NOVEMBER 1, 2026

The Crossbeam

A NEWSLETTER FOR OUR ST. JOHN'S PARISH MEMBERS AND FRIENDS



Sunday, November 1, 2026
All Saint's Day ,
Year A

ALL SAINTS CELEBRATES THE BAPTIZED PEOPLE OF GOD, LIVING AND DEAD, WHO ARE THE BODY OF CHRIST. AS NOVEMBER HERALDS THE DYING OF THE LANDSCAPE IN MANY NORTHERN REGIONS, THE READINGS AND LITURGY CALL US TO REMEMBER ALL WHO HAVE DIED IN CHRIST AND WHOSE BAPTISM IS COMPLETE. AT THE LORD'S TABLE WE GATHER WITH THE FAITHFUL OF EVERY TIME AND PLACE, TRUSTING THAT THE PROMISES OF GOD WILL BE FULFILLED AND THAT ALL TEARS WILL BE WIPED AWAY IN THE NEW JERUSALEM.



REVELATION 7:9-17
9 AFTER THIS I LOOKED, AND THERE WAS A GREAT MULTITUDE THAT NO ONE COULD COUNT, FROM EVERY NATION, FROM ALL TRIBES AND PEOPLES AND LANGUAGES, STANDING BEFORE THE THRONE AND BEFORE THE LAMB, ROBED IN WHITE, WITH PALM BRANCHES IN THEIR HANDS. 10 THEY CRIED OUT IN A LOUD VOICE, SAYING,
"SALVATION BELONGS TO OUR GOD WHO IS SEATED ON THE THRONE AND TO THE LAMB!"
11 AND ALL THE ANGELS STOOD AROUND THE THRONE AND AROUND THE ELDERS AND THE FOUR LIVING CREATURES, AND THEY FELL ON THEIR FACES BEFORE THE THRONE AND WORSHIPED GOD, 12 SINGING,
"AMEN! BLESSING AND GLORY AND WISDOM
AND THANKSGIVING AND HONOR
AND POWER AND MIGHT
BE TO OUR GOD FOREVER AND EVER! AMEN."
13 THEN ONE OF THE ELDERS ADDRESSED ME, SAYING, "WHO ARE THESE, ROBED IN WHITE, AND WHERE HAVE THEY COME FROM?" 14 I SAID TO HIM, "SIR, YOU ARE THE ONE WHO KNOWS." THEN HE SAID TO ME, "THESE ARE THEY WHO HAVE COME OUT OF THE GREAT ORDEAL; THEY HAVE WASHED THEIR ROBES AND MADE THEM WHITE IN THE BLOOD OF THE LAMB.
15 FOR THIS REASON THEY ARE BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD
AND WORSHIP HIM DAY AND NIGHT WITHIN HIS TEMPLE,
AND THE ONE WHO IS SEATED ON THE THRONE WILL SHELTER THEM.
16 THEY WILL HUNGER NO MORE AND THIRST NO MORE;
THE SUN WILL NOT STRIKE THEM,
NOR ANY SCORCHING HEAT,
17 FOR THE LAMB AT THE CENTER OF THE THRONE WILL BE THEIR SHEPHERD,
AND HE WILL GUIDE THEM TO SPRINGS OF THE WATER OF LIFE,
AND GOD WILL WIPE AWAY EVERY TEAR FROM THEIR EYES."

SOME THOUGHTS ON PERSEVERANCE:
"THE FALL OF DROPPING WATER WEARS AWAY THE STONE."
—LUCRETIUS.
"PERSEVERANCE IS NOT A LONG RACE; IT IS MANY SHORT RACES ONE AFTER ANOTHER."
—WALTER ELLIOTT.
"THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN PERSEVERANCE AND OBSTINACY IS THAT ONE OFTEN COMES FROM A STRONG WILL, AND THE OTHER FROM A STRONG WON'T."
—HENRY WARD BEECHER.
"GREAT WORKS ARE PERFORMED NOT BY STRENGTH BUT BY PERSEVERANCE."
—SAMUEL JOHNSON.
PEACE AND BLESSINGS THIS DAY.
PASTOR V.

Join Us for WORSHIP

IN-PERSON WORSHIP
THE HOLY SPIRIT GATHERS PEOPLE AROUND THE MEANS OF GRACE—
THE SAVING WORD OF GOD AND THE SACRAMENTS.

FEATURED THIS WEEK:
SATURDAY SPOKEN WORD
5 P.M. - IN-PERSON

THE SUNDAY ASSEMBLY
9:45A.M. - IN-PERSON SERVICE AND LIVESTREAM
BROADCAST ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE AND ON OUR WEBSITE!



This Weeks Bulletin (click here)



SATURDAY OCTOBER 31 @ 5PM
VICKY WIENKE- ASSISITING MINISTER



SUNDAY NOVEMBER 1 @ 9:45A.M.
KRISTEN HOCHULSKI- USHER

ALTAR GUILD FOR NOVEMBER:
NANCY WEBER
JUDY KELLY

ARE YOU A THRIVENT MEMBER?

IF SO, WE ARE IN NEED OF ACTION TEAMS. THIS PROVIDES $250, FREE TO YOU, FOR VARIOUS MISSION PROJECTS. EACH THRIVENT MEMBER IS ALLOTTED TWO ACTION PROJECTS PER YEAR. THAT'S $500 THAT CAN GO TOWARDS A MISSION PROJECTS OF ST. JOHN'S.

PLEASE, CONTACT NANCY KESSLER IF YOU'RE A THRIVENT MEMBER AND WOULD LIKE TO HELP.

THANK YOU!

A VERY SINCERE THANK YOU TO, ALL WHO DONATED TO THE HARVEST HOUSE BABY SHOWER!

THIS IS OUR 4TH YEAR AT ST. JOHN'S COLLECTING FOR THIS CAUSE. LAST YEAR WE COLLECTED 2235 DIAPERS AND 57 PACKAGES OF WIPES ALONG WITH BOTTLES, CREAMS AND SOCKS.

THIS YEAR WE COLLECTED 2064 DIAPERS AND
57 PACKAGES OF WIPES

AGAIN, IN ADDITION TO MORE BOTTLES, WASH, CREAMS, SOCKS AND CLOTHING. SO MUCH STUFF THAT WILL BE USED.

THANK YOU SO MUCH!!!





BIBLE STUDY @ 6PM
NOVEMBER 5TH & 19TH

SOUP SALE
NOVEMBER 8TH

BILLS WATCH PARTY @ 1PM
NOVEMBER 15TH

MOVIE NIGHT @ 6PM
DECEMBER 12TH

AGAPE DATES:
NOVEMBER 1ST
DECEMBER 6TH
JANUARY 3RD
FEBRUARY 7TH



TO THE GLORY OF GOD

YOU CAN REMEMBER OR HONOR A LOVED ONE OR A SPECIAL OCCASION BY ORDERING A FLORAL ARRANGEMENT USING THE ALTAR FLOWER CALENDAR LOCATED IN THE NARTHEX.

THIS WEEK 11/1 - 11/7

TODAY:

9:45 A.M. AGAPE MEAL
11 A.M. CHOIR REHEARSAL
7 P.M. TRY AGAIN (AA)

MONDAY:

1 P.M. ARTHRITIS WALKING GROUP
6 P.M. KNITTING GROUP
6:45 P.M. ZUMBA
7:30 P.M. AL-ANON

TUESDAY:

12 P.M. TAI-CHI
6 P.M. ROCK VOICES
6:30 P.M. SA BUFFALO

WEDNESDAY:

1 P.M. ARTHRITIS EXERCISE GROUP

THURSDAY:

9 A.M. ZUMBA
12 P.M. NA
5 P.M. ZUMBA
5:30 P.M. AA BOOK CLUB
6 P.M. BIBLE STUDY
7 P.M. WORSHIP & MUSIC
7 P.M. NA

FRIDAY:

10 A.M. ENJOY LIFE (NA)
7:30 P.M. GARDENVILLE GROUP (AA)

SATURDAY:

9 A,M, TOPS EVENT
10 A.M. GIRL SCOUTS
5 P.M. WORSHIP

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE IN THIS NEW SECTION , PLEASE SEND A PICTURE AND FEW SENTENCES ABOUT WHAT MAKES YOUR LIGHT SHINE.
EMAIL THE OFFICE SJLCWS@GMAIL.COM



ALMIGHTY GOD, TODAY WE RECALL WITH THANKSGIVING THOSE SAINTS WHO WERE TAKEN FROM US IN THE CHURCH MILITANT AND CARRIED BY THE ANGELS TO YOU AND THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT. ESPECIALLY, WE GIVE YOU PRAISE FOR OUR DEPARTED FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US IN FAITH AND ALL THOSE WHO ARE IN OUR HEARTS AND MINDS THIS DAY:

BONNIE LOU MARCINIAK JANUARY 8, 2026
LEONARD KUJAWA APRIL 10, 2026
WILLIAM CROOKS JULY 28, 2026
LOWELL ROTHENBERGER OCTOBER 27, 2026
AND ANYONE ELSE NOT MENTIONED

TO THESE, YOU HAVE GRANTED ETERNAL REST THIS PAST YEAR, WE THANK YOU FOR GIVING THEM NEW LIFE IN CHRIST WHILE ON THIS EARTH AND FOR SUSTAINING THEM IN TRUE AND SAVING FAITH THROUGHOUT THEIR LIFE. WE PRAISE YOU FOR FINALLY GIVING THEM THE FULFILLMENT OF YOUR PROMISES OF SALVATION AND ETERNAL LIFE. STRENGTHEN AND SUSTAIN US IN THIS SAVING FAITH SO THAT WE MAY ALSO JOIN WITH THE ANGELS AND ARCHANGELS AND ALL THE COMPANY OF HEAVEN IN JOYFUL PRAISE, PEACE, AND REST FOREVER; THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, OUR LORD, WHO LIVES AND REIGNS WITH YOU AND THE HOLY SPIRIT, ONE GOD, NOW AND FOREVER.