



Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 16th, 2025

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Growing together in Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit, leading others to Him; striving to become saints.

Welcome! If interested in becoming a member or becoming a Catholic, contact Fr. Kubista.

Baptism: Contact Fr. Kubista at least 3 months before the birth to attend a class and set a date.

Faith Formation for grades K-Confirmation Wednesday evenings from Sept 11th-April

First Confession & Holy Eucharist: Register for 2nd grade Faith Formation classes.

Confirmation: Register for 9th & 10th grade Faith Formation classes.

Marriage: Contact Fr. Kubista at least six months before the planned

wedding date.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: If you move to a nursing home or care facility and would like a priest to visit, or if unable to attend mass and would like communion at home, contact Fr. Kubista.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact Fr. Kubista when seriously ill or near death.

Funerals: Contact Fr. Kubista

Eucharistic Adoration - First Friday of every month 9-10am (including Confessions, Benediction) and Wednesdays 9am-6pm.

First Saturday devotions start 35

minutes prior to 4pm Mass.

Mass Intention Requests may be placed in the collection plate. Please enclose them in an envelope along with instructions (i.e., desired dates, number of masses, etc). Or contact Sue Roskowiak at 612-414-4705.

Bulletin Items by Thurs noon: kmotzko@stmarydelano.org

Hall Rental: Contact Mary Kay Swartzter.

Safe Environment Coordinator: Kathleen Motzko kmotzko@stmarydelano.org

Cemetery questions: Don Gabrelcik at 952-955-2563

MASS SCHEDULE / Intentions		
Sat 15th	4pm	St Mary's Living & Deceased
Sun 16th	8:30am	Joe Swartzter, Sr.+
Tues 18th	6:30pm	Randy, Debra, Max Gabrelcik+
Wed 19th	8:30am	Bill Horsch+
Thur 20th	8:30am	Allen Schug+
Fri 21st	8:30am	Mike Leuthner+
Sat 22nd	4pm	Delores Schaust+
Sun 23rd	8:30am	St Mary's Living & Deceased

Lector and Sacristan Schedule	
Nov 15th	George & Sue (L/S), Jim & George (U)
Nov 16th	Theisens (L/S), Jim O' & Gene G (U)
Nov 22nd	Tracy A (L/S), Don G & volunteer (U)
Nov 23rd	Glavans (L/S), Jim Otto & Joe N (U)

Reconciliation Times: One-half hour before each Mass or by appointment.

Rosary Times: starts 16 min before each weekday Mass and 20 min before Sat & Sun Masses

Divine Mercy Chaplet and Liturgy of the Hours after each weekday Mass (the iBreviary app may be used for the LOH)

2026 Calendars are in and are available on the back tables.

A Message from Fr. Kubista:

(Continued from last week...) In getting to another's core belief when we are engaged in apologetics, we come to a better understanding of who they are and how they think. We are called to have a loving heart, which really looks at the person and see in them the struggle or misguidance that they have. We can try to be empathetic with them, acknowledging the conditioning that they may have experienced. For example, if they were raised as a strong Lutheran then they are going to have a certain disposition and mindset that is blocking them from the fullness of the Truth. Their mindset is so engrained in their thoughts that they cannot see otherwise. Understanding this helps us to talk with them in an effective way. A good approach is the acknowledge this (not criticize it) as they had no control of how they were raised and that conditioning can be a hard thing to break away from. When we acknowledge that, they might seem a little more at ease in further discussing things with us. We can ask them questions which can lead them to come to a conclusion themselves? Rather than dictate the answers, let them answer their own beliefs and lead them to the Truth. So we can keep asking the questions to go deeper and to try to get to the underlying issue. In doing so, the Holy Spirit might help us come to a greater understanding of the mysteries and aspects of our faith.

When we go deeper and address the core, they might get defensive and try to deflect the questions because they do not want to go deeper or acknowledge that they do not understand their belief as well as they thought? They might deflect the conversation, start talking about a different although slightly related topic and get off course. We can get things back on track and make sure we follow through with the discussion at hand. They might not want to continue because the issue is something they may have not been willing to address on their own, they are afraid. Maybe they are so engrained in a certain belief that they are uncomfortable talking about it. When we sense that they are uncomfortable, we might not be able to go any further, rather, we can let it rest and maybe they will come back and talk to us more about it when they are ready to talk about it. If we sense they are uncomfortable maybe we can ask if we can talk another time.

As we continue discussing with the person, there are going to be times when there will be a chance to make a statement which really challenges their belief. Listen to the Holy Spirit and if we feel Him telling us to go ahead, we should not be afraid to speak the Truth as St. Paul says: *"For I am not ashamed of the gospel. It is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: for Jew first, and then Greek. For in it is revealed the righteousness of God from faith to faith; as it is written, "The one who is righteous by faith will live."* (Romans 1:16-17) The Holy Spirit will guide and help us and we can be confident in the Truth. Others can be blinded because they do not have the Holy Spirit guiding them.

If there is something that gets brought up in the discussion that we do not know or are unsure of (feel threatened about) we can tell them that we can get back to them on it which shows them that we ourselves are learning and growing in our faith. They might criticize (intimidate) us because we do not know the answer, telling us that if our faith is so important why do we not know it better. We are not to act defensively, take a deep breath and pause, maybe acknowledge their passion for the issue, we can ask them to repeat the question, clarify what they are asking, or say we do not know. In any response to something that is brought up, we give it in a kind, confident, strong way that is not condescending even if they have slighted us. (Continued next week...)

Memorial Mass Nov. 18th

Join us for a special Memorial Mass to honor the memory of our loved ones in a special way as we approach Thanksgiving. Whether it has been a recent loss or many years ago, we never forget those who are dear to us. To honor their memory in a special way, as we approach Thanksgiving, you are invited to a memorial Mass on Tuesday, November 18th, at 6:30pm.

The rosary will be prayed at 6:15 pm, Mass begins at 6:30 pm, and the Divine Mercy Chaplet will immediately follow Mass. Come early to light a candle to place near the altar. Candles will be provided. Refreshments and a time of sharing follow Mass in the church hall downstairs.

Let us also remember those whose funeral Masses were celebrated at St Mary this past year: Edward Burns, Eddie Malecek, Joseph Motzko, Jean Baldy, Lloyd Griep, Gary Lebovsky, Clyde Wachman, Theresa Cafferty, Daniel Gabrelcik, Ronald Motzko, Elizabeth Judd, Richard Florek, and Elaine Sillerud.

Thank you to all those on our Cemetery Committee:

Don Gabrelcik, Pat Cole, George Vanderlinde, and Rachel Depa. We thank Jim O'Connell for his work on it as he is stepping down from this role. If you are interested in being involved in the cemetery in some capacity, please contact me. Thank you. Fr. Kubista

Elevator Update

The elevator company contacted me on Monday and said that they will not be able to fix the elevator as planned as they have a tech shortage. Something must have happened to their technician they had lined up. The plan is that it will be fixed by the evening of Wednesday, Nov. 19th. Thank you for your understanding. Fr. Kubista.

November is the Month of the Holy Souls in Purgatory—

Check out the pamphlet *Purgatory, Indulgences, and Prayers for the Dead* (on the back tables) for more information about the teachings of the Church and suggested prayers for a cemetery visit. This is a special time to remember our deceased loved ones and indulgences may be obtained by visiting a cemetery and offering prayers for them. For more info on indulgences check out www.catholicculture.org/culture/liturgicalyear/activities/view.cfm?id=1178

Our Sacrificial Giving

We offer unto you, O Lord, our sacrificial giving. Thank you.

Average weekly collection income need	\$3,315.00
11/9/25: Weekly Envelopes/Autobanking	\$3,138.00
Weekly Plate collection	\$908.00
Masses	\$70.00
Land Rent	\$6,427.25
Stole Fee	\$75.00
All Saints Day	\$25.00
Collection Total for 11/9/25:	\$10,643.25
2nd Collection for Military Archdiocese*	\$711.10
Budgeted Collection Income YTD**	\$62,985.00
YTD Weekly Collection (as of 11/9/25)	\$80,195.40

* Not included in Collection Total

** Does not include income from festival

*With
Deepest
Sympathy*

The parish would like extend condolences to the family of Elaine Sillerud (cousin of Jim Otto), whose funeral Mass was celebrated Saturday, Nov. 15th at St. Mary. May the Lord grant her eternal rest.

Parish Events

- Nov 16th at 9:30am—2pm—Confirmation Retreat
- Nov 18th at 6:30pm—Memorial Mass
- Nov 19th at 6:30pm—Faith Formation
- Nov 20th after Mass—Coffee & Conversation Small Group
- Nov 22nd—Family Fun Night & Bingo
- Nov 25th at 7:15pm—Class on God
- Nov 27th at 8:30am—Thanksgiving Mass

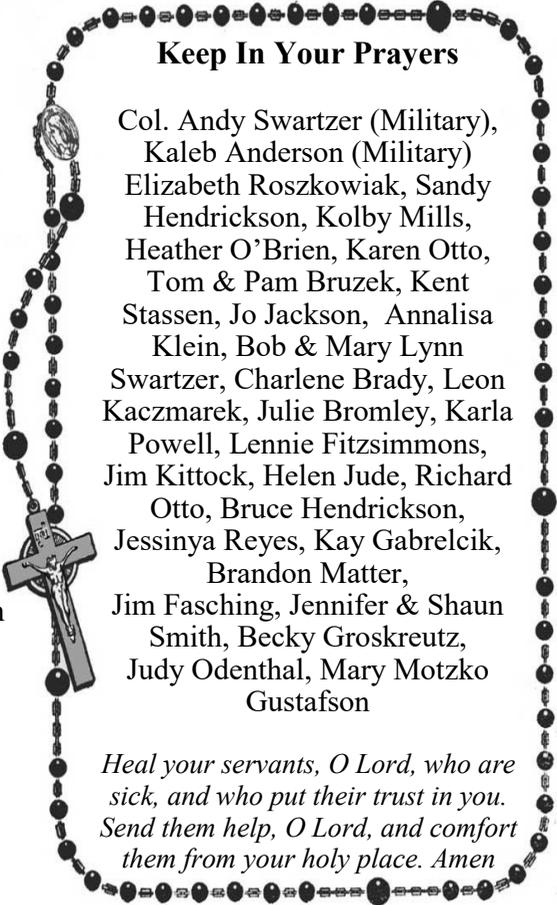
Cemetery Questions? If you are interested in purchasing a gravesite or have other questions, contact Don Gabrelcik at 952-955-2563 or check our the parish website for more info.

Family Fun Night Nov. 22nd—Join us for an evening of fellowship, food, and free bingo. A light meal will be served after Mass from 5-6pm, and bingo will go from 6-8pm.. A free-will offering will be collected for the meal. We are looking for donations for prizes so please feel free to drop them off in the basement or bring the night of the event. Please consider items such as small household gadgets and linens, tools and guy stuff, holiday décor, cash and gift cards, baked goods, canned and pickled items, candy, books, puzzles, toys and kids games. Thanks!

Advent Starts November 30th—The first Sunday of Advent is quickly approaching! Keep an eye out for the Advent schedule of special events and activities. Fr. Kubista will be leading a Advent class on Tuesdays Dec 2,9,16,& 23 from 7:15pm to 8:30pm. Stay tuned for the topic.

Thank you sponsors! If you are interested in placing an ad, please contact Kathleen at kmotzko@stmarydelano.org

Keep In Your Prayers



Col. Andy Swartzer (Military),
Kaleb Anderson (Military)
Elizabeth Roszkowiak, Sandy
Hendrickson, Kolby Mills,
Heather O'Brien, Karen Otto,
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Stassen, Jo Jackson, Annalisa
Klein, Bob & Mary Lynn
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Jim Kittock, Helen Jude, Richard
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Jessinya Reyes, Kay Gabrelcik,
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*Heal your servants, O Lord, who are
sick, and who put their trust in you.
Send them help, O Lord, and comfort
them from your holy place. Amen*

Radio Rosary
11:00 am Sundays

KRWC - 1360 AM Buffalo

Nov 16th—for living and deceased
members of Catholic United Financial
Council 31, St. Michael, MN

Nov 23rd—for living and deceased
members of Catholic Order of Foresters
Council 1560, Delano, MN

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