ST. NORBERT AND OUR LADY OF THE BROOK

Whoever wishes to be great will be your servant

October 17, 2021
Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mass Intentions

Monday, October 18, 2021 (ONLINE and in SN church)*
8:15 AM † Paul Miller

Tuesday, October 19, 2021 (ONLINE and in SN church)
8:15 AM † Lea Lovas, † Julia Wojtanowski, † Kazmir Baginski

Wednesday, October 20, 2021
8:15 AM † Ola Chodak (ONLINE)
12:00 PM † Ola Chodak (in SN church)

Thursday, October 21, 2021 (ONLINE and in SN church)
8:15 AM † Jim Spice

Friday, October 22, 2021 (ONLINE and in SN church)
8:15 AM † James Osborn, † Warren Armstrong, † Shoback family

Saturday, October 23, 2021
8:15 AM (ONLINE and in SN church)) † Paul Miller
5:00 PM (ONLINE and in St. Norbert Church) † David Westphal, † Virgil Needham, † Warren & Kathleen Armstrong, † Joseph A. Russo, † Paul Miller

Sunday, October 24, 2021 (In St. Norbert Church)
7:30 AM † Virgil Needham
9:30 AM † Warren & Kathleen Armstrong, † Joseph A. Russo
5:00 PM †Paul Miller

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Or * www.northbrookcatholic.church/livestream.html
Or northbrookcatholic.church and click on the link for Live Streams

Please Pray for Our Sick

Dave Permit Fr. Tom Moran Charles Winters Mary Rusch Gerald Byrne Renee Gnadt Paul Middendorp John King Jake McCarver Veronica Pankratz Irene Superson Ellie Raczyk

Contact Amy at amy@northbrookcatholic.church (847) 513-6715 to have a name added to or removed from the list. When calling, please leave your contact information and relationship to the sick person. You may call to renew if needed.

Rest in Peace

We assure the families of Edward Arditu and our departed loved ones of our prayers and support at this difficult time. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.
It’s been said the only constant in life is change. We are certainly living that adage, aren’t we? Parish life is no different. On Sunday, our Parish community came together for the final Mass in the building we call Our Lady of the Brook Worship Center. It was a get-together steeped in paradox.

We called it a “Celebration”, but we are sad to see the worship site go. It was great seeing so many familiar faces, but we are saddened it can’t be more often. We had so many wonderful memories being re-lived, but we know our time together in that space has come to an end.

The Gospel proclaimed at this Sunday’s Mass all through the U.S. has particular relevance for us. It talked about a rich young man who was saddened when told by Jesus to sell all he had and follow Him.

I choose to believe Jesus is NOT telling us today we have to sell all and live in poverty in order to follow Him closely. I think what He’s telling us is—it’s what we hold onto that gets in our way.

Often, our way of thinking, our habits, our emotions, fall into a rut and they hinder how close we allow ourselves to get to God. Make no mistake Brothers and Sisters, God has not distanced Himself from us, it is we who distance from Him.

Do we have to overcome obstacles in order to follow Him more dearly? Yes, we do. Are those obstacles sometimes self-generated? Yes, they are. Like the young man in today’s Gospel, if we mire ourselves in the past, refusing to allow God to change our attitude toward the present (let alone the future) then we, like the young man, walk away from God in sadness.

The decision to close was inevitable and the only responsible one to make, given the reality around it. Is the closing of the worship site we call Our Lady of the Brook sad? Of course it is, and our Parish Community mourns its loss. BUT, we cannot limit our love of God because we love a building more.

I implore the folks who are angry—those who say they won’t come to the Parish’s other worship site—to allow God in, to allow Him to heal. I implore them to do what the young man in today’s Gospel could not do, to change their way of thinking, and to embrace the part of life that is with us always: change.

Many, many thanks to all the people who contributed to such a beautiful liturgy Sunday, with music, decorations and memories. And please don’t underestimate how valuable Michael Daly and his band of volunteers were, who brought the post-Mass celebration inside with just a few minutes notice!!

God Bless our Parish, and let’s pledge to work together to bring the healing love of Jesus to all whom we can.

Dev Kennedy
This Week’s CCN Calendar

**Monday, October 18**
8:15 AM  Mass Online and in SN church*  
10:00 AM  Senior Club  
7:00 PM  Men’s Club  

**Tuesday, October 19**
8:15 AM  Mass Online and in SN church  
5:00 PM  Faith & Family  
7:00 PM  Transition Team

**Wednesday, October 20**
8:15 AM  Mass Online  
12:00 PM  Mass in SN Church

**Thursday, October 21**
8:15 AM  Mass Online  

**Friday, October 22**
8:15 AM  Mass Online  and in SN church

**Saturday, October 23**
8:15 AM  Mass Online  and in SN church  
12—1 PM  Reconciliation  
5:00 PM  Mass Online and in SN

**Sunday, October 24 COAT & SWEATER DRIVE**
7:30 AM Mass in SN  
9:30 AM  Mass in SN  
11:00 AM  Baptism: Fischer  
1:00 PM  Baptism: WARD  
5:00 PM  Mass in SN

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**TODAY’S READINGS**

**First Reading** — My servant shall justify many, and their guilt he shall bear (Isaiah 53:10-11).  
**Psalm** — Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (Psalm 33).  
**Second Reading** — Let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help (Hebrews 4:14-16).  
**Gospel** — Whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all (Mark 10:35-45 [42-45]).

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**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9  
**Tuesday:** Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 12:35-38  
**Wednesday:** Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-8; Lk 12:39-48  
**Thursday:** Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 12:49-53  
**Friday:** Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94; Lk 12:54-59  
**Saturday:** Rom 8:1-11; Ps 24:1b-4ab, 5-6; Lk 13:1-9  
**Sunday:** Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126:1-6; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

**Sunday:** 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**Monday:** St. Luke  
**Tuesday:** Ss. John de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues, and Companions  
**Wednesday:** St. Paul of the Cross  
**Friday:** St. John Paul II  
**Saturday:** St. John of Capistrano; Blessed Virgin Mary

**COMMUNION IN YOUR CAR**

We offer Communion in your car for those who are uncomfortable attending Mass in church. **It is after SUNDAY 9:30 am Mass,** in the school parking lot. Please line up at 10:30 am and remain in your car

Join our weekly E-Newsletter mailing list! Just send your request to Amy@northbrookcatholic.church and we’ll get you started! Our Website:

www.northbrookcatholic.church
Welcome Our New Seminarian

My name is Anthony Onu. I was born and raised in Nigeria. I grew up together with my siblings in a Catholic family. My family has been a great source of love and support in my life and vocation. I had my early education back in my home country before coming to the States in the fall of 2017. It has been a great experience all these years. Currently, I am a student at Mundelein seminary, studying for the Catholic Diocese of Albany in New York state. This is my second year in my theological studies.

I am excited to be part of the St. Norbert and Our Lady of the Brook parish family as my teaching parish. Please, keep me in your prayers as I discern a vocation to the Catholic priesthood, and be assured of my prayers for you all.

Thanks, and remain blessed in Christ’s love
Anthony Onu

Names to be in Nov. 7 Bulletin

We are collecting the names of those who have served or are serving in the Armed Forces for the Veteran’s Day bulletin. If you want your loved one included, send their NAME, RANK, and BRANCH of Service to amy@northbrookcatholic.church no later than October 27. If they are deceased, please indicate that as well.

We will use last year’s list as a starting point. If you can’t remember whether your loved one was listed, last year’s page is available on the parish website: www.northbrookcatholic.church/bulletin.html. If their status has changed (retired/deceased) let me know as well.

If you do not use the internet, you can call and leave the information at (847) 513-6715. Be sure to leave your name and phone, in case we have any questions. Thank you!

Turkeys for the Poor Collection: New Date!
October 16/17: TODAY

With your contribution this ministry serves 26 Chicagoland locations with more than 1700 turkeys at Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Please support this ministry during the collection weekend of October 16/17 or give anytime by texting TURKEY to 847-558-7333.

Thanks for your support!
**Wedding Banns**

During the month of September the following couple will promise to love one another as Christ has loved them. This generous vow, including the willingness to live together till death parts, to be faithful to one another, to give each other the right to children, God willing, gives us a vague, shadowy glimpse of what the divine love for us must be like.

**Thomas Lynch and Kristen O’Neill**

**World Mission Sunday**

Next weekend, we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis tells us, “once we experience the power of God’s love, and recognize His presence in our personal and community life, we cannot help but proclaim and share wheat we have seen and heard.” (Acts 4:20) World Mission Sunday is one way to proclaim and share the Good News with our most vulnerable brothers and sisters around the world. Please be generous in the collection to support over 1000 mission dioceses. Remember to pray for our family of faith especially during this global pandemic. Place your donation in the basket or you can make a donation online at www.WeAreMissionary.org/wms.

**Save The Date for Fall Bash 2021!**

**NOV. 13**

Please plan to join us on Saturday, November 13, at St. Norbert and Our Lady of the Brook Parish for dinner, drinks, music, and dancing. Proceeds will benefit the Catholic Community of Northbrook and St. Norbert School. Help our event by donating any of the items below or serving as an event sponsor:

**ESTATE ROOM:** Consider donating any unique, valuable luxury items to our Estate Room, including sterling silver, china, Waterford crystal, Lladro, Baccarat, fine jewelry, vintage handbags, or furs.

**LIVE AUCTION:** tickets to sporting events, concerts or theatre, sports memorabilia, vacation getaways, golf outing, unique dining experiences, or other fun events and items.

**BUILD THE BAR:** good wine, craft/premium beer, and/or spirits

Bring any items to the parish office. Contact Maria Doughty with any questions (847) 877-8558 or bmdoughty@comcast.net.

**A Special Women’s Mass**

**Wednesday, October 27**

7 pm, followed by refreshments and fellowship in the narthex

Please join us in St. Norbert Church for a special Mass in honor of all the strong caring Catholic women of our parish.

**IT'S PARTY TIME**

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Help Is Available

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline (1-800-273-TALK [8255]) is a US-based suicide prevention network of 161 crisis centers that provides a 24/7, hotline available to anyone in suicidal crisis or emotional distress.

Loving Outreach to Survivors of Suicide (LOSS) is a non-denominational program that supports individuals who are grieving the loss of a loved one by suicide. LOSS offers a safe, non-judgmental environment where survivors of suicide can openly talk about feelings and experiences. We help survivors to find community, direction and resources for healing.

How we Help:
- We provide a warm, nurturing network of other survivors.
- We educate members about the grieving process.
- We support your unique struggle to regain hope and strength.

LOSS Program Office: 721 N. LaSalle St. Chicago, IL 60654 (312) 655-7283 For a list of programs for Adults, Children and Veterans, go to:
https://catholiccharities.net/GetHelp/OurServices/Counseling/Loss.aspx#Program-Services-211

Sharing Ministry

As noted last week, Halloween treats will be very welcome this year. But because we still don’t know quite what Halloween will look like, options for celebrating at home are another option: cake mixes, flour and sugar, frostings, cupcake liners, food coloring, paper plates and napkins, etc.

The results are in from the “contest” between A-L and M-Z parishioners: A-L donated 148 items from their list. M-Z donated 181 items. So the second half of the alphabet won. Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners who contributed those and other items to our pantry, the real winners are the clients of Catholic Charities.

If not us, who?
If not now, when?

FEAST OF FAITH
Only Say the Word

The bread is broken, the banquet is prepared, and now we are invited to the feast. Once more the priest holds the host, now broken, for us to see, and invites us to behold the one “who takes away the sins of the world.” Truly blessed and happy are those invited to this meal, which is a foretaste of the heavenly banquet, the supper of the Lamb (Revelation 19:19). We respond to this invitation with a prayer to the Lord: we acknowledge that we are not worthy, but at the same time we are confident that the One who comes to us can heal us, body and soul. This prayer echoes the story of the centurion in Luke’s Gospel. The centurion, a Gentile, asks healing for his servant, but does not consider himself worthy to have Jesus come under his roof—he believes that Jesus can heal his servant with a word, without even seeing him. Jesus is amazed at his faith. It is the same for us. We believe that Jesus speaks to us, comes to us, dwells with us, even though we neither hear his voice nor see his face.

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Fr Valker

Coat & Sweater Drive
October 23 & 24

It’s that time once again! Please bring your new or gently used coats and sweaters to church on this weekend to help the needy! They need warm clothes before the weather turns, and we’re here to help.

Thanks for your generosity this year and every year!
Mass of Thanksgiving at OLB

What a wonderful day of worship, fellowship and celebration! Over 360 parishioners, former parishioners and friends gathered on October 10 for the final Mass at Our Lady of the Brook. Concelebrants included Fr. Chris Gustafson, Fr. Bob Heinz, Fr. Dan Folwaczny, Fr. Ismael Garcia, Fr. Ron Kalas, Fr. Rich Sztorc, and Fr. Larry Dunn. As the weather threatened, the outdoor lunch was quickly re-invented as an indoor lunch...thank you to Mike Daly and his team! Beautiful music from Mike Ward and company was enhanced by a talented Choir and instruments brought in for the occasion. The Women’s Club oversaw the meal, and Peg Kritek & team decorated the space to perfection. There were photos and mementos from years past to look through and much more. Thanks to all who joined us and who helped with this very special day. A very nice article was in the paper...https://www.dailyherald.com/news/20211006/sundays-mass-will-be-the-last-at-our-lady-of-the-brook
Domestic Violence Awareness

Remember, you are not alone...

If you are a victim of domestic violence, or know someone who is, and need help, please contact:

* WINGS 24 hr. Hotline and Counseling Services and Emergency Shelter at (847) 221-5680
* National Domestic Violence Hotline 24 hr. (800) 799-7233
* National Sexual Assault Hotline (800) 656-4673
* National Dating Abuse Help-line (866) 331-9474
* Helpline for MEN 888-743-5754
* In an Emergency dial 911

Help with your healing journey...

If you are a victim of sexual abuse by any Archdiocese of Chicago personnel including clergy, the Office for Assistance Ministry would like to help you on your healing journey. Please contact us for more information.

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Prayer of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You have already come, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.
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Saturday/Sunday Masses
5:00 PM ONLINE and in St. Norbert
7:30 AM, 9:30 AM and 5:00 PM in St. Norbert

Daily Masses
8:15 AM Monday through Saturday ONLINE, and in SN church. Wednesday 8:15 am Mass is NOT open to the public during the school year.
Noon Mass Wednesday only.

Reconciliation
Saturday 12-1 pm, (SN)

Baptisms
Sunday at 11:30 AM at SN. To register, contact the parish office. (Baptism Preparation Class for first-time parents is the 4th Thursday of every month at 7 PM in parish office).

Marriages
Arrange with priest at least six months in advance

Funerals/Bereavement
Call 847-272-7090, Fr. Ismael will assist your family

New Parishioner Registration
All new families can register by calling the parish office or by going to our website at www.northbrookcatholic.church under the “About>Welcome” tab.

Communion for the homebound
For homebound, please call 847-272-7090 and they will contact the Ministry of Care.

Sat. 3:00 PM
Noon Mass

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