



ST. PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH

~ *St. Charles Borromeo, Haiti, Sister Parish* ~

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A UNITED PEOPLE TO SERVE OUR GOD

November 14, 2021

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday at St. Paul Gym
4:00 pm

Sunday at KC HALL
7:00 am, 8:30 am & 10:00 am

DAILY MASSES
Please see page 10

CONFESSIONS
at Parish Life Center
Saturday: 3:00-until all are heard
OR Anytime by appointment

Our Mission

Embrace the God who loves you;
Engage in our community that
journeys with you;
Serve the world that needs you.
This is the heart and soul of what
we are about as faithful followers of
Jesus Christ at St. Paul Parish in
Highland, Illinois.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday:
8:00 am—4:30 pm
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Mass for the 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Opening Hymn: *My Country, 'Tis of Thee*

1. *My country, 'tis of thee,
Sweet land of liberty,
Of thee I sing;
Land where my fathers died,
Land of the pilgrim's pride,
From ev'ry mountainside
Let freedom ring!*
2. *My native country, thee,
Land of the noble, free;
Thy name I love;
I love thy rocks and rills,
Thy woods and templed hills;
My heart with rapture thrills,
Like that above.*
3. *Let music swell the breeze,
And ring from all the trees
Sweet freedom's song;
Let mortal tongues awake;
Let all that breathe partake;
Let rocks their silence break,
The sound prolong.*
4. *Our fathers' God, to thee,
Author of liberty,
To thee we sing;
Long may our land be bright
With freedom's holy light;
Protect us by thy might,
Great God, our King.*

A reading from the Book of Daniel

Dn 12: 1-3

In those days, I Daniel, heard this word of the Lord: "At that time there shall arise Michael, the great prince, guardian of your people; it shall be a time unsurpassed in distress since nations began until that time. At that time your people shall escape, everyone who is found written in the book. "Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake; some shall live forever, others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace. "But the wise shall shine brightly like the splendor of the firmament, and those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever."

The Word of the Lord R: Thanks Be to God

Responsorial Psalm: 16

You are my inheritance, O Lord!

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Hebrews

Heb 10: 11-14, 18

Brothers and sisters: Every priest stands daily at his ministry, offering frequently those same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But this one offered one sacrifice for sins, and took his seat forever at the right hand of God; now he waits until his enemies are made his footstool. For by one offering he has made perfect forever those who are being consecrated. Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer offering for sin.

The Word of the Lord R: Thanks Be to God

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark R: Glory to You, O Lord *Mk 13:24-32*

Jesus said to his disciples: "In those days after that tribulation the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from the sky, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. "And then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in the clouds' with great power and glory, and then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the end of the earth to the end of the sky. "Learn a lesson from the fig tree. When its branch becomes tender and sprouts leaves, you know that summer is near. In the same way, when you see these things happening, know that he is near, at the gates. Amen, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. "But of that day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father."

The Gospel of the Lord

R: Praise to You Lord Jesus Christ

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (***Bow slightly until "became man"***) and by the Holy

Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Presentation: *Eye Has Not Seen*

*Eye has not seen, ear has not heard
what God has ready for those who love him;
Spirit of love, come, give us the mind of Jesus,
teach us the wisdom of God.*

*1. When pain and sorrow weigh us down, be near
to us, O Lord, forgive the weakness of our faith,
and bear us up within your peaceful word.*

*2. Our lives are but a single breath, we flower and
we fade, yet all our days are in your hands, so we
return in love what love has made.*

*3. To those who see with eyes of faith, the Lord is
ever near, reflected in the faces of all the poor
and lowly of the world.*

*4. We sing a myst'ry from the past in halls where
saints have trod, yet ever new the music rings to
Jesus, Living Song of God.*

Communion: *Pan de Vida*

*Pan de Vida, cuerpo del Se—or,
cup of blessing, blood of Christ the Lord.
At this table the last shall be first,
poder es servir, porque Dios es amor.*

*1. We are the dwelling of God, fragile and
wounded and weak. We are the body of Christ,
called to be the compassion of God.*

*2. Ustedes me llaman "Se—or," me_inclino_a
lavarles los pies: Hagan lo mismo, humildes,
sirviéndose unos a otros.*

*3. There is no Jew or Greek, there is no slave or
free; there is no woman or man; only heirs of the
promise of God.*

Closing: *America the Beautiful*

1. O beautiful for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain!
America! America!
God shed his grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea.
2. O beautiful for pilgrim feet,
Whose stern, impassioned stress
A thoroughfare for freedom beat
Across the wilderness!
America! America!
God mend thine ev'ry flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self-control,
Thy liberty in law.
3. O beautiful for heroes proved
In liberating strife,
Who more than self their country loved,
And mercy more than life!
America! America!
May God thy gold refine,
Till all success be nobleness,
And ev'ry gain divine.
4. O beautiful for patriot dream
That sees beyond the years
Thine alabaster cities gleam,
Undimmed by human tears!
America! America!
God shed his grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea.





Fr. Pat's Pen

Fr. Pat Jakel, Pastor

Written in the Love of Christ



THANKSGIVING MASSES

Thursday, November 25; 7:00am & 8:30am.

TWO BASKETBALL STANDARDS are available for anyone who is in the market for one or two. Please contact Jen at the parish office, if interested. They are in good condition. Make your best offer and they are yours! They are currently by the Kirchenfest Shed if you want to check them out. You would need to haul them to your home.

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT is in today's bulletin, along with some information from me. I know this is late in coming. Thanks for your patience and generosity!

ANOINTING OF THE SICK is being offered after each Mass this weekend.



Steel Rising

Dear St. Paul Parish Family,

As you can see in the pictures, I have a beautiful new vehicle to take me from my home at St. Paul to college at St. Meinrad, Indiana and back. I am so very grateful to you all for this very generous gift that comes from your hearts. With your help and support, I am able to freely carry out my service in the seminary and our parish. I will take care of this gift and maintain it well. I look forward to coming home next week for the Thanksgiving holiday. Because of you all, I have so much to be thankful for!

***God bless you all,
Seminarian Stefan Kaniewski***

SEMINARIAN STEFAN CAR FUND

(Vehicle Purchase:	\$24,000)
(4/yrs. Insurance:	\$ 6,000)
Total Need (car & insurance)	\$30,000
Your Generosity thus far:	\$26,915
Balance hoped for:	\$ 3,085



Please prayerfully consider offering a monetary gift, in an envelope marked "Stefan's Car." Thanks so much!!!



OUR SEMINARIAN STEFAN NOW OWNS A GMC TERRAIN: THANKS TO YOU!!!

Like a kid in a candy store, Stefan is excited, overjoyed and grateful for the generosity of many parishioners who contributed toward the purchase of his new vehicle. Last Saturday, he purchased a 2018 GMC Terrain with 51,000 miles. He has an extended warranty for 60,000 miles and free maintenance for four years. It offers good gas mileage and is in mint condition. His new coppertino color vehicle is currently insured for two years, due to your generosity. If your generosity continues and we obtain the balance hoped for (above), four years of vehicle insurance will be covered for him. Please find his letter of thanks in the left column.



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Have you left a tip for a server at a restaurant lately? It's amazing what we customarily offer for servers, especially when we are happy with the service they provide. I'm sure restaurant goers are familiar with receiving the check at the table, where they now suggest an amount to tip. You can tip 18%, 20%, or 22%, and some even suggest a 25% tip. When the option is to pay digitally, the exact dollar amount is conveniently listed. I believe serving is a hard job! It's hard to please customers at a restaurant, and servers often deserve what we give them, and more!

Imagine if ALL St. Paul households considered tipping the parish in the amount we tip at restaurants. Doesn't God deserve as much? He has done so much for us, sending His Son to suffer and die for the expiation of our sins. St. Paul Parish assists each of us on the journey to eternal life. We owe this to God for what He has and continues to do for us.

At our liturgies, we do our best to provide good service! Jesus feeds over a 1,000 people in person and live-streamed. It is more than customary that we give to the Church; it's sacrificial, like the poor widow!

Many parishioners "tip" the church very well, while others provide little to support our parish. If those who provide little would consider "tipping" the parish, we would be financially sound.

Here are some observations, as we look at the annual financial report in the column to the right:

- ◆ Our expenses exceeded our income for the 2020-2021 fiscal year by \$71,000+.
- ◆ Without the help of Covid Government grants and aid, we would be in financial straights—this darn pandemic! This aid to our parish was used strictly for salaries, which helped our bottom line, but the funds are dwindling quickly.
- ◆ The bulletin stewardship report indicates a loss of \$59,882 for the first 4 months of this fiscal year (7-1-21 through 10-31-21). You may have noticed this is a lesser amount than that stated previously, as our formula was incorrect. It has since been corrected.
- ◆ Please note that the loss indicated in the stewardship report relates only to Sunday envelope contributions. This number does not relate to any other income to our school or parish.
- ◆ We no longer have the benefit of the Annual Catholic Services Appeal, since the Diocese switched to the principle of "tithing." We must now increase our giving to the parish to cover this monthly tithe (10%) to the Diocese.

Please prayerfully consider an increase in your sacrificial giving to your parish. Please increase your "tips" to God. Thanks to many who give so generously!

Blessings, Fr. Pat

St. Paul Parish Annual Financial Report

Profit & Loss July 2020 through June 2021

	Jul 20 - Jun 21
Income	
Regular Church Support (Contributions)	1,054,413.80
Mega Raffle	158,650.95
School Virtual Dinner Auction Appeal	41,995.94
Other Sources of Parish Support (Fundraising)	105,323.53
Interest Income from Diocesan Foundation	41,711.92
School Tuition & Fees	844,597.80
Total Income	2,246,693.94
Expense	
Payroll Expenses	1,775,121.78
Contractual Services	77,812.04
Utilities	85,073.60
Insurance -Property & Liability	25,387.85
Insurance - Auto	859.00
Repairs and Maintenance	85,305.37
Equipment and Furniture	6,366.72
Leasing and Rentals	26,747.46
Supplies	65,102.05
Professional Fees	590.84
Professional Development	1,107.96
Construction Expenditure	11,738.07
Hospitality Expense	5,671.63
Transportation Travel & Auto Ex	120.40
Support to Catholic High School	35,200.00
Religious Education Expense	6,735.29
Athletic Expense	854.50
Apparel/Uniforms/Spiritwear	(23.00)
Library Expense	200.49
Music/Choir Expense	3,475.10
Hot Lunch Food Expense	2,492.15
Milk Expense	4,907.63
Marketing and Advertising	341.00
Permits, Fees, and Licenses	24,907.86
ACSA Expense	62,311.50
Catholic Times Subscription Exp	9,811.38
Other (Income) or Expenses	(181.44)
Total Expense	2,318,037.23
Net Expenses More Than Income	(71,343.29)
Covid Government Grants & Aid	387,828.32
Net Income	316,485.03

*We are not asking for equal gifts;
rather, equal sacrifice.*

Financial Stewardship October 31 & November 7, 2021

PARISH SUPPORT WEEKLY REPORT	OCT. 31, 2021	NOV. 7, 2021
Church Envelopes	\$9,508	\$10,879
Online Giving	4,847	7,270
Children's Offertory	38	53
Loose Collection	718	387
Repairs & Maintenance	1,384	352
All Saints	441	113
All Souls/Bereavement Ministry	219	10
TOTAL PARISH SUPPORT	\$17,154	\$19,063
Weekly Diocesan Tithe (10%)	\$1,715	\$1,906
NEEDED FOR BUDGET WEEKLY	\$20,192	\$20,192
THIS WEEK'S SHORTAGE/OVERAGE	-\$3,038	-\$1,129
YEAR-TO-DATE SHORT/OVER (FY 21-22)	-\$59,882	-\$61,011

OTHER COLLECTIONS

Sister Parish	\$146	\$1,434
St. Paul Outreach	56	405
World Mission Sunday	85	58
Campaign for Justice and Hope	11	68
TOTAL OTHER COLLECTIONS	\$298	\$1,966

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN WEEKLY REPORT	OCT. 31, 2021	NOV. 7, 2021
TOTAL CAMPAIGN GOAL	\$7,500,000	\$7,500,000
Pledged (incl. non-pledged contributions)	\$7,240,674	\$7,241,804
Received	\$5,584,480	\$5,631,989
Balance Needed To Avoid/Cover Loan	\$1,915,520.15	\$1,868,011.40
Expenditures:		
Previous Campus Phases Expense	1,810,848	1,810,848
Phase 3 (New Bldg. & Church Reno.)	1,555,857	1,555,857
Total Expenditures	\$3,366,705	\$3,366,705



Business Office

Dineen Czar
Executive Manager

Laurie Scott
Accountant



This Week's Buzz from our Business Office:

With the end of the year right around the corner, it is not too late to make an end-of-the-year contribution to our capital campaign: Growing Our Family; Growing Our Faith. Your contribution may be made in any of the following ways:

- Cash/Check via campaign envelope in monthly envelope packet or your personal envelope marked "Capital Campaign" sent to our Parish Office or dropped in Parish drop box;
- ACH debit or credit card transaction through WeShare Online Giving; and
- Stock transfer.

Also for those 70½ years or older, who have an annual IRA Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) requirement, you can direct that your distribution be made payable directly to St. Paul Parish for the benefit of the campaign! It will not only satisfy your annual distribution requirement, but it will also help St. Paul reach our total project goal!

Have questions? Just give the Business Office a Buzz! We are here to help and are happy to do so!





**St. Paul
Catholic School**
Haidee Todora



**On Wednesday,
November 10, the
St. Paul School
students honored our
veterans during Mass.**

**Thank you to our men
and women in uniform
in the past, present,
and future.
God Bless You!**



CONGRATULATIONS!

Our 8th Grade Girls' Basketball Team captured 1st place in the St. Boniface Tournament. Amelia Beer and Addison Ringwald were named to the All Tournament Team. Amelia Beer was also selected as the MVP of the Tournament!

Our seasonal Lynch Creek Farm Fundraiser is returning again this year. There are many beautiful offerings to select from and each purchase will benefit St. Paul Catholic School.

Please use the link below to order:
www.lynchcreekfundraising.com/c/283906

Thank you for your support!
The Students and Staff of
St. Paul Catholic School

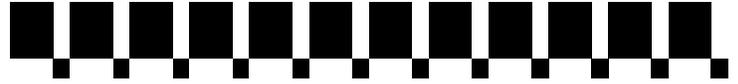


**Celebrate Catholic Schools Week 2022
JANUARY 30 - FEBRUARY 5**

~ SOAR WITH THE SPIRIT ~

SAVE THE DATE!

**St. Paul School
Annual Dinner Auction
January 22, 2022**



The Annual St. Paul School Dinner Auction is fast approaching. We are seeking unique donations for the silent and live auctions to make the event fun and entertaining. All monetary donations and donated items are tax-deductible. Donations may be brought to the school or parish offices by January 1 in order to prepare for the January 22 event. Thank you in advance for your continued generosity in making this Dinner Auction a great success and for supporting St. Paul Catholic School.

For more information, please call the school office at 654-7525 or email: rmitchell@stpaulhighland.org.

UPCOMING DATES

- November 14—Veterans Day Program on the Square 2pm
- November 17—Picture Retakes / Basketball Photos
- November 24—28—Thanksgiving Break
- December 5—Christmas Concert on the Square 3-4 p.m.
- December 23—January 3—Christmas Vacation
- January 22—Viking Night Dinner Auction



#iGIVECATHOLIC
#GIVINGTUESDAY

November 30, 2021

SAVE THE DATE

**SPS Spaghetti Dinner
Sunday, March 27, 2022
St. Paul Cafeteria**



Moments of Grace + Prayer:
An Advent Retreat in Everyday Life Begins Nov. 21

Get ready for Christmas by praying on your own 20 minutes each day and meeting one-on-one with a spiritual companion one hour each week for four consecutive weeks.

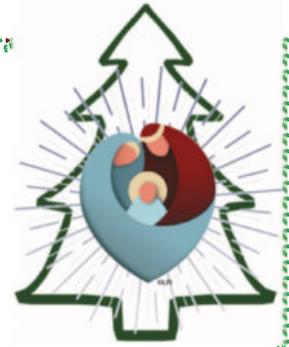
Starts November 21. All meetings will be virtual (Zoom or phone if you prefer).

Weekly meeting times set around your schedule. This is an individually directed retreat tailored to your own deep desires. Committed couples also have the option to participate as a couple. This is an ecumenical ministry, with all adults are welcome regardless of denomination or affiliation.

For more information, visit www.momentsofgraceandprayer.org and to register contact Clarence Heller at clarenceheller@gmail.com.



CHRISTMAS GIVING – In preparation for the season of Advent and Christmas we would like to share the gift of God’s love and care with all residents of local living facilities and with local pro-life ministries.



To provide Christmas gifts for residents at local facilities, boxes are at the K of C Hall & SPS Gym and parish office throughout until the end of November for small containers of:

- hand sanitizer • liquid body wash/hand soap
- Kleenex • lip balm • mini-candy bars
- peppermint candies • UNO cards
- painting pages • dominoes • word-search & puzzle books • XL large socks (men & women)

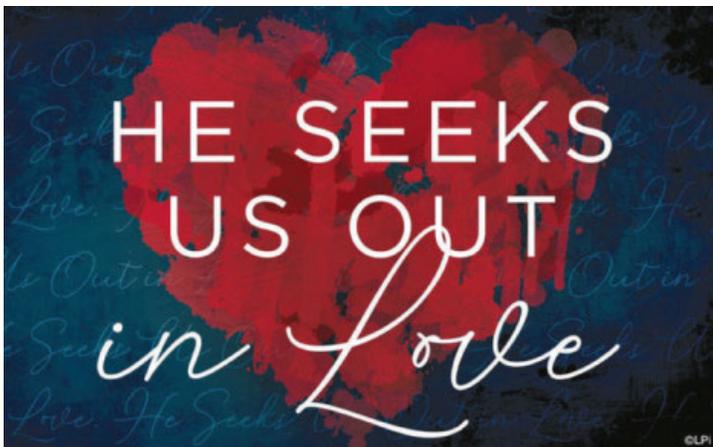
To support the local pro-life ministries of **A Beacon of Light Pregnancy Help Center and Relevant**, we are collecting cash donations and gift cards – please place envelopes marked with “*A Beacon of Light*” or “*Relevant*” and place donations in the collection baskets, drop safe, parish office or mail to the parish.

Thank you for your support and prayers of this effort!

Diocesan Gospel Reflection — November 14
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is the End-Time Coming? The liturgical year of 2021 ends in 14 days. These past weeks have kept our focus on living in the Kingdom of God and living for its completion. Who knows when this world will end. None of us! It will come when God is ready. We know it ends here for each of us at death. And then perdures for ever in the eternal presence of God. Rather than fret about when the end will come, let us behave rightly now.

- ◆ What will I do today to behave as God wants?
- ◆ What will I say today that is right and true and just?
- ◆ What mercy work will guide my week?



Bereavement/Grief Support

If you or a family member would like to talk about the loss of your loved one, parishioner Bill Bishop, who serves on the parish bereavement ministry team, is available to listen.

Bill is a professional licensed social worker with extensive experience offering grief counseling. All sharing is confidential; no fees are involved. Please feel free to call Bill at (618) 314-0172.



BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINE IS TUESDAY AT 12:00 pm.

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Drop-off bins are located outside the gym entrances as well as, at the KC Hall, before/after all Masses.

A Discipleship & Stewardship Committee project.
THANK YOU!!!!!!

Pre Jordan (Baptism class)

Pre Jordan classes are typically held on the first Thursday of every other month, at 6:30 pm in the second floor All Saints room in the Parish Center. The next class will be: **January 6h**. Pre Jordan class is required for each child you want to have baptized. You must call Deanna Harlan to register for the class: 654-2339 x217.



WHY DO WE DO THAT? Catholic Life Explained:

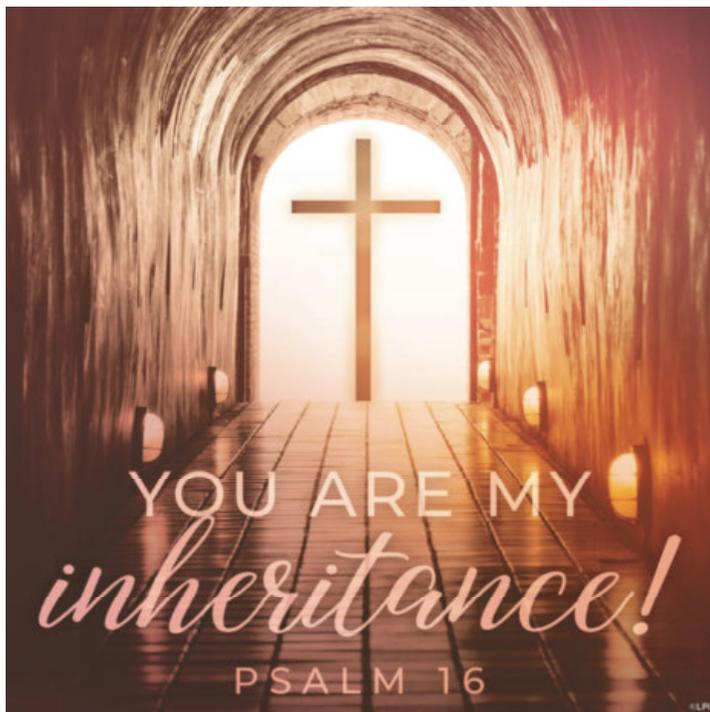
Question:

Why do some sacraments leave a character or mark on the soul? Don't all sacraments affect the soul?

Answer:

All sacraments mediate grace and connect us to Christ and to the Church. Some sustain us in our faith journey, while others help us heal from the effects of sin. Each one offers a share in God's life, giving us what we need to be faithful followers of Jesus. But some sacraments change us in ways that are irreversible. The three sacraments that leave a character are Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Orders. We are literally different people because of the effect of the grace of those sacraments. We are changed at the core of our being in such a fundamental way that we can not go back to what we once were.

In Baptism, we are freed from original sin, initiated into the Body of Christ as adopted sons and daughters. In Confirmation, we are given the fullness of God's Spirit, sealed in his grace and gifted with what we need to live a Christian life. In Holy Orders, a priest is marked as an 'alter Christus,' another Christ, and is once and forever a priest who offers sacrifice, forgives sin, and acts in the person of Christ. In these three sacraments, we are conformed more closely to Christ, reflecting his love and truth.



MATER DEI BAND PARENTS CHICKEN DINNER



Enjoy a delicious meal on Sunday, November 14, in support of Mater Dei's music programs! The carry-out only dinner will be held from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Breese. The meal (\$12) includes fried chicken, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, and slaw.

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Mass Intentions †

Monday, November 15

7:00 am Mass @ **Meridith Funeral Home** — † Kendra Klostermann

Tuesday, November 16

7:00 am Mass @ **Meridith Funeral Home** — † Jerry Beckmann

Wednesday, November 17

7:00 am Mass @ **St. Joseph Hospital** — † Don Lohman & † Sam Schwarztrauber

Thursday, November 18

7:00 am Mass @ **Meridith Funeral Home** — † Alice Carrillon
 8:20 am All School Mass (**SPS Gym**) — † Michelle Genteman

Friday, November 19

7:00 am Mass @ **Meridith Funeral Home** — † John & Florence Duncan

Saturday, November 20 (St. Paul School Gym)

4:00 pm Mass — † Don Mersinger
 and † Elevenia Riebold

Sunday, October 21 (KC Hall)

Mass — 7:00 am **The Parishioners of St. Paul Parish**
 8:30 am † Jack & Shirley Cygan
 10:00am † Ray, Bert & Don Geiger



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