

MASS SCHEDULE Weekday: Tuesday ~ Friday 8:00 am Sunday Masses: Saturday, 4:00 pm; Sunday, 8:00 am & 10:30 am

CONFESSION Saturday, 3:00-3:45 pm or by appointment

# ORGANIZATIONS of ST. JOSEPH

ST. JOSEPH MEN'S CLUB Meets last Sunday of the month at 6:00 pm Mr. Jason Hedgpeth, President (417) 839-8142 / jasonkhedgpeth@hotmail.com

#### PARISH COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (PCCW)

Meets the last Saturday of the month at 9:30 am Bobbie Emery, President (417) 209-4387 / roberta.emery@va.gov

#### PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Classes held 9:10-10:15 Sunday morning from August through May Bonnie King, PSR/Confirmation Director (417) 743-2882 / bonniestjoepsr@aol.com

#### **YOUTH GROUP**

Mrs. Michaela Barrett, Youth Leader (417) 849-1523 / michaela\_barrett@yahoo.com St. Joseph Youth Group-Billings

#### **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**

Meets the third Sunday of the month at 1:30 pm Mrs. Pat Hutton, President (417) 732-6180 Pantry Day  $\sim 2^{nd}$  Saturday of the month

#### PARISH COUNCIL

Meets the first Tuesday of the month Bill Baunach, President (417) 732-4621 / (417) 576-1502

#### **EVANGELIZATION**

The Society of Our Mother of Peace Queen of Heaven Solitude (417) 744-2011

#### PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Meets Wednesday mornings after 8 am Mass Mrs. Joanne Verfurth (417) 744-2911

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Pastor Fr. Augustine R. Njuu, A.J.

Twenty-Nínth Sunday ín Ordínary Tíme October 21, 2018



*"For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:45* 

- **Parish Registration:** Forms available in the church vestibule & parish office or faxed/e-mailed upon request.
- **Baptism:** Contact the Parish Office to schedule.
- Marriage: Contact Father at least nine months prior to the wedding date.
- Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish Office if you are having surgery or have a family member needing anointed.
- **Hospital Visit:** Contact the Parish Office if you or a family member is hospitalized and would like a visit from Father.
- Bulletin content submissions are due by noon, Thursday.

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# From the Pastor . . . 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B Theme: Message of His Holiness Francis for World Mission Day 2018

#### Together with young people, let us bring the Gospel to all

Dear young people, I would like to reflect with you on the mission that we have received from Christ. In speaking to you, I also address all Christians who live out in the Church the adventure of their life as children of God. What leads me to speak to everyone through this conversation with you is the certainty that the Christian faith remains ever young when it is open to the mission that Christ entrusts to us. "Mission revitalizes faith" (*Redemptoris Missio*, 2), in the words of Saint John Paul II, a Pope who showed such great love and concern for young people.

The Synod to be held in Rome this coming October, the month of the missions, offers us an opportunity to understand more fully, in the light of faith, what the Lord Jesus wants to say to you young people, and, through you, to all Christian communities.

#### Life is a mission

Every man and woman *is* a mission; that is the reason for our life on this earth. To be *attracted* and to be *sent* are two movements that our hearts, especially when we are young, feel as interior forces of love; they hold out promise for our future and they give direction to our lives. More than anyone else, young people feel the power of life breaking in upon us and attracting us. To live out joyfully our responsibility for the world is a great challenge. I am well aware of lights and shadows of youth; when I think back to my youth and my family, I remember the strength of my hope for a better future. The fact that we are not in this world by our own choice makes us sense that there is an initiative that precedes us and makes us exist. Each one of us is called to reflect on this fact: "I *am a mission* on this Earth; that is the reason why I am here in this world" (*Evangelii Gaudium*, 273).

#### We proclaim Jesus Christ

The Church, by proclaiming what she freely received (cf. *Mt* 10:8; *Acts* 3:6), can share with you young people the way and truth which give meaning to our life on this earth. Jesus Christ, who died and rose for us, appeals to our freedom and challenges us to seek, discover and proclaim this message of truth and fulfilment. Dear young people, do not be afraid of Christ and his Church! For there we find the treasure that fills life with joy. I can tell you this from my own experience: thanks to faith, I found the sure foundation of my dreams and the strength to realize them. I have seen great suffering and poverty mar the faces of so many of our brothers and sisters. And yet, for those who stand by Jesus, evil is an incentive to ever greater love. Many men and women, and many young people, have generously sacrificed themselves, even at times to martyr-dom, out of love for the Gospel and service to their brothers and sisters. From the cross of Jesus we learn the divine logic of self-sacrifice (cf. *1 Cor* 1:17-25) as a proclamation of the Gospel for the life of the world (cf. *Jn* 3:16). To be set afire by the love of Christ is to be consumed by that fire, to grow in understanding by its light and to be warmed by its love (cf. *2 Cor* 5:14). At the school of the saints, who open us to the vast horizons of God, I invite you never to stop wondering: "What would Christ do if he were in my place?"

Transmitting the faith to the ends of the earth

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#### (Message of His Holiness — Continued)

You too, young friends, by your baptism have become living members of the Church; together we have received the mission to bring the Gospel to everyone. You are at the threshold of life. To grow in the grace of the faith bestowed on us by the Church's sacraments plunges us into that great stream of witnesses who, generation after generation, enable the wisdom and experience of older persons to become testimony and encouragement for those looking to the future. And the freshness and enthusiasm of the young makes them a source of support and hope for those nearing the end of their journey. In this blend of different stages in life, the mission of the Church bridges the generations; our faith in God and our love of neighbor are a source of profound unity.

This transmission of the faith, the heart of the Church's mission, comes about by the infectiousness of love, where joy and enthusiasm become the expression of a newfound meaning and fulfilment in life. The spread of the faith "by attraction" calls for hearts that are open and expanded by love. It is not possible to place limits on love, for love is strong as death (cf. *Song* 8:6). And that expansion generates encounter, witness, proclamation; it generates sharing in charity with all those far from the faith, indifferent to it and perhaps even hostile and opposed to it. Human, cultural and religious settings still foreign to the Gospel of Jesus and to the sacramental presence of the Church represent the extreme peripheries, the "ends of the earth", to which, ever since the first Easter, Jesus' missionary disciples have been sent, with the certainty that their Lord is always with them (cf. *Mt* 28:20; *Acts* 1:8). This is what we call the *missio ad gentes*. The most desolate periphery of all is where mankind, in need of Christ, remains indifferent to the faith or shows hatred for the fullness of life in God. All material and spiritual poverty, every form of discrimination against our brothers and sisters, is always a consequence of the rejection of God and his love.

The ends of the earth, dear young people, nowadays are quite relative and always easily "navigable". The digital world – the social networks that are so pervasive and readily available – dissolves borders, eliminates distances and reduces differences. Everything appears within reach, so close and immediate. And yet lacking the sincere gift of our lives, we could well have countless contacts but never share in a true communion of life. To share in the mission to the ends of the earth demands the gift of oneself in the vocation that God, who has placed us on this earth, chooses to give us (cf. Lk 9:23-25). I dare say that, for a young man or woman who wants to follow Christ, what is most essential is to seek, to discover and to persevere in his or her vocation.

#### Bearing witness to love

I am grateful to all those ecclesial groups that make it possible for you to have a personal encounter with Christ living in his Church: parishes, associations, movements, religious communities, and the varied expressions of missionary service. How many young people find in missionary volunteer work a way of serving the "least" of our brothers and sisters (cf. *Mt* 25:40), promoting human dignity and witnessing to the joy of love and of being Christians! These ecclesial experiences educate and train young people not only for professional success, but also for developing and fostering their God-given gifts in order better to serve others. These praiseworthy forms of temporary missionary service are a fruitful beginning and, through vocational discernment, they can help you to decide to make a complete gift of yourselves as missionaries.

The Pontifical Mission Societies were born of young hearts as a means of supporting the preaching of the Gospel to every nation and thus contributing to the human and cultural growth of all those who thirst for knowledge of the truth. The prayers and the material aid generously given and distributed through the Pontifical Mission Societies enable the Holy See to ensure that those who are helped in their personal needs can in turn bear witness to the Gospel in the circumstances of their daily lives. No one is so poor as to be unable to give what they have, but first and foremost what they are. Let me repeat the words of encouragement that I

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Barbara Davis, Michael Glouse, Pat Hutton, Anneleise Reeves, Janice Duncan, Dale Bond, Brad Harber, Dan Chilton, Ed & Barbara Zahner, Mark Black, Laura Medley, Karen Ward, Elizabeth Shelburn, Ron Cafourek, Mason Manegold, Colston Henderson, Julie Kissee, Michelle Lynch, Raymond Garbee, Heather Nicholson, Agnes Hayward, Susanna Pinkley, Frances Everett, Heidi & Don Carpenter, Loretta Harrison, Joe Mike Mehl, Sr., Katherine Mehl, Travis Sanders, Linda Porterfield, Virginia Mackey, Dale Lear, Virginia Zoller, Hunter Glouse, Emily Rose Turner, Art & Juanita Steinbaugh, Chelsea Williams, Roy Clark, Chuck & Virginia Reichert, Cara Reichert, Ann Stever, Halbert Family, Frank & David Luebbert, Coleman Family, Steve Netzer, Ted & Alice Verfurth, Margaret Bolden, Miles Emerson, Sherri Cafourek, Kathy Brewer, Emillia Austin, Jean Hendricks,

Joe Elwood, Patty White, Floyd Burger, homebound & nursing home parishioners, all caregivers, all intentions

**<u>Prayer Intercessors</u>:** Gail 817/480-8985, Mary 417/619-1611, Juanita 417/744-2045, Judy 417/744-4430, Sharon 417/695-2207 \*Please contact the parish office to place someone on the parish prayer list. You must contact the office at the Beginning of the each month if you want that person to remain on the list.



#### PRAY FOR OUR MEN & WOMEN IN THE MILITARY & THEIR FAMILIES

Overseas: Jason Boyer, Shelby Andrus, Kirsten Davis, Alexandria Stimpson <u>Stateside</u>: Tyler Eudy, Chelsey Eudy, Robert Alsup, Elaina Parks, Clayton Taylor, Dakota Harter, Chris Batchman, Austin Williams, Vaughn Brown

PAR	RISH CALENI	DAR OF EVENTS			L MINISTRIES r 27 & 28	
October 21	All Mass	Second Collection — World Mission	LECTOR	4:00 pm	8:00 am	<b>10:30 am</b> Joe Noviello
October 21	1:30 pm	St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting	EUCHARIST MINISTERS	Chris Sellers	Teresa Hanafin Tim Potthoff Taylor Waller	Paula Noviello Trish Bramer
October 24-26	NO DAILY MASS	Priests' Institute in Branson		Don Hays Chuck Hubbert		Bryan Crockett Sandra Crockett
November 1	Holy Day of Obligation	All Saints' Day	SERVERS	Cate Hubbert Elizabeth Hubbert	Lexi Reeves	Reese Barrett Keira Barrett
November 2		All Souls Day	GIFTS	Volunteers	Dan & Teresa Hanafin	Trish Bromer Jerri Mehl
			LIGHEDG	Jerry Vermule	Barney Fabro	Jimmy Butler

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**COUNTERS** 

Volunteer

MASS INTENTIONS October 23-28					
	OFFERED FOR	REQUESTED BY			
Tuesday 8:00 am	Tony & Mary Vesci Family Intention				
Wednesday 8:00 am	No Mass (Priests' Institute)				
Thursday 8:00 am	No Mass (Priests' Institute)				
Friday 8:00 am	No Mass (Priests' Institute)				
Saturday 4:00 pm	✤ Teresa Palazzo	Ed & Ann Leahy			
Sunday 8:00 am	Joe Mehl Personal Intentions				
Sunday 10:30 am	✤ Joe Franks	Mary Schaffer			

COLLECTION—10/14/18							
Adult Envelopes	\$1,602	Loose	\$362				
Mass Offerings	\$30	Candles					
St. Vincent de Paul	\$1,030	Maintenance	\$529				
World Mission Sunday	\$272	Catholic Charities	\$510				

Larry Fabro

Tom & Stacy Vehige

Joel Butler

Giving is Worship

GIVING BACK TO THE ONE WHO FIRST GAVE





*Next meeting: October 27, 9:30 am* 

ALL WOMEN OF THE PARISH ARE WELCOMED MEMBERS!

Join us for coffee, donuts & fellowship after the 8:00 am Sunday Mass. Your small donation left in the jar by the coffee helps make this possible.





Adult education classes are held each Sunday morning in the adult classroom in the Parish Hall. It's not too late to participate! To sign up and get your book, contact Paula Foster at 417-744-8523 or email fostersr8@att.net. Join us as we grow in faith together!

**CORRELATORS GROUP NEXT MONTHLY MEETING: Nov. 9** Father David Baunach hosts the Correlators

Group meetings monthly on the second Friday from 6:30-8:00 pm in the Hall.

For more information, contact Fr. Baunach (417) 851-7136, davidbaunach@gmail.com



The Rosary Prayer Group meets each Thursday at 10:00 am at 304 SE Madison Avenue, Unit 7, Billings. Rosary followed by coffee time. For more information, call Frank Urban, 417-365-2364



*Next meeting: October 28, 6:00 pm, Team 1 cooks* 



PARENT **ALERT!** Sunday, October 21, attend PSR parents with their kids. Program includes decorating the bears stuffed for distribution Christmas, rosary, at and prizes!

**Important October PSR dates:** Oct. 21-Family Gathered Session (kids AND parents); Oct. 28-Class



## EUCHARISTIC MINISTER NEEDS AT 4:00 & 8:00 MASSES

Parish Family, we want to make you aware of a slight change to compensate for the shortage of Eucharistic Minister volunteers for the 4:00 and 8:00 Masses. The choir and parishioners seated in the choir loft will now come down to the altar to receive communion before all other parishioners. Therefore, <u>only</u> <u>three Eucharistic ministers will be required</u> <u>for the distribution of Holy Communion</u>. All Eucharistic Ministers in attendance for the 4:00 or 8:00 Mass should make special note of this change. The 10:30 Mass remains unchanged with four communion ministers needed.

<u>Eucharistic Ministers will distribute</u> the Eucharist after the communion line has ended to parishioners who wish to receive from their pew due to ambulation difficulties.

Please consider becoming a Eucharistic Minister to help alleviate the volunteer shortage. If interested, notify the Parish Office.



Another high point in a tour of a Catholic church was often the reredos (from *arrere* "rear" and *dos* "back"), the statues and paintings on the back

of the altar together with their beautiful and



elaborately carves shrines. The reredos or extension of the altar is what most Catholics meant when they spoke of the altar (rather than the table itself). These altars with their reredos were often objects of great beauty, the focal point of the assembly area and the pride of the parish.

In churches being built today, we usually do not see a reredos. In older churches which

have been recently remodeled, the removal of statues and the "high altar" has caused even more protest from Catholics than the removal of the tabernacle. Understandably, the reasons for these changes must be as serious as the pain they have caused.

In the early Middle Ages, a greater stress began to be placed on the sacredness of the Mass and the "other worldly" character of the mysteries. Holy Communion was received only by the clergy. The altar gradually moved away from the assembly of the

faithful to the rear of the choir and was placed against the back wall. The back wall itself began to have a special significance. The wall had been ornamented from early times, often with a painting of the cross, Lamb of God, Good Shepherd or Christ in Glory. These paintings





began to be placed on the altar itself and the altar was extended back and up to form the reredos. Statues appear on this extension of the altar: First came the crucifixion, then the martyr whose relics were under the altar, or the saint in whose honor the church was dedicated. Later other saints were added.

The statues and paintings of the saints aided the devotion of the faithful at a time when active participation in the liturgical action were reserved to the clergy. The statues placed us in union with heroic Christians of other times and places. The saints were intercessors for particular favors and blessings.



At the time of the Reformation. Protestant many Churches removed these decorations so that the Word of God could be heard more clearly. Excessive decoration is hindrance to effective preaching. As the American playwright Thornton Wilder said

regarding his minimal staging for his plays: "If the eye sees too much, the ear doesn't really listen."

Because our liturgy was in a language which many of us did not understand, Catholics were not concerned about the ear and continued to create a feast for the eye. This changed when the Second Vatican Council allowed the ligurgy in our own language so that we could hear the Sacred Scriptures and understand the prayers and proclaim our faith in songs and acclamations. Today Catholics are beginning to look for a balance: seeing, hearing, doing. One sign of our new interest in hearing is our increasing concern for good preaching and quality homilies.

We will not strengthen the ear by starving the eye! There is no movement to remove statues and decorations simply to make our churches bare and plain. Quite the contrary. To quote again the bishops' statement on the environment: *'In a world dominated by science and technology, liturgy's quest for the beautiful is a particularly necessary contribution to full and balanced human life''* (Environment, 34). Statues and beautiful objects of art, banners and flowers will always be an important part of the environment for our worship.

Next week, we will take a close look at the statues we see within our beautiful church.

#### (Message of His Holiness — Continued)

addressed to the young people of Chile: "Never think that you have nothing to offer, or that nobody needs you. Many people need you. Think about it! Each of you, think in your heart: many people need me" (<u>Meeting with Young People,</u> <u>Maipu Shrine, 17 January 2018</u>).

Dear young people, this coming October, the month of the missions, we will hold the Synod devoted to you. It will prove to be one more occasion to help us become missionary disciples, ever more passionately devoted to Jesus and his mission, to the ends of the earth. I ask Mary, Queen of the Apostles, Saint Francis Xavier, Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus and Blessed Paolo Manna to intercede for all of us and to accompany us always.

From the Vatican, 20 May 2018, Solemnity of Pentecost

#### FRANCIS



### **November 2, 2018**

On All Soul's Day and throughout November, we will remember and pray for our deceased loved ones. To

include your family member(s), please list their name(s) on the **ALL SOUL'S DAY 2018** form in the vestibule, contact the church office or submit names clearly marked for All Soul's Day in the collection basket. A donation of \$10 per name is greatly appreciated. Names will be placed at the Altar of Mary until November 25, the Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe.

## Our Condolences

to Art & Juanita Steinbaugh upon the death of Art's sister, Pauline Marek, who passed away Sunday, September 30, 2018.



Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and all of the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

## WORLD MISSION SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21-Voices for Mission

World Mission Sunday, our annual worldwide Eucharistic celebration for the Missions and missionaries of the world, is this weekend Oct. 21, 2018. This collection on the next-to-last Sunday in October is a unique, global effort for the entire Church to provide for the building up of over 1,000 local churches in Asia and Africa, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe. Through the work of these churches, and their witness to Christ, the poor receive practical help and experience God's love and mercy, His hope, and peace.



All Saints' Day is a solemn holy day of the Catholic Church celebrated annually on November 1. The day is dedicated to the saints of the Church, that is, all those who have attained heaven.

It should not be confused with All Souls' Day, which is observed on November 2, and is dedicated to those who have died and not yet reached heaven.

Although millions, or even billions of people may already be saints, All Saints' Day observances tend to focus on known saints--that is those recognized in the canon of the saints by the Catholic Church.

All Saints' Day is a Catholic Holy Day of Obligation, meaning all Catholics are required to attend Mass on that day, unless they have an excellent excuse, such as serious illness.



Our parish is hosting a Thanksgiving Food & Goods Shower to benefit the Sisters. Donation items may be placed through Suggested items: dishwashing detergent; laundry

detergent, paper goods (napkins, tissues, paper towels, bath tissue), personal hygiene items (body wash/soap, toothpaste, mouthwash, shampoo, hand/body lotion, deodorant, etc), canned goods including soups, vegetables (spinach, mixed vegetables, sweet peas, green beans), cranberry sauce. canned meats, canned fish, powered or canned milk, fruit juices, jams & jellies, peanut butter, dried fruits, nuts, hot chocolate, oatmeal and other cooking cereal, instant coffee, cookies, etc. No candy or corn, please.

#### GIFT CARDS ARE GREATLY APPRRECIATED.

This list is posted on the bulletin boards in the Church Hall. Please feel free to take a copy with you.

## **ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY MEETING**



A meeting of the St. Vincent de Paul Society will be held this Sunday, October 21, at 1:30 p.m.



Congratulations to Corey and Kelse Davis who were united in marriage on Friday, October 19, 2018.

"May your marriage always bring glory to God, joy to one another and blessings to your family for many generations to come. May love and laughter fill your hearts and your home throughout all the days of your lives. May you face every challenge hand-in-hand and side-by-side knowing that with God's grace, you will conquer all obstacles together. May the world be forever a better place because the two of you fell in love. Amen.'



## **TEMPORARY** WEEKDAY MASS **SCHEDULE November 5-December 5**

Schedule Beginning the week of November 5 through December 5, weekday Mass will be held weekly at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday while Father is out of the country. Daily Mass will resume as normal on December 11

The weekend Sunday Mass schedule is unaffected with Father Vincent Au, CMC, serving as the celebrant.



The Sacristan Ministry is a "behind-thescenes"

service which can be performed by individuals or couples who wish to perform a needed service, but do not wish to be visible to the congregation. Some people are not comfortable being in front of the congregation as a lector, choir member or Eucharistic Minister. If you are shy about most ministries, Sacristan is ideal for you. The entire service of this ministry occurs before and after the Mass Liturgy.

Mission: The Mission of Sacristan is to set up the vessels before Mass. After Mass, the Sacristan takes the sacred vessels (ciborium, chalices, carafe, and cruet) to the sacristy and returns them to their proper places or resets for the next Mass.

Volunteer Opportunity: Sacristans are needed before and after the Saturday Mass and after the 8:00 and 10:30 Sunday Masses as scheduled and also at Holy Day Masses and any other extra liturgies by individual availability.

Training: Training is scheduled by appointment and takes place in the Sacristy and Sanctuary of the Church. It normally takes 30 minutes plus a supervised session at an actual liturgy.

Time Commitment: Depending on the volunteer response, we would like to assign each sacristan to serve at one or two liturgies per month. Sacristan duties take approximately 20 minutes before/after mass.

Ready to Begin Your Ministry? Please contact the Parish Office to volunteer.