

ST. ANN

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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NOVEMBER 13, 2011 THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"After a long time the master of those servants came back and settled accounts with them. The one who had received five talents came forward bringing the additional five. He said, 'Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.'"

Matthew 25:19-20

Victim Assistance Coordinator to Report Abuse:
Alicia Owens
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Office Hours

Monday—Thursday 8:00 AM—3:00 PM
 Friday 8:00 AM—12:00 Noon
 Bulletin Deadline Monday, 12:00 Noon

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00 PM
 Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Weekday Prayer and Mass Schedule

Tuesdays — Fridays: Mass 8:30 AM

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:15 PM to 3:45 PM

Sacraments

8 months in advance preparation is needed for marriage. Please call the office for assistance.

St. Ann Staff

Msgr. Drake Shafer, Pastor
 Sally Schulz, Director of Music Ministries
 Mary Gross, Office Manager/Bookkeeper
 Donna Metcalf, Secretary
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Parish Council

Paul Hayungs, President
 Kelly Cole, Vice President
 Matt Wilson, Secretary
 Bryan Arensdorff
 Bill Bolton
 Bill Briggs
 Marc Carlson

Jeremiah Costello
 Katie Lane (student)
 Nancy Lane
 Julie Newell
 Rita Pacha
 Diana Vollbeer
 Drew Wilson (student)

Committee Chairs

Building and Grounds
 Scott Youngbauer
Church Life/Family Life
 Bryan Arensdorff
Liturgy
 Jeremiah Costello
Stewardship
 Bill Briggs
Altar Server Coordinators
 Julie Newell 285-6498

Finance
 Joe Ragona
Faith Formation
 Kelly Cole
Social Action
 Kurt Miller
Guild
 Celeste Murphy

Deb Sikorski, 285-8460

Administrative Management Team

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| Loras Schafer.....285-4663 | Randy Siemsen.....285-4389 |
| Joe Ragona.....349-9272 | Msgr. Drake Shafer.....285-4596 |
| Jerry Noel.....285-8162 | Lolita Dierickx.....285-7242 |
| May Ann Curran.....285-8739 | Julie Newell.....285-6498 |



MASS INTENTIONS

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| 11/12 | Sat | Josephine Papula | 4:00 PM |
| 11/13 | Sun | Ralph & Bernice Wulf | 8:00 AM |
| 11/13 | Sun | People of the Parish | 10:30 AM |
| 11/15 | Tue | No Mass | 8:30 AM |
| 11/16 | Wed | No Mass | 8:30 AM |
| 11/17 | Thu | No Mass | 8:30 AM |
| 11/18 | Fri | No Mass | 8:30 AM |
| 11/19 | Sat | Jerald & Ruth Sebring | 4:00 PM |
| 11/20 | Sun | People of the Parish | 8:00 AM |
| 11/20 | Sun | John VenHorst | 10:30 AM |

Readings for this weekend:

Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31, 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, Matthew 25:14-30

Readings for next weekend:

Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17, 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28, Matthew 25:31-46

Upcoming Meetings at St. Ann

K of C meeting on Wednesday, November 16 at 7:00 PM
Admin meeting on Thursday, November 17 at 9:15 AM

Parish Planning Process Forms & Church Support

Thank you to all who made your commitment to the annual pledge drive. If you have not turned in your pledge please do so next week.

Knights of Columbus Breakfast/Christmas Cards

The K of C's will be hosting a breakfast on Sunday, November 20 after Mass. More details in an upcoming bulletin. They will also have a table out in the Gathering area with Christmas Cards. Donations will be taken, but suggest price on the cards.

North Scott Community Thanksgiving Service

The North Scott clergy group invites you to join with them for an ecumenical Thanksgiving on Sunday, November 20 at 6:00 p.m. at Cornerstone Baptist Church in Eldridge.

FINANCES

PARISH INCOME NEEDS:

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| Budget for fiscal year 2010-2011 | \$532,500 |
| Projected income divided by 52 weeks = | \$10,240 |
| Average Weekly Operating Needs | \$10,240 |
| Received 11/6 | \$10,136 |
| Under budget | (\$ 104) |

Save the Date for the Parish Dinner

St. Ann's is hosting a parish fundraiser dinner on Sunday, December 11 at 5:00 p.m. Reservations will be required. More details in the upcoming bulletin.

Office Closed & Bulletin Deadline

The office will be closed on Thursday, November 24 & Friday, November 25 for the Thanksgiving holiday. Normal hours will resume on Monday, November 28. The deadline for the November 20 bulletin was due by Friday, November 11 and the deadline for the November 27 bulletin is due by Thursday, November 17 due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

Cemetery Decoration Notice

All summer decorations in the cemetery need to be removed by November 15 per cemetery policy guidelines. New decorations may be placed back on the graves after November 30.

North Scott Food Pantry Needs

November needs for the North Scott Food Pantry are soups and crackers.

Altar Serving Schedule

November 19 & 20, 2011

- 4:00— Need volunteers
- 8:00— Need volunteers
- 10:30— Anne Marie Kilburg, Maddy & Ben Kroeger

Thanksgiving Mass, November 24

- 9:00— Anne Marie Kilburg, Kyrnan Liske

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers Schedule

November 19 & 20, 2011

- 4:00- Bev Heintz, Michael Haas, Ken Heintz, Jennie McKenna, Arnie & Mary Wieser, Rhonda & Dan Elskamp, Mike McKenna
- 8:00- Chris Green, Randy Denner, Jan Sebastian, Darla Zrostlik, Pat Limberg, Mike Zimmer, Jim Zimmer, Betty Zimmer
- 10:30 - Candy Reed, Al Rus, Vard Marguglio, Tim Lane, Mary Schmidt, Carol Ferry, Bill Briggs

Thanksgiving Mass, November 24

- 9:00— Morning Mass Group

Angel Tree Tags

The Angel tree tags will be available beginning Saturday, November 12. There are more than 320 children who will be served by this outreach. If you would like to be a part of this outreach, please return the gift item wrapped and with an Angel tree tag attached to St. Ann’s, the weekend of December 3 & 4. Gifts will be brought forward during Mass that weekend at the Offertory. A \$10 price limit, please!

Christian Experience Weekend (CEW)

The purpose of the CEW weekend is to strengthen and enrich your relationship with God. The weekend provides a special time and place away from the busy routine of daily living, where a true Christian community can develop in a variety of ways. The women’s weekend will be held January 20-22 and the men’s will be held February 10-12. If you have any questions, please call Judy Shipman, (women’s director) at 285-5391 or Paul Hayungs (men’s director) at 260-4136. Brochures are available on the kiosk display in the commons area.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development annual collection will be held on November 19 & 20 (insert in envelope packet). The Diocese retains 25% of the proceeds to fight poverty within our own diocese. This year’s theme is *Fight Poverty, Defend Human Dignity.*

Card Party at Sugar Creek

There will be a card party at Sugar Creek on Sunday, November 13 beginning at 6:30 p.m. There will be games, prizes & refreshments. Everyone is welcome to attend. This will be their last card party until February.

Café on Vine

St. Ann’s is serving a meal at Café on Vine on Sunday, December 4. Please share your gratefulness with others by signing up to bring a food item on the kiosk. If you have any questions, please call Maggie Miller at 285-5681. *God loves a cheerful giver.*

The Adult Corner

Question of the Week

For the Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

“...out of fear I went off and buried...” What God-given talents have you buried? Do you have God-given gifts that you recognized in your youth but since you weren’t the best, you have buried them and don’t use them anymore? What things are you afraid to try? Is it better to try and fail than to not try at all? Wouldn’t that be the worst ... not to try?

Catholics Come Home - Commercials for Christmas

Catholics Come Home, a ministry dedicated to bringing fallen-away Catholics back to the Church through media will be getting its message to 250 million people this Christmas season.



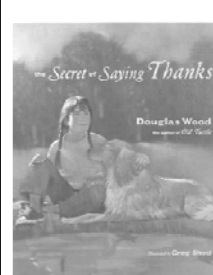
According to a statement from the ministry, Catholics Come Home will air a one-minute invitation to return to parish life and get to know the Church.

The spot will run more than 400 times from Dec. 16 to Jan. 8, reaching every U.S. diocese.

The bi-lingual Catholics Come Home commercials are scheduled to air on CBS, NBC, Univision, TBS, USA, TNT, CNN, Fox News, and other networks during shows such as 60 Minutes, NCIS, NBC Nightly News, the Today Show, Jay Leno, O’Reilly, major sports, and highly rated sitcoms.

The Secret of Saying Thanks

The secret is the spiritual practice of gratitude, or saying thanks. In a world where we take so much for granted, it is a wonderful thing to appreciate the delights of life – the coming of dawn and a chance to give thanks for the gift of a new day; a flower with the grace of its blossom and the sweetness of its breath; the teaching of a tree about how to grow; the moon as a night-sun to help us find our way in the dark; the blessings of food and table fellowship; and, of course, the companionship of our pets.



Wood concludes this beautiful book with a message that is similar to that of Brother David Steindl-Rast:

"We don't give thanks because we're happy. We are happy because we give thanks."

Catholic Messenger Christmas Card Contest

All youths in grades K-12 are invited to participate in the Catholic Messenger Christmas card contest. Grades K-6 are asked to create a Christmas card and grades 7-12 to write an essay of 300 words or less about “What Christmas means to me.” All entries should be post-marked by November 21. Any questions please call Joyce or Julia at 285-4596.

YOUTH MINISTRY

[St. Ann's Youth Ministry](#) is on facebook! Add [Stan Longgrove](#) as your friend to be updated on all the latest Youth Ministry news!

Upcoming Benet House Retreat

The Word Among Us

Read, reflect, pray and share with other committed Christians seeking to grow in reflecting on the challenges of Scripture for everyday life. This will be held on Monday, November 21. Cost is \$5.

Centering Prayer

This prayer method provides a way to foster a deep relationship with God. This will be held Wednesday's from 1 to 2:00 p.m.

Spirituality of Work

This session will help you better understand the role and importance of work in our lives. This will take place on Monday, November 14 from 7 to 9:00 p.m.

The Power of Giving Thanks

This retreat will gently explore the why, how-to and impact of giving thanks. It will include prayer, Lectio Divina, instruction and small group discussion. This will be held on Wednesday, November 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Cost is \$30 (includes lunch) To register call Sr. Jackie Walsh at 309-283-2108.

Our Lady of the Prairie Retreat

Weaving Prayers & Baskets will be held November 18-20 at Our Lady of the Prairie. In a one, two or three day retreat you will be able to make a number of baskets including a bread, hanging, strawberry and/or a prayer basket. Contact the OLPR office for registration and fees at 336-8414.

Cut-off for Yearly Contributions

To comply with IRS regulations, the cut-off date for contributions for 2011 will be December 31, 2011. All contributions must be received in the office by this date. In the past, we had been more lenient with a cut-off date, but with the tightening of accounting guidelines, we are forced to cut-off all contributions on the last day of 2011. Anything that is received after December 31, 2011 will be credited to 2012. Again, the contribution must be received in the office no later than December 31. Checks or envelopes postdated December 31 but not received until January 1 or later will be posted to 2012. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation, Grades Pre-K - 6

The Faith Formation program is looking for some blankets that they can use for dismissal of the students on Sunday mornings! We are in need of about 12 of them, with the weather getting colder I would like the students to be able to sit on something rather than the cold floor. We take this opportunity to pray together at the end of our time together. You may bring them to the education wing and put them in the window and mark them attention Joyce. Thank you so much for sharing!

The 1st grade classes (*pictured below*) in Faith Formation helped collect can goods for the student hunger drive.



W e l c o m e

DON'T GET LOST! If you're new in our area or just have not taken the time to register, please fill in the form, drop it in the mail or the collection basket or bring it to the church office. **GOOD FEELING TO BELONG!**

If you are moving out of our parish or have a change of address, please fill in the form also, so we can keep our census listings accurate. Many thanks....

NAME: _____ ADDRESS: _____
CITY: _____ PHONE: _____
NEW _____ MOVING _____
CHANGE OF ADDRESS: _____
WELCOMING INFORMATION: _____
PREFERRED CONTACT HOURS: _____
MASS PREFERENCE TIME: _____