

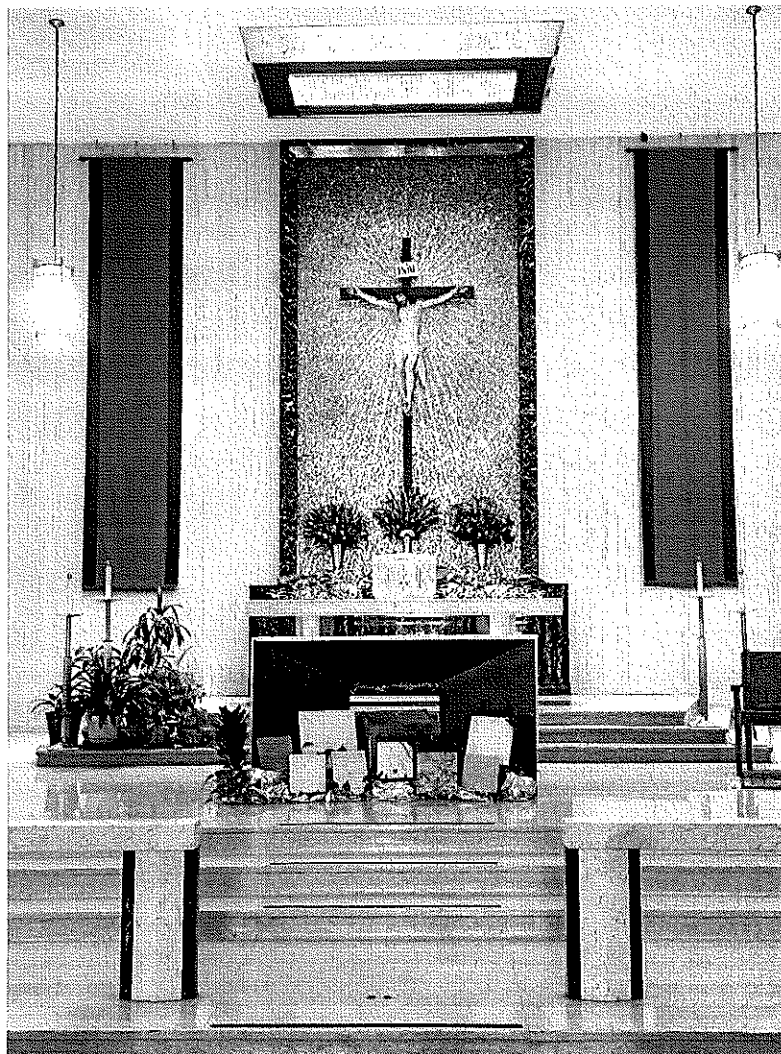
Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church

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November 19, 2023

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



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We Are A MISSION PARISH With A Mission

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CELEBRATING MASS & SACRAMENTS

Liturgy of the Eucharist

(Weekend & Weekday Masses)

Saturday 4:00 pm (CST) / 5:00 pm (DST)

Sunday 9:30 am

Monday – Thursday 8:00am 1st Friday of the month 8:00am

Holy Days of Obligation 9:00 am & 7:00 pm

Civil Holidays See Bulletin Mass Intentions for Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 2:30-3:30 pm

3:30-4:30 pm (Daylight Savings Time)

Day & Evening Times during Advent & Lent Weekdays

Anytime by Appointment with Fr. Samuel at Home / Church

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Anytime by Appointment with Fr. Samuel in Church

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday 9:00 am – 10:00pm

Perpetual Help Devotions

8:30 am—After Tuesday Morning Weekday Mass

Parish Rosary

8:30 am—After Weekday Mass

THE ONGOING PRIORITIES OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

MEMBERSHIP * PARTNERSHIP * STEWARDSHIP

EVANGELIZATION * SOCIAL CONCERN

Cultivating Personal Growth and Using Talents for Good

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Laudetur Jesus Christus! On this 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Times, we reflect on the remarkable woman described in the passage from Proverbs (*Proverbs 31:10-13.19-20.30-31*). **In a world where talent is often defined by different standards, she defies expectations and becomes a shining example of industriousness, care, wisdom, and virtue.** In the Gospel (*Matthew 25:14-30*), Christ shares the parable of the talents, teaching us the profound wisdom in how we await the glorious return of the Lord. He commends those who use their talents wisely and censures those who bury them. **It is a reminder that our accomplishments and personal growth go beyond external achievements, focusing instead on what we make of ourselves.**

In a reunion of past pupils, an elderly priest found himself surrounded by former students who had achieved great success in their careers. However, when he asked them **what they had made of themselves**, a long silence followed. **It became apparent that many had neglected their personal lives while pursuing professional success, leaving their emotional growth and relationships impoverished.** We must remember that true fulfillment is not solely found in public achievements. Picasso [*Pablo Picasso revolutionized the art world and to many is THE artist of the 20th century. He is famous for his role in pioneering Cubism with Georges Braque and for his melancholy Blue Period pieces*] **despite his artistic success, faced personal struggles and failed relationships. Many individuals who excel in their careers often leave their personal lives behind, achieving success at the expense of their own well-being.**

The woman in the First Reading serves as a model, not because of fame or material success, but because of the kind of person she is. She possesses a loving heart and uses her talents to serve her family, neighbors, and the poor. Her impact is felt within the community, earning her respect and admiration.

As we reflect on our own lives, let us ask ourselves: What accomplishments and personal growth have shaped the individuals we are today? Life itself is a gift from God, and what we do with our lives is our gift back to Him. Remember, it is not just about what we do, but who we are. Let us embrace the wisdom of Christ's parable and use our talents to serve others, for in doing so, we honor the precious gift of life that God has bestowed upon us. Prayer: Divine Source of all blessings, we humbly express our profound gratitude to you, O God, as the architect of our existence and the one who offers redemption. In your boundless generosity, we beseech your guidance so that we may utilize the abundant gifts bestowed upon us to magnify your splendor and serve our fellow beings selflessly. We offer this prayer in the name of Christ, our Savior. Amen! Have a blessed Week!

In Christ, through Mary
Fr. Samuel Inameti
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Dear Parishioners, Praise be Jesus Christ!

I would like to reflect on the recently concluded First Session of the Synodal Assembly on the theme **"For a Synodal Church. Communion, Participation, Mission."** This assembly brought together individuals from diverse backgrounds who are united by their common baptism in a world that often feels divided.

During the assembly, we addressed pressing issues such as the cries of the poor, challenges faced by migrants, victims of violence, and the impacts of climate change. Our goal was to find ways for the Church to promote reconciliation, hope, justice, and peace.

The assembly in Rome began with an ecumenical vigil, where leaders and representatives from other churches and Christian communities joined us in prayer. This emphasized the importance of unity and collaboration in our shared mission.

It's important to note that this synodal process involved not only bishops but also members of the People of God, including lay people, consecrated individuals, deacons, and priests. This highlights the involvement of the entire Church in shaping our collective journey.

The current synodal process is part of a larger journey that started more than two years ago. Each Church engaged in a listening process and recorded the results in documents. Guided by the teachings of the Second Vatican Council, this process builds upon the Council's legacy and seeks to implement its teachings on the Church as a Mystery and People of God. We value the contributions of all the baptized in deepening our understanding and practice of the Gospel.

The Synthesis Report, which gathers key elements from dialogue, prayer, and discussions, emphasizes the importance of listening, sharing, and prayer. It also highlights the challenges of embracing differing ideas and contributing as gifts rather than absolutes.

Walking together as baptized individuals, with diverse charisms, vocations, and ministries, is crucial for our communities and the world. The world needs our testimony of evangelical solidarity.

The Synthesis Report follows the roadmap outlined in the *Instrumentum laboris* (working instrument). **It reflects on the signs of a synodal Church and discusses various topics, proposals, and areas requiring further study.**

Moving forward, **Episcopal Conferences and the hierarchical structures of the Eastern Catholic Churches will play a crucial role in developing reflections, focusing on pressing questions, deepening understanding, and considering pastoral, theological, and canonical implications.**

Let us continue to pray and support one another as we journey together towards a more synodal Church, rooted in ***communion, participation, and mission***. Have a blessed week!

In Christ, through Mary,

Fr. Samuel Inameti

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PLEASE PRAY *for*:

Bob Seidel Jr, Bernette Goymerac, Mary Masterson,
 Maureen Williams, Mary Williams, Mary Lou
 Sammelman, George Lawler, Phyllis Lawler,
 Marjorie Dubray, Akakpo-Lado, Donna Cahr, Rhonda
 Finney, Michael Mulvihill, Sr., Michael Swoboda,
 Marty Bligh, Sharon Klein, Sr. Mary, Shirley Swoboda,
 Jacklean Thomas Dudley, Megan Peters, Alana Murillo
 Ken & Dorothy Anderson

MASS INTENTION

Monday November 20
 8:00am Donald & Mary Simpson

Tuesday November 21
 8:00am Ethel Meyer

Wednesday November 22
 8:00am Clara Schuermann

Thursday November 23
 9:00am Mass of Thanksgiving

Saturday November 25
 4:00pm Homer Zigler

Sunday November 26
 9:30am Dave Schweitzer



Eucharistic Ministers

November 25
 4:00pm Judy Mantych

November 26
 9:30am Gai Kranz

Lectors

November 25
 4:00pm Marilyn Gittemeier

November 26
 9:30am Pat Stolte



Stewardship of Treasure

Your Gifts of Support for Our Parish Mission

November 12, 2023	\$4,563.10
Online Giving (included above)	\$995.00
Budgeted weekly offertory	\$8,028.00
This week's <loss>	\$3,464.90
Budgeted weekly expenses	\$12,843.00
This Weeks <loss>	\$8279.90

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/I Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-130 or 25:14-15,19-21

Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43,54-57,62-63/Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31/Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1,20-31/Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: 1 Mc2:15-29/Lk 19:41-44 or, for Thanksgiving Day, any readings from the Mass "In Thanksgiving to God"

Friday: 1 Mc4:36-37,52-59/Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13/Lk 20:27-40

Sunday: Ez 34:11-12,15-17/1 Cor 15:20-26,28/Mt 25:31-46



Here are 125 words about Sunday's readings, and two questions that the readings raise for any Christian community, **as a community**.

Lately, including today, we've been reading gospel and epistle texts about getting prepared for Jesus to return in glory. What's peculiar is all the texts turned out to be wrong. Nothing like what the texts predicted happened, then or since. So what did the early Church do as this error became apparent? They shrugged and they adapted. They looked for ways to be faithful to Christ in the long haul. They took responsibility for their future in the world, the world from which they were not going to be rescued any time soon. Remarkably, they did not erase the records of their earlier expectations. In other words, the people who are saying "We expected Jesus to come again but he did not," are also saying, "We made a mistake, but we're still sticking with Jesus. We'll find new ways to do it. Maybe Jesus predicted it wrongly, or we just misunderstood; it doesn't matter. Our expectation was commensurate with his impact on us. That impact hasn't changed. We're sure he's the Son of God (God sent the very best; there's nothing better to wait for). We will always call him, "Lord" and we will always find him in the least and most unassuming of our neighbors (see next week's gospel).

- A thoughtful community response would be to ask what expectations we're clinging to, when maybe we should shrug and adapt.

- Another appropriate response would be to repent if we're covering up any mistakes.

See more at <https://wordandchurch.org>

Parishioner, Greg Warnusz

THE PARISH OFFICE

WILL BE CLOSED ON

THANKSGIVING AND

THE DAY AFTER.



PRAYER CHAIN

If you or someone you know is in need of prayer, please call Betty Kondracki @ 868-0176

Monthly Candlelight Community Peace/ Social Justice Vigil

Our monthly candlelight community peace/social justice vigils are held outdoors on the front steps of our church on the last Sunday of each month. Our next vigil will be held on November 26th, at 7 pm. In case of inclement weather, we will gather in the Church vestibule. This monthly vigil is sponsored by the Holy Name of Jesus Social Justice group, Justice Grows, and lasts 30 minutes. The purpose of these monthly vigils is to pray for unity in our community, to raise awareness of social justice issues in our greater metropolitan community, and to pray for an end to violence, especially gun violence. These vigils consist of music, a time of silent reflection, and group prayer. **All are welcome** to join us every month or whenever you're available to pray with us. We hope to see you on November 26th, 7:00pm

Welcome!

Thanks for Joining Us Today!

Greater Ministry

Glad you are here!

Hope to see you again!

New Greeters' Schedule

Coming Out in January.

Volunteers Needed

You might have seen our greeters when you come to church each week now, but we are in need of a few more people to cover all of our church doors especially on Saturday night. If you can help at either Mass, or want more information, please call Sister Mary at (314) 606-4107 and she will add you to our schedule. If leaving a message, tell her your name, phone number and the Mass time you desire. Thank you in advance for your help.



PICTURES

Do you like seeing what's happening at Holy Name on the bulletin board in the vestibule, on our Facebook page or website? Pictures show the LIFE at our parish community! Father Samuel and the Evangelization Committee would love to see new and more recent pictures! I have been posting pictures for over 20 years but I am not always present when things happen. If you could provide a picture of people and events please send them to me and I will be happy to print them and post them on the bulletin board. Please send them to me at

judykrenn@gmail.com.

Advent Guided Adoration:

Join us at Holy Name of Jesus for a time of Guided Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament - Tuesday, December 5th at 7:00 PM. Through music, scripture and guided reflection, we will be led to a time of private prayer as we prepare ourselves for the coming of Jesus at Christmas.

Dear Brothers & Sisters,

May the peace of Christ be in your hearts and family. We are pleased to offer communion or anointing visits to our Homebound parishioners. If you know someone who would appreciate this service, please contact Sandy at parishoffice10235@sbcglobal.net or call 314-868-2310. God bless you all!

In Christ through Mary,

Fr Samuel

HNJ

THANKSGIVING DAY

COLLECTION

The Thanksgiving Day collection will be for the benefit of our St Vincent de Paul Society. Any monetary donations or gifts of non perishable food would be greatly appreciated. There will be baskets at the communion rail for any items you bring. Thank you for the many ways you have helped our neighbors this year. We are grateful for you.

Rest in Peace

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Barbara Yanick and all who have died this week. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

Room at the Inn

Room at the Inn is a charity assisting homeless women and children in the St. Louis County area. Room at the Inn networks with area churches to provide a safe place for clients to have dinner, spend the night and have breakfast in the morning. Holy Name of Jesus is one of these network churches.

However, since the Covid-19 pandemic clients have been staying at the RATI center in Bridgeton and not going to area churches. This sheltering in place has put a strain on their resources.

To help relieve some of the strain we will be collecting much needed supplies for Room at the Inn from now until December 17.

Over the next few weeks, please leave your donations in the box marked "**Room at the Inn**" located in the back vestibule of the church. If you would prefer to make a monetary gift or a gift card donation, please place it in an envelope marked "**Room at the Inn**" and put it in the collection basket in church or drop it off at the Parish office.

Thank you for your generous support.

Bath Tissue and/or Paper Towels
Paper Plates and/or Plastic Cutlery
Paper Cups

Foil and/or Plastic wrap
Storage Bags (quart & gallon size)
Food storage containers
Trash Bags (13 & 44 gallon or larger)

Laundry Detergent and/or Fabric Softener
Liquid Dish Soap
Bar Soap
Hand and Body Lotion
Shampoo and Conditioner

Bath Towels (new) and/or Wash Cloths (new)
Socks, all sizes and Genders
Mesh Laundry Bags

Women's sweat pants, pajama bottoms and colored T-shirts
(Med, Lg, XL, XXL, XXXL)
Men's sweat pants, pajama bottoms and white colored T-shirts
(Med, Lg, XL, XXL, XXXL)

Gift cards for grocery stores, Walmart, Target, gas stations
Bus Passes