

NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK



November
5-11, 2017

Please ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of a vocation. Mary is the ultimate example of openness to the will of God. Are you open to God's will for you?

Marriage - Most people are called to marriage-to wholeheartedly love their spouse and to joyfully welcome children. The purpose of marriage is for a man and woman to help each other get to heaven, and to teach their children to do the same. Like any vocation, marriage must be discerned, not assumed.

Religious Life - Both men and women can join religious orders such as the Franciscans, Dominicans, Benedictines, etc. The life and work of religious orders varies greatly - from communities that dedicate themselves to lives of prayer, to those who work actively in schools, hospitals, orphanages, etc. The "glue" that holds together religious life are the vows of poverty, chastity and obedience.

Priesthood - A priest's job is to bring Jesus to people and people to Jesus- primarily through preaching the Gospel and administering the sacraments. Priests are ordained for this ministry by a bishop, who himself was ordained by a bishop, on and on for two thousand years. We call this unbroken tradition "apostolic succession."

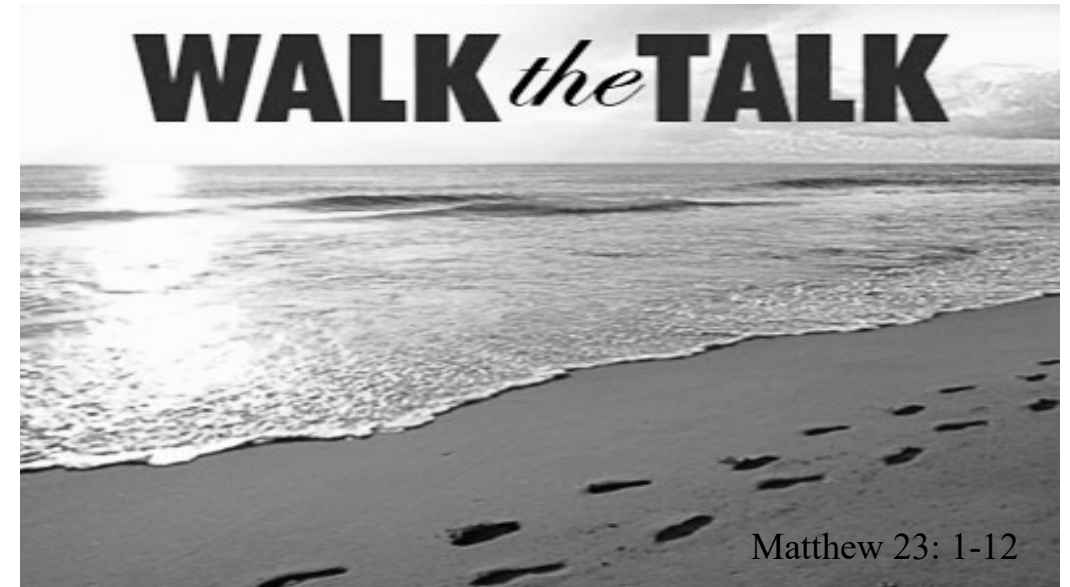
Single Life - Some people are called to serve God as single people, without marrying or taking special vows, but nonetheless serving the Church in a meaningful way. Single people 'contribute greatly to the good of the human family' (CCC 2231). "Some live their situation in the spirit of the Beatitudes, serving God and neighbor in exemplary fashion." (CCC 1658).

Holiness means trying to be like Jesus. Holiness is your first vocation.

You Only Live Once - Be Holy!

Aside from your decision to follow Jesus,
your **VOCATION** is life's most important decision.

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A Discipleship Parish



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**A Message on Stewardship
from Fr. Pfeifer**

What is Catholic Stewardship? It is not simply making donations or taking care of the building and grounds. It is a response to our Creator. A response born out of awareness that we are so blessed. Therefore we receive God's gifts with gratitude, cultivate them responsibly, and share them lovingly with others, standing before the Lord in a spirit of accountability. Each of us must determine how we will live our response to God. Our response does not hinge on what others are doing, it hinges on our hearts. *What must I do to be in an honest relationship with the God who loves me so much that HE gave His only son to show us the truth of His love?*


Confessions: 1/2 hr before every Mass, 1 hour before Saturday Mass, OR by appointment.


Weddings: Contact Fr. Pfeifer at least 6 months prior.

Baptisms: Contact Fr. Pfeifer before Godparents are chosen.

**November 5, 2017
Thirty-first Sunday in**

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| Mon., Nov 6 7 PM +Bernhard & +Katie Weigel by Nick & Kelly Breidenbach Family |
| Tue., Nov 7 7 PM Deceased & Living Christian Mothers |
| Wed., Nov 8 8 AM +Marty Sperle by Steve & Lori Gross Family |
| Thurs., Nov 9 8 AM +Agnes Gross by Agatha McCarty |
| Fri., Nov 10 8 AM +Joey Hilzendeger by Viola Becker |
| Sat., Nov 11 5 PM +Roney Glatt (Death 11-10) by Tony & Joanne Glatt Family |
| Sun., Nov 12 10 AM Our Parishioners |
| Sun., Nov 12 Care Center 8:45 AM +George & +Margaret Howarth Helper: Lila Wirt |

 **Rosary 25 minutes before all weekend & daily masses.**

 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place from 6 AM Thursday until midnight Friday.

**Stewardship of Treasure
This Week: \$ 3,119.66**

Parish Announcements

Christian Mothers breakfast Sun, Nov. 5th, 8:15 to 9:15 AM.

KC Right to Life Bingo Sun., Nov. 5th at 7 PM in the HFH.

Men's Silent Retreat Nov. 17 -19, 1 spot remains, call to sign up!

Bible Study Nov 6th after the 7 PM Mass in the Holy Family Hall.

Chili Benefit for **Fr. Katanga** Sun., Nov. 19th, 11 AM to 1 PM, at the Wishek American Legion Hall.

Christian Mothers Memorial Mass is Tuesday, Nov. 7th at the 7 PM Mass. Following Mass, all women of the parish are invited for their monthly meeting.

Mentoring Marriage – God loves hearts that are united in love, and he blesses those marriages who invite him to the center of the marriage. The next class is Sun., Nov. 12th, 5:30 - 8 PM, in the Holy Family Hall. Focus this month is how to deal with conflict and communication without hurting and harming each other.

RCIA - Wednesdays 5:30 to 7 PM throughout the year. This week's topic will be Sin, Grace, and Morality.

Please keep our **Veterans** and our current military men and women in your prayers. There will be a Veteran's blessing at all weekend Masses next weekend, Nov. 11th & 12th, as we celebrate Veteran's Day.

St. Philip Neri wishes to welcome **Austin Steve Moch**, who is to be washed in the waters of baptism this weekend. He is the son of Josh & Dawn. May God shower many blessings on Austin, his parents, godparents and grandparents.

3rd Grade First Eucharist Parents' Meeting (for parents of students receiving 1st Holy Eucharist this year) Sat., Nov. 11 from 9 to 11 AM in the Holy Family Hall.

A special thank you to the **Tony Wangler Family** for their Divine Mercy Image memorial (framed and hung over the organ) to St. Philip Neri in honor of Rita Wangler, to be blessed Sat., Nov. 25th.

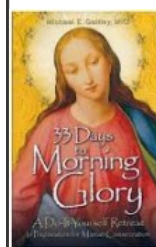
Anointing of the Sick – Anyone wishing to receive this sacrament is asked to call Fr. Pfeifer at the office or on his cell phone. Please notify Fr. Pfeifer upon hospital admission of any family members as this information cannot be reported unless you tell the hospital staff the patient is Catholic AND belongs to St. Philip Neri in Napoleon. This is the only way that Fr. can know when parishioners are in the hospital.



Today is priesthood Sunday, please keep Fr. Pfeifer and his ministry in your prayers and thank him for all he does for us!

Announcements, Cont.

Daylight Savings Time - Remember to set your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Sat, November 4th!



33 Day Consecration to Mary - Each year many members of our parish complete or renew this 33-day consecration to Mary, and they are amazed at the graces they receive. Our final act of consecration together will be Dec. 8 following the evening Mass. In order to do the consecration on the 8th of December, one must start the devotional on Sunday, Nov. 5th. Call the Parish office if you would like a copy of the do-it-yourself retreat book, 33 Days to Morning Glory, or you can order it online. Each day during the 33 days,

you will read 2 to 4 pages about the great giants of Marian consecration – St. Louis Marie De Montfort, St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Mother Theresa, and St. John Paul II. This is a great way, in this 100th anniversary of the Fatima apparitions, to draw closer to Mary and Jesus.

Mass for God's Children (died before baptism - miscarriage, still-birth, infant, etc.) Nov. 7 in Wahpeton. fargodiocese.org/respectlife

Pray a Holy Hour for Vocations by taking a card from the board outside the adoration chapel and praying one hour for someone discerning religious life. When full, we will send the cards. Thank you to the vocations committee for this beautiful work.

Healing Service Sat. Nov. 18th after the 5 PM Mass at St. Philip Neri. Do you have physical, spiritual or psychological hurts? The healing service will be a time of prayer, adoration, and song. We invite everyone to come and pray, for healing, for yourself and others.

World Missions Sunday Collection - We would like to thank all of you who contributed. At St. Philip Neri we collected \$1,411 which will help spread the gospel & evangelize where these missionaries serve. Thanks again to our generous parishioners!

In November, we remember in prayer the faithful departed who have passed from this short life on earth. **1.)** You can inscribe the names of your deceased family and friends in our Book of the Deceased located by the baptismal font. These people will be remembered in prayer every day at Mass during the month of November. **2.)** Notice the banner by the baptismal font listing the 16 people who have died from our parish in the last year. There are pictures of these individuals on candles in front of the altar. Please say a prayer for them and reach out to their family members who are still grieving. At the end of the month, family members will take the candles home. Additional candles are \$5 and can be ordered through the office.

Over 70% of all adults neglect to make/update a **Will**. Think about getting yours done or reviewed. Please consider helping St. Philip Neri through a **bequest**.

 **St. Philip Neri
Catholic Church**

Saturday, Nov. 11th

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| <u>Sacristan</u> | Dawn Becker |
| <u>Rosary</u> | Liz Moch |
| <u>Lectors</u> | Phyllis Johnson, Rick Regner |
| <u>Ushers/ Gift Bearers</u> | Joe & Charley Cichy; John & Sally Johs |
| <u>Servers</u> | Darissa Becker, JT Fettig, Mason Fettig |
| <u>EMHC</u> | Helen Braun, Paul Haegele, Barb Silbernagel |

Sunday, Nov. 12th

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| <u>Sacristan</u> | Janet Dewald |
| <u>Rosary</u> | Danny Schmidt |
| <u>Lectors</u> | Kelly Breidenbach, Angie Gerhardt |
| <u>Ushers/ Gift Bearers</u> | Paul Bitz Family |
| <u>Servers</u> | Liliana Bitz, Noah Becker, Dalton Feist, Logan Feist, Jacob Leier |
| <u>EMHC</u> | Amber Fettig, Lori Gross, Kasey Grunfelder |