Email Announcements for Weekend: 11/15/26

Grace & Peace from Fr. Julius and Staff:

This week, the Sanctuary Lamp burns in memory of **Joseph Laird by the Parish**, while the flowers are in memory of **1LT Terry Plunk by Dale Weaver**.

The Groundbreaking ceremony was a huge success; we had over 100 people come to celebrate this monumental moment with us. Thank you and God Bless you all!

Second Diocesan Collection this weekend: The National Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) will be held November 15. CCHD supports community-controlled, self-help organizations that promote justice, neighborhood improvement, and job creation for marginalized groups across the US.

Stewardship Weekend:
This weekend November 14 & 15. We are asking all parishioners to pray and reflect on their weekly offertory pledge for next year and be prepared to complete your Pledge Form this weekend. Ushers will be handing out the pledge forms after Mass, to be filled out and collected before you leave church.

Changes to Weekly Daily Mass Schedule: 11/16 to 11/20
Monday 11/16: No Mass
Tuesday 11/17: Communion Service at 9am (Deacon Walter)
Wednesday 11/18: Communion Service at 9am (Deacon Walter)
Thursday 11/19: Communion Service at 9am (Deacon Walter)
Friday 11/20: Mass 9am followed by Adoration from 9:30 to 12:00pm

Funeral Mass:
If you are able, we invite you to join us for the funeral Mass of Karen Burris, beloved wife of Richard Burris, on Monday, November 23 at 12:00 pm. Please hold Karen, Richard, and the entire Burris family in your prayers.

Laundering Cassocks:
We are delighted to share that Paulette Halloran has generously offered to take on the ministry of laundering all of our cassocks each month. We are so grateful to her for giving her time and care, which helps our altar servers look their very best as they serve at the altar. Thank you, Paulette!

Thanksgiving Food Baskets:
Could your family use a little extra help with Thanksgiving dinner? St. Joseph the Worker will be collecting food items the next 2 weekends for our annual Thanksgiving Food Baskets, and we would be happy to help make your holiday a little brighter. If your family needs a basket, please call the office or speak with Father Julius. If you'd like to help fill a basket, grab a tag or 2 from the basket in the Narthex. Drop off food beginning this weekend November 14 & 15.

Family Life Center: What to expect in the coming months!
Please see the bulletin Insert (attached) for important information regarding what to expect in the coming months as we begin the construction of our family Life Center.

FAITH FORMATION
Fall Break is coming up and there will be no classes on the following Sundays, November 22 and 29. Happy Thanksgiving!

OCIA: Due to the Thanksgiving Holiday, we will not have class on Wednesday November 25.

Youth Group Faith, Friends, and Fun:
The youth group will not meet Thursday November 26, please enjoy your Thanksgiving Holiday with your family. We will see you again on December 3.

Next Sunday, November 22, join us in the parish hall, immediately following the 10 AM Mass for a covered dish potluck and fellowship. If you are able, please bring a dish to share but if not, please come anyway! There is always plenty of food, and everyone is welcome.

Gratitude & Appreciation:
On November 6 and 7, a merry band of parishioners prepared our yard for the Family Life Center. Friday, Gerry Schlueter, Dale Weaver, Vince Campbell, and Bob Froeder cleared shrubs with tractors. Saturday, a wonderful crowd of volunteers cleared the rocks in just 2.5

hours. Many hands made light work!
Heartfelt thanks to our tractor and truck owners and drivers: Gerry Schlueter, Dale Weaver, Scott and Lindsay, Bill Schlueter, and Devon Pym.
Thank you also to Grace Costa and all who provided lasagna, pizza, donuts, and treats for our hungry crew.
Your generosity saved thousands of dollars in site preparation. God bless you all!

Womens Group:
The Womens Group BAKE SALE is just a week away. All parishioners, Womens Group members or not, are welcome to contribute home baked goodies. Get ready to bake your favorite breakfast pastry, cookies, cake, muffins, bread, savory snack mix, gluten-free item, brownies…whatever you enjoy making. Please wrap securely in plastic wrap or zip lock bags, then drop off at the church on Saturday, Nov 21 between 3-4pm. Questions?
Call Rita 734-454-0929. Items will be offered for a (free will) donation after the weekend Masses on Nov 21 & 22.

Have you ordered your brick yet?
We invite you to be part of creating a beautiful and lasting gathering space as we pave the way for spiritual growth and fellowship with our church family. Please stop by the display in the Narthex to pick up an order form, and feel free to call the parish office with any questions.

Knights of Columbus:
The Knights of Columbus are pleased to present their 9th annual Christmas Concert performed by the Rarity Bay Rare Notes on Friday, December 11 at 7:00 pm at the Church. Start your Christmas season with beautiful Christmas music favorites, with the opportunity to sing along. Tickets are $10 for adults and children under 16 are admitted free when accompanied by an adult. Refreshments will be served following the concert. Tickets are on sale after each weekend Mass.

FLC News:
Thanks to your generosity, we are drawing closer to our next goal of $4.5 million, and with your continued support we hope to need only a small construction loan from the Diocese. Reaching this goal will take all of us, and every pledge, Naming Opportunity, and fundraising event moves us one step closer. To join the FLC financial campaign, please contact the parish office to review your donations, or schedule a time with Father Julius to talk about your gift. Thank you for your generous support!

Share Your Time and Talents, Volunteers Needed!
As our parish family continues to grow, we invite you to share your time and talents in a way that fits your gifts and schedule. Opportunities include helping with light church cleaning once a month or serving at Mass as a reader, greeter, usher, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, or hospitality volunteer for coffee and donuts after the 8:00 or 10:00 a.m. Mass. Whether you can serve regularly or occasionally, your help makes a meaningful difference. Please prayerfully consider joining one of these ministries and contact the parish office to get started. Thank you for helping keep our parish welcoming, vibrant, and strong!

Our Blessing Box is a simple but meaningful way to share Christs love with neighbors in need. To help keep it well stocked, we welcome donations of non-perishable, shelf-stable foods such as canned goods, pasta, rice, cereal, peanut butter, crackers, boxed meals, and other items that do not require refrigeration. Every donation, large or small, makes a difference. Thank you for your generosity and for helping care for our community.

Welcome Gods Blessing into Your Home
Whether you are settling into a new home or have cherished yours for years, a house blessing is a beautiful way to invite Gods peace and protection into the place you call home. Father Julius is available for house blessings and would be happy to visit. Please call the parish office to arrange a convenient date and time.