vocations and for young people to hear their call to Holiness.



**HAVE YOU HEARD OF SERRA CLUB?** The Serra Club of St. Clair County is an organization of Catholic men and women, dedicated to foster and affirm vocations to the Priesthood and vowed religious life. Our purpose is to inform our community of the need for all vocations. We honor our religious with an annual Nuns Luncheon, a Deacon Dinner, a Priest Picnic and a new Priest Dinner. We pray for our seminarians and help them celebrate their birthdays.

Our club meets every first and third Friday of the month. There is a Mass, lunch, a speaker and a brief meeting. You are welcome to join us as our guest. For more information please contact Marvin Winkeler (402-214-1155) or Mel Lucash (618-531-4244) HELP US PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!

NEWS FROM GIBAULT CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL... GCHS Open House-Find Out What Makes Us #gibaultproud Mark your calendars for Gibault Catholic's Open House on Sunday, November 3, 11AM-2PM. Explore the campus, meet students and teachers, learn more about clubs and athletics, and

enjoy your time as part of the Gibault family. Come check us out!

# Rummage Sale



The Gibault Women's Club annual fall Rummage Sale will be held in the GCHS auditorium on Saturday, November 16, 8AM-3PM, with special deals from 1-3PM. Donations will be accepted November 11-14 from 8AM-8PM and on November 15 from 8AM-noon. Please, no large furniture or beds, exercise machines, TVs, or computers. Don't miss all the steals and deals!

## Placement Exam for Incoming Freshmen

Gibault will offers its placement exam for current 8<sup>th</sup> grade students on Saturday, December 7, 2019 at 8:30AM. Please RSVP to Susan Mackin (smackin@gibaulthawks.com)

We're #gibaultproud of: Ashlyn Wightman (Sts. Peter and Paul Parish) was named the St. Louis Post-Dispatch Athlete of the Week. Connor Olson (Sts. Peter and Paul Parish), Alex Bira (Immaculate Conception Parish), and Gavin Kohnz (St. Mary's-Valmeyer Parish) were named to the Boy's Illinois All-State High School Soccer selection by the Illinois High School Soccer Coaches Association.



# PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR) NEWS -SS. PETER & PAUL, WATERLOO

PSR information for the 2019-2020 school year has been updated on Ss. Peter & Paul's website. Please take a few minutes to look over all the details. <u>http://www.ssppcc.org/PSR</u>

For more information regarding the PSR program, please contact Catherine Burkart, the PSR Coordinator, at <u>psrnews@gmail.com</u>.



The Youth Ministry of Ss. Peter and Paul which also includes the youth from St. Augustine's now has a new social platform...INSTAGRAM! The new Pastoral Associate of Youth Ministry, Mrs. Catherine Burkart, has set up an Instagram Account which she will use to promote prayer and social opportunities. **Any youth interested can follow on ssppyouth\_waterloo.** 

**GroupMe.** This is a new social media platform that the teens are using. It is a large group text option. Students can invite other teens to join or students can join by following the link below.

https://web.groupme.com/join\_group/44062372/mlpvgk



## WATERLOO Queen of Hearts BENEFITS SPPCS ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

The SPPCS Queen of Hearts fundraiser is in full swing. \$1 tickets are on sale at the Stubborn German Brewing Company in downtown Waterloo during normal business hours. Drawing is at 7:00 p.m. every Tuesday. Please contact the school office for more information at 618-939-7217.

(You must register with the program before purchasing tickets.)

ATTENTION FRESHMEN AND SOPHOMORES coming up December 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> there will be a Quest experience held at Holy Childhood of Jesus Parish in Mascoutah, IL. For more information about the Quest experience and to obtain information to attend, please contact the Parish Office, 473-2217 or email staug@htc.net

## Pumpkin Decorating Contest Winners (Picture Attached)

The SPPCS Student Council held the annual Pumpkin Decorating Contest. 1st place was awarded to Henry Knoll for his Mr. Peanut, 2nd went to Audrey Essner for her peacock and 3rd place was Myra Coats for her spaceship & aliens. Congratulations!!

#### Falcon Fever (Picture Attached)

With the start of the basketball season last week, we kicked up our Falcon Fever with a Pep Rally. The baseball, softball and soccer teams were all celebrated and then the basketball teams was introduced. Our 4th graders won the spirit stick in an extremely close "cheer off" between the 3rd, 4th & 5th grades. Come out to cheer on our Falcons, check out the schedule for our next games website <u>www.sppcs.org</u> under extracurriculars.

## **Upcoming Events**

November 8th - Veteran's Day Program @ 12:30 p.m. November 12th - McTeacher Night at McDonald's @ 4 p.m. - 8 p.m. November 14th - Papa John's Night November 15th - SPPCS PTO Adult Spelling Bee Fundraiser 6 p.m. at Stubborn German









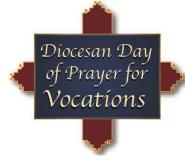
# All Souls' Remembrance Mass Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> -- 8:30 am Mass

We will be remembering those who have died since All Souls' Day 2018 during the 8:30 am Mass today, Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019. They are: Linda Braun, Bonnie Casey, Jeanne Huss, Pat Korves and Rosemary Wittenauer Livingston.

## Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> – St. Augustine's Parish Center, Hecker

On Sunday morning, Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>, after the 8:30 a.m. Mass, there will be an opportunity right here in our St. Augustine Parish Center to learn more about one of the most popular Catholic saints: St. Francis of Assisi. This is a great follow-up to the Feast of All Saints which is Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>. The program will last from 9:30-10:30, and include a DVD about the life of St. Francis. Refreshments will be served. The program will be presented by Joyce Springer, the Pastoral Associate for Adults at SS Peter and Paul. Come and take advantage of this opportunity that is being offered locally!





The following parishes in our diocese will host a Holy Hour for Vocations November 3rd at 3 p.m. (unless otherwise noted). All are welcome to unite throughout the diocese in a powerful time of shared prayer.

St. Damian, Damiansville Holy Trinity, Fairview Heights St. Stephen, Caseyville Cathedral of St. Peter, Belleville (9am) St. Joseph, Benton St. Mary, Anna St. Mary, Mt. Vernon St. Paul, Vienna (12pm)
St. Mary, Mount Carmel
St. Augustine of Canterbury, Hecker
St. Francis Xavier, Carbondale
St. Rose of Lima, St. Rose
St. Joseph, Freeburg

#### Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Conference

We are a Catholic lay organization providing service to the needy and suffering. Our Conference includes the parishes of:

- St. Augustine of Canterbury-Hecker
- St. Mary-Valmeyer
- St. Patrick-Tipton
- Saints Peter & Paul-Waterloo

Telephone numbers are 939-0605 and 618-792-4059 Mailing address is P.O. Box 443, Waterloo, IL 62298 Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month at Adult Faith Formation House at 7:00 PM. New members are always welcome.

## SEXUAL ABUSE HOTLINE:

Anyone wishing to report an allegation of sexual misconduct by a priest or other diocesan personnel please call the hotline:

800-640-3044.

#### Purchase SPPCS "Scrip Cards" for your shopping and gift giving needs!

Scrip cards make great gifts and in addition, consider purchasing "scrip cards" to use in place of cash, checks or credit cards for purchases you make.

How does that help St. Augustine families? Each SPPS student family is required to earn \$250 each year in fund raising. Plus, each student must pay \$400 registration and book fees. Then the tuition begins. At the end of each month the rebates from scrip sales are tabulated and applied to the family's account. You may designate a particular family or St. Augustine students as a group in which case it will be equally divided. Order forms are located in magazine rack in front vestibule of church. Please consider trying this program and perhaps add an item each month to help our parish support the SPPS/St Aug. families with absolutely no cost to you. Order forms may be returned in collection basket with check or given to Betty or Annette Schreder or any SPPS student family. Any questions may be directed to same people. Have The Messenger delivered to your door. Subscribe Today!

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## SS. PETER & PAUL, WATERLOO – MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

**Fall Mini- Series: Stuff Every Catholic Teen Should Know: Grades 6-8<sup>th</sup>:** Ever sit in religion class or Mass and wonder what something means or what its importance is? Now is your chance to learn more fun and important facts about the topics below. Please gather from 4-5:30 p.m. in the MAG room. November 3: Presence of the Eucharist

**Youth Choir** Teen choir masses are at 5 p.m. on the Saturdays listed below. Please gather for practice beginning at 4:10 p.m. in the office to the left side of the altar. For more information contact Judy Haberl, 939-6482; **November 9; December 14; January 11** 

#### Advent Wreath Making -- November 23 & 24

Following all weekend Masses families will have the opportunity to make advent wreaths and prayer booklets to prepare their hearts and home for the Birth of Jesus Christ. A fee of \$20 will be charged to help cover the cost of wreaths and supplies.

#### SS. PETER & PAUL HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH – FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

The high school youth meet from 6:30-8 p.m. on the Sundays listed below. Links to all registration forms can be found on the parish website: <u>https://www.ssppcc.org/youth-faith-formation-</u>

#### Nov. 10: Responding to Nonbelievers

The holidays are approaching! How do you respond to those family members who don't believe? **November 24:** *Christ the King* 

Come Learn about the Solemnity of Christ the King.

### ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES AT SS. PETER & PAUL, WATERLOO Adult Faith Formation House, 220 W. Mill Street

 Tuesday Speaker Series; 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month; 7:15-8:15pm November 26<sup>th</sup> – "Catholic Social Media" presented by Rich & Beth Lyons. Host: Michelle Miskell.

## VARIOUS OPPORTUNITIES CONTINUE...SEE FLYER ON BULLETIN BOARD FOR DETAILS

- Study of Adult Catechism 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday morning of each month, 9-10am
- "Just" Men Saturday mornings, 7:30-8:30am
- Learning with Bishop Robert Barron 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday morning of each month, 9-10:30am
- W.I.N.E. "Women in the New Evangelizer" 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month, 7-10pm, for more info: carriehiggerson@gmail.com.

## **Thanksgiving Dinner Donations Needed**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council needs your help with the Belleville Thanksgiving Dinner that will be provided again this year at St. Henry's Msgr. Bernard Voss Parish Center on Thursday, November 28, for those who are alone and would like to join others for a delicious dinner and enjoyable conversation. The following items are needed:

fruit cups (individually packaged – fruit cocktail/applesauce, etc.)
drinks (individually packaged/boxed...Capri Sun, etc.)
bottled water (individual size)

Donations may be dropped off on: Now through November 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. each day:

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council #13 Vieux Carre Drive, East St. Louis (Loisel Village area/immediately off Route 157—across from the new Save-A-Lot store)

Cash donations are also greatly appreciated; mail your check, payable to St. Vincent de Paul, to: SVDP, P.O. Box 3415, East St. Louis, Illinois 62203. Be sure to mark "Thanksgiving" in the memo portion of your check. **Thank you so much for your generosity!** 

your closets & donate today!

# St. Vincent de Paul Needs Blankets & Coats



Cold winter weather is just around the corner and the **Society of St. Vincent de Paul Belleville Council** desperately needs your help in keeping people warm! **Gently-used or new blankets, quilts & comforters of all types/sizes, as well as, coats** are needed to distribute to those in need. **Gently-used or new coats of** <u>all types</u> <u>in all sizes for all ages</u> – toddlers, children, teens and adults (men and women) – are being requested. Blankets, Quilts, Comforters & Coats can be dropped off at the St. Vincent de Paul office located at #13 Vieux Carre Drive, Suite 2, East St. Louis (Loisel Village area, immediately off Route 157) or call Joe Hubbard or Pat Hogrebe at 618-394-0126 for additional information. Warm your heart by keeping someone warm – check







The Fourth Joyful Mystery

## THE PRESENTATION

- **1.** Observing the law of Moses they take Jesus to the temple to present Him to the Lord.
- 2. According to the Law the firstborn male child of every family should be consecrated to the Lord.
- **3.** Mary offers her Son to the Father, then ransoms Him back at the price paid by the poor.
- 4. Jesus is not subject to the law of Moses, yet to teach obedience, submits to it.
- 5. Mary is not subject to the law of purification, yet in humility she submits to it.
- 6. God had revealed to Simeon that he would not see death until he had seen the Messiah.
- 7. Recognizing the Child, he prays: "Now you can dismiss your servant in peace. You have fulfilled your word."
- 8. "This Child is destined to be the downfall and rise of many in Israel, a sign that will be opposed."
- 9. And to Mary Simeon reveals: "And your own soul a sword shall pierce."
- 10. After they fulfill all the Law requires they return to Nazareth.

Spiritual Fruit: Let us pray for the respect for life, let us pray through the intercession of Mother Mary, that those considering abortion may see that there are other options and that our leaders across this country may unite in regard for respect for life. The Second Letter of Saint Paul to Timothy:

Here are chapters one and two of the Second Letter of Saint Paul to the Thessalonians, from which our second reading is taken this Sunday, from the Good News Translation:

#### Chapter 1

**1** From Paul, Silas, and Timothy - To the people of the church in Thessalonica, who belong to God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

2 May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ give you grace and peace.

**3** Our friends, we must thank God at all times for you. It is right for us to do so, because your faith is growing so much and the love each of you has for the others is becoming greater.

**4** That is why we ourselves boast about you in the churches of God. We boast about the way you continue to endure and believe through all the persecutions and sufferings you are experiencing.

**5** All of this proves that God's judgment is just and as a result you will become worthy of his Kingdom, for which you are suffering.

6 God will do what is right: he will bring suffering on those who make you suffer,

7 and he will give relief to you who suffer and to us as well. He will do this when the Lord Jesus appears from heaven with his mighty angels,

8 with a flaming fire, to punish those who reject God and who do not obey the Good News about our Lord Jesus.9 They will suffer the punishment of eternal destruction, separated from the presence of the Lord and from his glorious might,

**10** when he comes on that Day to receive glory from all his people and honor from all who believe. You too will be among them, because you have believed the message that we told you.

11 That is why we always pray for you. We ask our God to make you worthy of the life he has called you to live. May he fulfill by his power all your desire for goodness and complete your work of faith.

12 In this way the name of our Lord Jesus will receive glory from you, and you from him, by the grace of our God and of the Lord Jesus Christ.

#### Chapter 2

1 Concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to be with him: I beg you, my friends,

2 not to be so easily confused in your thinking or upset by the claim that the Day of the Lord has come. Perhaps it is thought that we said this while prophesying or preaching, or that we wrote it in a letter.

**3** Do not let anyone deceive you in any way. For the Day will not come until the final Rebellion takes place and the Wicked One appears, who is destined to hell.

4 He will oppose every so-called god or object of worship and will put himself above them all. He will even go in and sit down in God's Temple and claim to be God.

**5** Don't you remember? I told you all this while I was with you.

**6** Yet there is something that keeps this from happening now, and you know what it is. At the proper time, then, the Wicked One will appear.

**7** The Mysterious Wickedness is already at work, but what is going to happen will not happen until the one who holds it back is taken out of the way.

8 Then the Wicked One will be revealed, but when the Lord Jesus comes, he will kill him with the breath from his mouth and destroy him with his dazzling presence.

9 The Wicked One will come with the power of Satan and perform all kinds of false miracles and wonders,

**10** and use every kind of wicked deceit on those who will perish. They will perish because they did not welcome and love the truth so as to be saved.

**11** And so God sends the power of error to work in them so that they believe what is false.

12 The result is that all who have not believed the truth, but have taken pleasure in sin, will be condemned.

**13** We must thank God at all times for you, friends, you whom the Lord loves. For God chose you as the first to be saved by the Spirit's power to make you his holy people and by your faith in the truth.

14 God called you to this through the Good News we preached to you; he called you to possess your share of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**15** So then, our friends, stand firm and hold on to those truths which we taught you, both in our preaching and in our letter.

**16** May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and in his grace gave us unfailing courage and a firm hope,

17 encourage you and strengthen you to always do and say what is good.

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## The Sacrament of the Eucharist – The Paschal Banquet

Let's continue seeing what is taught about the Mass in the Catechism of the Catholic Church, especially concerning **receiving Jesus Christ in Holy Communion:** 

**1388** It is in keeping with the very meaning of the Eucharist that the faithful, if they have the required dispositions, *receive communion when* they participate in the Mass. As the Second Vatican Council says: "That more perfect form of participation in the Mass whereby the faithful, after the priest's communion, receive the Lord's Body from the same sacrifice, is warmly recommended." (Vatican II, 1963)

**1389 The Church obliges the faithful to take part in the Divine Liturgy on Sundays and feast days [Holy Days of Obligation]** and, prepared by the sacrament of Reconciliation, to receive the Eucharist at least once a year, if possible during the Easter season. But the Church strongly encourages the faithful to receive the holy Eucharist on Sundays and feast days, or more often still, even daily.

**1390** Since Christ is sacramentally present under each of the species, communion under the species of bread alone makes it possible to receive all the fruit of Eucharistic grace. For pastoral reasons this manner of receiving communion has been legitimately established as the most common form in the Latin rite. But "the sign of communion is more complete when given under both kinds, since in that form the sign of the Eucharistic meal appears more clearly." This is the usual form of receiving communion in the Eastern rites.

So, we are encouraged to receive Communion in every Mass we attend. If we are not in the state of grace, in other words, if we have committed a mortal sin, we are to receive forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation before receiving Jesus in Holy Communion. We are obliged to take part in Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation.

- Fr. Von Deeke

The next meeting of the Blessed Virgin Altar Sodality will be Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup>; 7:00 pm in the Parish Center

## YOU ARE INVITED!!!!



The Knights of Columbus, Council #11691 invites all to a DONUT SOCIAL to be held on Saturday, November 9<sup>th</sup> following the 5:00 pm Mass and on Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup> following the 8:30 am Mass. The Social will be held in the Parish Center. Please make plans to come out & socialize!!!!

## Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service

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Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Frieden's United Church of Christ, Hecker Please bring a non-perishable food item for the area food pantry Collection to benefit the Hecker Emergency Fund Refreshments to Follow

## THANKSGIVING MASS

St. Augustine's Hecker - Thursday, November 28th; 9:00 am

WORK DATE MARK YOUR CALENDARS...THERE WILL BE A PARISH WORK DAY ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30<sup>th</sup> AT 9AM WEATHER PERMITTING. WE WILL SETTING UP THE OUTSIDE CRIB AMONG OTHER CHORES! Watch for more details closer to Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>! The KC's will provide donuts & coffee at 8am in the Parish Center!