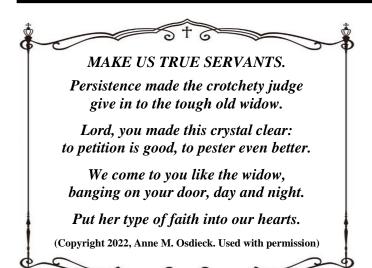
October 16 – Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Prayer: A Powerful Battle

Water cuts through rock, not because of its power, but because of its persistence. As believing Christians, persistence is one of the key virtues to our life of prayer. We will penetrate the solid rock of our faith, which is Christ, only through regular and relentless prayer. Saint Luke makes this clear when he reveals Jesus' intention in telling this parable "about the necessity for them to pray always without becoming weary" (Luke 18:1). Jesus wants us to keep at it in prayer. The Catechism of the Catholic Church has an entire section devoted to prayer with the intriguing title "The Battle of Prayer." After 2,000 years of experience, the Church sums up the theme of prayer as a battle! Moses might have said the same thing, for his perseverance in prayer was reflected in the battle with Amalek.

The truth is, God doesn't entrust the treasures of his friendship to just anyone who says to him, "Lord, Lord." He knows the fickleness of the human heart but also knows that fidelity over time is the evidence of sincere love. He longs for the hearts of his children to seek him, but he also knows that for them to reach full maturity in him, growth in prayer must be steady. God is not at all like the unscrupulous judge of the Gospel. That is exactly Jesus' point. If God is literally dying to reconcile with us, then so much more will he respond to us if we are persistent in praying to him. (By Fr. Mark Haydu, LC)

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SANCTUARY LIGHT

October 16 – Harold and Virginia Reisman October 23 – Philip and Ruth Gehl October 30 – Lawrence and Lillian Lustig

MASS INTENTIONS

October 15 – Harold Huff October 16 – Paul Schroeder October 22 – Anthony Hilbert Jr. October 23 – Jeff and Cindy Weisenbach 25th Wedding Anniversary

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday - October 22 at 4:00 PM

Lector: Judy Steuri

Gifts: Mike and Cathy Wagner

NO Eucharist Minister

Sunday - October 23 at 10:00 AM

Lectors: Julie Stephens, Jane Pictor Gifts: Jeff and Cindy Weisenbach Eucharist Minister: Leslie Hicks

Saturday – October 29 at 4:00 PM

Lector: Tara Johannigman Gifts: Dennis and Flo Wagner Eucharist Minister: Judy Steuri

Sunday - October 30 at 10:00 AM

Lectors: David Hardesty, Donna Harlemert

Gifts: Steve and Ann Wagner

Eucharist Minister: Cindy Weisenbach

PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes	\$3478.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 14.83
Loose Collection	\$ 521.00
Total Regular Collection	\$4013.83
Capital Improvement	\$250.00
World Mission	\$25.00
Rummage Sale (Bills To Be Paid Yet)	\$3899.63

MONTHLY REPORT - SEPTEMBER				
Electronic Giving for September	\$2,210.00			
Total Sunday & Holy Day Collections (7/1/22 - 9/30/22)	\$49,697.25			
Amount Required to Meet Budget (7/1/22 - 9/30/22)	\$45,994.00			

<u>REST IN PEACE</u> – St. Maurice parishioners extend sympathy to the family of Mary Gilland, whose Mass of Resurrection was celebrated on Thursday, October 13. May she now join the company of all the saints!

We also remember and pray for Father William Ripperger, who died on October 8. He served in this parish from 1995 to 2002. May he also know the joy of being in the Eternal Presence of God!

RUMMAGE SALE – Thank you to all who helped Roberta Bohman with the Rummage Sale. \$3,899.63 was received from the sales. All the items left were sent to the Methodist Mountain Missions.

FALL SMORGASBORD — We are still in need of frozen corn, sweet potatoes, and ground beef. If you can donate, please see Judy or Susan. Also, the lady chairpersons will be calling their committee for donations of food and help. We ask each family to do their part in making this smorgasbord a success! In back of church are flyers, so please pick one or two up and help us advertise.

BELL SYSTEM – You may have seen in Mary Gilland's obituary that memorials could be given to the St. Maurice bell tower project. Let me explain. The family of Mary Gilland approached me concerning a monetary gift from Mary for a parish project. I had been thinking about a carillon bell system for the parish for some time since parishioners could no longer toll the bells at funerals (toll bell in the choir loft), but this was not a necessity and so, if pursued, would need to be paid for through donations. Then I made my retreat at Oldenburg and for one week enjoyed the Holy Family bell system.

After being approached by Mary's family, I contacted the Verdin Bell Company and a representative came to the Parish Council meeting or a presentation and demonstration. At that meeting, the Council made the decision to purchase a Verdin Adagio II Carillon system IF the money could be obtained through donations. Let's place this project in the hands of God as we have all of our projects.

THOUGHT TO PONDER – What would happen if we consciously directed our inner whine to God and called it prayer?

GREETERS FOR 4:00 PM MASS

October 22 – Dennis Wagner and Gary Wagner October 29 – Paul Simon and Ken Hellmich

GREETERS FOR 10:00 AM MASS

October 23 – Kevin Tunny and Steve Wagner October 30 – Paul and Arlene Gehl

MISSION SUNDAY — "You shall be my witnesses" is this year's theme for the collection for World Mission Sunday, October 23. We are urged to join Catholics from around the world in our Christian calling to bear witness to Christ, to participate in a mission of universal evangelization, and to seek the strength and guidance of the Holy Spirit. Your prayers and financial support are needed and appreciated.

RESPECT LIFE MONTH – You are asked to bring your baby bottles back by Sunday, October 30. If you purchased baby wipes, diapers, or formula, bring those any Sunday in October and place them in the containers in the sanctuary. Thank you for helping God's little ones!

RELIGIOUS ED – Preschool through Grade 5 will meet for class on October 19, 6:45 PM. The "Special Parish Friends" program will begin at this class. Each class is given the name of one or two parishioners who are sick or who have lost a loved one. During the year, they "gift" them in small ways and also pray for them. This is another beautiful way of living our parish theme!

JR. HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS ED

Classes for Grades 6 through 10 next Sunday,
 October 23, at 8:30 AM. Sister Loretto from the
 Archdiocesan Mission Office will speak to them of the Church's outreach to mission lands.

PRAYER – Faithful God, forgive us our lack of constancy and inspire us in our prayer that we may come to know and love you and your people. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen. (The Redemptorists)

<u>THE LORD'S LAUGHTER</u> – Letter to God from a 6-year-old girl: "Dear God, Instead of letting people die and having to make new ones, why don't you just keep the ones you got now?" – Jane (The Joyful Noiseletter)

October 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
25	26	27	28	29	30	1
	POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH For a Church open to everyone: We pray for the Church; ever faithful to, and courageous in preaching the Gospel, may the Church be a community of solidarity, fraternity and welcome, always living in an atmosphere of synodality.				Mass 4:00 PM Blood Pressure Checks	
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
RE Classes 8:30 AM Mass 10:00 AM Blood Pressure Checks Donuts & Coffee 11:00 AM		FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS	Faith Formation Meeting 4:30 PM Blessing of Pets 6:30 PM RE Classes 6:45 PM	Parish Council Meeting 6:30 PM	FEAST OF HOLY ROSARY Adoration 8:00 AM - Noon Rummage Sale 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM	Rummage Sale 8:00 AM - Noon Mass 4:00 PM
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
NO RE CLASSES (FALL BREAK) 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass 10:00 AM Donuts & Coffee 11:00 AM	Columbus Day	FEAST OF POPE JOHN XXIII	NO RE CLASSES (FALL BREAK)			FEAST OF ST. TERESA OF JESUS Mass 4:00 PM
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
RE CLASSES 8:30 AM 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass 10:00 AM Donuts & Coffee 11:00 AM		FEAST OF ST. LUKE	RE Classes 6:45 PM Parish Friends Program Begins			FEAST OF ST. JOHN PAUL II Mass 4:00 PM Hall Rented
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
RE CLASSES 8:30 AM 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Mass 10:00 AM Donuts & Coffee 11:00 AM			RE Classes 6:45 PM		FEAST OF STS. SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES	Mass 4:00 PM
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