

Fr. Donald Henke, Pastor November 17 - 18, 2018

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 am

Confessions:

Saturday: 4:00 to 4:40 pm

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From your Pastor

In honor of the bicentennial of her arrival in St. Louis, Archbishop Carlson has granted all the parishes in the Archdiocese permission to celebrate the life of St. Rose Philippine Duchesne at Mass this Sunday. She is the secondary patron of our Archdiocese. In the paragraphs below I have included the short biographic of her life for your reflection.

Born August 29, 1769 at Grenoble and educated by the Visitation nuns at Sainte Marie d'en Haut, Rose Philippine Duchesne entered the Visitation community at the age of 17. During the Reign of Terror the community was expelled from France and Philippine returned home. After the Concordat of 1801, she and her companions attempted to rebuild their convent but were unsuccessful. In 1804 she persuaded Mother Barat, Founder of the Society of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, to accept the convent of Sainte Marie, and Philippine and four others became postulants. She was professed in 1805. In 1818, with four companions, she was sent to the United States of America to found the first American house of the Society, a log cabin at St. Charles, near St. Louis, Missouri. She opened the first American free school west of the Mississippi, received the first American postulant in 1820, and, by 1828 had founded six houses. In 1840, Rose Philippine Duchesne resigned as superior to devote herself, at the age of 71, to beginning a school for the Indians at Sugar Creek. Deteriorating health forced her to resign this much cherished work and on November 18, 1852, she died, having spent 34 years of her life extending the work of the Society as an international community.

Biographers of Philippine Duchesne have stressed her courage in frontier conditions, her single-mindedness in pursuing her dream of serving the Indians, her self-acceptance, and her contemplative presence which was so evident that the Indians called her the "Woman who prays always." A remarkable passage from her biography testifies to her ability to incorporate into her prayer a universal dimension not particularly common to nineteenth century devotions; in this passage she speaks of an all-night vigil before the Blessed Sacrament on Holy Thursday. During the vigil she prayed that she might be sent as a missionary to America:

All night long I was in the New World, and I traveled in good company. First of all I reverently gathered up all the Precious Blood from the Garden, the Praetorium, and Calvary.

Then I took possession of our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Holding him close to my heart, I went forth to scatter my treasure everywhere, without fear that it would be exhausted. St. Francis Xavier helped me to make this priceless seed bear fruit, and from his place before the throne of God he prayed that new lands might be opened to the light of truth. St. Francis Regis himself acted as our guide, with many other saints eager for the glory of God. All went well, and no sorrow, not even holy sorrow, could find place in my heart, for it seemed to me that the merits of Jesus were about to be applied in a wholly new manner.

Philippine's openness to extending the mystery of Christ to a new world, in a manner which continues to be "wholly new" because as yet unexplored, is at the heart of her spirit. Whatever conditions have changed, her spirit continues to inspire those who have been touched by her life to proclaim Christ in a "wholly new manner" for every wholly new context. Rose Philippine Duchesne was beatified in 1940 and canonized in 1988. Her feast is observed in the Society of the Sacred Heart on the day of her birth into eternal life.

Have a blessed week!

Anointing Mass:

As we have done on a six-month basis, a Mass including the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be held on November 25th at the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Under the usual conditions, (significant illness, upcoming medical procedures, or the frailty of old age) any member of our parish who would like to receive the grace of this Anointing is welcome to attend. If you have any questions in this regard, please contact Fr. Don at the rectory or after one of the weekend Masses.

Collection for11/11/18Regular Offering Envelopes:\$2793.00Regular Offering Loose:\$82.00

Total: \$2875.00 Thank you for your generosity!

This week: Campaign for Human Development Collection

PSR Textbooks & Technology \$100.00 Donations to date: \$4,376.00 (Goal \$6000)

Mass Intentions: 11/19 – 11/25/18

Monday	6:30 am	Sandy Stolte	
Tuesday	6:30 am	Gail Straatmann (P.H. Devotions after Mass)	
Wednesday	6:30 am	George & Cecelia Randolph	
Thanksgiving	8:00 am	Arthur, Virginia & Karen Voss	
Friday	6:30 am	Virginia & Jim Grant / Margaret & Norvil Pillen	
Saturday	5:00 pm	Vince Schmuke Jr	
Sunday	8:00 am	The Parish Family of St. Joseph	
-	10:00 am	Mildred Sullivan	

Commentators and Lectors:		This Week	Next Week		
Saturday	5:00 pm	Jim Noelker	Anna Donner		
Sunday	8:00 am	Vi Schroeder Betty Fink	Jen Kissinger		
•	10:00 am	Patti Greife	Lisa Bocklage		
Thanksgiving	8:00 am	Morgan Hammer			
Servers:					
Saturday	5:00 pm	Payton Goddard Alyson Fennessey	Alex & Adam Bolzenius		
Sunday	8:00 am	Allison Eckstein Lillian Wiskur	Andrew Flagg Emma Roberts		
	10:00 am	Jenna & Ben Hammer	Troy Simons Connor Briggs		
Thanksgiving	8:00 am	Jenna & Ben Hammer			
Eucharistic Ministers:					
Saturday	5:00 pm	Jerry & Joan Kloeppel	Alberta Jacquin Cheryl Voss		
		Anna Donner	Tina Brueggemann		
Sunday	8:00 am	Cathie Grus	Jane Stephens Diane Schmidt		
		Frank & Janet Domijan	Ann Straatmann		
	10:00 am	Christine Baker	Tim & Denise Feth		
		Wayne & Kim Brautigam	Patti Greife		
Thanksgiving	8:00 am	Jerry Kloeppel			

Lector Scheduling

After decades of service coordinating the Lectors of our parish for their weekly ministry, **Carol Eckstein** has gracefully determined that it's time to step down and pass the torch to her successor. The entire parish of St. Joseph's is grateful to Carol for her diligent work in this important area of parish life and we're especially appreciative of the love she's shown by selflessly attending to this ministry for so long! Thank you!

Fay Calkins has graciously accepted the responsibility of Coordinator of Lectors for our parish. She may be reached at (314) 221-4871 or fcalkins123@sbcglobal.net.

**Please take the time to thank them both for their service!

 $NEW\,LIST\,FOR\,LECTORS$ are in back of church. Please pick up your copy of the ministry you provide our parish.

IMPORTANT...if you cannot be there at the appointed time, please find a substitute! Thank you!

Neighboring Activities

- Free Thanksgiving Day Dinner at SFB for anyone who would otherwise be alone. Serving 11:30 am 1 pm. Carry-out available.
- ➤ Annual All You Can Eat! Thanksgiving Day Turkey Dinner at St. Ignatius, Concord Hill, serving 11 am 5 pm. Also, Bake Sale, Raffle, Games & Craft Booth

St. Joseph Events

- Please help make Christmas special for local children in foster care. Choose a tag off the angel tree and return item unwrapped with tag by 10 am on Dec. 9th. Questions, call or text Erica 636.584.4297
- Roll orders will be available after Masses this weekend in parish center. There are some extras available for purchase. Questions, call or Erica 636.584.4297
- Mark your calendar...St. Joseph Christmas Party, December 1st after 5 pm Mass, please bring a dish & dessert. Questions, call Kathy 636.583.2649. Sign-up sheet in back of church.
- As you begin preparing your Holiday Meals please remember to save the Best Choice UPC labels with the words "Best Choice". Collection Box located in vestibule.
- Shop for everyone on your gift list this holiday at: http://smile.amazon.com/ch/43-0053500 and Amazon donates to St. Joseph
- I am selling Cookie Dough (\$16-17), Pizzas (2-packs \$18) and Butter Braids (\$15) for our fundraiser for the St. Gertrude Pro-Life trip to Washington DC! Orders due Nov. 25. We will deliver the frozen products, Dec. 7 & 8. Please contact my mom, Kelly to place orders 314-973-0199. Thanks in advance, Izzy Zagarri

Family Trivia Night

> Friday, November 30th in Parish Center. Doors open at 6 pm, trivia starts at 6:30 and all ages are welcome. Enjoy trivia, raffle baskets, heads & tales game, sink or swim, and mulligans will be available. Grand prize goes to table with the highest points.

Cost \$15 for adults, \$10 for kids [14 & under]. Enjoy chili, hot dogs, pizza, & refreshments. (No Alcohol Allowed) Snacks are welcome. Call Paige Hammer at 314.808.3364 to reserve your table

In Memoriam

of 10.

> Pray for the repose souls of our deceased ones...

Gleena King Marilyn Stuesse Carol Schulte Gina Stephens

➤ Virgil Maune, brother of Betty Schmuke who passed away Nov. 11th. Visitation is Sunday, 4 – 7 pm at Nieburg-Vitt, Washington. Mass on Monday, 10 am at OLL

The Sick of the Parish who need yo	our prayers	
Anna Marie Brueggemann	Ryan Elbert	Rich Herberholz
Olivia Jasper	Cynthia Faust	Karen Waters
Zachery Gossage	Stephanie Lindemann	Special Intention II
Henry Tobben	Shirley Beckman	Jacob McMullin
Christine Grus	Carol Hellman	Alice Rolf
Ray Koester	Bob Beckman	Andrew Hellebusch
Brandon Huels	Carol Hammer	