

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Oct. 10	\$1,293
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MASS SCHEDULE

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat. Oct. 16	5:00 PM	For Ed Gripshover
Sun. Oct. 17	9:00 AM	Special Int. for the Living & Dead Members of our Parish
Mon. Oct. 18	8:00 AM	For Patrick Fariello
Tue. Oct. 19		<i>No Public Mass</i>
Wed. Oct. 20	8:00 AM	For Woodrow Perry
Thur. Oct. 21		<i>No Public Mass</i>
Fri. Oct. 22		<i>No Public Mass</i>

THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Sat. Oct. 23	5:00 PM	Special Int. for the Living & Dead Members of our Parish
Sun. Oct. 24	9:00 AM	For Drew Kordenbrock

PRAYER LIST—Jerry & Eileen Ehlman, Sherri Moffett, Charles Taylor, the family of Barbara Dirkes, Mary Louise Cross, Cotton Teegarden, Mike Newcomb, Ed Grant, Vernon Dixon, Chris Rauf, Katie Davis, Barry Bergman, Andrew Lauck, Bradley Franzen, Pam Babbington, Dave & Barb Kordenbrock, Kate & Colton Sherold, Karen Reilly, Emmitt Thomas, Jeff who is suffering with a horrible disease, Mike Leming, Dave Verst, Donnie Lauer, Mary Lamb, Lena Bach, Wayne Huffman, Justin Seiter, Rhonda Hawn, Brian Buckingham, and Dave Neuspickel.

BIRTHDAYS— Oct. 13– Cadence Ryan, Oct. 19– Kyleigh Huffman, Oct. 24– Bobby Huffman, Oct. 27– Lindy Kiser, Oct. 28– Penny Kleusener, Oct. 28– Julie Feinauer, Oct. 29– Shelli Schroder, Oct. 29– Kelsey Schneider.

ANNIVERSARIES— None

Please send any requests for prayers or memorials to the parish email or call to make a request.



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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

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THE TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 17, 2021

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY—Prayer before the Rosary - Queen of the Holy Rosary, you have deigned to come to Fatima, to reveal to the three shepherd children, the treasures of grace hidden in the Rosary. Inspire my heart with a sincere love of this devotion, in order that by meditating on the Mysteries of our Redemption which are recalled in it, I may obtain peace for the world, the conversion of sinners, and the favor which I ask of you in this Rosary (Mention your request). I ask it for the greater glory of God, for your own honor, and for the good of souls, especially for my own. —Amen

- **If anyone would like to join in saying a Rosary on Wednesday evenings on Oct. 20 and 27 at 6:30PM at church you are welcome to attend.**

SEMINARY EDUCATION COLLECTION—This important upcoming collection goes toward supporting the education of our future priests. A seminary education costs about the same as going to college, so every penny counts. Please be considerate in supporting our future priests and give!

LECTOR- OCTOBER 17—Bill Funke OCTOBER 24—Linda Fryman

CLEANING TEAM—October 24—Kathy and Wanda Bach

PRAY THE ROSARY DAILY!



FROM THE PASTOR—ON PRIDE

Last week, we saw how it is we can be tied down and unable to fly to God because of the material riches of this world. We are called to exercise poverty of spirit to detach ourselves at least in our hearts from these things so that we may better pursue God. But there is one other way that we can be tied down and incapable of pursuing God, and that is through our pride.

We ought to be clear what is meant by the sin of pride: the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* defines this sin as “undue self-esteem or self-love, which seeks attention and honor and sets oneself in competition with God.” We see this quite a bit anymore with all the pride events celebrating the Alphabet Agenda: homosexuality, transgenderism, and the various hyper-sexual movements that elevate the satisfaction of one’s groin as the greatest good. But this sin can also exist in subtler ways within ourselves.

At the root of all of the sins which we commit is the sin of pride. We believe that we know better than God: we deserve this, or we can judge better, or we’re smarter or cleverer or whatever. How does this manifest? It is obvious in the committing of our sins, but it is also in our mindset and our thoughts. We see that in the Gospel today with James and John wanting positions of high honor, when it is not theirs to ask nor Jesus’ to give. The two wanted what they thought they should deserve in the coming kingdom which Jesus proclaimed. However, they would have to earn that place through their fidelity to Jesus and their service to God and His Church.

We can do this whenever we challenge or deny something which the Church teaches us. Whether it be abortion or contraception, care for the poor, the necessity of the sacraments, or what is or isn’t a sin, we exalt ourselves about everything God teaches and reveals in His Church. This is the downfall of all the heretics throughout history who opposed the Church: from Arius to Luther to modernists who deny most if not all doctrine, they believe that they understand and know better than the revelation of God given in the Scriptures, in sacred tradition, and in the magisterium of the Church. But they have all passed to judgment, as we must do someday.

The true response we are meant to have before God and His Church is one of humility: to accept what is taught and demanded of me without doubting (we can always ask clarifying questions) or rejecting. If we are told to avoid something, we avoid it. If we are called to act in a certain manner, then we accept it joyfully. Of course we cannot be forced to commit a sin, but God will always direct us to carry our crosses in union with Jesus, who humbled Himself to obey the Father in all things. Let us not remain puffed up with pride, but submit ourselves to the beneficent will of God in everything, so that we may not perish with proud Satan and his legions, but join the humble choirs of angels and saints in rejoicing in the Holy Trinity forever.

Father Jacob Straub