



Catholic Church

NOVEMBER 19, 2023
THE 33RD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

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WHAT ARE WE OFFERING?

Michael Strande, Director of Liturgy

The Church makes the assumption that the people who are attending the Celebration of the Eucharist have been baptized. Whether baptized as a baby or an adult, what followed the baptism was an anointing with sacred oil. The word "Christ" means "Anointed One." At our baptism we were anointed. We were literally made a christ. Through that baptism, and anointing, we share in the life of the Church. We became Disciples. We became members of the Body of Christ.

In the ancient church, people would make bread and wine in their homes. They would bring that bread and wine to the church to be used during the Celebration of the Eucharist. During the Mass the bread and wine would be brought into the church and carried to the altar. As the bread and wine was processed through the church the people knew the bread and wine was what they made at home. Not only did they see the bread and wine was the work of their hands; they also saw the bread and wine representing their work, their hopes, dreams, their accomplishments and failures. The bread and wine represented their lives.

The ancient Christians understood that before the consecration the bread

and wine represented living flesh and living blood; their own. With deep conviction they believed the bread and wine represented the living christ, those who have been anointed. The Body of Christ, the people who were anointed after their baptism, gathered to Celebrate the Eucharist then as we do today. This means the bread and wine represents the real presence of the Body of Christ before they are placed on the altar.

After the bread and wine are placed on the altar they are transformed, through the power of the Holy Spirit, into the real sacramental presence of the Christ. If the bread and wine represents living flesh and living blood, our own, before the consecration, then more than just bread and wine are being transformed into the real sacramental presence of Christ. Real flesh and real blood are transformed into the real sacramental presence of the Christ; our own.

The Offertory, the carrying of the bread and wine by people of the assembly, becomes an important part of the Celebration of the Eucharist. The act of carrying what represents our lives to the altar, is the only part of the Celebration of the Eucharist where

we can make a direct connection that the bread and wine represents us, those who are sitting in the pews. If the bread and wine does not come from the assembly it becomes more difficult for the people to recognize their lives are about to be transformed into the real sacramental presence of the Christ as the bread and wine.

Baptism calls us to offer ourselves to the service of the Body of Christ, the Community of Disciples. Discipleship is about reaching out for the betterment of others. We are called to be good stewards of our talents and gifts. We are good stewards when we answer the call to be Christ to others then celebrate how we have been Christ to others. When we celebrate how we have been the real sacramental presence of Christ to others we begin anew by offering ourselves to be symbolically placed on the altar again. When we live out what we have been transformed to be, by sharing our gifts and talents, and by fully participating in the celebration of the Sacrament of the Eucharist, we can confidently expect the Master to say to us, "Well done, my good and faithful servant."



EVENTS & OTHER INFORMATION

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AT SAINTOLAF.ORG/EVENTS



THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AT SAINTOLAF.ORG

READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS

*RESPONSORIAL PSALMS ARE DENOTED BY SEMI-BOLD ITALICS

Nov 19: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31, **Ps 128**, 1 Thes 5:1-6, Mt 25:14-30

Nov 26: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17, **Ps 23**, 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28, Mt 25:31-46

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.

ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP RENEWAL HAS BEGUN

All parish households should have received a packet in the mail containing Saint Olaf's Annual Financial Stewardship Report for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 and the Annual Stewardship Renewal 2024 Materials. Thank you for looking over the materials and discerning how you are called to **PRAY ~ SERVE ~ SHARE** as *Stewards in the Heart of the City*.

CELEBRATE! AFTER ALL MASSES NOV 18/19

Calling all Young Adults, 21-30 years. We Celebrate! you after all the Masses Nov 18/19. Stop in Forliti Gathering Room after Mass and collect your special treat and a gift just for you!

ANOINTING MASS AND LUNCHEON - NOV 18

Join us for the Anointing Mass on Nov 18 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.

FROM AGE TO AGE / TWO RIVERS CHORALE CONCERT - NOV 19

On Nov 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 - NOV 25

On Nov 25th 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. Stop by anytime between 1:00pm - 3:00pm, and then stay for 4:00pm Mass. There is no cost to attend but we ask that you call the parish office by Nov 20th and leave your name and the number of people attending with you to allow us to plan for the afternoon.

JOIN THE SEASONAL CHOIR FOR CHRISTMAS

Come raise your voice in thanks and praise with beloved Christmas music! The Seasonal Choir will sing for 4:00pm Mass on Christmas Eve, and also for Sunday 4:00pm Mass on Dec 31 and Jan 7. Rehearsals Tuesday evenings 6:30-8:30pm, Nov 28, and Dec 5, 12, and 19. Please contact Joel Anderson, Director of Music, to sign up or for more information: email JAnderson@SaintOlaf.org, or call 612-767-7628.

SAMARITAN MINISTRY NEEDS

NEW Underwear for men and women, backpacks, hats, scarves, mittens, gloves, boots, and winter coats are the primary needs for Samaritan Ministry. We ask that items be new, or clean and in good repair. Thank you!

YOUNG ADULT DISCUSSION SEIRES - NOV 21

Many young adults struggle with their faith, and at times abandon it. Join us this week to discuss the joys and struggles of rekindling our relationships with God — and how, we are not alone on this journey. Parishioners and guests in their 20s or 30s are invited to join us Tuesday evenings at 5:45pm in Forliti Gathering Room. Latecomers are welcome!

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18

- 8:30am Synod Small Group Leader Training – Fleming Hall
- 12:00Noon Mass/Anointing**
- 12:30pm Confessions
- 12:30pm Rosary - Chapel
- 1:00pm Anointing Luncheon – Fleming Hall
- 4:00pm Vigil Mass – Celebrate! Young Adults 21-30 years after Mass**

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

CELEBRATE! YOUNG ADULTS 21-30 YEARS AFTER ALL MASSES

- 6:00am Mass**
- 8:00am Mass**
- 10:00am Mass+**
- 12:00Noon Mass**
- 1:15pm Secular Franciscans Meeting – Edu Rm
- 2:00pm Concert – From Age to Age/Two Rivers Chorale – Main Church – Reception follows in Fleming Hall
- 4:00pm Mass**

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

- 7:00am Mass - Chapel**
- 7:30am Confessions
- 12:00Noon Mass+**
- 12:00Noon AA Meeting – Edu Rm

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

- 7:00am Mass - Chapel**
- 7:30am Confessions
- 12:00Noon Mass+**
- 12:30pm Confessions
- 5:45pm Young Adult Group – Forliti Gathering Rm

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

- 7:00am Mass - Chapel**
- 7:00am AA Meeting – Edu Rm
- 7:30am Confessions
- 11:30am Nicotine Anonymous Meeting – Edu Rm
- 12:00Noon Mass+**
- 6:30pm Women's Bible Study – Forliti Gathering Rm



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23

THANKSGIVING DAY! BUILDING CLOSSES AFTER 9:00AM MASS

- 9:00am Mass - Main Church**
- 10:00am Interfaith Thanksgiving Service at **Plymouth Congregational Church, 1919 LaSalle Ave, Mpls**

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24

BUILDING CLOSSES AFTER 12:00NOON MASS. PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

- 7:00am Mass - Chapel**
- 7:30am Confessions
- 10:00am Saint Olaf Craftworks Ministry – Forliti Gathering Rm
- 11:00am Adoration
- 12:00Noon Mass+**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

10:00am Secular Franciscan Board Meeting – Edu Rm

- 12:00Noon Mass**
- 12:30pm Confessions
- 12:30pm Rosary - Chapel
- 1:00pm Celebrate! Thanksgiving Tea - Fleming Hall
- 4:00pm Vigil Mass**

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

- 6:00am Mass**
- 8:00am Mass**
- 10:00am Mass+**
- 12:00Noon Mass**
- 4:00pm Mass**

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**

ANNUAL BUDGET

CONTRIBUTIONS	ACTUAL	BUDGET	DIFFERENCE
Oct 30 - Nov 5	\$30,744	\$44,693	-\$13,949
YTD through Week #19	\$376,678	\$397,278	-\$20,600

Thank you for your continued support of Saint Olaf.