



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS®

The K of C's will meet the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. All Knights, past Knights or men interested in becoming a Knight are encouraged to attend.

Next Knight's meeting will be Thursday, November 19, 2026

Deceased Knights Memorial Masses

November 5 ~ Louie Tholen — December 4 ~ Gene Newkirk



Happy birthday to these Knights born in October! Roger Coles, Fr. Andy Colvin, Billy Cunningham, Mike Phillips, Scott Slinker



DAUGHTERS OF ST. FRANCIS DE SALES
The next meeting will be held in December, 2026 in the Library Room. All Catholic women are invited.

Sunday, Nov. 8th

Dinner Tickets \$15.00 each

2PM Dinner (IN PARISH HALL)

ONLY 100 TICKETS AVAILABLE

Drive-thru Pick up between 3pm and 4pm

ONLY 150 TICKETS AVAILABLE

Dinner Includes:

*Roast turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes & gravy,
green beans, fruit salad, homemade pumpkin pie.*

Yum!

ALL TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED IN ADVANCE

Tickets available from:

or the parish office at 541-523-4521

St. Francis - 2235 1st Street - Baker City, Oregon

**No extra tickets will be sold this year so please buy
all your tickets in advance.**

The St. Francis Food Bank provides food for those in need. With Thanksgiving not far off the food bank can use donations of food items to help provide Thanksgiving dinner for those in need: small turkey or chicken, stuffing mix, gravy, instant potatoes, yams, cranberries. Any and all donations are appreciated. If you care to donate money please indicate that the donation is for the food bank.



Coffee Hour Schedule

Oct 25th—The Taylor's and Comb's
Nov 1st—JR & Sony Vela
Nov 8th—Turkey Dinner

***If you would like to help with social hour, please contact the office. Thank you!*

Religious Education

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

K/12 Religious Education Classes are in Session! All students should be at the Rectory **10 minutes after Mass ends**, so everyone can get a treat. If you have not yet registered your child, please be prepared to complete the registration paperwork when you bring them over. **All students must be registered each year**, even if your child participated in Religious Education previously. Registration forms are available in the back of the church, in the parish office, online (please print and complete), or from the DRE in the Rectory.

OCIA Class (Learning about the Catholic Faith) is now in session and still open for a few weeks to anyone interested. If you or someone you know would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, please contact Monique at the office or teachers, Ben and Cynthia Norton.

Pope John Paul II: "Be Not Afraid!"

On October 22, the Church celebrates the Memorial of **St. John Paul II**, one of the most beloved popes of modern times. Born Karol Wojtyła in Poland in 1920, he experienced great suffering early in life, losing his mother, brother, and father while still young. He lived through the Nazi occupation of Poland and later the restrictions imposed by communism. Through these difficult years, his faith in God remained strong.

Elected pope in 1978, he served the Church for nearly 27 years, traveling throughout the world to proclaim the Gospel and encourage people to encounter Jesus Christ. At the beginning of his pontificate, he gave the world a message that continues to inspire Christians today: **"Be not afraid! Open wide the doors for Christ!"**

St. John Paul II understood that following Christ does not mean we will never experience fear, suffering, or uncertainty. Rather, faith gives us the courage to face these challenges with hope, trusting that God is with us. His own life bore witness to this truth. After surviving an assassination attempt in 1981, he visited his attacker in prison and forgave him, offering a powerful example of Christian mercy.

John Paul II also had a deep devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. His papal motto, *Totus Tuus*—"Totally Yours"—expressed his complete entrustment to Mary and his desire to belong entirely to Christ through her.

Canonized a saint in 2014, St. John Paul II continues to remind us that holiness is possible in every age. His message invites each of us to put aside fear, deepen our relationship with Jesus, and allow Christ to guide our daily lives.

May we have the courage to open our hearts to Christ and share His love with others.

St. John Paul II, pray for us!

Church Greeters Schedule

Oct 25th—The Armstrong Family
Nov 1st—The Marvin Marvin
Nov 8th—The Swart & DeChant Families

