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“Demonstrate your faith to me without words,

and I will demonstrate my faith to you from my works.” (James 2:18)

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

THEMES OF CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

The Church's social teaching is a rich treasure of wisdom about building a just society and living lives of holiness amidst the challenges of our modern society.

DIGNITY OF THE HUMAN PERSON

Human life is sacred. Every person is precious, has inherent dignity, and is more important than any material thing. The measure of every institution is whether it threatens or enhances the life and dignity of the human person.

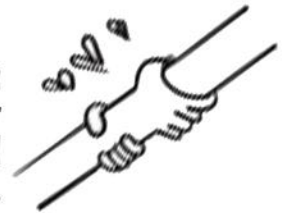


FAMILY AND COMMUNITY

How we organize our society directly affects human dignity and the capacity of individuals to grow in community. People have a right and a duty to participate in society, seeking together the common good and the well-being of all.

RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Every person, from conception to natural death, has a fundamental right to life and to those things required for human decency. Along with these rights are responsibilities and duties to one another, to our families, and to society as a whole.



OPTION FOR THE POOR

In a society marred by deepening divisions, our tradition recalls the story of the Last Judgment (*Matthew 25:31-46*) and instructs us to put the needs of the poor and vulnerable first.

DIGNITY OF WORK

The basic rights of workers must be respected, including the right to: productive work, fair wages, the organization of unions, ownership of private property, and to economic initiative.



SOLIDARITY

We are one human family whatever our national, racial, ethnic, economic, or ideological differences. Our love for one another demands that we promote peace together.



CARE FOR GOD'S CREATION

We show our respect for the Creator by our stewardship of His creation. We are called to protect people and the planet, living our faith in relationship with all of God's creation.



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[] New Parishioners, please send a Parish Registration Form [] We've Moved, here is our new information

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 11

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confession

4:35 p.m. Rosary

5:00 p.m. Patricia Stoltz +

Sunday, September 12

- **Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time -**

7:10 a.m. Rosary

7:30 a.m. Parish Family

9:40 a.m. Rosary

10:00 a.m. For the Special Intention of
Diane Humphrey

Monday, September 13

No public Mass

Tuesday, September 14

7:00-8:00 a.m. Adoration

8:00 a.m. Andrea Grover +

8:30 a.m. Confessions

Wednesday, September 15

6:00-7:00 p.m. Adoration

6:00-6:45 p.m. Confessions

7:00 p.m. Joe Leitner +

Thursday, September 16

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

Friday, September 17

8:30 a.m. Gloria Gordon +

Saturday, September 18

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

4:00-4:45 p.m. Confession

4:35 p.m. Rosary

5:00 p.m. Parish Family

Sunday, September 19

- **Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time -**

7:10 a.m. Rosary

7:30 a.m. Ronnie Burns +

9:40 a.m. Rosary

10:00 a.m. Rose Mary Helm +



MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., September 13 - Twenty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time - St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church - 1 Tm 2:1-8/ Lk 7:1-10

Tues., September 14 - The Exaltation of the Holy Cross - Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/ Jn 3:13-17

Wed., September 15 - Our Lady of Sorrows - 1 Tm 3:14-16/ Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Thurs., September 16 - St. Cornelius, Pope and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs - 1 Tm 4:12-16/ Lk 7:36-50

Fri., September 17 - St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church - 1 Tm 6:2c-12/ Lk 8:1-3

Sat., September 18 - 1 Tm 6:13-16/ Lk 8:4-15

Sun., September 19 - Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Wis 2:12,17-20/ Jas 3:16-4:3/ Mk 9:30-37

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

Last weekend, a couple visiting our parish mentioned to me how excited they were to see so many children and young families at Mass. I hear similar comments on a regular basis from our visitors who stop to chat after Mass. Thank you to everyone for always being so welcoming, and especially for being welcoming and encouraging to our young families at Mass with their children. It is great to receive such encouraging feedback and it makes me even more excited for the bright future of our parish!

This weekend (*September 11th/12th*), the Church celebrates the **Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**. In our Gospel reading (*Mark 8:27-35*), our Lord states the full cost of discipleship: Death to self. In self-denial, we learn to live for others; we learn sacrifice; we learn love. In sacrifice, we are called to unite ourselves to the one sacrifice of Jesus Christ offered upon the Cross and to which we are made present to at the altar.

We can often find sacrifice in so many ways in our lives. One such way is found in the ultimate sacrifice made by those in our armed services. As this past Saturday marked the 20th commemoration of the horrific attacks on our country, we reflect upon the sacrifices made by so many. Our hearts are even more heavy because of the tragedies that have occurred in Afghanistan in the past few weeks.

To the veterans of our parish, thank you for your service and sacrifice. We hope that you know of our gratefulness for your efforts. May the thousands of lives that were bettered because of your sacrifice throughout the world be a source of consolation and a sense of accomplishment for you. Let us all pray for the members of our military, our first responders, and all innocent bystanders in the face of conflict.

ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL

This month marks the kick-off of our **35th Annual Bishop's Appeal: *Witness to Hope***. This yearly diocesan campaign helps to finance the many good works of our diocese, including education, direct charitable work (*food banks, health clinics, etc...*), and many different community ministries and service projects. The Annual Bishop's Appeal directly supports these many and various ministries and outreaches throughout our diocese.

With Bishop Rhoades reaching out to every parish family throughout the diocese, many have already received his annual letter this past month. **For this year's appeal, our parish's appeal quota is: \$39,537.03.** Thanks to your wonderful generosity, our parish has consistently met our annual quota and I believe we will be able to do so again this year.

Outside of financial fundraising, our parish goal this year is to have **100% participation in the appeal**. What does 100% participation mean? This means that **all** parish families return their pledge cards for the appeal. Even if you may not be in a position to offer financial support this year, please still return your pledge card.

Any donations that exceed our quota will be returned to our parish. This year, we will be dedicating any overage that is returned to our parish to be put towards the cost of **our new parish playground**. Our current parish playground, on the north-end of our campus (*near the Rosary Path*), is over 20+ years old and is in need of replacement. Our Knights of Columbus have been handling the various arrangements and we hope to have our new parish playground installed this coming Spring.

Faithfully in Christ, Fr. David



Sharon Miller, Becky Biberstein, Michael Green, Rick Cotterman, Frances Carr, Tom Richhart, Carol Leitner, Pat Pfeifer, Troy Cook, Bobbie and Cheryl Jackson, Sandy Arnold, Andrea Holte, Tom Williams, Jen Coyne, Bonnie Burns, John Houlihan, Nora LaVine, Kimberly Abney, Sydnee Bradburn, Doreen Ayres, Leanne Lee and Matt McFarren.

G.I.R.L.'s night out

(Growing, Inspiring, Rejoicing, Loving)

The G.I.R.L.'s night out will be Tuesday, September 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room. The *Exalted* books are available before or after all Masses this weekend in the usher's room or in the Parish Office. The cost is \$13.56 per book. You may either pay for the book at the meeting, or by placing an envelope in the offertory basket marked "G.I.R.L.'s night out", making your check payable to St. Joseph.

Please read the introduction (very short) and Chapter 1. We will likely do some reading aloud and have an open discussion on the material. We also will have the business part of our meeting to discuss the upcoming year and please share any prayer requests you may have.



Monday, October 4
Feast of St. Francis of Assisi
Blessing of the Animals - 6:00 p.m.
under the canopy in front
of the main Church entrance

PARISH CALENDAR

- Sat., September 11 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., September 12 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., September 12 - Religious Education Classes resume - 8:30 - 9:45 a.m.
- Tues., September 14 - Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Tues., September 14 - G.I.R.L.'s Night Out Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., September 15 - Adoration 6-7 p.m. / Confessions 6:00-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Thurs., September 16 - RCIA class - 6:30 p.m.
- Sat., September 18 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., September 19 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., September 19 - Religious Education Classes - 8:30 - 9:45 a.m.
- Tues., September 21 - Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Wed., September 22 - Adoration 6-7 p.m. / Confessions 6:00-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Thurs., September 23 - RCIA class - 6:30 p.m.
- Sat., September 25 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., September 26 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., September 26 - Religious Education Classes - 8:30 - 9:45 a.m.
- Tues., September 28 - Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Wed., September 29 - Adoration 6-7 p.m. / Confessions 6:00-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Thurs., September 30 - RCIA class - 6:30 p.m.
- Mon., October 4 - Feast of St. Francis of Assisi - Blessing of Pets 6:00 p.m. under the canopy in front of the main Church entrance.

WEEKEND OF SEPTEMBER 18/19



5:00 Mike Morrissey
7:30 Teresa Smith
10:00 Marita Crawfis

CANTORS



5:00 Bruce Holland
7:30 Geoff Frank
10:00 Dan Geimer

LECTORS



5:00 Volunteers
7:30 Doug/Janet Lehman
10:00 Kerry/Tracy Coyne Family



5:00 Alex or Audrey Mechling **OR** Volunteers
7:30 Spencer McCorkle, Jacquelyn/Phillip Mayer
10:00 Wyatt Girod, Charlie Andrews

Altar Servers

St. Joseph Parish Finance Report September 4/5 Weekend

Adult Envelopes- \$2,457.00
 Child Envelopes- \$3.00
 Loose- \$170.00
 Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$1,935.66
 Religious Ed. Fund- \$45.00
Total- \$4,610.66

Our weekly budget is \$5,116.40
 We are \$505.74 behind our budget for the month of September.

St. Vincent de Paul Fund- \$120.00

Thank you for your gifts to St. Joseph's!

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American Red Cross

Please give blood.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE DONATIONS NEEDED!

Our Knights of Columbus Council will hold an American Red Cross Blood Drive Sunday, October 10th from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Parish Gym. To donate please register at redcrossblood.org, download the blood donor app., or see the poster in the narthex to Scan to schedule an appointment.

From Death To New Life

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Donna Jean Warnimont, who passed away Thursday, September 9, 2021.



Donna Jean will be laid to rest Tuesday, September 14 at Immaculate Conception Church, Ottoville, Ohio. Viewing will be 9-10:30 a.m. at the Church Mass of Christian Burial at 10:30 a.m.

May God welcome Donna Jean home, fill her with peace and bless those who will miss her.

Eternal Rest Grant unto her O Lord, and let Perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in Peace. Amen.

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n - is it necessary?
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