

THE 28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 11, 2020

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Sept. 27: \$841

Oct. 4: \$1,143

Please do not forget to mail or drop off your weekly offerings for our collection.
Any and all help is greatly appreciated.

MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

<i>THE 28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>		
Sat. Oct. 10	5:00 PM	For the Special Intentions of Ken Steffen
Sun. Oct. 11	9:00 AM	Special Int. for the Living & Dead Members of our Parish
Mon Oct. 12		No Public Mass
Tue Oct. 13	8:30 AM	Special Int. of Austin & Kimberly Cooper and Family
Wed Oct. 14	6:30 PM	Special Int. for the Living & Dead Members of our Parish
Thur. Oct. 15	8:30 AM	For Hazel Gallagher
Fri Oct. 16		No Public Mass
<i>THE 29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>		
Sat. Oct. 17	5:00 PM	For Charlotte Lahrman
Sun. Oct. 18	9:00 AM	Special Int. for the Living & Dead Members of our Parish

PRAYER LIST

Jerry Ehlman, Eileen Ehlman, Sherri Moffett, Kenny Neuspickel, Kathy Barth, Yandell Schneider, Charles Taylor, Ed Gripshover, Joy Sowder, Kathy Proctor, David Roland, Steve Elmlinger, Sarah Hoffman, Mary Louise Cross, Ken Steffen, Cotton Teegarden, Mike Newcomb, Fr. Mario Tizziani, Jeffery Huffman, Ed Grant, Don Bornhorst, President Trump, and everyone touched by the Corona virus.

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Birthdays – October 15 – Cadence Ryan, October 19-Kyleigh Huffman, October 24-Bob Huffman & Macyann Huffman, October 27-Lindey Kiser, October 28-Penny Kluesener & Julie Feinauer, October 29-Shellie Schroder



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Worship Schedule:

Saturdays – 5:00 PM

Sundays – 9:00 AM

Weekdays – please check each week's schedule

Confession Times:

Saturdays – 4:00-4:50 PM

Sundays – 8:00-8:50 AM

Parish Staff and Volunteers

Religious Education – Roseanne Rawe (859) 635-1572

Bulletin/Prayer List – Linda Fryman (859) 240-2377

Parish History/Cemetery Info – Patty Neuspickel (859) 472-2508

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

DPAA –If you missed giving, there are envelopes in the back of church for your convenience. Please be generous in helping us reach our goal.

Parish Goal: \$10,700 Total Commitments (as of Aug. 31): \$9,370

GRAND RAFFLE TICKETS – 7 days left! Please continue to sell tickets to your coworkers, friends, family members, or anyone you encounter. All tickets have been taken for sale. Let's get them sold and returned! The drawing will be held on October 18. Also, a big thank you to Warren Richardson who paid for the printing of the tickets.

FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP – U.S. Catholic Bishops remind us it is our duty to participate in political life as well as a moral obligation. Please check out Faithfulcitizenship.org to find help in forming your consciences through being open to the truth, studying scripture, and Church teaching. Use this info when casting your vote!

PRO LIFE SIGNS AVAILABLE – The parish has purchased pro-life and vote pro-life signs for the parish to put in their yards. We have 13. Please take one if you wish. Donations are welcome to cover costs.

RESPECT LIFE MASS AT CATHEDRAL – There will be Mass at the Cathedral and most parishes in our diocese at 7PM on October 13. St. Matthew will not have this Mass due to Father's teaching schedule. You are urged to attend a Mass somewhere and all pray together for our nation to respect life at every level: from conception to death.

ACUE COLLECTION – This collection benefits the inner-city schools supported by the ACUE. This collection will occur on the weekend of Oct. 17 & 18. Please be as generous as you are able.

IMPORTANT SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTE – Parents, Rosanne needs a copy of the Safety Form to keep on file at church. There is a Sunday School folder on the desk in the hallway at church. Please put the forms and one or two pages of the chapter work sheets in the folder so we can show attendance. You may also take a picture and email them to Rosanne at rrowe@nku.edu. Call her at 859-635-1572 with questions.

FROM THE PASTOR – CATHOLIC ISSUES & VOTING

Concluding my brief series on voting as a Catholic, it is important that we understand what are the primary issues upon which we as Catholics should vote in our elections. We do not go with whatever has been our preference or regular choice. Politicians and parties change platforms frequently, and we must evaluate each by the light of the truth of our faith above and beyond what we have done in the past. The following list is based off the US bishops' informative guide *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship*.

- 1) Life Issues – these are the preeminent issues concerning our country. This of course involves the overturning of abortion and contraception, but also concerns end-of-life issues as well. With a growing desire out west for legal euthanasia and assisted suicide, along with huge issues of the use of embryonic stem cells, we must proclaim the sanctity of all life from conception to death.
- 2) Marriage & Families – the recent push to legitimize homosexuality and other so-called “marriages” reminds us that we cannot support the degradation of marriage as instituted by God between a man and a woman. We must also support the strengthening of families against all that seeks to destroy it or warp it into some anti-traditional form.
- 3) Religious Freedom – we must support the right to practice our religion in every sphere, not just the freedom to worship as the last president began to advocate. Our Catholic faith is not just for our church building but every facet of life and cannot be legitimately impeded.
- 4) Concern for the Poor – The Gospel reminds us that we are to take care of the poor around us, and we must not be stopped from fulfilling this evangelical mission. We ought also to strive to overturn the sharks who prey on the poor through laws and policies that prohibit such reprehensible actions to some of our most vulnerable.
- 5) Migration – we should seek a balanced policy that allows for the safety of our nation at the borders while providing easy legitimate means for migrants to enter and become citizens.
- 6) Environment – a growing concern in recent years has been our care for our common home. God has made us stewards of creation, and we must utilize the goods of creation not merely for our ease but for the good of future generations.

We must evaluate every candidate based on these issues and how they seek to implement (or not) what we believe and hold to be true and good for humanity as revealed by God. A Catholic cannot vote for a candidate who goes against these principles or has a history of enacting policies that go against these principles, in particular issues concerning life. As the polls begin to open and we begin the final preparations for the election, let us pray to the Holy Spirit for the guidance we need to vote not merely as Americans, but as Catholics striving to enter and proclaim the Kingdom of God.

Rev. Jacob Straub