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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekends:

Sat - 4 p.m. Sun - 8 a.m., 10 a.m.

Weekdays:

Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m.

Holy Days: 8:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

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GOSPEL MEDITATION: BE AWAKE!

When doing student report cards, there was a comment the teacher could choose that read: inattentive and easily distracted. Could that comment describe your spiritual life?

We can become so consumed with myriad distractions and preoccupations and lose our connection to what is really significant and important. We can become dull. This happens in our human relationships, too. We can easily take the love of others for granted, whether it be a parent, spouse, friend, or a child. We assume

and presume that their love will always be there and do very little to cultivate, rejuvenate, and deepen it. Presumption can become a great sin.

We do the same thing with God and our spiritual lives. We presume that God will be merciful. Because we believe that in the end God is going to forgive us anyway, then why put a lot of effort into things now? What's the point? It's far easier to find a comfortable spot, curl up and take a nap! Assuming and presuming too much about our relationships,

especially our relationship with God, can lead to neglect and abuse. We have to desire God in order to recognize God. We have to open our hearts, minds, and souls to His Presence so that we can be rejuvenated and refreshed. We must thirst for Him. But we cannot do this if we are distracted or napping. We have to be awake and alert! The wise person keeps vigilant watch, knowing that in the end they will not be disappointed.

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WORSHIP & OUTREACH



SATURDAY, NOV. 7

4:00 pm Knights of
Columbus
Memorial Mass

SUNDAY, NOV. 8

8:00 am Raymond/Padula
Family
Family

10:00 am Brenda Kurko†
Family

MONDAY, NOV. 9

8:00 am Elizabeth A.
Magnone†
Libby G. Magnone

TUESDAY, NOV. 10

8:00 am Fred & Judy
Mehler†
*Chris Frizzell
& Fred Mehler*

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 11

8:00 am NO MASS

THURSDAY, NOV. 12

8:00 am Diane Hill†
Marilyn Lydick

FRIDAY, NOV. 13

8:00 am For the Sick &
Dying and for a
Special Intention
Lucille Hicks

SATURDAY, NOV. 14

4:00 pm Frank Wallington†
Kathryn Wallington

SUNDAY, NOV. 15

8:00 am Elizabeth Potts†
Artimez Family

10:00 am Mike & Jean
Yurisko†
Kim & Bill Yurisko



*The second collection
this week is for building
repairs and upkeep.*

Veteran's Day

U.S. Army Chaplain on Path to Sainthood

Servant of God Emil Kapaun is already venerated by many since his death during the Korean War in a prison camp.

Raised in Pilsen, Kansas, Kapaun would go on to serve as an Army chaplain during World War II and the Korean War. His miraculous and merciful acts are considered cause for sainthood by many, especially those who witnessed him in action. Kapaun also is a rare example of a chaplain being awarded a Medal of Honor, which came posthumously in 2013. Kapaun's Medal action occurred in November 1950, during the Battle of Unsan. The fighting was intense, but Kapaun was undeterred. He evacuated soldiers. He administered last rites. He helped the wounded. Master Sergeant Joe Ramirez caught glimpses of Kapaun and remembers thinking: "God, the Lord, is watching over him."

Another soldier thought the same: Sergeant First Class Herbert Miller had his ankle shattered by a

grenade. As he tried to escape, he turned to find an enemy aiming a rifle at him. He believed his end had come, but suddenly Kapaun was there. The chaplain pushed the rifle aside and helped Miller to his feet.



The enemy soldier simply watched in stunned silence.



Americans were soon ordered to evacuate, but Kapaun refused to leave the wounded. Instead, he managed to negotiate a peaceful surrender for those who'd remained behind.

What followed was a death march. "It was imperative to keep the people, as many as you could, going," Lt. Mike Dowe later said. "[Kapaun] was material in that." The chaplain figured out how to sneak around the camp to find food and care for the sick and wounded. He conducted a sunrise service Easter morning.

"He gave me faith and inspired me to live," Lt. Paul Roach said. "I'll never doubt the power of prayer again." Dowe agreed.

Soldiers resisted guards who came for Kapaun when he fell ill, knowing he would not get proper care. Kapaun knew there was no choice. "I'm going where I always wanted to go," he told Dowe. "And when I get there, I'll be saying a prayer for you guys."

Kapaun then turned and blessed the guards: "Forgive them, for they know not what they do." Kapaun passed away soon afterwards, but his men would not forget him. They secretly made a huge crucifix as a tribute to Kapaun. Men of all faiths helped in its creation. — Tara Ross (edited/excerpted)

*The
Sanctuary
Candle*
beside the tabernacle
burns this week to
honor
Brenda Kurko
from her family

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS):

Sat. 3:30 p.m. or any other time upon request.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

By appointment. Contact the parish office at least six months before the date of the marriage. Pre-Cana is required.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (PSR):

Sundays during the school term at 9:00 a.m. - 9:50 a.m. Grades 1-12.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

By appointment. The diocese requires instructions beforehand for parents or guardians. Contact the parish office.

REGISTRATION AND CHURCH SUPPORT:

Parishioners should be properly registered at the parish office. Please be sure to update your information when you move or change phone numbers.

NEWS & COMMUNITY

Prayer REQUESTS

Recently Sick: Joseph Grampa, Jane Klug, Eleanor Smith, Thomas Sullivan, Sara Walters, Bobby Kleinedler, Anna Mae Veronis Holiday, Sami Wilson, Bill Fowkes, Joanna Bierce, Isabella Wood, Dale Whitlatch, Sandye Yoho, Mike Morris.

Homebound: Semon & Phyllis Prado, Rachel Kerekes, Doris Murphy, Deanne Ferraro.

Nursing Homes: Hazel Markey, Katie Renshaw, Joan Weekly, Alma VanSyoc, Ron Flading, Betty Kerns, Marie Lohori, Bill Tennant, Ron Jaworski, Amelia Rynkiewich, Raymond Pennybacker, Helen Remke, Barb Meyer.

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Names of those recently sick will appear for approximately two months to ensure requests stay current. Please resubmit requests for those who still need our healing prayers.

LECTORS

Nov. 14 4:00 pm **D. Prado**
Nov. 15 8:00 am **C. Frame**
10:00 am **L. Niemiec**

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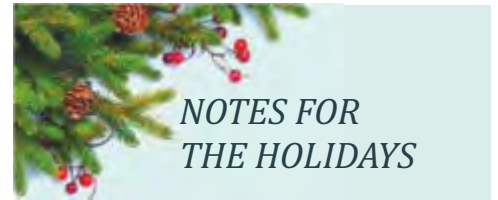
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Diocesan Collection	\$35.00
<u>Other Collections:</u>	
Online Giving:	\$50.90
All Saints	\$50.00
All Souls	\$70.00
Memorial Offerings	\$800.00
Attendance	157

Thank you for sending your donations and for using online giving.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS are holding a fundraiser this year as a substitute for their (pandemically) lost fish fry income. Please support them in their efforts! You can purchase tickets for their 50/50 drawing after weekend Masses or from any member. You also can stop by the Knights of Columbus Hall on 2nd Street any Thursday through Saturday evening.

NOV. 15 IS THE DEADLINE to cast your one vote for two members from our parish to serve our vicariate as part of the newly forming Diocesan Pastoral Council. *Kevin Britt, Dave Evans, Larry Freeland, Kathy Swift, and Latrisha Whitelatch* are the nominees selected by parish council for consideration. Ballots continue to be available on the table in Xavier Hall, and the ballot box is by the hall entrance. Votes also can be cast to sfxmoundsville@comcast.net or by phoning the parish office at 304-845-1593. Parishioners must be at least 16 years old to vote.

WEST VIRGINIANS FOR LIFE'S 22nd Annual Pro-Life Rose Dinner is Thursday, Nov. 12, at the Holiday Inn, Pineview Drive, in Morgantown. Keynote speaker is Melissa Coles, the birth mother of the young man featured in the 30-minute documentary, I lived on Parker Avenue. Bishop Mark Brennan will give the invocation. The event starts at 6:00 p.m. Cost is \$50 per person and the West Virginians for Life Educational Trust Fund will benefit. Corporate and individual table sponsorships are available. For more information, visit the website at wvforlife.org/events or call 304-594-9845.



NOTES FOR THE HOLIDAYS

THANKSGIVING BAKE SALE orders are being taken now! Nut bread, nut cookies, and pierogies are on this year's list. (see this week's bulletin insert.)

Deadline to order is Nov. 16. Find additional order forms on our website and in the church vestibule.

Please call Libby Magnone at 304-845-5565 if you need more information.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL society has asked us to forgo our annual canned food drive this year to supplement the Christmas baskets for the community's needy. Food gift cards will be given out instead.

You may still contribute by donating to the purchase of these cards.

If you would like to help, please leave donations in a separate, marked envelope in the weekly offering or send them to the parish office. Please make your checks payable to St. Vincent De Paul Society.

WE WILL BE DECORATING Xavier Hall for Christmas Dec. 13 following Mass. Volunteers are needed! Gina Hedrick will be ordering flowers for us. Many thanks to Gina!

THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL meeting is Nov. 18 at 6:30 p.m. in the church hall.

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