November 15, 2026
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Mass Intentions

Saturday Nov. 14 - 5:00pm
† Helen Dudlek
Sunday Nov. 15 - 9:00am
◊ Mass for the People
Monday Nov. 16 - 8:30am
† Pat DiAntonio
Tuesday Nov. 17 - 8:30am
† Helen & Stephen Sefcik
Friday Nov. 20 - 8:30am
† Helen Brannon
Saturday Nov. 21 - 5:00pm
† Gus & Helen Dudlek
Sunday Nov. xx - 9:00am
◊ Mass for the People

Sanctuary Candle
Theresa & Patrick Skinner

From the Pastor

Many thanks to Fr. Herring and Fr. Trader from Immaculate Conception Priory for celebrating Mass for me when I was on vacation the past two weekends. I will be back in the parish this Monday.

Please remember to return your pledge card for our Capital Campaign for new parish hall.

This weekend the second collection is for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Thank you for supporting this important ministry.

I would like to thank all our dedicated workers for our Christmas Bazaar this year. Our workers put in many hours of work to make this event such a success.

Fr. Dave

The Book of Remembrance is now placed on a stand near the Saint Joseph altar. All are welcome to write the names of the deceased family members and friends in the book. During the month of November, we will remember them in our prayers and at Mass.



Thank you to all who supported our Christmas Bazaar last week. This annual fundraise for our parish was a wonderful success this year.



Last week we celebrated Veterans Day. We give thanks for all our our veterans, living and deceased, who have served our country well. Let us always remember them in our prayers.

Your contribution to the Catholic Campaign for Human Development collection this week helps to break the cycle of poverty across the country and in our own neighborhoods.

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

Dear Padre

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At Mass, I have difficulty communing with God after receiving Communion because of the noise and activity. Why not more silence?

During Mass, communal silence is called for within the Penitential Act, for people to recollect themselves; at the end of a reading or the homily, so all can meditate briefly on what they've heard; and then after Communion, for people to praise and pray to God in their hearts. (See *General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 45.) In other words, there is a silence that reflects our contrition before God; a silence that reflects our need to ponder his word; and a deep silence before God that reflects awe and incapacity for words after receiving the Body and Blood of Christ!

After Communion, a period of communal silence for personal prayer is intended before other activities, such as a second collection or announcements. Also, a psalm, canticle of praise, or hymn may be sung. (See *GIRM* 88, 164.) "Liturgical silence is indispensable to the rhythm of a balanced celebration. Without it, the celebration can become perfunctory in its haste or burdensome in its unrelieved sound and song" (*Introduction to the Order of Mass*, 48, USCCB, 2003). As St. Alphonsus wrote in *The Holy Eucharist*: "There is no prayer more agreeable to God, or more profitable to the soul, than that which is made during the thanksgiving after Communion." ●

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