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MEMBERS OF NORTHWEST MILWAUKEE CATHOLIC PARISHES

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# WHICH COMMANDMENT IS THE GREATEST?

— MATTHEW 22:36 —



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OCTOBER 25, 2026 | THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## Spaghetti, Fellowship, & Fun

Please join us in the parish hall at StB on Saturday, November 14, from 4:00 to 7:30PM for a spaghetti dinner accompanied by a gift basket raffle and a bake sale.

Help spread the word by inviting family, friends, neighbors, and coworkers to attend. Consider sharing our flyer at work, your local coffee shop, the gym, or anywhere you gather with others. Every invitation makes a difference, and your enthusiasm and support help ensure a successful event.

Be sure to take a look at the gift baskets displayed in the StB Gathering Area after Mass. Our parishioners have once again shown incredible generosity, and we sincerely appreciate their support.

A heartfelt thank you to our bakers as well. We are really looking forward to their delectable treats.



## Gospel reflection

When a lawyer asked Jesus which commandment in the Law was the greatest, he was hoping to trap Him with a question that scholars of that day debated endlessly. Jesus answered with remarkable simplicity: love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, and mind. Then He added a second command that is like the first: love your neighbor as yourself. These two commands, He said, hold up all the Law and the prophets, which means every other instruction in Scripture grows from this root. It is striking that Jesus did not offer a long list of rules but pointed instead to relationship, first with God and then with the people around us. Loving God with our whole selves means that no part of our lives is set aside as off limits to Him, whether our work, our thoughts, or our quiet moments. Loving our neighbor is the natural overflow of that devotion, and it becomes real in small acts like a kind word, a meal shared, or a patient ear. We cannot truthfully claim to love God while ignoring the needs of those He has placed right in front of us. This week, let us ask ourselves where our love has grown cold or narrow, and invite God to widen it. May our church be known not for what we argue about, but for how well we love. ~ *Blessings, Fr. Mark*



*St. Bernadette:* All those on the long-term prayer list in the Book of Assembly Prayer and posted in the gathering area

*St. Catherine of Alexandria:* All those on the long-term prayer list posted at the back of church

*Our Lady of Good Hope:* Jane Kirst and all those on the long-term prayer list posted at the back of church

## Adult formation on FORMED

Deepen your relationship with God to know Him better.

October 25 ~ Practicing Catholic Podcast: Catholic Rules for the Age of Artificial Intelligence  
<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/4102901?cid=1439538>

## FORMED for families with children

Teach your children about our Catholic faith.

October 25 ~ The Mark 10 Mission: What is Pentecost?  
<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/4048919?cid=1496885>

## Staff updates

Dear parishioners,

We want to share some news with you about staffing changes.

***Joe Pense is no longer serving our five parishes.*** After a long period of prayerful reflection and personal and spiritual discernment, Joe has made the decision to step away from religious life with the Salvatorians. This decision was not made lightly. It has been filled with many emotions, but Joe feels it is the right decision for him at this time.

We are grateful for the time Joe spent among us and for the care and dedication he brought to our communities. We ask that you respect his privacy as he begins this new chapter. Please keep Joe in your prayers as he moves forward. May God bless and guide him on the path ahead.

***Diane Govern has resigned from her position*** as Director of Finance of NWMCP to take a job at another parish in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. We want to thank her for faithfully serving our community for nearly seven years and wish her well in her new job. Diane was instrumental in helping our three parishes come together and will be greatly missed. At present we do not plan to hire a direct replacement, as Jim Neuner, Director of Administrative Services, will manage all finance tasks with support from Theresa and Sue. The parishes will also receive additional support from the archdiocese to ensure our merger proceeds as planned.

## OLGH outreach donations

For many years, OLGH Parish has used the loose collection on the second weekend of each month for our outreach activities and donations. Now that we are collaborating and moving toward becoming one parish, the fund will receive 1% of the prior year's offerings. There is also a line on the contribution section of the monthly letter that you can use to specify a donation for Outreach/Human Concerns.

## Catholic trivia

Question: What are the names of the days on which Catholics are required to attend Mass?  
Answer: Holy days of obligation @LPi



We are all on a mission. Do you know what your mission is? Have you planned the goals and oriented your life to achieve them? Pope Paul VI said, "The Church exists to evangelize." That means all Catholics are to spread the good news of Jesus Christ and make disciples. Spreading the gospel and inviting others into a relationship with Christ is not just the priest's job. How do we do it effectively?

Let renowned speaker, writer, and expert, Chris Stefanick, teach you to effectively evangelize by breaking down the why, how, and what of effective ministry to help Catholics fulfill the Church's mission.

Join us Wednesdays, November 18 through December 23, 10:00-11:00AM, in the StB parish hall, for this video series.

### Eucharistic Adoration

November 17, 2:50-3:50PM at StB  
November 19, 10:50-11:50AM at StCA  
November 21, 2:50-3:50PM at OLGH



4:30-7:00PM in the StB parish hall

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|-------------|-------------|----------|
| November 20 | February 12 | March 26 |
| December 18 | February 26 | April 16 |
| January 15  | March 12    | May 21   |

### Blessing for Halloween

Bless the friends and families who will gather for the Halloween holiday. Grace us with Your joy as memories are forged and community bonds are strengthened. Bless our children in their festivities, our neighbors as we visit, and the spaces we'll share together. Help us to shine Your light through the darkness of these autumn nights. Amen.

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### Congratulations to our StB Calendar Raffle winners

|          |                     |
|----------|---------------------|
| 10/13/26 | Jim Kaminski        |
| 10/14/26 | Kacy Meyer          |
| 10/15/26 | James Petersen, Jr. |
| 10/16/26 | Jennifer Brown      |
| 10/17/26 | Steve Brown         |
| 10/18/26 | Diane Lueck         |
| 10/19/26 | Lisa Thomas         |

### Congratulations to our StCA Calendar Raffle winners

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|----------|-------------------------|
| 10/13/26 | Karl Mente              |
| 10/14/26 | Ted David               |
| 10/15/26 | Leona Bollenbeck        |
| 10/16/26 | Stephanie & Dave Kadera |
| 10/17/26 | Isabella Stecker        |
| 10/18/26 | Abby Rosingana          |
| 10/19/26 | Nathan Hintz            |

### Monetary donation reminder

Please remember that the date of our merger is January 1, 2027. Until we officially become St. Christopher Parish, please **continue to make any checks payable to your current parish**. Also, please **do not** make checks payable to Northwest Milwaukee Catholic Parishes.

Join us for an informative and engaging presentation about common scams targeting seniors and how to protect yourself.



WEDNESDAY,  
NOVEMBER 4TH



2:00 PM



TRUSTWELL LIVING  
OAK CREEK PLACE  
3829 South Chicago Avenue  
South Milwaukee, WI 53172

#### TOPICS WILL INCLUDE:

- Common scams and red flags
- Phone, email and online fraud
- Protecting your personal and financial information
- Consumer protection resources
- Tips to stay safe and informed



PLEASE RSVP BY  
OCTOBER 28TH



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SNACKS AND BEVERAGES  
WILL BE PROVIDED.

*We look forward to seeing you!*

*"Consult not your fears, but your hopes and dreams. Think not about your frustrations, but about your unfulfilled potential. Concern yourself not with what you tried and failed in, but with what it is still possible for you to do." ~ Pope Saint John XXIII*

## 2026 SHINE

### SHARING INSIGHTS ON CANCER CARE COMMUNITY EVENT

In recognition of Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month, the MCW LaBahn Pancreatic Cancer Program is hosting the **SHINE** event to raise awareness about pancreatic cancer and provide accessible cancer and health information directly in the community.

This event was initiated by the late Dr. Shawnee Daniels Sykes, Professor of Theology and Ethics, whose own experience with stage IV pancreatic cancer and the complexities of navigating care inspired the creation of a community-based cancer awareness program.

The **SHINE** event is free, open to the public, and includes lunch!

**RSVP is required to attend:**

**BIT.LY/SHINE26EVENT**

For questions, please contact us at:  
(414) 758 2215.



#### EVENT DETAILS:

Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026

9:30 am - 1:30 pm

Blessed Savior Catholic Church, 8545 W. Villard Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53225

**This event is supported by:** *The Office for Urban Ministry in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, Archdiocese of Milwaukee, Inc., The MCW Center for Advancing Population Science, and The MCW LaBahn Pancreatic Cancer Program.*

RSVP is required to attend:  
**BIT.LY/SHINE26EVENT**  
OR SCAN QR CODE HERE



## Thank you to OLGH from Courage+

Thank you so much for your generous donation to Courage+. Your organization's support is more than a financial contribution—it's a powerful affirmation of our mission to provide safety, support, and opportunity to LGBTQ+ youth experiencing homelessness.

Every dollar you gave helps fuel programs like Courage House, C2 Apartments, and our +You trainings, making a real and lasting difference in the lives of young people who need it most. We're honored to have you as part of this work.

With heartfelt thanks,  
The Courage+ Team



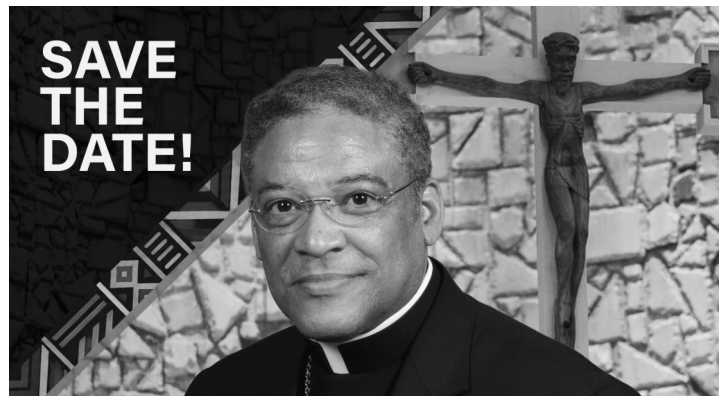
## Thank you to OLGH from Street Angels

Thank you for your very generous donation. We are honored to be the recipient of your charitable contribution. Your support allows us to meet the immediate basic needs of those experiencing unsheltered homelessness while providing advocacy and guidance to assist them in connecting to permanent housing resources.

Being an organization that is 100% community funded, it is only because of compassionate neighbors like you that we are able to make an immediate impact that leads to lasting change. When shelter space or housing resources are not an immediate option, resources such as hot meals, showers, clothing, blankets, an advocate to assist with navigating community services, and a neighbor helping a neighbor are all ways to sustain life outside while building relationships that foster hope and lead to stability.

Together, Street Angels supporters, staff, and volunteers are changing lives. Thank you for being an integral part of this mission, and for your commitment to community. It truly takes a village, and you are proof that our village cares!

Gratefully,  
Eva Welch & Shelly Sarasin  
Founding Executive Co-Directors



### Fulfilling the Vision:

## Telling, Living & Sharing Our Story

WITH MOST REV.  
**JOSEPH N. PERRY**  
*Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus,  
Archdiocese of Chicago*

All are welcome to join this interactive discussion with Bishop Joseph Perry and YOU, the community.

Ordained as a priest in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, Bishop Perry has served as an auxiliary bishop in the Archdiocese of Chicago since 1998. Bishop Perry is spiritual advisor to the board for the World Apostolate of Fatima (WAF-USA) and currently chairs the USCCB Ad Hoc Committee Against Racism. Since 2010, Bishop Perry is also postulator for the cause of declared sainthood of Fr. Augustus Tolton underway at the Vatican, the first documented African American priest to serve in the United States.

► MORE DETAILS SOON!

**Saturday,  
November 21**

**9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.**

Registration opens at 9 a.m., with coffee and snacks.

All Saints Catholic Church  
4051 N. 25th Street  
Milwaukee



## Schedule of Masses & Intentions

**Sunday, October 25, 2026: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30AM FA at StCA: †Thomas H. Hoppa  
9:00AM RM at StB (Hmong): FATP  
10:30AM FA at StB: †Ralph Resop

**Monday, October 26, 2026**

No Mass

**Tuesday, October 27, 2026**

4:00PM MP at StB: †Lee Kohnlein

**Wednesday, October 28, 2026: Sts. Simon & Jude**

8:15AM FA at OLGH: †Thomas Gray

**Thursday, October 29, 2026**

12:00PM MP at StCA: †Jason Miller

**Friday, October 30, 2026**

No Mass

**Saturday, October 31, 2026**

3:00PM Sacrament of Reconciliation at OLGH

4:00PM MP at OLGH: †Rosemary Hackett

**Sunday, November 1, 2026: All Saints**

8:30AM MP at StCA: †Robert Borchardt

10:30AM MP at StB: †Dan Morgan

MP = Fr. Mark Payne      FA = Fr. Francis Assisi  
AJ = Fr. Alan Jurkus      RM = Fr. Roman Mueller  
FATP = For all the parishioners of StB, BIS, StCA, StMM, OLGH

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## This Week at Our Parishes

**Sunday, October 25, 2026**

- Anointing of the sick, after Masses at StCA & StB
- New member registration, after Masses at StB-PH
- Christian Formation classes, 11:30AM at StB-classrooms
- Bingo, 5:00/6:00/7:00PM at StB-PH

**Monday, October 26, 2026**

- November 1st bulletin announcement deadline, 10:00AM

**Tuesday, October 27, 2026**

- Human Concerns Cmte mtg, 1:00PM at StB-LMR
- Strength training for seniors, 2:00PM at StCA-GR
- StCA Finance Council mtg, 5:30PM at StCA-GR
- Rosary, 3:25PM at StB

**Wednesday, October 28, 2026**

- *The Way of Trust and Love* book read, 10:00AM at StB-LMR

**Thursday, October 29, 2026**

- Pulpit announcement deadline, 12:00PM
- Merger Steering Cmte mtg, 5:00PM at StB-StC rm

**Sunday, November 1, 2026**

- Christian Formation classes, 11:30AM at StB-classrooms
- Bingo, 5:00/6:00/7:00PM at StB-PH

## Readings for the Week of October 25, 2026

**Sunday:** Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-4, 47 and 51/

1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40

**Monday:** Eph 4:32-5:8/Ps 1:1-4 and 6/Lk 13:10-17

**Tuesday:** Eph 5:21-33/Ps 128:1-5/Lk 13:18-21

**Wednesday:** Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-5/Lk 6:12-16

**Thursday:** Eph 6:10-20/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Lk 13:31-35

**Friday:** Phil 1:1-11/Ps 111:1-6/Lk 14:1-6

**Saturday:** Phil 1:18b-26/Ps 42:2-3, 5cdef/Lk 14:1, 7-11

**Next Sunday:** Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/  
Mt 5:1-12a

