

The image shows the interior of a Gothic church, looking up through a series of pointed arches. The central feature is a large, ornate rose window with intricate tracery and colorful stained glass. Below the window, a crucifix is mounted on the wall. The architecture is made of brick and stone, with warm lighting creating a sense of depth and grandeur.

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Offertory collection for 10/27/24 .....not available  
 Weekly offertory budgeted for 2023-2024 ..... \$3,365.00  
 CSA Campaign Assessment for 2024. . 7 ..... \$31,134.00  
 CSA Pledges to date. .... \$28,210.00

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**Pope's Intention for November  
 For the Pope**

**We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfills his mission,  
 may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to  
 him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.**

“Pray the Rosary everyday to obtain peace for the world.”  
 Join us in St. Joseph Church each Tuesday at 6 p.m.

**Baptism Preparation Classes**

November 26 7:00 pm St. Marys Church 814-781-1019

\*this is the final class for 2024

**40 Days for Life Campaign  
 PRAY TO END ABORTION  
 September 25 through November 5**

**The 2025 Mass Book** will be open for scheduling Masses beginning November 4th. You can come into the office M-Th between 9am & 4pm, call the office 814-787-4151 x3, drop your request into the collection basket, or by mail.

**Kersey K of C Monthly Breakfast** Sunday, November 3rd, from 8 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. or sold out. St. Boniface Social Hall. \$10 for adults; \$5 for 16 and under. All are invited to come and enjoy this “all you can eat” breakfast buffet!

**Child Protection and Creating Safe Environments**

Is your Child Street Smart? Being street smart means knowing how to keep yourself safe from strangers when you're alone or with other kids. When you're street smart, you know your way around. You know how to handle yourself in tough situation, and you can “read” people. Teach your child who strangers are (anyone they do not know) and to never approach a strangers vehicle. Teach your child to always tell you where they are. Teach your child to always go with a friend or two, whether walking to school, bike riding, or going to the store. Pick out safe spots where your child can go and get help. Places like police stations, stores, restaurants. Teach them how to spot safe places on their route and to avoid places that aren't safe. Finally, teach your child to trust their instincts and to make a lot of noise if they are scared. For more information, visit

[www.kidshealth.org](http://www.kidshealth.org) For additional resources, visit  
[www.eriecd.org/childprotection](http://www.eriecd.org/childprotection)

**Marriage Moments #1119** With all the strife in our world today, it's easy to get discouraged about life. Hold your beloved close today and remember you have each other. Let your love flow to the world.

**Parenting Pointer** Don't downplay your teen's troubles, even if you think they are trivial. Teens are working on the skills they need to become functioning adults. Offer support in the form of listening. What may seem small to you may be very big to your teen. Actually, this same maxim works for children of all ages.



**The Inspiring Life of Joe Reali  
 An Athlete for Christ**

If you like football and the story of an amazing player who combined his love for playing the game of football on a college level, along with his love for Jesus our Lord in the Catholic Church, you will find this in the life of Joe Reali.

Joe's outgoing personality, his constant devotion in praying the rosary daily, and his love for Jesus in the Holy Eucharist (The Mass) inspired thousands of young people. Joe's life began on Long Island, NY, in 1989. He attended a Catholic school and eventually a local college with a football scholarship. Joe was an outstanding player who gave his all in each game. Joe was like this off the field by encouraging his friends who were not going to Mass to start going. He would drive people to Sunday Mass on a regular basis. Joe brought many people to Christ, whether they were lapsing in their faith, fellow football team members, friends, and relatives who needed an extra gentle nudge to get to Mass.

Joe did attend a seminary for a while to discern if he had a vocation to the priesthood. He eventually left the seminary with the belief that he was called to the married life. Joe never married but he continued to discern his vocation and to what God was calling him to do. It was at this point that he was searching for some way he can do outreach ministry in a larger way. This is when Joe was inspired to become a Knight of Columbus. He knew by the many outreach services and corporate works of mercy opportunities that the Knights were all about, he would be doing directly what God was calling him to do.

Joe signed up to become a Knight of Columbus at his home parish. But, a few weeks later, he died suddenly at the young age of 25. Joe's legacy lives on in the people of his parish and thousands of other people as well. He is a great example of who a Knight is and the faith and love that motivates a Knight and all people of faith; you and I, who are called to love God, neighbor, and self. And in that order. Many people believe that Joe someday may become a saint. We can certainly say that he was an athlete for Christ.

I share this story about Joe from the September 2024 Columbia magazine that the Knights of Columbus publishes each month.

God Bless,  
 Father Mark

# We Celebrate, We Listen, We Pray

| Date  | Intention                           | Requested by                      | Celebration   | Scriptures   |
|---|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|--|
| Monday, November 04, 2024<br>8:30 a.m. Mass   | Louis Chiappelli                    | Family                            | Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop                        | Phil 2: 1-4<br>Lk 14: 12-14 (485)                                  |
| Tuesday, November 05, 2024<br>8:30 a.m. Mass  | Terry Miller                        | Esther & Family                   | Weekday   | Phil 2: 5-11<br>Lk 14: 15-24 (486)                                 |
| Wednesday, November 06, 2024<br>No Mass       |                                     |                                   | Weekday   | Phil 2: 12-18<br>Lk 14: 25-33 (487)                                |
| Thursday, November 07, 2024<br>8:30 a.m. Mass | Louise Dipoalo                      | A fellow parishioner              | Weekday   | Phil 3: 3-8a<br>Lk 15: 1-10 (488)                                  |
| Friday, November 08, 2024<br>8:30 a.m. Mass   | Kelly Duell                         | Dale, Cindy,<br>Matthew & Jessica | Weekday   | Phil 3: 17-4: 1<br>Lk 16: 1-8 (489)                                |
| Saturday, November 09, 2024<br>No Mass        |                                     |                                   | The Dedication of the<br>Lateran Basilica             | Ez 47: 1-2, 8-9, 12<br>1 Cor 3: 9c-11, 16-17<br>Jn 2: 13-22 (671)  |
| Saturday, November 09, 2024<br>5:30 p.m. Mass | Leonard Lovenduski                  | Children                          | Vigil of the Thirty-Second<br>Sunday in Ordinary Time | (see below)  |
| Sunday, November 10, 2024<br>9:15 a.m. Mass   | Living and Deceased<br>Parishioners |                                   | THIRTY SECOND SUNDAY<br>IN ORDINARY TIME              | 1 Kgs 17: 10-16<br>Heb 9: 24-28<br>Mk 12: 38-44 or 12: 41-44 (155) |

**Church Hours: St. Joseph Church: Sun. 7:30 am — 4 pm; Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri. 8 am—4 pm Sat. 9:00 am —7:00 pm**

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**LITURGY SCHEDULE**

**Saturday Vigil: 5:30 pm Sunday: 9:15 am Holy Days: 9:00 am & 7:00 pm Daily: Mon., Tues., Thur., Fri. 8:30 am No Mass on Wednesday**

**Remembering our Beloved Dead**

As we begin this month of November, we take time to honor the Holy Saints who have gone before us on All Saints Day, November 1st, and all of the souls of our loved ones and of friends and people we have worked with and known throughout our lives as we celebrate All Souls Day on November 2nd.

I want to emphasize at this point how good and important it is that we schedule Masses throughout the year for our loved ones in the Mass Intention Book in the parish office that will be scheduled for the bulletin on the day that you choose. Having Masses for our loved ones is so very important because we are praying for their eternal soul to be completely united with Jesus and all of the Saints in heaven. In addition, we are drawn closer to that loved one as we remember them at that Mass.

We also have, during the months of October and November, the opportunity to offer prayers for additional people who have passed by entering their name on the sheets of paper for the Book of Remembrance which is near the confessional. As this book is placed on the altar during the month of November, we can continue to sign names on additional sheets that will remain on the podium near the confessional. My brothers and sisters, try to take advantage of this opportunity each year to pray for your loved ones during these special feast days.

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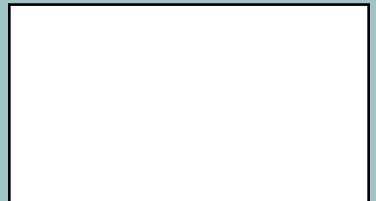
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