



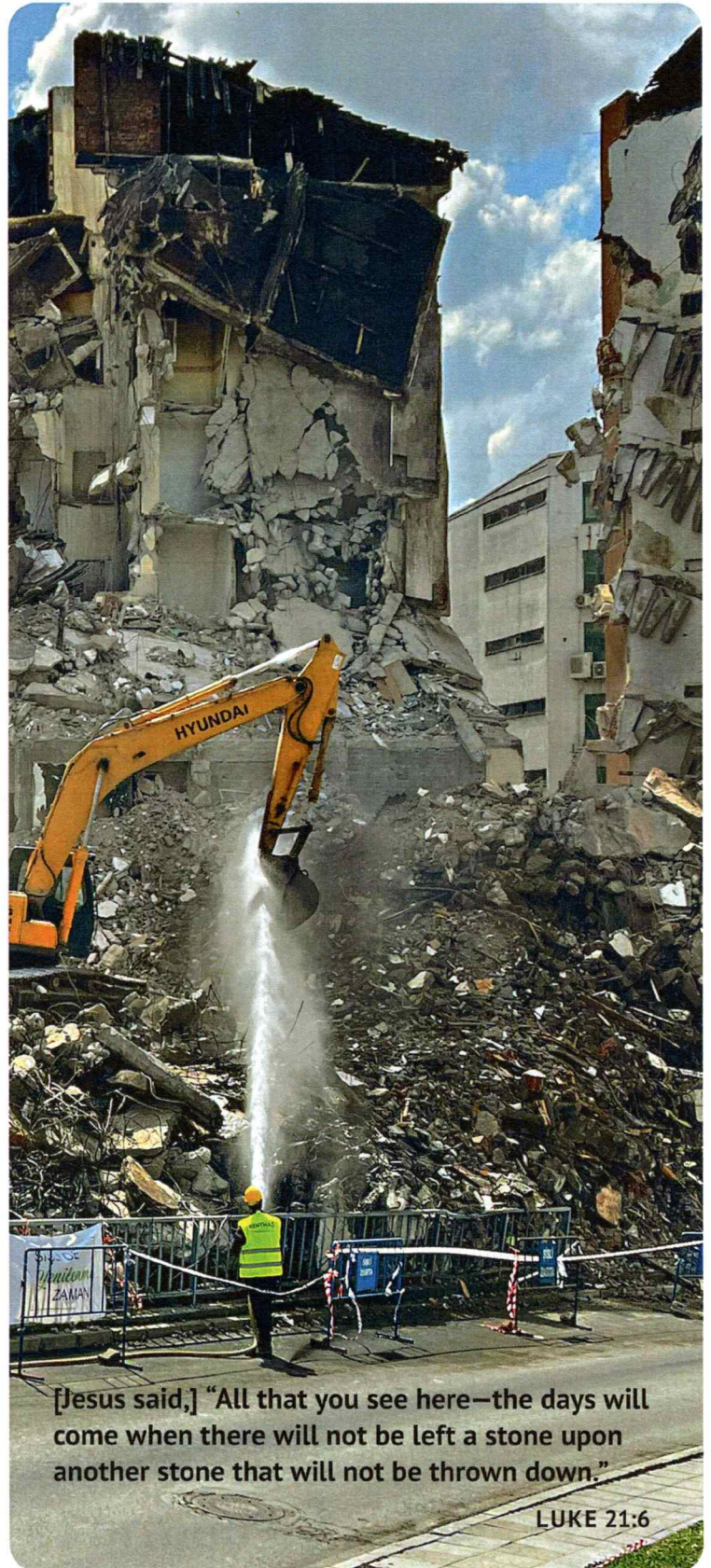
Dismantled and Reassembled

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

It is the time of year when seasons turn and the rhythm of life changes as days become dismantled and reassembled in new and varied ways. All of this is not unlike the much deeper process continually at play within our hearts. Indeed, the seasons of our individual lives can be dismantled and reassembled—and often more than once in a lifetime. That white-robed prophet of doom who proclaims that the end is near is right. Our lives do collapse in such cosmic ways that not one stone is left upon another. The end may come with a life-robbing illness or the premature death of someone we love. It may take the shape of an unwanted move to a new city or a life collapsed by addiction. It may happen slowly, as life forces us to surrender passion or enthusiasm or the dreams of our youth, like colors faded by sunlight yet never noticed until suddenly we realize the color has all but disappeared. Such transitions can feel as violent as the end of our lives in this world. Indeed, at such times, we may feel that a part of us has died. Yet, if we pay attention, we may discover that we have been refashioned, recreated into something new. It is the story of the divine phoenix rising from the ashes, lived by every human being and understood by every person who lives with faith in the resurrection. ●

Reflect

Have I known the experience of life being dismantled and reassembled into something new?



[Jesus said,] “All that you see here—the days will come when there will not be left a stone upon another stone that will not be thrown down.”

LUKE 21:6

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St. Andrew the Apostle – November 16, 2025

<u>Day</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Feast</u>	<u>Intention</u>
Monday			
Tuesday	8:00 am	No Mass	
Wednesday	8:00 am	Weekday	Joan Mages
Thursday	8:00 am	Weekday	Amelia Pinkerton Family
Friday	9:00 am	Presentation of Mary (at Fort Dodge)	Berna Mae Stegman
Saturday	8:00 am	St. Cecilia	Dale Vogel
Sunday	9:00 am	Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	Saint Andrew Parishioners

Confessions: Sunday 8:00 – 8:45 am or by appointment any time

Ministers for Next Sunday, November 23, 2025

Greeters: Kaylee & Brian Chilton

Collection: Justin Weil & Steve Lutz

Cantor: Choir

Servers: Aspen Downey & Myles King

Lectors: Jonathan Lemus & Hattie Stein

E.M.C.'s: Lindsay Durler, Mary Beth Helfrich, Sara Smith

Gifts: Jared Helfrich

Rosary: Ray Theis

Giving Report: 11-9-25

Envelopes: \$3,355.00

Loose: \$232.00

Electronic: \$2,629.71

Alms for Renovation Project: \$42,305.20



Coffee and Rolls are available after Mass today. Sr. Rose Mary will not make an appearance but promises to be with us next week.

Parish Meetings will be Tuesday, November 18. Finance Council at 6:00 pm and Parish Council at 7:00 pm.

Parish School of Religion takes place this Wednesday. Meal at 6:30 pm, Classes begin at 7:00 pm. This week, Finance Council provides the meal.

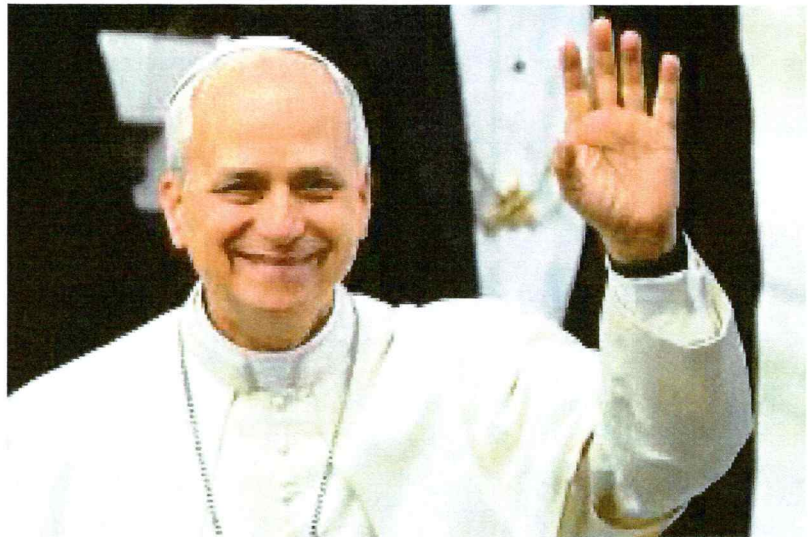
The Altar Society is hosting a guided painting party led by Brush Therapy, on Sunday Nov. 23rd from 1-4 pm in the parish center. The cost will be \$35 paid the day of. Please RSVP to Rochele at 620-682-5202 by Wednesday Nov. 19th if you would like to attend. Snacks will be provided but feel free to bring your own beverage of choice.

Deacon Esteban Hernandez's birthday is November 22nd. If you wish to send him birthday greetings, his address is: Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology, 7335 S. Hwy 100 P.O. Box 429 Hales Corners, WI 53130-0429

Bible Study – Sr. Rose Mary Stein would like to invite everyone interested in starting a Bible study to meet with her. **Sr. Rose Mary will be with us for Mass on November 23rd.** After Mass, there will be a gathering in the Parish Center for those interested in participating in a Bible Study.

The Knights of Columbus Council donated \$6000 to the Alms for Renovation Project. This amount was the proceeds from Oktoberfest rounded up. Thank you to all who made this a successful activity.

NCYC – National Catholic Youth
Ya know how every 2 or 4 years, we have high school youth who raise money and are sponsored by St. Andrew Parish, and they go to Indianapolis, Indiana for a thing called NCYC? Well, it's a good thing. And the Conference invites you to participate digitally. There is free registration at: <http://NCYC.us/digitalexperience>
It will happen Friday, November 21, 2025 at 9:15 am (Central Time) Pope Leo XIV is going to show up...digitally...but for real.



**Hospitable Community + Prayerful Worship +
Generous in Service + Formed by the Word**

1. Stewardship is the grateful response of a Christian disciple who recognizes and receives God's gifts and shares these gifts in love of God and neighbor. This description has five parts.

Stewardship is:

- Call to action: *a grateful response*. We appreciate God's blessings, and we react faithfully.
 - Who: *a Christian disciple*. By our baptism, we became disciples, followers of Christ.
 - What is given: *recognizes and receives God's gifts*. Each day we receive many gifts from the Lord; do we recognize these gifts?
 - What to give: *shares these gifts*. We are blessed with God's gifts of time, abilities/charisms, and financial resources; let us share these gifts generously and sacrificially.
 - Why: *in love of God and neighbor*. We are stewards because God loves us, and we want to share this love with Him and each other.
2. Stewardship is living out Christ's instruction to "love one another as I have loved you" (John 13:34).
 3. Stewardship is putting our discipleship in action. "If you remain in my word, you will truly be my disciples" (John 8:31)
 4. Stewardship builds happy, healthy families. Stewardship renews Christ's Church.

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5. Stewardship pleases God because the good steward is careful of creation, is respectful of justice and charity, and is prayerful at all times. "You are being enriched in every way for all generosity, which through us produces thanksgiving to God" (2 Corinthians 9:11).

Disciples as stewards

Let us begin with what it means to be a disciple—a follower of our Lord Jesus Christ. As members of the Church, Jesus calls us to be disciples. This has astonishing implications:

1. Mature disciples make a conscious decision to follow Jesus, no matter what the cost.
2. Christian disciples experience conversion, life-shaping changes of mind and heart and commit themselves to the Lord.
3. Christian stewards respond in a particular way to the call to be a disciple. Stewardship has the power to shape and mold our understanding of our lives and the way in which we live.
4. Jesus' disciples living as stewards recognize God as the origin of life, giver of freedom, and source of all things. We are grateful for the gifts we have received and are eager to use them to show our love for God and for one another. We look to the life and teaching of Jesus for guidance in living as Christian stewards.

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1 Peter 4:10).

5 PILLARS OF STEWARDSHIP

Hospitality:

We welcome and honor each person as a child of God. "Do not neglect hospitality, for through it some have unknowingly entertained angels" (Hebrews 13:2).

Prayer:

We worship, speak with, and listen to our Loving Lord.

"As they prayed, the place where they were gathered shook, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit" (Acts 4:31).

Evangelization:

We spread the Good News of Jesus by our words and actions to all our siblings in Christ. "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all the nations" (Matthew 28:19).

Service:

We provide Christ-like assistance to individuals, families, and communities. "Serve one another through love" (Galatians 5:13).

Formation:

We teach and learn about God's plan for our lives. Christians "devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles, and to the communal life" (Acts 2:42).

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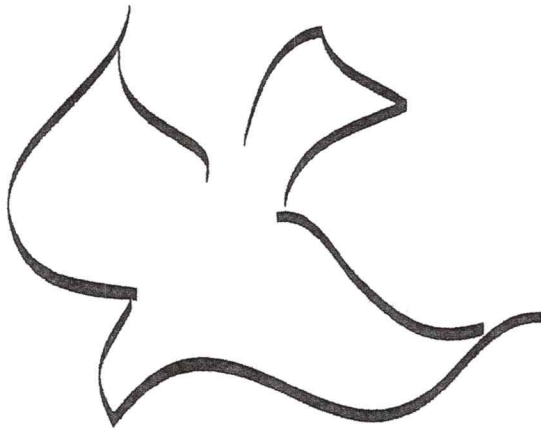
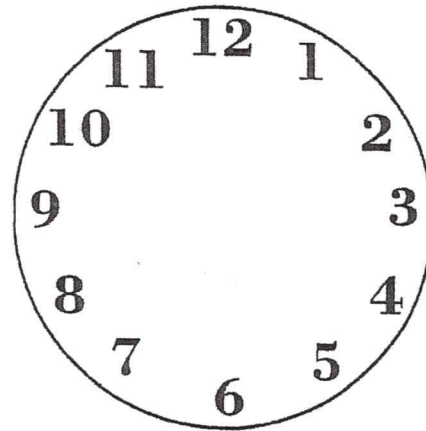
(1 Peter 4:10)

THE 3 PARTS OF STEWARDSHIP

Time:

We use God's gift of 168 hours of time each week to serve Him, each other, and ourselves.

"Behold, now is a very acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation" (2 Corinthians 6:2).



Tithe and Alms: We share our financial resources as the Lord has called us. Tithing is 10% of our income, from "of everything you give me, I will faithfully return a tenth part to You" (Genesis 28:22).

Almsgiving is sharing to special needs, as Jesus taught: "give alms ... for where your treasure is, there also will your heart be" (Luke 12:33-34).

Abilities and Charisms:

We use our abilities (skills, talents, interests) and our charisms (gifts of the Holy Spirit) to fulfill our call be disciples of Jesus. "There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit" (1 Corinthians 12:4).



Dear Padre,

Is it a sin to swear if I'm not taking the Lord's name in vain?

As hard as it might be to comprehend, not every bad habit is a sin. Human weakness is sometimes nothing more than human weakness. An exclamation of anger or frustration is often nothing more than an expression of how you feel. When we assign "sin" to every human action or imperfection, we trivialize sin. When we see sin around every corner and in every possible human interaction, we might very well become numb to the presence of real sin when it occurs. The possibility of sin is a wonderful motivator to help us adjust our choices and change our behaviors, but it need not be the only option.

Monitor your speech because you want to be a good person, a mature person, a caring person. That is a virtuous reason and worth the effort. At the same time, remain vigilant, as any good person who desires to be in relationship with the Lord, and choose behaviors that model a good Christian life. Examine your choices and decisions, and when you recognize the presence of sin, be willing to acknowledge that it is sinful, confess it, and then graciously accept the forgiveness and mercy of the Lord. ●

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org



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Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to [DearPadre.org](https://dearpadre.org) to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
November 17 <i>St. Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious</i> 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63 Lk 18:35-43	November 18 <i>Weekday</i> 2 Mc 6:18-31 Lk 19:1-10	November 19 <i>Weekday</i> 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31 Lk 19:11-28	November 20 <i>Weekday</i> 1 Mc 2:15-29 Lk 19:41-44	November 21 <i>The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i> 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59 Lk 19:45-48	November 22 <i>St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr</i> 1 Mc 6:1-13 Lk 20:27-40	November 23 <i>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</i> 2 Sm 5:1-3 Col 1:12-20 Lk 23:35-43



NINA ALIZADA / SHUTTERSTOCK

A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

Relations between the Catholic Church and Muslims have been marked by a growing commitment to dialogue and fraternity, fostered by esteem for these our brothers and sisters.... This approach, based on mutual respect and freedom of conscience, is a solid foundation for building bridges between our communities.

ADDRESS, ROME, MAY 19, 2025