

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

Sep 17	\$1,081
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MASS SCHEDULE

(L=Living, †=Deceased)

THE 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat. Sep. 23	5:00 PM	For †Genoa Scott
Sun. Sep. 24	9:00 AM	For the Living and Deceased People of the Parish
Mon. Sep. 25	8:00 AM	For †Mary Seelie Rouland
Tue. Sep. 26	8:00 AM	For the Doug Motsch Family (L)
Wed. Sep. 27	8:00 AM	For the Bob Huffman Family (L)
Thur. Sep. 28	8:00 AM	For †Evelyn Droganes [NO ADORATION THIS WEEK]
Fri. Sep. 29	8:00 AM	For the Ehlman Family (L & †)

THE 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat. Sep. 30	5:00 PM	For †George Bach
Sun. Oct. 1	9:00 AM	For the Living and Deceased People of the Parish

PRAYER LIST—Jerry & Eileen Ehlman, Verna Payne, Pam Babbington, Dave Kordenbrock, Kate & Colton Sherold, Karen Reilly, Emmitt Thomas, Jeff suffering from Meniere’s disease, Tony Bach, Mike and Bill Lemming, Dave Neuspickel, Bonita & Jim Happe, Andy Sper, Billie Huffman, Larry Slusher, Roger High, Cheryl Miller, Sherry Jackson, Sarah Gripshover, Jeanne Eanes, Bill Schneider (In Storypoint Assisted Living, 9255 US 42, Apt. 44, Union, KY. 41091), Ree Wagner, Randy Goodhew, Rosanne Rawe, Patty Neuspickel’s son Jim, Alan Fields, Imogene Fisk, Larry Cappel, Sean Timmerding, Rodney Gurren (2 years old), Maverick Orth and Bill Edelbroich.

BIRTHDAYS—Tonja Fariello-Sept. 17, Bill Schneider-Sept. 19, Brody Baker– Sept. 23, Madeline Thorwarth-Sept. 24, Tony Bach-Sept. 25, Owen Rawe-Sept. 29.

ANNIVERSARIES– Tom and Darlene Schutte-Sept. 2, Dina and Michael Ryan-Sept. 6, Tony and Wanda Bach-Sept. 10, William and Linda Beck-Sept. 12, Tony and Tonja Fariello-Sept. 13, Brian and Trisha Moore-Sept 13, Jerry and Eileen Ehlman-Sept. 26.

Please send any requests for prayers or memorials to the parish email or call to make a request. If you birthday or anniversary is not listed, let Linda know.



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Worship Schedule:

Saturdays – 5:00 PM

Sundays – 9:00 AM

Weekdays – 8:00 AM

Eucharistic Adoration: Thursdays 6-7:00 PM

Confession Times:

Saturdays – 4:00-4:50 PM

Sundays – 8:00-8:50 AM

Thursdays—6:00-6:50 PM

Parish Staff and Volunteers

Religious Education – Roseanne Rawe (859) 635-1572

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SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

DPAA—The DPAA pledges and collections as of now stand at \$11,615 which is only \$485 less than our goal (\$12,100). If you have not contributed, please consider doing so. Remember all monies collected over the goal comes back to us. We are getting so close!

SUCCESSFUL FESTIVAL—May God bless each and every one of those who attended, donated, worked, or did anything else to help with our festival. Without the actual numbers sorted out yet, we do not know exactly how much money we made but it will be available soon. We believe it will be a very profitable bottom line. Without you, the festival could not happen and we are so blessed with so many parishioners, friends, and family who selflessly gave time and treasure to our success. Special thanks to the chicken frying Retired Covington Firefighters, Jason Feinauer for making the delicious brisket, and Knights of Columbus who worked in the kitchen.

ANNUAL PRO LIFE MASS—Bishop Iffert requests our presence at the Annual Pro-Life Mass at the Cathedral on Tuesday, October 17, at 7PM. There will be a Rosary at 6:15 PM followed by the Mass. Please join in celebrating the sanctity of Life.

CCD SUNDAY SCHOOL SIGNUP—Our CCD classes will begin next Sunday, October 1. Signups will be available after Mass this weekend. If you have any questions or would like to help in any way, please speak with Rosanne Rawe.

LECTOR— Sept. 24-Linda Fryman, Oct. 1-Bernie Rawe

POST FESTIVAL CLEANING—Sunday, October 1 after 9 AM Mass.

*Are you envious
because I am generous?
-Mt. 20:15*



FROM THE PASTOR—THE CHOIRS OF ANGELS

This week sees the feast of the Holy Archangels on September 29: the celebration of the archangels Michael, Raphael, and Gabriel, whose impact has been seen not just in the Bible but throughout history. This is a good opportunity to consider the angelic order overall, their importance and their impact on us. To describe an angel first is to say that they are spiritual creatures: they do not possess a physical body, but exist similar to God in a spiritual, non-physical manner. They have greater intellects and powers than we do, especially given their ability to travel great distances at incredible speeds.

We call them *angels* from the Greek *angelos* which means “messenger” and this most accurately describes them for they are the messengers of God throughout the universe. It must also be noted that angels (as well as demons, which are condemned angels) are incapable of change: once they have fixed their will for or against God, they cannot alter their will unlike human beings who can change their mind.

There are said to be nine choirs of angels in the hierarchy of Heaven, divided into three spheres or triads of operation and oversight.



First Sphere-concerned with the worship and glory of God; the three choirs in here are the Thrones, Cherubim, and Seraphim

Second Sphere-concerned with the operation of the universe; the three choirs in here are the Dominations, Virtues, and Powers

Third Sphere-focus on the life of man; the three choirs here are Angels (including guardian angels), Archangels, and Principalities

All the choirs do the work assigned to them promptly, without hesitation, and joyfully. They remind us how we should be in our service of God. They also enjoy the Beatific Vision, that is they see God face to face and communicate directly with Him. They are what we wish to become after this life. Let us pray to them, and especially the Holy Archangels this week, that we may serve God in this life so as to rejoice with Him and all the angels and saints forever in the next life.

Fr. Jacob Straub

P.S. My thanks to everyone who contributed in any way to the success of our festival. We could not do it without you. Thank you very much!