



Catholic Church

NOVEMBER 5, 2023
THE 31ST SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

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STEWARDS IN THE HEART OF THE CITY

Mary Kennedy, Parish Administrator

For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be.

- Luke 12:34

One of my grandmother Vera's favorite TV characters back in the 1970's was Telly Savalas, starring as Kojak, the street-savvy New York cop with a penchant for Tootsie Pops. One of his trademark lines, was "Who loves ya, Baby?" This line became a greeting – both of welcome and farewell, given by my Grandma to all of her grandchildren and guests. Not only did we believe that love line, the manner of her delivery also led me (and probably each of my cousins as well) to secretly believe that I was the MOST-loved of the grandchildren. Hearing my grandmother exclaim, "Who loves ya, Baby?" was a heart-filling, joy-inducing moment – one that put a little skip in my step over the groovy cobblestones of my youth. I knew to my core that I was a part of my grandmother's heart and one of her treasures.

There is a big difference between liking and loving. It is easier to like a thing or an object, but can one really say that they love a particular item? An example, I can like living in Minnesota, but I may not feel much love for this

state in the middle of a cold and snowy winter evening. However, heading outside to enjoy the night sky after the snowstorm can bring all of the "likes" of peace, tranquility, and silence alive. When it comes to relationships, like and love have more equality. I like my neighbors, I love my family, even the times when some of them are hard to love. The years of living with and loving them are filled with exceptional memories that tug at my heartstrings. I do treasure those moments, all of them, even the sad ones, because we celebrated them, or made it through the tough times - together. I know when it comes to my family, "Who loves ya, Baby."

When it comes to our faith relationship, our treasure is found in the everlasting, unconditional love of Jesus Christ, one that surrounds us and holds us close. As part of our Baptismal promise we are called to follow Jesus Christ as disciples. Living Stewardship as a way of life is how we do this. Accepting our gifts gratefully, nurturing those gifts to make them the best they can be, sharing our gifts generously with others, and returning those gifts with increase to God is how we live today, tomorrow, and every day.

Watch your mail, in the next week or so, each household will receive a packet of materials from Saint Olaf. Enclosed will be a copy of our Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year of July 1, 2022- June 30, 2023. This report, both in numbers and in words tells you, our parishioner how your faith community is doing here in the heart of the city. Spoiler alert: we are doing good, and with your help we can do even better!

Also, you will find a letter from Fr. Kevin and our Annual Stewardship Materials. We are asking each Parishioner, Associate Parishioner, Contributor, and friend of Saint Olaf to consider how you are called to share of your gifts and: **PRAY ~ SERVE ~ SHARE** in the upcoming year.

Every prayer, every minute, every gift, each one is a treasure that makes a difference in helping us move forward the mission and vision: *Serving as Stewards in the Heart of the City*. Come and share your treasured gifts in Christian love with Saint Olaf. We are grateful for you.



EVENTS & OTHER INFORMATION

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AT SAINTOLAF.ORG/EVENTS

READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS

**RESPONSORIAL PSALMS ARE DENOTED BY SEMI-BOLD ITALICS*

November 5: Mal 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10, **Ps 131**, 1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13, Mt 23:1-12

November 12: Wis 6:12-16, **Ps 63**, 1 Thes 4:13-18, Mt 25:1-13

PRAY SAINT OLAF SUNDAY MASS ON MCN CH 6

Pray our Sunday 10:00am Mass on MCN Cable TV Channel 6 on Sunday evenings at 8:00pm and replayed on Mondays at 10:00am. Saint Olaf also live streams our Monday-Friday 12:00Noon Mass and our Sunday 10:00am Mass on YouTube: youtube.com/user/SaintOlafChurch/live.

ANOINTING MASS AND LUNCHEON - NOVEMBER 18

Join us for the Anointing Mass on Saturday, November 18, 2023 at 12:00Noon in the Main Church. The Sacrament of Anointing is meant for those dealing with the effects of aging or illness in body, mind, or spirit. It is especially recommended before surgery or if one's condition has worsened since last being anointed. A light luncheon follows the Anointing Mass in Fleming Hall. All are welcome.

SAVE THE DATE - NOVEMBER 19, 2023 FROM AGE TO AGE / TWO RIVERS CHORALE CONCERT

On Sunday, November 19, at 2:00pm, From Age to Age, in collaboration with the Two Rivers Chorale, will present a free program of music for choir and organ, including the highly acclaimed Duruflé *Requiem*. For more information, visit FromAgeToAge.org.

THANKSGIVING AFTERNOON TEA - NOVEMBER 25

On Saturday, November 25th from 1:00pm-3:00pm, you are invited to join us for an afternoon tea to bring us together in gratitude for the community we share. A lite fare, soft music, tea, and good conversation is what brings us together. There is no cost, stop by anytime between 1:00pm - 3:00pm, and then stay for 4pm Mass. There is no cost to attend but we ask that you call and leave your name and the number of people attending with you to allow us to plan for the afternoon. Please do so by Monday, November 20th by calling the parish office.

YOUNG ADULT GROUP

The Young Adult Group continues to meet every Tuesday evening, at 5:45pm in the Forliti Gathering Room. Arrive when you can - latecomers welcome!

SAMARITAN MINISTRY NEEDS

NEW underwear for men and women, backpacks, tennis shoes, and fall/winter gear are the primary needs for Samaritan Ministry. We ask that items be new, or clean and in good repair. Thank you!



THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AT SAINTOLAF.ORG

WELCOME HOME

- Building closes at 5:30pm Monday - Friday.
 - Offices are open until 4:30pm Monday-Thursday
 - Chapel is open for private prayer Monday - Friday, 7:30am - 5:30pm
- + LIVE STREAMED

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4

- 8:30 AM SYNOD SMALL GROUP LEADER TRAINING - FLEMING HALL
- 9:00 AM WEDDING WORKSHOP - EDU RM
- 10:00 AM CENTERING PRAYER GATHERING - FORLITI GATHERING RM

12:00NOON MASS

- 12:30 PM CONFESSIONS
- 12:30 PM ROSARY - CHAPEL
- 4:00 PM VIGIL MASS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME, TURN CLOCKS BACK 1 HOUR

- 6:00 AM MASS
- 8:00 AM MASS
- 10:00 AM MASS+
- 12:00NOON MASS
- 4:00 PM MASS

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6

- 7:00 AM MASS - CHAPEL
- 7:30 AM CONFESSIONS
- 12:00NOON MASS+
- 12:00NOON AA MEETING - EDU RM

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

- 7:00 AM MASS - CHAPEL
- 7:30 AM CONFESSIONS
- 12:00NOON MASS+
- 12:30 PM CONFESSIONS
- 5:45 PM YOUNG ADULTS GROUP FORLITI GATHERING RM
- 6:30 PM SYNOD SMALL GROUP LEADER TRAINING - FLEMING HALL

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

- 7:00 AM MASS - MAIN CHURCH
- 7:00 AM AA MEETING - EDU RM
- 7:30 AM CONFESSIONS
- 11:30 AM NICOTINE ANONYMOUS MEETING - EDU RM
- 12:00NOON MASS+
- 6:30 PM PARISH CHOIR REHEARSAL
- 6:30 PM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY FORLITI GATHERING RM

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

- 7:00 AM MASS - CHAPEL
- 7:30 AM CONFESSIONS
- 12:00NOON MASS+
- 12:30 PM CONFESSIONS
- 6:30 PM OCIA MEETING - EDU RM
- 6:45 PM FROM AGE TO AGE REHEARSAL

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10

- PARISH OFFICES CLOSED*
- 7:00 AM MASS - CHAPEL
- 7:30 AM CONFESSIONS
- 10:00 AM SAINT OLAF CRAFTWORKS MINISTRY - FORLITI GATHERING RM
- 11:00 AM ADORATION
- 12:00NOON MASS+

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

- 8:30 AM SYNOD SMALL GROUP LEADER TRAINING - FLEMING HALL
- 8:30 AM FROM AGE TO AGE / TWO RIVERS CHORALE REHEARSAL - MAIN CHURCH
- 12:00NOON MASS
- 12:30 PM CONFESSIONS
- 12:30 PM ROSARY - CHAPEL
- 4:00 PM VIGIL MASS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

- 6:00 AM MASS
- 8:00 AM MASS
- 10:00 AM MASS+
- 10:30 AM SACRAMENTAL PREP - FLEMING HALL
- 12:00NOON MASS
- 1:15 PM FROM AGE TO AGE / TWO RIVERS CHORALE REHEARSAL - MAIN CHURCH
- 4:00 PM MASS

ANNUAL BUDGET

CONTRIBUTIONS	ACTUAL	BUDGET	DIFFERENCE
Oct 16 - 22	\$21,550	\$18,430	\$3,120
YTD through Week #17	\$325,130	\$316,065	\$9,065

Thank you for your continued support of Saint Olaf.