



The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
November 9th, 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

| MASS SCHEDULE / Intentions | | |
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| Sat 8th | 4pm | Alex & Gladys Socher+ |
| Sun 9th | 8:30am | St Mary's Living & Deceased |
| Tues 11th | 6:30pm | Eddie Malecek+ |
| Wed 12th | 8:30am | Michael Russek+ |
| Thur 13th | 8:30am | Judy Odenthal+ |
| Fri 14th | 8:30am | Thanksgiving |
| Sat 15th | 4pm | St Mary's Living & Deceased |
| Sun 16th | 8:30am | Joe Swartzter, Sr.+ |

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)

| Lector and Sacristan Schedule | |
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| Nov 8th | Dickhausens (L/S), Don G & volunteer (U) |
| Nov 9th | Deb D (L/S), Jim Otto & Dave L (U) |
| Nov 15th | George & Sue (L/S), Jim & George (U) |
| Nov 16th | Theisens (L/S), Jim O' & Gene G (U) |

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

A Message from Fr. Kubista:

(Continued from last week...) When defending the faith, an important aspect is to try to find common ground, especially at the foundational level. We are to make sure we are talking about things in their proper understanding which helps lead to mutual agreement. Having the proper understanding helps us either to agree or disagree. We can always agree to disagree if that is what results from the discussion.

One of the foundational aspects in this regard is the understanding of God and how we are made. Since God has created every human person with the capacity to find Him, we have to remember that this is ultimately what every person is searching for. We see that in many cultures, cultures who have not heard about God and yet they have an idea about worshipping something above themselves, some sort of "god". Whether they know it or not, they are searching for the Triune God and St Paul acknowledges this in Acts 17:22-31. What we are called to do is to help that person find God. So we should try to connect at that level, find common ground, understand their level of belief since people can be at various degrees in their belief. We can help move their mind (intellect) to a clearer understanding of God and then they, with God's grace, can change their heart (will). They may struggle with various aspects of what we share so we should encourage them to wrestle with it and hopefully they come to accept the Truth.

Another foundational aspect is the natural law (order). God writes the desire to find Him on every human heart but He also writes the natural law; God's law as to how things have been made and how they are ordered to work (the purpose of their existence). We instinctively know what is right and wrong, unless we have been trained (conditioned) to do otherwise, which can happen if one is in an immoral environment (upbringing). We can appeal to the natural law in our discussion which can be another common aspect of agreement. We instinctively know that it is wrong to kill someone, it certainly is not good and we ourselves desire not to be killed. So we can get the other person to agree on that principle and then apply that to various situations (like abortion). If killing is wrong and since abortion is killing of a human person, then it is immoral (it is evil). Things in God's creation have been created with a certain end (a purpose for its existence) and so it is problematic if there is something that disrupts or destroys the intended end of a well ordered aspect of God's creation. One example is that our entire person is made to be with God and sin disrupts and can even destroy that end. Another is that contraception disrupts the human life cycle and even at times can cause an abortion. So we should try to find common ground in the natural law and order that is stamped all over God's Creation.

Once you can get to common ground, then you can start to build from there. We can ask the question about what are we in disagreement about? We can try to understand the other person's perspective, to be inquisitive, and ask them questions to get to the heart of the matter being discussed. To understand the core of their belief is important because that core belief might point them back to God or it may be that they have a poor assumption or a misunderstanding of reality (natural law). Ultimately, the Truth will set them free, but they have to come to understand what that is. The core issue might be exposed to them and they might have a hard time accepting it or realizing it because of past experience. It might take time for them to come to grips with the reality that is shown to them so we should be patient and allow God's Grace (the Holy Spirit) to work on them. (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.

The weekly Class on God led by Fr. Kubista will resume Nov. 11th. All are welcome to join in even if you haven't attended previous classes.

New Pastoral Council Member—I want to thank Angela Tibbitts for her service on the Pastoral Council. I welcome Deb Dodge as the newest member on the Pastoral Council (replacing Angela) and thank her for her willingness to serve our parish in this way. Fr. Kubista

Elevator Update

We are sorry that the elevator has been down. The elevator company came and ran a CAT 5 elevator test. (FYI - A CAT 5 (Category 5) test for an elevator is a comprehensive, full-load safety test required every five years to ensure the elevator can operate safely under its maximum rated capacity and speed.) Our elevator failed this test on Wed Oct 22nd so they had to shut it down and we have to wait for it to be fixed. The plan is that it will be fixed this coming week so it should be operational by the evening of Wed Nov 12th. 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

Food Shelf Needs

As we approach Thanksgiving, please consider checking with local food shelves for their needs during this time. They are usually collecting extras to give for holiday baskets. Watertown Gather & Grow Foodshelf (952-955-2681) or Delano Helping Hands (763-972-4455). Also, feel free to drop items in the basket under the back table.

Our Sacrificial Giving

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

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| Average weekly collection income need | \$3,315.00 |
| 11/2/25: Weekly Envelopes/Autobanking | \$3,388.00 |
| Weekly Plate collection | \$742.25 |
| Masses | \$221.00 |
| Utilities | \$100.00 |
| Hospitality Sunday | \$77.00 |
| All Saints Day | \$335.00 |
| Collection Total for 11/2/25: | \$4,883.25 |
| Cemetery plot | \$900.00 |
| Budgeted Collection Income YTD** | \$59,670.00 |
| YTD Weekly Collection (as of 11/2/25) | \$69,552.15 |

* Not included in Collection Total

** Does not include income from festival

Parish Events

- Nov. 8th/9th—2nd collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services
- Nov 11th at 7:15pm Class on God
- Nov 12th at 6:30pm—Faith Formation
- Nov 13th after Mass—Coffee & Conversation small group
- Nov 16th at 9:30am—2pm—Confirmation Retreat
- Nov. 18th at 6:30pm—Memorial Mass
- Nov. 22nd—Family Fun Night & Bingo
- Nov. 27th at 8:30am—Thanksgiving Mass

Second Collection Nov 8th/9th for the Archdiocese for the Military Services. This allows service members, veterans, and families to be able to seek sacramental preparation, access to priests and sacraments, and support for seminarians who will serve as military chaplains. This collection is taken once every three years so your generosity is greatly appreciated.

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

The Book of Remembrance During the month of November, the Book of Remembrance will be placed on a stand in the vestibule. Please feel free to add the names of deceased loved ones who will be honored and celebrated at the Memorial Mass on Nov. 18th.

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

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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 9th— for living and deceased members
of St. Mary of Czestochowa Catholic Church

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