

~ Clergy Corner ~

Dear Friends,

This month is a month of transition for us all. It is a month where summer will most definitely turn into fall, in spite of our recent aberrant weather. It is also a month where we are nearing the end of the Liturgical Year Calendar.

Celebrations in our homes, cabins, and churches are all changing seasons. This month, we will find readings that speak of servants, vineyards, and celebrations. They address who is first, who is last, who is invited, and who is not. There are parables, promises, and threats. Many of these topics are unfamiliar to most of us. Few of us work in vineyards. Few of us have servants in the formal sense and the ideas within the social structures of these readings may seem foreign.

The final reading however gives us the best look at our faith. It states the greatest ask - the greatest commandment. The command that we love the Lord our God with our whole heart, soul, and mind. Then the words are quite plain, to love our neighbors as ourselves.

About this love, the love that we share through our whole heart, our whole soul, and our whole mind, what is it that Jesus asks of us? What is this love? It is patient, it is kind, it is not jealous, it does not seek its own interests, it is not quick-tempered, it does not brood over injury, it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes in all things, and endures all things.

So faith, hope, and love remain, but the greatest of these is love.

These three things remain. I pray that they remain in each one of us, and that as faith, hope, and love dwell within us, they dwell there in order to afford us joy and to allow us to share them with each other and with all those we encounter.

Faithfully,

Rev Colleen

SOCIAL JUSTICE Check out the new collaboration between Spirit of Hope and St Anne's. We are joining forces for Peace and Justice work. Plan to come to the meeting on Monday, October 2nd at 7 pm to see what this is all about. **We are Stronger Together!**

Our current project is the **Fall Clothing Drive**. Please see flyer in the bulletin.



Spirit of Hope Catholic Community

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OCTOBER 2017

LITURGY
SATURDAY - 5:00 pm
THURSDAY - 6:00 pm

Parish Staff

Bishop Marty Shanahan
Rev. Corein Turbak
Rev. Colleen Woodley
Music Coordinator: Cynthia S

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LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	OCTOBER 7	OCTOBER 14	OCTOBER 21	OCTOBER 28
Presider	Rev Corein	Rev Colleen	Rev Corein	Bishop Marty
Cantor	Ingrid M	Gary D	Kristen F	Kristen F
Lector	Alexander K	Debra K	Tom K	Marge B
Pianist	Marcea K	Lou Lou L	Lou Lou L	Lou Lou L
Prayers of The Faithful	Bob P	Jane R	Jim K	Ingrid M

Calendar

OCTOBER	
Monday October 2	7:00 pm Social Justice Team Meeting
Tuesday October 3	7:00 pm Circle of Servant Leaders Meeting
Wednesday October 4	6:30 pm Blessing of the Animals
Saturday October 7	6:00 pm Pizza/Games Night
Tuesday October 10	7:00 pm Ministry Action Team Meeting
Saturday October 14	6:30 pm SERMONPALOOZA
Wednesday October 18	6:30 pm Men's Group (Panera Bread-Robert St)
Friday October 20	5:00 pm Set up for Community Dinner
Saturday October 21	6:00 pm Community Dinner
Tuesday October 31	7:00 pm St Anne's Celtic Healing Service
NOVEMBER	
Thursday November 2	7:00 pm Mass of Remembrance Please join us in honoring/remembering friends and relatives who have died. Bring a picture or memento to be placed on or near the altar.
Saturday November 4	6:00 pm Pizza/Games Night
Monday November 6	7:00 pm Social Justice Team Meeting
Tuesday November 7	7:00 pm Circle of Servant Leaders Meeting
Tuesday November 14	7:00 pm Ministry Action Team Meeting
Wednesday November 15	6:30 pm Men's Group (Panera Bread- Robert St)
Saturday November 18	6:00 pm Hospitality Night
Tuesday November 28	7:00 pm Celtic Healing Service - St Anne's



**Blessing of the Animals
Wednesday, October 4th - 6:30 PM**

St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of animals and ecology, was born in Italy around 1181 or 1182. Francis' devotion to God was expressed through his love for all of God's creation, particularly animals. St. Francis cared for the poor and sick, he preached sermons to animals, and praised all creatures as brothers and sisters under God.

The Feast Day of Saint Francis is October 4th, and every year on or around that day, Christians throughout the world celebrate with prayers for creation and a blessing of the animals. This year St. Anne's and Spirit of Hope will jointly celebrate this occasion with a Blessing of the Animals on Wednesday, October 4th, at 6:30 PM. Bring your furry, feathered, or scaled friends to church for a short liturgy, a blessing, and treats!
Rev. J McNally

IMPORTANT COMMUNITY NEWS

We are taking nominations for the Circle of servant Leaders. Nomination forms are in the narthex and can be placed in the collection basket.

The election for the Circle of Servant Leaders will be held on Saturdays - November 4 and 11 before and after mass.

Registered members of the community are eligible to vote.

If you are not registered and wish to do so, please ask the greeters for a membership form.

**Saturday
October 14 - 6:30pm
Sermonpalooza!**

**Fun For All!
Refreshments
will be served.**



HOLY GROUNDS

Rev Colleen will be waiting for you to sit and talk while enjoying a cup of coffee or tea.

Tuesdays 1:00 - 2:30 pm at Amore Coffee Shop
Corner Smith and Annapolis, West St Paul

Remember the hungry this fall. Food donations for Neighbors can be dropped at either entrance. Thank you!