

Shepherds Thoughts

FIRST READING (Mal 1:14b-2:2b, 8-10)

You have turned aside from the way, and have caused many to falter by your instruction.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 131:1, 2, 3)

In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

SECOND READING (1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13)

We were determined to share with you not only the Gospel of God, but our very selves as well.

GOSPEL Mt 23:1-12

They preach but they do not practice.

God is good, all the time! All the time, God is good!

Action speaks louder than words". This simple yet striking maxim can be traced back to 1 John 3:18, "Dear children, let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth". Your actions will speak much louder than any words you will ever say."

Jesus himself is telling us the same message in the Gospel today. Based from his observations, Scribes and the Pharisees have taken their seat on the chair of Moses. As a sort of advice to the crowd and his disciples, He said, "Therefore, do and observe all things whatsoever they tell you, but do not follow their example. For they preach but they do not practice." There is always, in fact, a resistance in understanding a person talking much without an act of doing.

It is for this reason why Jesus reprimanded the Scribes and Pharisees for "they tie up heavy burdens hard to carry and lay them on people's shoulders, but they will not lift a finger to move them. All their works are performed to be seen." Those are just externalities to gain praises from the people. Not only that, they also "love places of honor at banquets, seats of honor in synagogues, greetings in marketplaces, and the salutation 'Rabbi.'" Sometimes, we have that same attitude. We always want to be the center of attraction and be the best among the rest. We love to be praised by others. Yes, it's true that sometimes, we also need affirmations but always remember, Jesus wants us to be humble all the time.

To all the parents who are all present here, the message of Jesus is still very much relevant to this present generation. You need not to talk much and be the big boss all the time like those of the Scribes and Pharisees. If you really want to teach your children just be yourself and set as good examples and they will sure obey and understand what you are trying to inculcate to them.

What is important now, as Christians, is to model our lives to Jesus. He does not only teach us with his inspiring words but he also serves as good example. He is that big God from above in our sight but He humbles himself and remains to be a servant of all. "The greatest among you must be your servant. Whoever exalts himself will be humbled; but whoever humbles himself will be exalted."

Fr. Antonio Rex M. Palaya

November 5, 2023

31st Sunday of Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions

+Deceased

Saturday, 4:00 PM, Rosiere, Nov 4th,

Remembrance Mass

+ Sylvia Theys, + Donna Bredael,

+ Elmer & Dorothy Jeanquart

Saturday, 5:30 PM, Brussels, Nov 4th, Mass

Sunday, 8:30 AM, Brussels, Nov 5th, Mass

Sunday, 10:15 AM, Lincoln, Nov 5th, Mass

+ Bernadette & Carlton Deprez, + Ron Zellner

Tuesday, 8:00AM, Brussels, Nov 7th, Mass

Wednesday, 8:00AM, Brussels, Nov 8th, Mass

Thursday, 8:00AM, Lincoln, Nov 9th, Mass

+ Karen Pinchart

Friday, 8:00 AM, Rosiere, Nov 10th, Mass

+ Leonard & Eleanor Brumlic, + Gary Guelette

Saturday, 4:00 PM, Rosiere, Nov 11th, Mass

+ Cy & Ceil LeCaptain, + Tks Lloyd & Pat Everard 65th
Anniversary

Saturday, 5:30 PM, Brussels, Nov 11th, Mass

Sunday, 8:30 AM, Brussels, Nov 12th, Mass

Sunday, 10:15 AM, Lincoln, Nov 12th, Mass

+ Kenny Bader, + Alvin Jorgensen,

+ Gary Vandenhouten

Tuesday, 8:00AM, Brussels, Nov 14th, Mass

Wednesday, 8:00AM, Brussels, Nov 15th, Mass

Thursday, 8:00AM, Lincoln, Nov 16th, Mass

+ Tks Jim & Mary Beaurain

Friday, 8:00 AM, Rosiere, Nov 17th, Mass

+ For the People

Sanctuary Light

Nov 5-11: In mem of Lance Vlies

Nov 12-18: In mem of Mike & Irene Rank

Nov 12-18: Tks Jim & Mary Beaurain



Sacrificial Offerings

Oct 11-25, 2023: \$2,647.00



St. Peter & St. Hubert Scrip

Oct 23-29: \$1340.00

Gross profit: \$46.90

FYTD profit: \$1631.53

For scrip information, call Sue Havel at 920-493-2789 or email at Havel27sm@gmail.com.

Building and Grounds: A volunteer is needed to help run point/troubleshoot when problems arise with the buildings. Contact the parish office if interested.

Liturgical Ministers:

November 4th, 4:00pm Rosiere

Lector: Chris Vincent

Communion Distr: Dcn. Ray, Wendy Vlies

Servers: Volunteer

November 5th, 10:15 am Lincoln

Lector: Mary Fameree

Communion Distr: Jerry Barta, Sandy Maccoux

Servers: Dylan DeGrave & Volunteer

November 11th, 4:00pm Rosiere

Lector: Cheryl Lautenbach

Communion Distr: Cheryl Lautenbach, Matt Thaysse

Servers: Volunteer

November 12th, 10:15 am Lincoln

Lector: Bill Lohrey

Communion Distr: Dcn. Ray, Jason Jandrin

Servers: Sawyer Ducat & Lainey Barta

Parish News

Father Rex's Shepherd's Hours in Rosiere:

Father Rex will be available at the Rosiere rectory on Thursdays and Fridays from 9:30 am – noon except on the last Thursday & Friday of each month.

Religious Education: Class on Nov 8, 15, 29.

Confirmation: Confirmation is Sunday, January 14th at 2 pm at St Mary Church in Luxemburg, and we have nine Confirmation candidates in St Peter & St Hubert. Please consider being a prayer partner to one of these fine young people. There are posters in the entrance of both churches. Take a card and start praying for them as they seek to hear the voice of God. You could also send an encouraging note to let them know you are right beside them in their journey. You can make a difference.

Remembrance Mass: Our Remembrance Mass will be at the 4pm mass on Saturday, November 4th. We remember those who passed away between Nov 2022 – Oct 2023. They are: Andrew Nowak, Karen M. Havel, Alvin H. Jorgensen, Katie L. Hendricks, Malionie R. Deprey, Ruth M. Frisque, Dennis R. Malcore, Larry E. Kirchman, Karen Pinchart, John (Jack) Naze, Michelle L. Stolz, Andrew Engebose, James J. Jadin, Francis (Frank) J. Derenne, Darlene Naze, Gary M. Gulette.

Christmas Poinsettia Flower Order Forms: Order Forms will be available in the church entrances. To place an order, please fill out an order form and return it with payment in the manila envelopes in both entrances. If unable to pick up an order form, please call Cheryl Bader at 920-639-0407. All orders must be submitted by November 19th! Please make checks payable to St Peter & St Hubert Parish, Thank you!

Mark your calendars:

- Nov 3: 8am mass at Rosiere: St Hubert feast day
- Nov 4: 4 pm mass at Rosiere: Remembrance Mass
- Nov 11: 4 pm mass at Rosiere: Hunter blessing
- Nov 18: 7:30 pm mass at Rosiere: Hunters mass

Nov 11 Mass: As we celebrate the feast of St. Hubert on Nov 3rd and look forward to deer hunting season, we want to pray for a safe and prosperous hunt for our hunters. In years past our parish would have a blessing of guns and bows prior to the hunt. Due to the sad occurrences of gun violence in places of worship we have decided to no longer bring hunting weapons into church. We do however very much want to pray for and encourage those involved in hunting. Please join us on Nov. 11th at 4:00 pm at St. Hubert for a special hunters Mass and blessing. The following is a prayer you can pray for a good and safe hunt in the woods and a prosperous hunt for souls!

Lord, you spoke to Saint Hubert and converted him to you during a stag hunt. You changed him into a hunter of souls, yet you continued to use his skills as a hunter to open minds to your gospel. I ask that you make me into a hunter of souls above all other hunting activities. May I look for the opportunities to speak of you and your salvation. Let the hunting camp itself be a place that uplifts the soul. May my time alone be an opportunity to pray and listen to you. May all the actions of the rest of my life be a constant hunt for you, for the opportunities you give me to evangelize, and to target the souls most in need of your love.

Prayer Requests for those in need: The Worship & Spiritual Life Committee welcomes prayer requests. Please contact Julie in the parish office with any prayer requests for those in need.

Area News

St Hubert Roadside Chapel: Blessing & re-dedication of roadside chapel on Saturday, November 4 at 9 am at St Mary of the Snows Cemetery on Pit Road in Namur, followed by coffee and rolls at the Belgian Heritage Center. (Fr. Edward is not able to perform the blessing.)

St. Kilian Fall Festival: Saturday, Nov. 4 following 4pm mass, Potluck Supper & Raffle

Gospel Readings for Week of November 5th

Monday, Nov 6: Luke 14: 12-14

Tuesday, Nov 7: Luke 14: 15-24

Wednesday, Nov 8: Luke 14: 25-33

Thursday, Nov 9: John 2: 13-22 (Dedication of the Lateran Basilica)

Friday, Nov 10: Luke 16: 1-8 (St. Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor)

Saturday, Nov 11: Luke 16: 9-15 (St. Martin of Tours, Bishop)