St. John's Catholic Church

Omaha's Jesuit Parish Located at Creighton University

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Cornerstone laid 1887—Established as a Parish 1897—Designated a City Landmark 1981

November 19, 2017 Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Eucharist: week of November 19

Please note on Thanksgiving Day, November 23 the only Mass is at 9:00 a.m.

Monday—Friday:	7:00 a.m.	*Main Church*
	12 noon	*Main Church*
	5:00 p.m.	*Halley Chapel, LSJ*
Saturday	7:00 a.m.	*Main Church*
	(Rosary following)	
	12 Noon	*Halley Chapel, LSJ*
	5:00 p.m.	*Main Church*
	(Anticipatory)	
Sunday	8:00 a.m.	*Main Church*
	10:30 a.m.	*Main Church*
	4:30 p.m.	*Main Church*
	8:30 p.m.	*Main Church*
	10:00 p.m.	*Main Church*

Reconciliation:

Mon—Fri:	12:30—1:00 p.m.	*Main Church*
Saturday:	4:00—5:00 p.m.	*Main Church*

Faith Formation

RCIA

Sunday: 10:30 a.m. Conf. Room, LSJ's

Adult Faith Formation ***(Fall and Lenten Series)***

Sunday: 9:15 a.m. Conf. Room, *LSJ*

Youth Religious Education

Sunday: 9:15—10:15 a.m. *LSJ*

Order of Worship for Sunday Liturgies

Spoken responses and prayers for the Mass can be found at the beginning of the Glory & Praise hymnal.

Entrance Antiphon: The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place. - *Jer 29:11, 12, 14*

Music—Saturday 5pm & Sunday 10:30am

Mass Responses: Mass of God's Promise	#807-12
Gathering: Christ, Be Our Light	#683
Psalm 128: Blessed Are Those	#831
Offertory: Blessed Are You, Lord	#866
Communion: Restless Is the Heart	#441
May We Praise You	#728
Sending Forth: City of God	#538

Music—Sunday 8:30pm

Mass Responses: Mass of Renewal	#93-101
Gathering: The Summons	#529
Psalm 128: O Blessed Are Those	#195
Offertory: Restless Is the Heart	#441
Communion: Christ In Me Arise	#573
Our Darkness	#887
Sending Forth: Lead Me, Lord	#760

Dan Haske	***Colleen Davis & Family***
Mary O'Riley	***Jack Walsh***
Bill Reinbrecht	***Connie Cleary***
Jim Hampton	***Kirsten Altomari***

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Liturgical Ministry Schedule November 25-26, 2017

	Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Sunday 10:30 a.m.
PRESIDER	Fr. Hamm, S.J.	Fr. Amidon, S.J.	Fr. Doll, S.J.
LITURGICAL ASSISTANT	TBD	Bob Austria	Danielle Carr
LECTORS	Sean Joyce Whipp	Mary Lou Carlson	Steve Scherr
	Susan Recker	Erika Schwanke	Ann Cole
PRAYERS	Eileen Burke-Sullivan		Emma Curran
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	E. Burke-Sullivan, T. Finney	D. Cleary	T. Cole, R. Grimit, A. Lawlor
	C. Finney, T. Joyce Whipp	M. Harris	R. Miller, R. Nassali, J. Scherr
	C. Kuper, J. Lanahan, G. Selk	V. Jarencio	C. Nigrelli, J. Stender
	M. Rouse, J. O'Brien		S. Schulte-Bukowinski

Parish Calendar November 19—26, 2017 — see front cover for weekly events

Sunday, November 19	Monday, November 20	Tuesday, November 21	Wed, November 22
8:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Parish Coffee & Donuts, LSJ's 9:15 a.m. First Reconciliation, Main Church Noon. Baptism, Main Church 8:30 p.m. Protestant Sunday Worship ,LSJ's Chapel		5:00 p.m. Healing Mass, Main Church 7:00 p.m. Bereavement Group-Grieving with Great Hope, Resource Room	5:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Dinner for Students, Kateri Hall (LSJ's)
Thursday, November 23	**Friday, November 24**	**Saturday, November25**	**Sunday, November 26**
9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving Day Alumni Mass	4:30 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal, Main Church 6:30 p.m. AA meeting, LSJ's Conference Room	9:00 a.m. 12-Step Program, LSJ's Conference Room 2:00 p.m. Wedding, Main Church 6:30 p.m Glory and Praise Sing-a-long, Main Church	8:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Parish Coffee & Donuts, LSJ's 3:00 p.m. Consolation Faith Sharing Group, Resource Room

Readings for the week

11/19	Sunday *Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time*	Prv 1 Thes Mt	31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 5:1-6 25:14-30
11/20	Monday	1 Mc Lk	1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63 18: 35-43
11/21	Tuesday	2 Mc Lk	6:18-31 19:1-10
11/22	Wednesday	2 Mc Lk	7:1, 20-31 19:11-28
11/23	Thursday *Thanksgiving Day*	1 Mc Lk	2:15-29 19:41-44
11/24	Friday	1 Mc Lk	4:36-37, 52-59 19:45-48
11/25	Saturday	1 Mc Lk	6:1-13 20:27-40
11/26	Sunday *Our Lord Jesus Christ, Kind of the Universe*	Ez 1 Cor Mt	34:11-12, 15-17 15:20-26, 28 25:31-46

Celebrating Sacraments this week:

Sacrament of Matrimony

Erin Piper and Scott Schiller

Sacrament of Baptism

Vivian Borghoff, daughter of Jill and Joe Borghoff

Congratulations!

Weekly Offering Report

Weekly Budget Goal	7,793.00	Annual Budget Goal	406,000.00
Weekend 11/04-05/2017		Fiscal Year-to-Date Goal	148,067.00
Contributions	7,265.75		
Other	2,540.00		
ACH Transfers	1,525.00		
TOTAL	11,330.75		
Above (below) weekly goal	3,537.75	Amount Collected YTD	136,027.70
		Above (Below) YTD Goal	(12,039.30)

Reflection for November 19, 2017

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

"She puts her hands to the distaff, and her finger ply the spindle."

-Proverbs 31:19-20

This image is an old-fashioned portrait of womanhood, but it presents an image not of subservience but of power and skill. "She girds herself with strength; / she exerts her arms with vigor," it says later on in Proverbs. "She is clothed with strength and dignity, / and laughs at the days to come." Lately I've been longing for a more physical life, to see the actual work of my hands. Modern life is so abstract, cut off from things and persons, many of us hiding behind our desks in offices and houses, our work scrolling by on a screen. We can't roll back time, and such a life would no doubt have its own frustrations and lacks, but we can strived in our own lives for strength and vigor and the ability to laugh at the days to come.

Taken from: "2017 *A Book of Grace-Filled Days*" *by Amy Andrews*

Mass Intentions Nov. 20 –25, 2017

7:00 a.m. (Main Church)

Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday *Thanksgiving, 9:00 a.m. Mass only*
Friday
Saturday

12:00 Noon (Main Church)

Monday
Tuesday Dick O'Brien– *deceased*
Wednesday
Thursday *Thanksgiving, 9:00 a.m. Mass only*
Friday Margaret Mary Coyle—deceased
Saturday (LSJ's)

5:00 PM (Fr. Halley Chapel, LSJ's)

Monday
Tuesday Hellen Woolcott—deceased (Healing Mass)
Wednesday Bob McBride-*deceased*
Thursday *Thanksgiving, 9:00 a.m. Mass only*
Friday

The second collection this week is for:

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Please be as generous as you are able.

Outreach

Parish Partners
Journey to Pine Ridge

Through the incredible generosity of the St. John's community, we have once again demonstrated our support and solidarity with our sister parishes on the Pine Ridge Reservation...Sacred Heart and Our Lady of the Sioux. Nine members for the Parish Partners committee made the journey this year. We transported a wide assortment of winter clothes and blankets. As we do every year, St. John's parishioners also make generous monetary donations that enable our two sister parishes to replenish their food banks. Plus, each year the parish council at our Lady of the Sioux designates 80 families. Those families receive a large bag filled with everything a family would need for a complete holiday dinner. The support of the St. John's community allows us to purchase everything that goes into the bags. The food bags are presented on Sunday morning after mass when the Parish Partners contingent fixes and serves breakfast for the parish members. (Note: The designer fabric bags complete with drawstring are made ever year by our long time parishioner, **Fran Berg.**)

Congratulations to:

Hank Wessel, *on the first anniversary of his baptism. (November 20)*

His Godparents are:

Sean and Tara Joyce Whipp

Community

Young Professionals and the One Church Mission

Join Young Catholic Professionals (YCP) Omaha on Tuesday, Nov. 21, for a moving and important discussion: **Young Professionals and the One Church Mission.** Our guest speaker is Archbishop George Lucas, the fifth archbishop of Omaha. If you are in your 20s and 30s, join us at St. Pius X Catholic Church (6905 Blondo Street, Omaha) at 6:30 p.m. Sign language interpreting services are provided.

Mass is at 6:30 p.m., with socializing at 7, and the presentation begins at 7:45. Drinks and appetizers are provided. **Young Catholic Professionals is hosting this FREE event.** Locations and speakers vary monthly. ***For more information and to RSVP, go to YCPOmaha.org or "YCP Omaha" on Facebook.***

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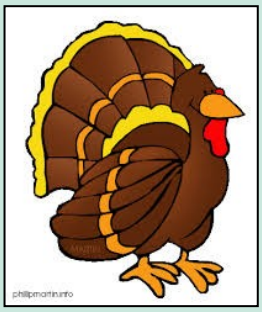
Community

Thanksgiving Dinner for Students

St. John's will hold its annual free Thanksgiving dinner for Creighton students from 5:00-6:30 on Wednesday, November 22 in Lower St. John's. Every year students who are unable to go home for the holiday enjoy a traditional turkey dinner with all the trimmings. No sign up is required to attend.
The dinner is cohosted ***by St. John's Parish, the Creighton Jesuit Community, Campus Ministry and Lutheran Campus Ministry.***



St. John parishioners willing to roast a turkey, bring a salad or dessert, or work the dinner can sign up on sheets at the church entrances. For further information email Mary Alice Howick at maryalice.howick@gmail.com. Or 402-934-2004.

Outreach

Information Meeting for Honduras Mission Trip

All are invited to an informational meeting on Sunday, December 3, 2017 after the 10:30am Mass. Look for us in Kateri Hall (LSJ's). Learn how we will immerse with the Honduran people while providing basic medical care, performing on-site projects and caring for the children. Mission trip dates are June 10-17, 2018. Contact Fr. Snow at 402 280-3262 or Martha Todd at marthatodd@creighton.edu for more information. Sponsored by St. John's Parish. Space is limited.

Community

Healing and Anointing Mass

Every third Tuesday of the month at the 5:00 p.m. Mass in the main church (November 21, 2017) the Parish will gather to celebrate a **Healing and Anointing Mass.** The Sacrament of Anointing within the Mass is available to all those who are chronically ill, advanced in age, overly burdened with the struggles of life and even children who suffer from illness. The entire community is invited and encouraged to pray and support the sick of our parish. Please join us.

Faith Formation

Campus Ministry Confirmation Program

If you are a Creighton student and would like to receive the sacrament of Confirmation this spring, please register for the preparation program through Campus Ministry **by December 3.** This program is for students who have already been baptized and received First Communion in the Catholic Church. Contact BethSamson@creighton.edu for more information and register here: www.creighton.edu/ministry/campusministry/sc/confirmation/

Outreach

Consolation Faith Sharing Group of St. John's is a Christian response to personal suffering and distress. It is a support group for people who are experiencing emotional pain from mental illness, and for those who are caring for persons with this suffering. The group is joined by Fr. Snow who brings a prayer to begin the group. Then members share their experiences and listen carefully to one another. There are young and old, those working and those retired, just parish members who have a common bond and who come together. It lasts about an hour and ends in time for those who wish to attend the 4:30 Mass.

One might ask the value of such a meeting? We come together as people who hope in God's grace, who have faith in God's presence, who are blessed with Christian identity. But we also come together to offer the strength of our presence to each other. We have found that God's grace is offered in the presence of others who give ear. We find that life is not without pain, that we are experiencing suffering and distress. But God is present and we offer each other understanding. Our listening to each other brings meaning to our lives and some relief.

All who experience distress from emotional difficulties and those who support them are welcome to the Consolation Faith Sharing Group. Next meeting:

Sunday, November 26 @ 3:00 p.m.
St. John's Resource Room,
Through the door next to the statue of Mary

With Our Gratitude

After many years of serving generously, **Nancy Townley** is retiring from the linen washing ministry. We are grateful for all your hard work. Thanks Nancy!

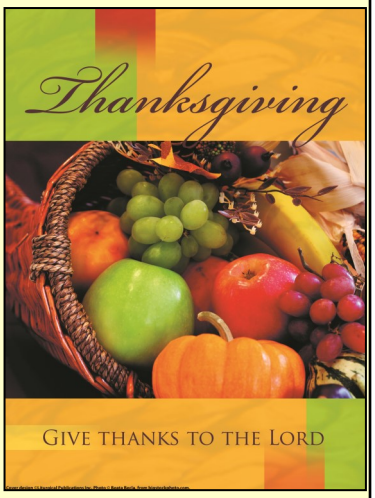
Liturgy

Remembering Loved Ones in November

In November, the liturgical year invites us to remember those who have gone before us to eternal life in Christ. Everyone is invited to write loved ones' names in the Book of Remembrance, and to place photos of those who have died near the Paschal Candle during November. Please collect the photos of your loved one(s) after Mass Nov. 25-26.

Thanksgiving Day Mass

Nov. 23 at 9:00am. Celebrate Thanksgiving with the Eucharist (a Greek word meaning "giving thanks"). Mass is hosted by Creighton University Alumni and Friends.



Coming Up in Advent…

Evening Prayer, Wednesdays at 4:30pm. Join St. John's in singing the evening prayer of the Church. We will gather in the apse (near the tabernacle) for this sacrifice of praise in preparation for Christ's coming into our world.

Eucharistic Exposition, Mondays 12:30-3:00pm
Starting Dec. 4, spend some quiet time on Mondays with Christ present in the Eucharist.

Reconciliation Services —
Dec. 5 at 8:00pm & Dec. 21 at 7:00pm
John the Baptist invites us to prepare the way of the Lord in our hearts! All are welcome to prepare the way through the sacrament of reconciliation this Advent. Both prayer services include the opportunity for individual confessions.

Christmas Volunteer Opportunities

We are looking for **decorators** to help set up our Christmas environment on Dec. 17 and Dec. 24! Please contact our Liturgy Coordinator at 402-280-1128 or ChaseBecker@creighton.edu.

Christmas Choir rehearsals will begin Dec. 3 after the 10:30am Mass! All are welcome to join for one or more Christmas Masses. Please contact our Music Director at MollyMattingly@creighton.edu or 402-280-2203 for the full rehearsal schedule.