

Saint Paul's Newman Center

Heart Speaks to Heart

Liturgy Schedule
Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 8:30 am, 11:00 am, & 5:00 pm
Evening Prayer and Daily Mass:
Monday-Thursday, 5:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Wednesdays and Saturdays: 4:00 pm

THE THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
NOVEMBER 8, 2026

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Live the Liturgy - Inspiration for the Week

The Christian life is a life of waiting, for the Bridegroom is long delayed. We can grow too comfortable in the waiting that we forget what it's all for. So let us look to our lamps and always remember — the waiting will not last forever.
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Mass INTENTIONS

November 7-November 15

The Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat	5:00 pm	Carol Robillard
Sun	8:30 am	Teresa Sax
	11:00 am	Parishioners of St. Paul's
	5:00 pm	No Intention
Mon	5:00 pm	Bob Spencer
Tues	5:00 pm	Prudencio and Trine Paniagua
Wed	5:00 pm	Bernard Ruddy
Thurs	5:00 pm	Evening Prayer

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat	5:00 pm	Bernard Ruddy
Sun	8:30 am	Sergio and Bernardino Andrade
	11:00 am	No Intention
	5:00 pm	Parishioners of St. Paul's

Financial Stewardship Commitment
God has blessed us abundantly, and we are called to be good stewards of his gifts. We are asked to share our gifts of time, talent, and treasure with one another and to return a portion to God. It is time for us to discern what we can give as a financial commitment to this faith community. Please indicate your commitments on a Pledge of Gratitude card and drop it in the collection basket at any weekend Liturgy.



November 1 Donations: **$6,524.52**
Our 10% tithe for Charitable Outreach: **$652.45**

Upcoming Events

Financial Stewardship Commitment Weekend
November 7-8

First Reconciliation Preparation Begins
Monday, November 9, 6:00 pm

Parish Facility Discernment
Tuesday, November 10, 6:30 pm

Adoration and Praise
Wednesday, November 11, 8:00 pm

Catholic Campaign for Human Development Collection
November 14-15

Wyoming Catholic High School Youth Rally
November 20-22 in Casper

Advent Presentation
Saturday, November 21, 10:00 am-12:00 pm

Knights of Columbus Advent Family Craft Day
Sunday, November 29, 9:30 am



Advent Presentation
Advent is a season of joyful expectation–a time to be attentive, still, and present. Prepare your mind and heart for Advent with Sr. Ancilla, who has made a presentation to help us contemplate the season. Join us on Saturday, November 21 from 10:00 am-12:00 pm in the Worship Space.

Living and Giving In Christ 2026

Our Progress

Our Goal: **$100,680.00**
Amount Raised: **$98,604.00**
Percent Raised to Goal: **98%**
Number of Donors: **132**

Please make all checks payable to the Diocese of Cheyenne, or click **here** to donate online. Thank you for your support!

First Sacrament Preparation
First reconciliation preparation will begin on Monday, November 9. Preparation sessions will be November 9, 16, and 23 from 6-7:00 pm in the Worship Space, and the first reconciliation penance service will be on Monday, November 30 at 6:00 pm. First Eucharist preparation will begin in the spring. To register for first sacrament preparation, please click **here**.

Parish Facility Discernment
This Tuesday, November 10, join us once again in Bishop Newell Hall at 6:30 pm as we discern the future of our church building and parish facilities. Come let your voice be heard!



Join us for Adoration and Praise this Wednesday, November 11, 8:00 pm in the Worship Space.

Martha & Mary Basket Raffle Tickets Available!



Enjoy wine and cheese on Saturdays or coffee and donuts on Sundays while you browse baskets in Bishop Newell Hall. Tickets available after Saturday and Sunday morning Masses on November 7-8, November 14-15, and December 5-6. Proceeds support the UW Campus Food Pantry. Don't miss the raffle drawing and free chili lunch on December 6 after the 11:00 am Liturgy.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development
Next weekend is our collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, which strives to break the cycle of poverty by helping low-income people participate in the decisions that affect their lives, families, and communities. Please prayerfully consider giving to this collection by clicking **here** or writing a check to St. Paul's Newman Center and including "Catholic Campaign for Human Development" in the memo.

Knights of Columbus Advent Family Craft Day



Join the Knights of Columbus for a joyful morning of family fun! Make your own Christmas decorations as we celebrate Advent and prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ. Come to Bishop Newell Hall on Sunday, November 29 after the 8:30 am Liturgy.



Bringing Home the Word

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
November 8, 2026

The Light of Wisdom

Fr. Joseph Juknialis

The dark of night can unsettle and frighten children, but darkness can disturb adults, too. It's not so much the feeling when the lights go off that unsettles us grown-ups as it is the dark of uncertainty. We graduate from school and wonder what to do with our lives. Should we stay in a relationship? How do we find meaning again in the midst of grief and the loss of someone we love? And, sometimes most of all, where is God when we need God? We may even wonder whether to believe. At such times, we bump and bruise our way through the obstacles that life's darknesses cause.

Leonard Cohen's song "Anthem" echoes a note of hope when we feel lost in the dark as he sings about how light always seems to find a way to seep in between the cracks of our everyday living. Like stars that are visible only at night, new opportunities are often most readily recognized when we find ourselves stumbling through the dark.

Long before Leonard Cohen, Jesus told the parable of ten virgins, some wise and some foolish. In the midst of that story, he tells of a bridegroom who comes to the waiting virgin attendants at midnight. In other words, it is the Lord God who comes into our lives in the darkest times, if only we are wise enough to recognize such a coming.

How, then, do we negotiate the darkness? Stay the course. In time, wisdom reveals a path. Trust that light will come, all in God's time—not ours. Finally, wisdom always comes in the darkest of times, seldom when our lives are bright as day. ✝

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Sunday Readings

Wisdom 6:12–16
Resplendent and unfading is wisdom, and she is…found by those who seek her

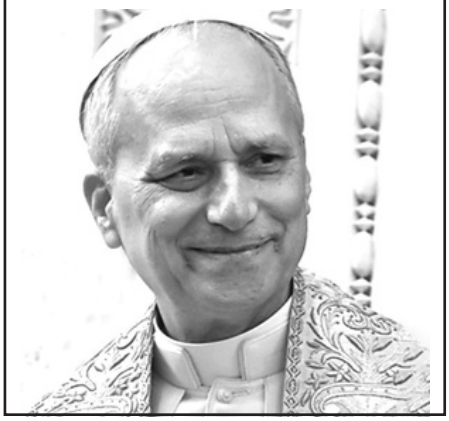
1 Thessalonians 4:13–18
or 4:13–14
If we believe that Jesus died and rose, so too will God, through Jesus, bring with him those who have fallen asleep.

Matthew 25:1–13
[Jesus said,] "Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

A Word from Pope Leo XIV

Brothers and sisters support each other in hardship; they do not turn their back on those who are in need; and they weep and rejoice together in the active pursuit of unity, trust, and mutual reliance. The dynamic is that which Jesus himself gives to us: "Love one another as I have loved you."

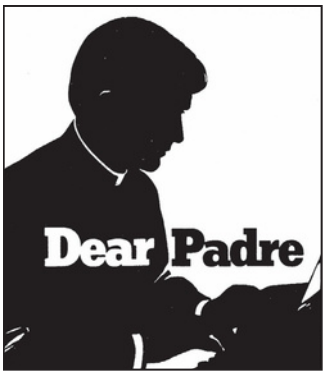
GENERAL AUDIENCE, ROME,
NOVEMBER 12, 2025



REFLECTION QUESTIONS

- When has God entered my darkness?
- Have I ever waited for wisdom?

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Dear Padre,
I was taught that Catholic churches are built on consecrated ground. How can a church be torn down and replaced by a shopping mall if it's sacred ground?

Church buildings are blessed and considered by the Church to be sacred places. But when a church is damaged and can no longer be repaired, or its repair is impractical, or it no longer effectively serves its purpose for the faithful of God, the bishop can remove that blessing. By doing this, the bishop opens the building for nonsacred use. Subsequently, a church building can be torn down or sold, as long as its new purpose is not scandalous to the people of God.

In the end, what is truly sacred is not the brick and mortar or even the soil, but the purpose for which churches were built. Churches are blessed and declared sacred because we perform sacred rituals within them. When those rituals are no longer being performed in that location, there is no longer a need for them to be declared sacred.

When a church is closed, it is often a sad event. Many people carry deep emotional ties to their parish churches. But a diocese cannot always maintain all of its churches. Catholic populations shift; local needs change. Money is limited, and good stewardship demands that bishops sometimes make the difficult decision to close or merge parishes. Remember what is truly important and of ultimate and sacred value—our worship and service of God. ✝

Fr. Rick Potts, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to ***DearPadre.org*** to send your question and to learn more about ***Dear Padre.***

Wisdom from Catholic Update

From *Faith-Sharing in the Family* by Bob and Maggie McCarty

When our grandson, Thomas, was younger, he loved maps. Once, we were lying on the floor, looking at a map of the world. Thomas asked all sorts of questions: "Pop Pop, where do I live?" "Pop Pop, where do you live?" and "Pop Pop, where does God live?"

Recognizing a teaching moment, we explained that God lives everywhere, is all around us—and also lives inside each of us. Taking Thomas' hand, we placed it on his heart and then on each of our hearts and told him God lives within all of our hearts. "Ah," Thomas said, and then continued, "Pop Pop, where's the beach we go to for vacation?"

The children in our lives need to hear from us about our own faith. They're looking for role models and mentors to show them in word and action how faith works in the lives of faith-filled adults.

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PRAYER

O God, you who promised that death is not the end of life and who gives faith to the doubtful, courage to the fearful, and comfort to the suffering, we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

The Redemptorists

WEEKDAY READINGS

November 9–14

Monday, Dedication of Lateran Basilica, Ez 47:1–2, 8–9, 12 / 1 Cor 3:9c–11, 16–17 / Jn 2:13–22

Tuesday, St. Leo the Great, Ti 2:1–8, 11–14 / Lk 17:7–10

Wednesday, St. Martin of Tours, Ti 3:1–7 / Lk 17:11–19

Thursday, St. Josaphat, Phlm 7–20 / Lk 17:20–25

Friday, St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, 2 Jn 4–9 / Lk 17:26–37

Saturday, Weekday, 3 Jn 5–8 / Lk 18:1–8

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