



ST. JOSEPH

CATHOLIC CHURCH

BLUFFTON, INDIANA

TWENTY-NINETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL: 5 PM

SUNDAY: 7:30 AM & 10 AM

DAILY MASS:

TUESDAY, THURSDAY, SATURDAY: 8 AM

WEDNESDAY: 7:30 PM

FRIDAY: 8:30 AM

CONFESSIONS:

TUESDAY: 8:30-9 AM

WEDNESDAY: 6-6:45 PM

SATURDAY: 8:30-9 AM & 4-4:45 PM

ADORATION:

TUESDAY: 7-8 AM

WEDNESDAY: 6-7 PM

FIRST FRIDAY: 9 AM-4 PM

STAFF

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AND
SPREAD IT.**

ST. JOSEMARÍA ESCRIVÁ

THE FORGE, PG. 621

Saturday, October 17

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

5:00 p.m. Our Parish Family

Sunday, October 18

7:10 a.m. *Rosary*

7:30 a.m. Evelyn Morrissey +

9:40 a.m. *Rosary*

10:00 a.m. Dean Mowan +

Monday, October 19

No Public Mass

Tuesday, October 20

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

8:00 a.m. Janette Whitman +

8:30-9:00 a.m. *Confession*

10:30 a.m. *Mass at Christian Care*

Retirement Community

Wednesday, October 21

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

6:00-6:45 p.m. *Confession*

7:00 p.m. Tim & Debbie Glenn

Thursday, October 22

8:00 a.m. Marj Sanders +

10:30 a.m. *Mass at River Terrace*

Retirement Community

Friday, October 23

8:30 a.m. Geoff Frank +

Saturday, October 24

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

8:30-9:00 a.m. *Confession*

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

5:00 p.m. Herman Zepps +

Sunday, October 25

7:10 a.m. *Rosary*

7:30 a.m. Our Parish Family

9:40 a.m. *Rosary*

10:00 a.m. David Paul Butler +

MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., Oct. 19 - Sts. John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests and Companions -
Eph 2:1-10 / Ps 100:1b-5 / Lk 12:13-21

Tues., Oct. 20 - Weekday [29] - St. Paul of the Cross -
Eph 2:12-22 / Ps 85:9ab, 10, 14 / Lk 12:35-38

Wed., Oct. 21 - Weekday [29] - Eph 3:2-12 / (Ps) Is 12:2-3, 4c-6 / Lk 12:39-48

Thurs., Oct. 22 - Weekday [29] - St. John Paul II, Pope -
Eph 3:14-21 / Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19 / Lk 12:49-53

Fri., Oct. 23 - Weekday [29] - St. John of Capistrano, Priest -
Eph 4:1-6 / Ps 24:1-4b, 5-6 / Lk 12:54-59

Sat., Oct. 24 - St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop -
Eph 4:7-16 / Ps 122:1-5 / Lk 13:1-9

Sun., Oct. 25 - Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time -
Ex 22:20-26 / Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51 / 1 Thes 1:5c-10 / Mt 22:34-40



Becky Biberstein, Michael Green, Frances Carr, Tom Richhart, Troy Cook, Bobbie Jackson, Kimberly Abney, Sydnee Bradburn, Leanne Lee, Mike Holland, Matt Norris and Michael Abercrombie.

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 18, 2026

This weekend (October 17th/18th), the Church celebrates the Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time. As our annual election cycle nears, our readings this weekend are quite providential. We are reminded that citizenship is about more than taxes; It is about how we live together as a community. Our faith connects to our civic life; The two are not separate, but work together. This means that being a good citizen is part of being a good Christian.

Citizenship becomes a way of serving others and building up the common good. Our role in both Church and society are important and valuable. For this reason, our national Bishops' Conference prepares a document for every election cycle: **Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship**. This document, available on the website of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, is meant to help shape political choices in light of Catholic teaching.

Ultimately, however, while we do owe legitimate civic duties to earthly governments, our entire being, soul, and ultimate allegiance belong to God alone. Just as the coin that bears Caesar's image is meant to be given back to him, human beings who bear the image and likeness of God are meant to be given back to Him. We cannot allow the concerns of this life, as important as they might be, to overshadow our true homeland to which we are journeying.

Fall Trivia Night – Tuesday, October 27th at 6:30 PM

Join us for an evening of fun, friendly competition, and fellowship at our **Fall Trivia Night** on Tuesday, October 27th, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Parish Social Hall! Gather a team of four and put your knowledge to the test with questions covering a variety of topics. Whether you're a trivia expert or just looking for an enjoyable evening with fellow parishioners, everyone is welcome. Please see the sign-up in the Narthex. We hope to see you there!

Solemnity of All Saints - November 1st

This year, the Solemnity of All Saints falls on Sunday, November 1st. As this holy day falls on a Sunday, its celebration takes precedence over our regular Sunday in Ordinary Time. This means that all three of our weekend Masses between October 31st - November 1st will be offered for the Solemnity of All Saints as we rejoice in this feast honoring the Church Triumphant, the Saints in heaven.

We will welcome Fr. Jordan DeGuire, OP, as our celebrant for the weekend while I am away to participate in our Diocesan Synod. Following the 10:00 AM Sunday Mass, you are invited to join us in the Parish Social Hall for our annual All Saints Day Party. Beginning with a luncheon and potluck in the Social Hall, we will then move to games for our youth in the Parish Gymnasium. You are invited to come dressed as your favorite Saint!

Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed - November 2nd

Following our celebration of the Church Triumphant, we turn our prayers to the Church Suffering, the Holy Souls in Purgatory. As the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed falls on Monday, November 2nd, we will offer three special Mass times as we pray for our dearly departed loved ones. Our Masses on Monday, November 2nd, will be at 8:00 AM, Noon, and 5:30 PM. Our 5:30 PM Mass will be offered at St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery.

Reminder: If you will be travelling during the October Break, www.Masstimes.org is a great resource to help find Mass times throughout the country for our Sunday obligation.

- Faithfully in Christ, Fr. David

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

October 24th 5:00 p.m. Mass

Lector- Dan Geimer

Cantor- Sam Smith

EMHC- Larisa Sudhoff

Servers- Audrey Mechling, Danny Decker, Volunteer



October 25th 7:30 a.m. Mass

Lector- Sarah McCorkle

Cantor- Teresa Smith

EMHC- Barb Ault

Servers- Isaiah/Dominic Bedwell, James Mayer

October 25th 10:00 a.m. Mass

Lector- Jacque Johnson

Cantor- Jay Crisp

EMHC- Joni Cincotta

Servers- Charlie/Louis Andrews, Volunteer



PARISH CALENDAR

- **Sat., Oct. 17** - Confession 4:00-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- **Sat., Oct. 18** - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- **Sun., Oct. 18** - No Religious Education Classes / Fall Break
- **Sun., Oct. 18** - *Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Memorial Service* at 2 p.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery on East State Rd 124. All are welcome.
- **Mon., Oct. 19** - No Public Mass
- **Tues., Oct. 20** - Adoration 7:00-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30 a.m.
- **Tues., Oct. 20** - Mass 10:30 a.m. at Christian Care Retirement Community
- **Wed., Oct. 21** - Adoration 6:00-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6:00-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- **Thurs., Oct. 22** - Mass 8:00 a.m.
- **Thurs., Oct. 22 & Fri., Oct. 23** - Parish Office Closed
- **Thurs., Oct. 22** - Mass 10:30 a.m. at River Terrace Retirement Community
- **Thurs., Oct. 22** - Discover Catholicism 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Parish Conference Room.
- **Thurs., Oct. 22** - Adult Choir Practice - 6:30 p.m.
- **Fri., Oct. 23** - Mass 8:30 a.m.
- **Sat., Oct. 24** - Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30 a.m.
- **Sun., Oct. 25** - Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- **Sun., Oct. 25** - No Religious Education Classes / Fall Break
- **Mon., Oct. 26** - No Public Mass
- **Mon., Oct. 26** - Children's Choir Practice - 5:30 p.m.

ST. JOSEPH PARISH FINANCE REPORT

Weekend of October 10th & 11th

Adult Envelopes - \$5,549.00

Loose - \$228.00

Repair / Rainy Day - \$661.66

Religious Ed. Fund- \$150.00

Various Donations- \$4,373.15

GNO Donation (book)- \$15.00

Weekend Total - \$10,976.81

Our weekly budget is
\$5,101.40

We ended **\$6,500.01** ahead of
our budget for the week.

St. Vincent de Paul Fund -
\$750.00

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All are welcome to join together in prayer
during our Annual **Pregnancy and Infant
Loss Awareness Memorial Service**
on Sunday, October 18th, at 2 PM at
St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery
on East State Rd 124.



LECTOR TRAINING

There will be training for New Lectors on
Thursday, October 22nd at 6:15 p.m. Anyone
interested in the training, please call the
Parish Office at 260-824-1380.

THE PARISH OFFICE
will be closed Thursday
and Friday, October 22nd & 23rd
and will re-open on Monday,
October 26th at 9:00 a.m.



ALL SAINTS PARTY



All Saints Day Party & Carry-in
Sunday, November 1st following 10:00 Mass in the
Parish Social Hall. Sloppy Joes, Hot Dogs, Lemonade
& Water Provided. Bring a side dish to share.
Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.

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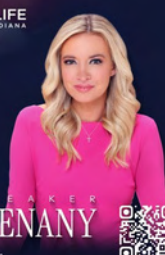
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want. It has the ears to hear the sighs
and sorrows of men. That is what love
looks like."*
- St. Augustine

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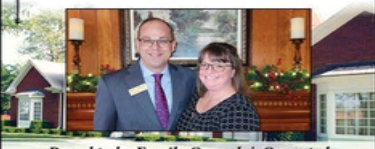
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