

## Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sept. 10, 2017  
Year A

### Exaltation of the Holy Cross

The cross was once the most horrible way to die, fit only for the lowest of criminals whose crimes were nailed above their heads as examples to those who would see them.

Christ humbled himself, by being born in a barn, by living as a man, and by dying on a cross with the words "King of the Jews" written above his head for all to see.

As Christ transformed himself through his death and resurrection, and changed death from something to be feared to the beginning of new life, he transformed the cross from an object of fear to a symbol of hope, and from a sign of death to the greatest symbol of love, and everlasting life.

**Happy 40th Anniversary to  
Jeff and Jeanie Smith!!**  
**We wish you many more!**



### HURRICANE HARVEY—2ND COLLECTION TODAY!

There will be a 2nd collection taken up today to help with Hurricane Harvey disaster relief. PLEASE BE GENEROUS!

If you don't have a donation today, please put something in an envelope, mark it "Hurricane Harvey", and drop it in the regular collection next week.

And please say some extra prayers for these folks, they have been through a lot!

### Reading through the Catechism 10 minutes a day

Are you interested in going deeper in your relationship with Christ? Reading the Catechism with a modest schedule of 15 paragraphs per night, 5 nights a week over 38 weeks is a great way to do this. You will receive an email every two weeks, beginning September 18 and the reading will take 10-15 minutes per night. Here is one reason to consider this opportunity: You will have an ever-growing attitude of gratitude toward God for all that He has done for you! Send an email to Ann Lankford at [alankford@diolc.org](mailto:alankford@diolc.org) with "Reading the Catechism in the subject line." This is a great opportunity to enrich your understanding of our faith! Please take advantage of this.



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#### REGULAR WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE

Sun. 8:30 AM St Joseph  
(or St John)  
10:15 AM IC  
Sat. 4:30 PM IC Span.

#### CONFESSION

Talk with the visiting priest

We do not have a resident priest at this time. In case of emergency, please contact Dawn Kaufman, and she will find a priest. We will publish a number for a priest, hopefully in the next bulletin.

**Prayer Chain Requests  
contact Jolene Janke  
715-964-6334 or  
stevenmj@centurytel.net**

The power of prayer is Amazing!  
Please pray for all on the Prayer Chain, as well as our Active Military:  
Geraldyn Janke, Joseph Janke, Ed Carson, Katie Kotschi, Frank Ueker, Peter Dubey, Benjamin Kauer

#### Sun. Sep. 10, 10:15 AM, IC

R: JoAnn Kujak  
S: Dylan Anderson  
U: M Schroeder, D Laufenberg, J Rowekamp, C Cray  
E: Greg Seichter, Mary Seichter, John Esser  
G: McFarlanes  
MC: Lawrence Anibas, Holly Dale

#### Sun. Sep. 17, 10:15 AM, IC

R: Kathy Esser  
S: Justin Rowekamp, Jaden Rowekamp  
U: M Dale, J Esser, L Anibas, B Leis  
E: Kathy Esser, JoAnn Kujak, Pat Gower  
G: Pam & Duane Laufenberg  
MC: Gary Seichter, Mary Seichter, Pat Gower

#### Sun. Sep. 24, 10:15 AM, IC

R: Matt Dale  
S: Dylan Anderson  
U: M Kujak, M Schroeder, D Laufenberg, J Rowekamp  
E: Mike Esser, Joan Esser, Pat Gower  
G: The Kujaks  
MC: Marilou Peterson, Mike Esser, Joan Esser

#### MASS INTENTIONS:

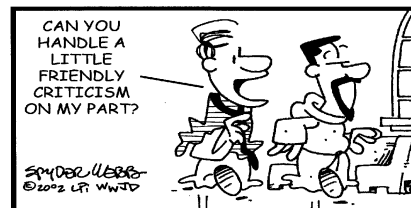
**Sep. 10 Sun. IC 10:15am**  
†Laura Esser and Family (*Claire Esser*)

**Sep. 16 Sat. IC 4:30 pm (Span)**  
For All Members of Our Three Parishes

**Sep. 17 Sun. IC 10:15am**  
†Bernard & Dorothy Laufenberg Family

All Masses and intentions are tentative until we get a new schedule and know when Masses will be said.

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



#### Sun. Sep. 10, 8:30 AM, St. John

R: Rozanne Traczek  
S: Luke Kutchera, Sierra Mayer  
U: Gary Kaufman, Bill Connelly  
E: Rozanne Traczek, Louise Bourke, D Kaufman  
G: Bob & Sandy Mayer  
MC: R Traczek, Louise Bourke, Sandy Mayer

#### Sun. Sep. 17, 8:30 AM, St. Joseph

R: Jan Elfering  
S: Victor Firkus, Sierra Mayer  
U: Pat Kutchera, Joe Kutchera  
E: Bonnie Firkus, Joan Scheffer, Peg Connelly  
G: Rick & Pam Dimmitt  
MC: Rick Dimmitt, Bonnie Firkus, Peg Connelly

#### Sun. Sep. 24, 8:30 AM, St. John

R: Ceana Eisberner  
S: Luke Kutchera, Elise Theiler  
U: John Kutchera, Nick Kutchera  
E: Rozanne Traczek, Louise Bourke, D Kaufman  
G: Jeff & Jeanie Smith  
MC: Jeanie Smith, R Traczek, Louise Bourke

#### MASS INTENTIONS:

**Sep. 10 Sun. St. John 8:30 am**  
†Bob, Jean, Mike Kutchera & Becky Kortbein (*Patricia Kutchera*)

**Sep. 17 Sun. St. Joseph 8:30 am**  
†Becky Kortbein (*Sandy Carney*)

**Sep. 24 Sun. St. John 8:30 am**  
†Harold Frazee (*Christina Frazee*)

9/3/17	IC	St. Jos.	St. JOHN
ADULT	152.00	926.00	15.00
PLATE	205.00	82.75	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>357.00</b>	<b>1008.75</b>	<b>15.00</b>
BUDGET	880.00	702.00	344.00
<b>DIFFERENCE</b>	<b>-523.00</b>	<b>+306.75</b>	<b>-329.00</b>
BUDG DIFF YTD	-273.00	+225.75	-135.50

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