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

## TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - OCTOBER 22, 2023

### Saturday, October 21

8:00 a.m. Special Intention  
8:30-9:00 a.m. *Confession*  
4:00-4:45 p.m. *Confession*  
4:35 p.m. *Rosary*  
5:00 p.m. Colin & Lauren Andrews  
(Wedding Anniversary)

### Sunday, October 22

#### Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:10 a.m. *Rosary*  
7:30 a.m. Chris & Ray Hartman  
9:40 a.m. *Rosary*  
10:00 a.m. Parish Family

### Monday, October 23

No Public Mass

### Tuesday, October 24

7:00-8:00 a.m. *Adoration*  
8:00 a.m. David & Zella Butler Family  
8:30 a.m. *Confession*

### Wednesday, October 25

6:00-7:00 p.m. *Adoration*  
6:00-6:45 p.m. *Confession*  
7:00 p.m. Living & Deceased of Jim & Irene Dedrick Family

### Thursday, October 26

8:00 a.m. Cole/Wyss Family

### Friday, October 27

8:30 a.m. Lauren Andrews

### Saturday, October 28

8:00 a.m. Special Intention  
8:30-9:00 a.m. *Confession*  
4:00-4:45 p.m. *Confession*  
4:35 p.m. *Rosary*  
5:00 p.m. Therese Gruss +

### Sunday, October 29

#### Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:10 a.m. *Rosary*  
7:30 a.m. Chris & Ray Hartman  
9:40 a.m. *Rosary*  
10:00 a.m. Parish Family



#### MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday, October 23 - Twenty-Ninth Week in Ordinary Time - St. John of Capistrano, Priest** - Rom 4:20-25 / Lk 12:13-21

**Tuesday, October 24 - St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop** - Rom 5:12,15b,17-19,20b-21 / Lk 12:35-38

**Wednesday, October 25** - Rom 6:12-18 / Lk 12:39-48

**Thursday, October 26** - Rom 6:19-23 / Lk 12:49-53

**Friday, October 27** - Rom 7:18-25a / Lk 12:54-59

**Saturday, October 28 - Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles** - Eph 2:19-22 / Lk 6:12-16

**Sunday, October 29 - Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time** - Ex 22:20-26 / 1 Thes 1:5c-10 / Mt 22:34-40

This weekend (October 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup>), the Church celebrates the **Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**. Though we are continuing our walk through the fifth narrative of St. Matthew's Gospel, we may notice a thematic shift in our Gospel-readings starting this weekend. Having focused on the parables of the Lord over the past several weekends, we now turn our focus to His direct engagement in a series of controversies with the Jewish religious leaders.

This focus will continue until we enter, in three weeks time, into the fifth and final discourse of St. Matthew's Gospel. This discourse will predict both the destruction of the Temple in AD 70 and the end of time. And, it will do so by providing us with two final parables from the Lord, one of which (The Parable of the Ten Virgins) is even depicted in our stained glass windows as you enter the Church. This will then lead us into the end of the liturgical year as we celebrate the Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

As the liturgical year comes to a close, we will prepare for the new liturgical year with our **Forty Hours Eucharistic Devotion**. Starting with an **evening Mass on Monday, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>, at 7 PM**, we will enter into an extended time of Eucharistic Adoration that will conclude with an **evening Mass on Wednesday, Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>, at 7 PM**. Throughout these three days, we will be joined by Fr. Daniel Steiner, from the Diocese of Nashville, who will offer eucharistic reflections at both of the Masses and at a **special conference on Tuesday, Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>, at 7 PM**.

This devotion is not only meant to lead us into the new liturgical year, but to serve as a "kick-off" for the National Eucharistic Revival happening throughout our country. This year will culminate with Eucharistic Processions coming from all four corners of our nation to start the Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis this coming July. Starting for us with our Forty Hours Devotion in November, may we pray for a renewed personal encounter with Jesus Christ, particularly through the transformative power and mercy of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist.

#### ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL UPDATE

We are making progress toward our goal for the Annual Bishop's Appeal! Thank you to everyone who has already submitted your pledge, and for those who are still to do so, thank you for prayerfully discerning how the Lord is calling you to support of His local Church. This annual appeal is critical for the financial health not only of our Diocese but also of our parish.

After receiving the final results from last year's Appeal, we exceeded our goal by a substantial amount. That amount returned to our parish supported the construction of the new altar that will soon be placed at our St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery on State Road 124. Just as we exceed last year's goal, it is my belief that, working together, we will have no problem doing so again. We are also continuing to strive for 100% parishioner-participation!

#### CHURCH HEATING SYSTEM - UPDATE

As a follow-up from last weekend's update, the part we have been waiting on for our boiler system arrived on Friday (Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>). We are scheduled to have the part installed this coming week. Once installed and if no other complications arise, our heating system in the Church will be turned in time for Masses next weekend. Once turned on, the system will remain on until the Spring. A special **"Thank You!"** to local Dunwiddie Heating, A/C & Plumbing for their upkeep of our boiler and heating systems.

#### ALL SAINTS' DAY AND ALL SOULS' DAY

At the start of November, the Church will celebrate the **Solemnity of All Saints**, a Holy Day of Obligation, on November 1<sup>st</sup> and the **Commemoration of All Souls** on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. To assist with our obligation to attend Mass on the holy day, we will have four separate Mass times offered: **A vigil Mass for All Saints on Tuesday, Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>, at 7 PM** and **Masses on Wednesday, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, at 7 AM, Noon, and 6 PM**. Following the 6 PM Mass on November 1<sup>st</sup>, join us for our annual **All Saints Day Party** in the Parish Social Hall. All are welcome!



Becky Biberstein, Michael Green, Frances Carr, Tom Richhart, Troy Cook, Bobbie Jackson, Bonnie Burns, John Houlihan, Kimberly Abney, Sydnee Bradburn, Leanne Lee, Dr. Doug Phillips, Jeff Tillman, Margaret Pogue, and Richard Payne.



# ASK FATHER

Thursday, Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>—5:30 PM—Parish Conference Room

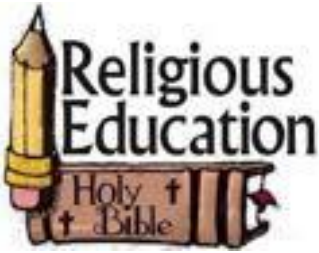
## FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION, November 3, 2023

(Following 8:30 a.m. Mass) 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

No evening Confessions or evening Mass

"Spend an Hour with me." - Jesus

Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.



## Religious Education

Classes Resume

K-8<sup>th</sup> Grade

High School Youth Group

Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>

8:30 AM—9:45 AM



## PARISH CALENDAR

- Sat., Oct. 21 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., Oct. 22 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / Mass 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., Oct. 22 - NO Religious Education Classes - Fall Break
- Tues., Oct. 24 - Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30 a.m.
- Wed., Oct. 25 - Adoration 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., Oct. 25 - Choir Practice - 7:30 p.m.
- Thurs., Oct. 26 - Ask Father - 5:30 in the Parish Conference Room.
- Thurs., Oct. 26 - Catholicism Explained - 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Social Hall
- Fri., Oct. 27 - Mass 8:30 a.m.
- Sat., Oct. 28 - Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30 a.m.
- Sat., Oct. 28 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., Oct. 29 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / Mass 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., Oct. 29 - Religious Education Classes - 8:30-9:45 a.m.
- Tues., Oct. 31 - Vigil Mass All Saints Day - Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., Nov. 01 - All Saints Day, A Holy Day of Obligation - Mass Schedule - 7:00 a.m. / Noon / 6:00 p.m.
- Wed., Nov. 01 - All Saints Day Party - following 6:00 p.m. Mass.
- Thurs., Nov. 02 - All Souls' Day - Mass Schedule - 8:00 a.m. / Noon / 6:00 p.m. (at St. Joseph Cemetery).
- Fri., Nov. 03 - First Friday Adoration following Mass 8:30 a.m. Mass 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- Sat., Nov. 4 - Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30 a.m.
- Sat., Nov. 4 - Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., Nov. 5 - Mass 7:30 a.m. / Mass 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., Nov. 5 - Religious Education Classes - 8:30-9:45 a.m.

## Weekend of October 28/29



5:00 Dan Lautzenheiser

7:30 Donna Geisel

10:00 Youth Schola



5:00 Stacey Coulandot

7:30 Ben Wagner

10:00 Patti Clark-Johnson



10:00 Kevin/Jessica Seago, Diana Cole



5:00 Alex or Audrey Mechling, Isaiah/ Melanie Bedwell

7:30 Abby/Adrienne Wagner, Charlene Felger

10:00 Grant Reifsteck, Gabby/Olivia Hoffacker

## St. Joseph Parish Finance Report for the Weekend of Oct. 14/15

Adult Envelopes- \$2,163.00

Loose- \$272.06

Repair/Rainy Day Fund-\$225.00

Total- \$2,660.06

Our weekly budget is \$5,116.40

We are \$4,505.78 behind our budget for the month of September.

St. Vincent de Paul Fund- \$592.00

Your gifts to St. Joseph Parish are greatly appreciated.

Thank you!

To set up Online Giving through Our Sunday Visitor, please visit:  
<https://www.osvhub.com/stjosephchurchbluffton/giving/funds>



**ALL SAINTS' DAY**  
(Holy Day of Obligation)  
**Tues., Oct. 31st—7 PM**  
**Wed., Nov. 1st— 7 AM**  
Noon  
6 PM

**All Saints Day Party**  
Following the 6 PM  
All Saints Day Mass  
In the Parish Social Hall



**ALL SOULS' DAY**  
**Thurs., Nov. 2nd—7 AM**  
Noon  
6 PM\*

\*The 6 PM All Souls' Day  
Mass will be offered at  
St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery



## SAVE THE DATE

### FORTY HOURS DEVOTION

Monday, Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday, Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>

Mon., Nov. 27—7 PM Mass

Tues., Nov. 28—6:30 PM Vespers  
7 PM Talk

Wed., Nov. 29—7 PM Mass

Speaker: Fr. Daniel Steiner

"The only time our Lord asked the Apostles for anything was the night He went into agony. Not for activity did He plead but for an Hour of companionship." ~Ven. Fulton J. Sheen