

**THE 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**OCTOBER 25, 2020**

**SUNDAY COLLECTION**

Oct. 18: \$1,113  
ACUE: \$12

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 30<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>		
Sat. Oct.24	5:00 PM	For Anna Menefee
Sun. Oct. 25	9:00 AM	Special Int. for the Living & Dead Members of our Parish
Sun. Oct. 25	11:00AM	(Extraordinary Form) Intention of the Celebrant
Mon Oct. 26		No Public Mass
Tue Oct. 27	8:30 AM	For Eddie Huffman Jr
Wed Oct. 28	6:30 PM	Special Int. for the Living & Dead Members of our Parish
Thur. Oct. 29	8:30 AM	Special Int. for the health of Jeffery Huffman
Fri Oct. 30		No Public Mass
<i>THE SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS</i>		
Sat. Oct. 31	5:00 PM	Special Int. for the Living & Dead Members of our Parish
Sun. Nov. 1	9:00 AM	Frank Roth Sr.

**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, Tom Geiman, John Hofstetter, and everyone who has been touched by the Corona virus.

**UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

**Birthdays** – October 24-Bob Huffman & Macyann Huffman, October 27-Lindey Kiser, October 28-Penny Kluesener & Julie Feinauer, October 29-Shellie Schroder, November 1-Andrew Huffman, November 3-Adam Bach



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Worship Schedule:

Saturdays – 5:00 PM                      Sundays – 9:00 AM    11:00AM (this week only)  
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.** We are getting close! Please be generous in helping us reach our goal.

Parish Goal: \$10,700      Total Commitments (as of Sept. 30): \$10,395

**GRAND RAFFLE WINNERS** – The grand prize winner of \$250 was Ken Steffen, \$100 went to Linda Menefee, and Tim & Joanne Schlachter, Jen Kappesser, and Bernie Rawe each won \$50. Congratulations and thanks to all who sold or bought 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](http://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!

**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](mailto:rrowe@nku.edu). Call her at 859-635-1572 with questions.

**FOOD COLLECTION** – In the past we have collected food on Thanksgiving Day. This year the Knights of Columbus have mobilized to collect food for St. Vincent de Paul with a collection earlier than normal which will enable St. Vincent workers to put together food for people to have for their Thanksgiving dinner. There will be a bin out for anything you can bring in early (hopefully next weekend) for this purpose. We will see that it gets to St. Vincent de Paul as soon as possible for people to enjoy Thanksgiving more fully.

**CEMETERY VISITATION** – Fr. Straub will have a cemetery visitation service on Sunday, November 1, at noon (weather permitting). We will gather at St. Mary Cemetery to bless the graves and pray for our beloved dead. Please join us to remember the dead of our parish.

**CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS** – Remember that we switch from Daylight Savings Time to Standard Time next weekend. Be sure to change your clocks and fall forward so that you don't miss Sunday Mass!



## FROM THE PASTOR – PRAYING FOR THE ELECTION

As we approach the national election, it is important that we pray and ask God that His will be done in this election. No matter our preferences or choices, we must strive to do God's will in all things. One thing I want to recommend is to pray a novena beginning this Sunday through Monday, November 2. A novena is a set of prayers offered over nine days in anticipation or supplication for something. I recommend using the following prayers.

<p><i>Prayer Before an Election</i></p> <p>Lord God, as the election approaches, we seek to better understand the issues and concerns that confront our city/state/country, and how the Gospel compels us to respond as faithful citizens in our community. We ask for eyes that are free from blindness so that we might see each other as brothers and sisters, one and equal in dignity, especially those who are victims of abuse and violence, deceit and poverty. We ask for ears that will hear the cries of children unborn and those abandoned, Men and women oppressed because of race or creed, religion or gender. We ask for minds and hearts that are open to hearing the voice of leaders who will bring us closer to your Kingdom. We pray for discernment so that we may choose leaders who hear your Word, live your love, and keep in the ways of your truth as they follow in the steps of Jesus and his Apostles and guide us to your Kingdom of justice and peace. We ask this in the name of your Son Jesus Christ and through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.</p>	<p><i>An Election Prayer to Mary</i></p> <p>O Most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of Mercy, at this most critical time, we entrust the United States of America to your loving care.</p> <p>Most Holy Mother, we beg you to reclaim this land for the glory of your Son. Overwhelmed with the burden of the sins of our nation, we cry to you from the depths of our hearts and seek refuge in your motherly protection.</p> <p>Look down with mercy upon us and touch the hearts of our people. Open our minds to the great worth of human life and to the responsibilities that accompany human freedom.</p> <p>Free us from the falsehoods that lead to the evil of abortion and threaten the sanctity of family life. Grant our country the wisdom to proclaim that God's law is the foundation on which this nation was founded, and that He alone is the True Source of our cherished rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.</p> <p>O Merciful Mother, give us the courage to reject the culture of death and the strength to build a new Culture of Life.</p> <p>Amen.</p>
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Let us pray for our nation as we go to the polls. Let us vote in accord with God and His Church. Let us pray over these remaining days for God's will to be done. Let us entrust all of this to the loving care of the Blessed Virgin Mary, to whom our country is consecrated under her Immaculate Conception. May God's will be done!

*Fr. Jacob Straub*