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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

THE SHEEP FROM THE GOATS.

MATTHEW 25:33





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Bulletin Deadline Changes

Weekend	Deadline, 10:00AM
November 28-29	was November 16
December 5-6	November 23
December 12-13	November 30
December 19-20	December 7
December 26-27	December 14
January 2-3	December 21

Parish office relocation

As part of the formation of our new parish—St. Christopher—the StCA office closed operations moved to the new parish center on the StB campus on November 18.

What this means for you:

- **Phones:** Just as calls to OLGH have been forwarded since that office closed, calls to the StCA office have been forwarded to the StB campus, where Theresa Olivares and Sue Riedijk will be happy to assist you during office hours (7:00AM-3:30PM).
- **Mass intentions, funerals, and other parish needs:** These will be handled through the new parish center at the StB campus.
- **Christian Formation:** Classes have relocated to the StB campus, the new St. Christopher. To bring our staff together in one place, Simon Biagui and Mary Dahl have moved their offices there as well. This move brings all of our staff together in one location, the new St. Christopher.

This move is the first of many changes and transitions that will take place as we claim the StB campus as the home of our new parish, St. Christopher. We are grateful for your patience, prayers, and support during this time of change and new beginnings.

Please watch the bulletin and Friday Footnotes for updates.

Saint Catherine of Alexandria, pray for us.
Saint Christopher, pray for us.

Blessing for Thanksgiving

Dear Lord,
We thank You for the gifts of the season. We ask Your blessing upon our Thanksgiving meal. Bless each of us gathered; hold the prayers we carry within us; anoint our conversations and company with Your light and hope. Amen. ©LPi



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.

November 22 ~ Eternal Rest: The Art of Dying Well
The Faithful Departed
https://app.formed.org/app/videos/2414301?cid=770630

FORMED for families with children

Teach your children about our Catholic faith.

November 22 ~ Our Heavenly Friends: The Saints
The Story of Saint Francis de Sales
https://app.formed.org/app/audios/3084629?cid=1130459

Spaghetti, Fellowship, Fun was a success

Thank you to all who attended our Spaghetti, Fellowship, & Fun event, and to all who volunteered or helped in any way. We sold out of spaghetti, many tasty bakery creations were purchased, and a good time was had by all.

Congratulations to our basket raffle winners

It's a Hit: Winnie Aitch
Nothing to Wine About: Jim Lyon
Brewing Up Some Fun: Erin Epping
Color Outside the Lines: Sue Riedijk
Grateful Blessings: Bernadette Timm
Lambeau Lights and Holiday Nights: Paula Zirbes

Donations needed for the food pantry



Our StVdP food pantry volunteers are grateful for the support of NWMCP! We are stronger when we work together. ***For December, we are asking for donations of canned vegetables and canned fruit. We are also in need of more brown paper bags and sturdy plastic bags.*** Please put these items and other nonperishable food items in the drop-off containers at any of our parishes. We are thankful for the food and monetary donations of our parishioners, which allow us to help more people in need.



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

December 18	February 26	April 16
January 15	March 12	May 21
February 12	March 26	

Catholic trivia

Question: What prayer does a congregation recite at Mass before the priest gives the Nuptial Blessing?
Answer: The Lord's Prayer/Our Father ©LPi

Calendar raffle ticket sales have begun!

We're happy to announce that our first calendar raffle as St. Christopher Parish has begun.

Let's kick off the season with joy and generosity:

1. Calendars are $25 each.
2. Daily prizes range from $25 to $200.
3. Winning tickets go back in the hopper—you can win more than once!
4. They make perfect Christmas gifts—easy for you, meaningful for them.

Please consider purchasing calendars for yourself, your friends, and your loved ones this holiday season. Your support helps our parish and spreads cheer all year long.

Calendars will be available in the back of each church after Masses, at events such as StB fish fry, and in the parish office. We must sell enough tickets by December 31 or the raffles cannot be held. Let's make this year's raffle a joyful success!

Please note: While it is the St. Christopher Parish 2027 Calendar Raffle, because tickets are being sold in 2026 we are using the StB raffle license. Therefore, **please make checks payable to St. Bernadette Parish**.



Gospel reflection

Today we celebrate a King unlike any the world has known, one who does not sit on a throne of gold but who is found among the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the naked, the sick, and the imprisoned. In Matthew 25, Jesus reveals that when the Son of Man comes in glory, the nations will be judged not by power, wealth, or achievement, but by how they treated "the least of these." The surprise of both the righteous and the unrighteous reminds us that Christ is present in every person we meet, often in disguise, and often when we least expect Him. Notice that the righteous never realized they were serving the King; they simply responded with compassion to the need in front of them. Likewise, the sin of those on the left was not cruelty but omission: the good they failed to do, the eyes they turned away, the opportunities they let pass. This Gospel challenges us to ask where we have been tempted to walk past Christ this week, whether in a neighbor, a coworker, a family member, or a face on the street. The Kingdom of Christ is built not by grand gestures alone but by ordinary acts of mercy: a meal shared, a visit made, a kind word spoken, a burden lightly lifted. As we proclaim Christ our King today, may we also pledge to serve Him where He has promised to be found, so that on the last day we may hear the words, "Come, you who are blessed by my Father."
~ Blessings, Fr. Mark

Congratulations to our StB Calendar Raffle winners

11/10/26	Winnie Aitch
11/11/26	Kevin Garske
11/12/26	Tammy Jenkins
11/13/26	Dale Grohall
11/14/26	Erik Geier
11/15/26	Natalie Buckles
11/16/26	Paula Zirbes

Congratulations to our StCA Calendar Raffle winners

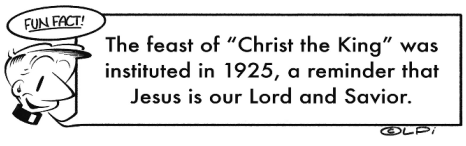
11/10/26	Cheryl Van Riper
11/11/26	Cathy Roxas
11/12/26	Juliet Buckley
11/13/26	Winnifred Glasshof for Jenny
11/14/26	Greg Brzakala
11/15/26	Bernie Radke
11/16/26	Christopher Fischer



"What is a dentist's favorite hymn?"



"Crown Him with many **crowns!**"



"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

Tai chi classes to resume

Tai chi is a low-impact, "meditation in motion" practice that improves physical and mental health by combining slow, intentional movements with deep breathing. Research shows that key benefits include improved balance, reduced fall risk in older adults, increased muscle strength and flexibility, reduced stress and anxiety, better cardiovascular health, and lowered blood pressure.

Tai chi is naturally "self-calibrating," allowing each person to participate at his or her own level. Classes focus on improving balance, coordination, and confidence. These are the skills you will gain—not prerequisites for joining. Sessions are fun, accessible, and free of pressure. If you are unsure whether it is right for you, feel free to try a couple of classes and judge for yourself. There is no cost to participate.

We offer the following classes:

- *Advanced*, Mondays at 9:30AM, one hour: for those who have been doing tai chi for multiple years, starting on November 30 and running through January 25
- *Beginner*, Mondays at 11:00AM, one hour: for first-time students or those who wish to repeat previous beginner classes, starting on November 30 and running through January 25
- *Intermediate*, Wednesdays at 9:30AM, one hour: for those progressing from the beginner class or who have experience at the intermediate level, starting on December 2 and running through January 27
- *Seated*, Wednesdays at 11:00AM, forty minutes: for those who do not feel comfortable standing, starting on December 2 and running through January 27

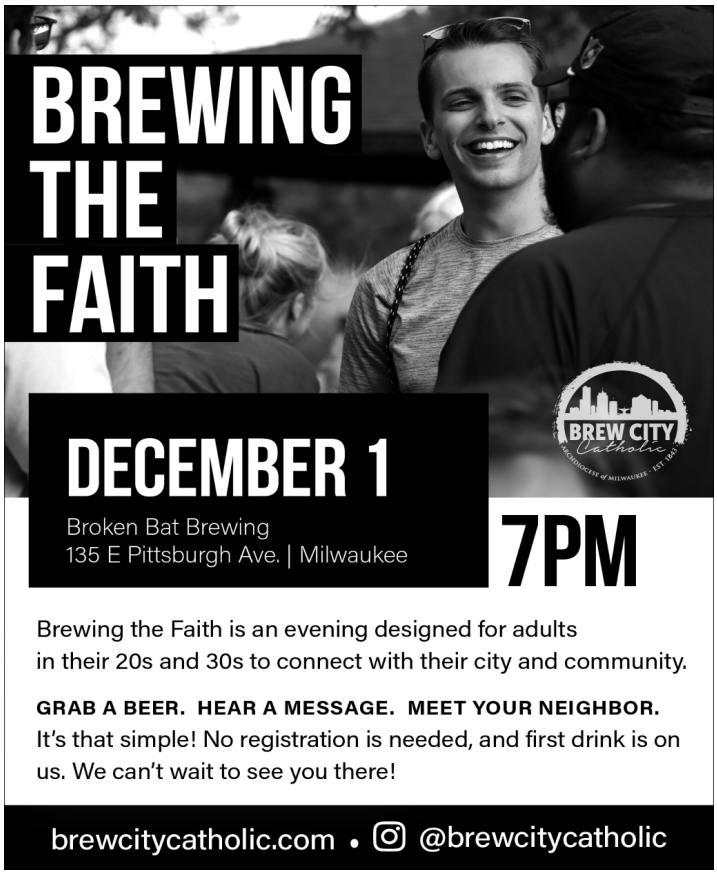
Even though tai chi is considered one of the safer forms of physical fitness, you should still talk with your doctor before starting a new exercise program, especially if you have any existing health conditions.

Wear comfortable clothes and shoes. Classes take place at StB. Enter at the parish office and try to arrive about 15 minutes early for the first class. If you have questions, contact Ron Mackiewicz (Mac) at r.mackiewicz52@icloud.com.

Serving with love

Thirty-eight liturgical ministers from our five Northwest Milwaukee parishes gathered on Saturday, November 14, for a day of formation and fellowship. Father Joseph Heit, Director of the Office of Worship for the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, spoke about serving with love as the heart of every liturgical ministry and the mission shared by all who serve in worship.

Father Joseph began with a presentation in the church before participants moved to the parish hall for discussion. Through reflection and conversation, attendees explored what it means to be servant ministers to all who gather for Mass while also taking time to share experiences and build connections across our five parish communities.



Volunteers needed for meal program

Have you been looking for a community service opportunity to help the less fortunate? We need volunteers for the North Side Meal Program run by StVdP and supported by StCA, who has served on the fourth Friday of the odd months. We have fed upwards of 150 families since 2020. StVdP has now asked us to serve on the fourth Friday of every month. We are asking for more volunteers to help meet the need. The volunteer shift is about three and a half hours. We meet at 3:30PM at the upper church parking lot at the StCA campus and carpool to All People's Church. Volunteers assist in setting up the food that StVdP staff prepared. Each meal starts with a prayer and we receive many thank yous. After the meal is served, we return to StCA by 7:00PM. We are grateful for the opportunity to be God's hands in this mission. If you wish to help with some or all meals, we will accommodate any schedule that you are available. Please consider joining us. If you are interested, please call Debbie Wazniak at 414-651-0216 or Rick Korpela at 414-617-7554.



Schedule of Masses & Intentions

Sunday, November 22, 2026: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
8:30AM FA at StCA: †Ron Malecki
10:30AM FA at StB: †Agnus Berney & Benat Fernando

Monday, November 23, 2026: St. Clement I, St. Columban, Bl. Miguel Agustín Pro
No Mass

Tuesday, November 24, 2026: St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc & companions
4:00PM MP at StB: †JoAnn Nigro

Wednesday, November 25, 2026: St. Catherine of Alexandria
6:30PM FA at StCA (Thanksgiving Mass of anticipation)

Thursday, November 26, 2026: Thanksgiving Day
8:15AM FA at StMM

Friday, November 27, 2026
No Mass

Saturday, November 28, 2026
3:00PM Sacrament of Reconciliation at OLGH
4:00PM MP at OLGH: †Rosemary Hackett

Sunday, November 29, 2026: 1st Sunday of Advent
8:30AM MP at StCA
9:00AM RM at StB (Hmong): †Martha Nickerson
10:30AM FA at StB: †Wild family

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

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This Week at Our Parishes

Sunday, November 22, 2026
- New member registration, after Mass at StB-PH
- Christian Formation classes, 11:30AM at StB-classrooms
- Bingo, 5:00/6:00/7:00PM at StB-PH

Monday, November 23, 2026
- December 6th bulletin announcement deadline, 10:00AM

Tuesday, November 24, 2026
- Human Concerns Cmte mtg, 1:00PM at StB-LMR
- Strength training for seniors, 2:00PM at StCA-GR
- Rosary, 3:25PM at StB

Wednesday, November 25, 2026
- StVdP food pantry open, 9:00AM-12:00PM at StCA
- Evangelization video series, 10:00AM at StB-PH
- Pulpit announcement deadline, 12:00PM

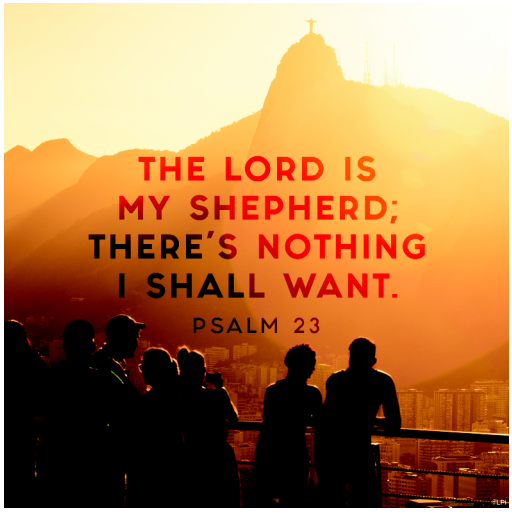
Thursday, November 26, 2026
- Parish offices closed

Friday, November 27, 2026
- Parish offices closed

Sunday, November 29, 2026
- Blood pressure screening, after Mass at StB-PH

Readings for the Week of November 22, 2026

Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-3, 5-6/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46
Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6/Lk 21:1-4
Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Lk 21:5-11
Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 7-8, 9/Lk 21:12-19
Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 21:20-28
Friday: Rv 20:1-4, 11-21:2/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a/Lk 21:29-33
Saturday: Rv 22:1-7/Ps 95:1-2, 3-5, 6-7ab/Lk 21:34-36
Next Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37



Abbreviation key: StB-St. Bernadette, BlS-Blessed Savior, StCA-St. Catherine of Alexandria, StMM-St. Margaret Mary, OLGH-Our Lady of Good Hope, NWCS-Northwest Catholic School, GR-Granville room at StCA, LMR-lobby mtg room at StB, NH-North Hall at OLGH, PH-parish hall at StB