

NOVEMBER 7/8, 2026

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



READING I Wisdom 6:12-16

PSALM 63: My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

READING II 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

GOSPEL Matthew 25:1-13

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St. ColumbanusChurch
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Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day

Taken from "Pastoral Patterns" by GIA Publications, Inc.

Not only on the first two days of this month do we honor the saints and commemorate the faithful departed on the feasts of All Saints and All Souls, but during the entire month of November we remember those who have departed from this world. Today we hear Saint Paul write that if we believe in the resurrection of our Lord, surely God, through Jesus, will bring all those who died in Christ to the heavenly kingdom as well. May that be our hope and our consolation as we cherish our memories of our loved ones.

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

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Every Sunday we are invited to the banquet of the Lord, where we receive Christ in the Eucharist. Are we prepared to receive this spiritual food? The foolish bridesmaids in the Gospel were unprepared and so were unable to join the wise bridesmaids and the bridegroom at the feast. The wisdom they lacked is extolled in the first reading, whose author asserts that wisdom is available to all who seek it. As we listen to today's readings, let us pray for the grace to seek and use the wisdom God gives us to prepare ourselves for the heavenly banquet.

During this time of year, with the encroaching darkness of winter approaching, one can easily imagine how important oil lamps were in the days before electricity. All of the wedding attendants may have been prepared at first, but when the bridegroom became so long delayed that they all fell asleep, half had found themselves in the dark. When Matthew wrote his Gospel, forty years or more after the Resurrection, early Christians saw the second coming as long delayed as well. In fact, reading between the lines of Paul's letter to the Thessalonians, it appears he was trying to address their waning hope that those who had already died would be remembered in the resurrection. We cannot know the day nor the hour; all we can do is be prepared always.

Question of the Week

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What can I do this week to further prepare for the coming of the kingdom?

ST PATRICK MASS TIMES:
- Saturday: 5:30 PM (April to September) and 4:00 PM (October to March)
- Sunday Morning: 9:30 AM
- Holidays: As announced in the bulletin
- Reconciliation: First Saturday evening before Mass

ST COLUMBANUS MASS TIMES:
- Sunday Morning: 8:00 AM
- Holidays: As announced in the bulletin
- Reconciliation by appointment

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WEEKDAY MASSES:

Nov 9 - St Patrick - Dan McDermott . . . . . 8:30 am
Nov 10 - No Mass
Nov 11 - St Columbanus . . . . . .6:00 pm
Nov 12 - No Mass
Nov 13 - St Patrick - Ray & Loretta Stinn . . . 8:30 am

WEEKEND MASSES:

Nov 14 - St Patrick - Children with Chronic Illness & their families. . . . . .4:00 pm
Nov 15 - St Columbanus - Connor Greelis . . . . 8:00 am
Nov 15 - St Patrick - Barb & Freeman Corrin . 9:30 am

Ministry Schedule:

NOV 14, 2026 - 4:00 PM
Lector - David Mann
Servers - None

EMEs - Scott Brooks
Kari Kunze
Bonnie Wredt

NOV 15, 2026 - 9:30 AM
Lector - Rita Heinen
Servers - Maysen Lausen
Jack Murphy

EMEs - Shannon Nye
Rhea Gross
Vivian Gross

NOV 21, 2026 - 4:00 PM
Lectors - Max Michels
Servers - None

EME - Scott Brooks
David Mann
Maureen Mann

NOV 22, 2026 - 9:30 AM
Lectors - Corey Hough
Servers - Jordan Harder
Joseph Gerken

EME - Jenny Hall
Chad Harder
Roberta Morse

NOV 28, 2026 - 4:00 PM
Lector - Hadyn Ausdemore
Servers - None

EMEs - Scott Brooks
Norm Baker
Bonnie Wredt

NOV 29, 2026 - 9:30 AM
Lector - Rhea Gross
Servers - Case Gross
Noah Wollenhaupt

EMEs - Angie Kozeal
Max Kozeal
Shannon Nye

TITHE COUNTERS

Nov 8 - Roger Hall, Cecilia Powell, Peggy Thielen
Nov 15 - Jim Mahlberg, Roberta Morse, Cecilia Powell
Nov 22 - Anne Brummett, Roger Hall, Kevin Nye
Nov 29 - Mark Pogge, Peggy Thielen, Jim Mahlberg

COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS

Nov 8 - Norm Baker & Jeannie Disalvo
Nov 15 - Jennifer Fischer & Liz Lyons
Nov 22 - Carolyn McDermott & Roberta Morse
Nov 29 - Samantha Nye & Norm Baker

Calendar of Events:

Nov 11 - Confirmation Class, 7:00 pm
Nov 14/15 - Catholic Campaign for Human Development
Nov 15 - Faith Formation & Rooted Family Sessions, 10:35
Coffee & Rolls, parish hall, after Mass
Nov 17 - Finance Council Meeting, St Patrick, 6:00 pm
Nov 18 - Pastoral/Finance Mtg, St Columbanus, after Mass
Confirmation Class, 7:00 pm
Nov 22 - Altar server training after Mass
Faith Formation Session, 10:35-11:45
Coffee & Rolls, parish hall, after Mass
Nov 26 - Happy Thanksgiving, 8:30 am Mass
Nov 26-27 - Parish offices closed
Dec 2 - 2nd Grade Sacramental Class, 6:30 pm
Dec 3 - First Thursday Reconciliation & Adoration, 6:30-7:30
Dec 5 - Advent Retreat with Fr. Jacob Epstein, 12:30 pm
Reconciiation, 3:00-3:45 pm
Dec 6 - Faith Formation & Rooted Family Sessions, 10:35
Coffee & Rolls, parish hall, after Mass
High School Class, 7:00 pm

Offering Report	***Last Weeks***	***Fiscal YTD***
Sunday Envelopes	*$ 2,235.00*	*$ 36,865.92*
Open Offering	*$ 165.25*	*$ 3,506.25*
Children's Offering	*$ 35.00*	*$ 479.50*



St. Patrick's is in charge of the Soup Supper this year. We will need desserts (pies, bars, cupcakes, etc), that can be delivered to the Parish Hall on Saturday, December 12th. We'll also need volunteers for Food Prep, Decorating, Serving & Clean-up. If you're able to help, please contact the parish office at 712.485.2750.

LECTOR BOOKS are available in the Sacristy for all Lectors to pick up. Please cross your name off of the list when you take your book. Thank you!

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING: Have you ever watched the Altar Server during Mass? They put on those white robes and stand on the altar with pride as they become part of the Mass. Have you ever thought of becoming just like the servers you watch each week? Well, this is your chance! We will be having training on Sunday, November 22nd after 9:30 AM Mass in the church. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office at 712.485.2750.

DEATH ANNOUNCEMENT: St. Patrick's parish community extends prayerful sympathy to the family of Bernard L. Osbahr, whose funeral Mass of Resurrection was celebrated here at on church on October 31st. May he rest in peace.

REMEMBERING OUR DEPARTED: On Monday, November 2nd, we remembered the following friends and family members that passed away this past year:

Denis Nelson	Patricia Wettengel	Sallisue Burdick	Paul Winship
Rick Craft	Jerry Zimmerman	Joann Kenealy	Peggy Ausdemore
Pat Nelson	Geraldine Russmann	Sheila Minahan	Katherine Bayer
Denny Gaul	Carolyn Mazour	Shirley Masker	Patrick Andersen
David King	Matt Schultes	Robert & Patricia Golka	

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT: Next weekend, November 14/15, we will take up the second collection for CCHD. This collection funds organizations that address affordable housing, job creation, access to healthcare, and other issues at the root of poverty in America. Twenty-five percent of funds raised remain in the Diocese of Des Moines to address local anti-poverty initiatives. Please see the attached letter from Bishop Joensen and please be generous.

Memorial Calendar

Nov 9 - Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Nov 10 - Memorial of St. Leo the Great
Nov 11 - Memorial of St. Martin of Tours
Veterans Day
Nov 12 - Memorial of St. Josaphat
Nov 13 - Memorial of St. Frances Xavier Cabrini
Nov 14 - Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary



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This Week on Formed

Week of November 08, 2026



Cabrini

From Alejandro Monteverde, award-winning director of Sound of Freedom, comes the powerful epic of Francesca Cabrini, an Italian immigrant who arrives in New York City in 1889 and is greeted by disease, crime, and impoverished children. With broken English and poor health, Cabrini builds an empire of hope unlike anything the world had ever seen.



The Afterlife | Eternal Rest | Episode 2

What happens after the moment of our death? Once the soul has been separated from the body, then what? What is heaven, hell, and purgatory? This session looks at the truth about what awaits the human person on the other side of death.



How to Advent | Episode 2

The Advent wreath is an invitation to enter into the waiting and preparation for the birth of our Savior! As we explore the meaning of the Advent wreath – its light, colors, and components – we can better grasp how we should be preparing our hearts. As the light from the candles grows brighter and brighter throughout the four weeks of Advent, so too grows our longing for the coming Light of Christ.

Our parish has a Formed subscription.
Visit signup.formed.org and select our parish name.

An offering from the Augustine Institute



All are invited to attend

The Annual Religious Appreciation Dinner

Thursday, November 12, 2026
at
St. Patrick Church, Council Bluffs

Mass will be celebrated at 6:00 pm

Reception and dinner to follow

$12 per Person or $25 per family

Please RSVP to Linda White
712-323-7063

Sponsored by the
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November Birthdays

Ron King - 1
Jesie Grote - 1
Tatum Thielen - 1
Shane Tiarks - 1
Dean Alfers - 2
Eleanor Sweeney - 2
Helen Shew - 3
Eldon Hough - 4
Kevin Nye - 4
Scott Huebner - 4
Kathy Jensen - 5
Buck Redinbaugh - 5
Rita Heinen - 5
Henry Hulsing - 5
Adam Schroeder - 5
Clara Cochran - 5
Lois Waters - 6
Nicholas Daniel - 6
Crissy Masker - 6
Kristen Carlson - 6
Oliver Winship - 6
Denise Shipp - 7
Rachel Gross - 8
Eric Rowe - 9
Bryan Buckholdt - 9
Brent Hough - 9
Charles Ortman - 9
Charlie Ring - 10
Max Johnsen - 11
Kenzlee Busch - 11
Jana Ring - 13
Pam Ungrad - 13
Jackie Brower-Fincel - 13
Paige Daughenbaugh - 13
Julius Jacobsen - 13
Mariela McGargill - 13
Bronson Baxter - 13
Chad Thomas - 14
Alexandra Nye - 14
Emalee Busch - 15
Stacy Hazen - 16
Kayla Jensen - 16
Cameron Cook - 16
Keegan Cook - 16
Harry Long - 17
Jonette Fischer - 17
Francisco Barajas - 17
Jennifer Fischer - 17
Rachel Johnson - 17
Marian Wellman - 18
Anne Fischer - 18
Sharon McConnell - 19
Hannah Cook - 19
Caden Stunkard - 19
Judy Ryan - 20
Fani Barajas - 20
Amelia Disalvo - 20
Angie Kozeal - 21
Colleen Tigges - 21
Allison Ehlers - 21
Hunter Ryba - 21
Matt Brummett - 23
Amanda Scherer - 23
Connie Meyerring - 25
Frank Stolz - 25
Kim Greiner - 26
Mary Jensen - 26
Diane Pierce - 26
Gabriel Barajas - 27
Rita Schnitker - 27
Dani Petersen - 27
Madison Ausdemore - 27
Brody Weidner - 27
Connie Casson - 28
Lane Ausdemore - 28
Samantha Kuehn - 29
Angela Jensen - 30
Kellon Ausdemore - 30

November Anniversaries

Mark & Audrey Haverkamp - 6
Don & Donna Denning - 8
Davian & Jill Almonte - 11
Mike & Lori Eckrich - 21
Walter & Elaine Koch - 22
Scott & Kelly Dollen - 24
John & Mary Fischer - 26
Greg & Kathy Rath-Fischer - 27
Gary & Sue Ausdemore - 28
Jared & Abby Ausdemore - 28
Joe & Heather Turner - 29

We welcome you into God's family! If you are interested in learning more about our church, or would like to join, please pick up a registration form at one of the entrances of the church, stop by the parish office, or call Father Julius for an appointment.
For information about Baptism, Sacrament of the Sick, Pastoral Visitations, Reconciliation, RCIA, Marriage, Adoration, or the Prayer Chain, please visit our website at https://stpatricksneola.com/ or contact the Parish Office at 712.485.2750.

DIOCESE OF DES MOINES
OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

November 2026

The weekend of November 14-15, our Diocese will gather the national collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. Your support for this collection brings change to communities across the country. It helps empower those living in poverty or facing other challenges. It assists in transforming places where vulnerable persons live into niches of God's Kingdom. The theme of this year's collection, "Working on the Margins," invites us to support those lives "on the margins" that may otherwise go unnoticed and unaccompanied.

In addition to making an impact nationally, 25% of the CCHD funds gathered here can be designated for projects meriting attention closer to home. Each year parishes and other organizations have the opportunity to apply for a CCHD grant to address those needs. In the last year, two parishes (Our Lady's Immaculate Heart in Ankeny and Saints John & Paul in Altoona) developed projects to address the special needs of their parishioners who might have otherwise been relegated to the margins.

Both parishes provided new access to participation for their special needs parishioners, including a sensory-friendly Mass, the use of ASL interpreters, and special activities for children and teens/young adults blending fun with service. Enhanced disability ministries help us address the reality that one in six children and one in four adults are affected by some form of disability.

Previously, our local CCHD funds have also provided grants that assisted a low-income community in Council Bluffs, and also furnished free legal services to those in need.

Your support of the CCHD annual collection makes a difference locally and nationally. Thank you in advance for your prayers and generous support that will enable those who live "on the margin" to be drawn into the heart of our communities.

Faithfully in Christ,

+ Wm. M. Joensen

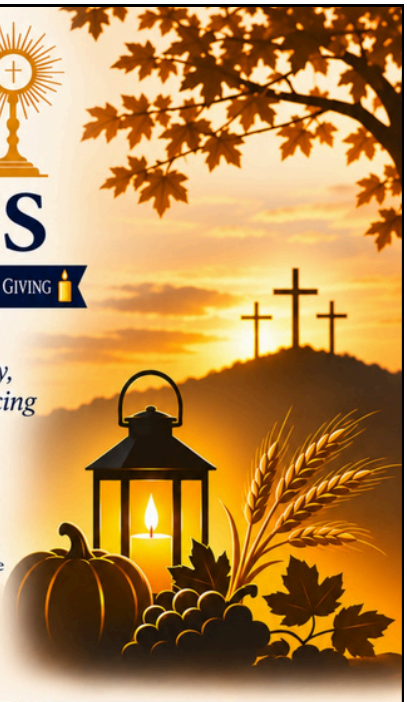
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FROM THE ALTAR TO THE STREETS

NOVEMBER — REMEMBRANCE, GRATITUDE, AND GIVING

"You will be enriched in everything for all liberality, which through us is producing thanksgiving to God."
— 2 CORINTHIANS 9:11



In November we remember with hope the saints who now live in God, give thanks for the many gifts we have received, and share those gifts with those in need. Gratitude for God's blessings naturally leads to generosity.

THIS MONTH'S INVITATION:
Take time to name the gifts you have received—from God, from the saints, and from the loved ones who have gone before us—and share one of those gifts with someone in need in your community (time, a meal, a visit, or other generous support).

LEARN MORE:
Visit Catholic Charities' **Supply the Mission** page to see current needs and learn how you can share God's gifts by providing essential items for individuals and families across our diocese.

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RECEIVE CHRIST. BE CHRIST. SERVE CHRIST IN OTHERS.

BINGO NIGHT

Traditional Bingo + Music Bingo

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13

Doors Open at 6:00 PM | BINGO from 6:30-8:30 PM

St. Patrick Parish Hall • 4 Valley View Dr., Council Bluffs

$15 PER PERSON AGES 5+ | INCLUDES 3 Traditional Cards + 3 Music Cards | ADDITIONAL CARDS $5 EACH

Children under 5 are FREE – No BINGO cards included.

Enjoy a fun night with cash and table prizes, a cash bar for adults, and plenty of friendly competition. Children are welcome!

Traditional Bingo and Music Bingo rounds will alternate throughout the evening, along with fun table competitions for the Luckiest Table, Most Competitive Table, and Best Team Spirit.

Walking tacos, lemonade, and water will be available for free-will donations, with soda and adult beverages available for purchase at the bar.

Open to everyone — invite your family, friends, neighbors, and coworkers!

Preregistration Recommended by November 11
Walk-Ins Welcome As Space Allows
Maximum Team Size Is 8 Players.

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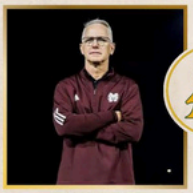
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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST

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6:30 PM	DINNER
7:30 PM	INTERVIEW WITH HONOREES BEGINS
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