

October 1 – Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



October is Respect Life Month. Respecting life begins with the understanding that life is good and that it's a gift directly from God—not our parents or the government which should help to protect and nurture it, but from God.

Life is good when it feels good and when it doesn't. Life is good when we're young and feel great and when we're old and sick. Life is good because it is God's gift. All life: the child in the womb, the criminal waiting for execution, the terminally ill hoping for heaven, the soldier on the battlefield, the person you see in the mirror when you are grieving or depressed or just plain tired. All life is gift and all life is good.

Catholic Church leaders have said this clearly, many times. In an address to the participants at the twelfth general assembly of the Pontifical Academy for Life in 2006, Pope Benedict XVI said, "God's love does not differentiate between the newly conceived infant still in his or her mother's womb and the child or young person, or the adult and the elderly person. God does not distinguish between them because he sees an impression of his own image and likeness (Genesis 1:26) in each one." (Paige Byrne Shortal)

PARISH INFORMATION ABOUT THE SACRAMENTS:

Baptism: Please call the parish office about Sacramental preparation and to schedule Baptism celebration.

Marriage: Preparation for the Sacrament of Marriage requires at least six months. Call the parish office before setting the date of your wedding.

Reconciliation: The Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered 15 minutes before the Masses or by appointment.

The Sacrament of **Anointing** is available upon request.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

Monday: Rosary at 10:30 AM

Thursday: Holy Hour at 5:00 PM; Mass following at 6:00 PM

Sunday Obligation: 9:00 AM

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CHURCH

Wednesday, Friday, Saturday: Holy Hour at 7:00 AM;
Mass following at 8:00 AM

Friday: Eucharistic Adoration 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Saturday Obligation: 5:00 PM

Sunday Obligation: 7:30 AM

Confession: Friday: 3:00 - 4:00 PM / Saturday: 4:45 PM

SANCTUARY LIGHT

October 1 – Fr. John Geis

October 8 – Carl and Patricia Mistler

October 15 – James and Ruby Freeman

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 30 – Evelyn Kieffer

Sunday, October 1 – Dolores Wagner

Tuesday, October 3 – Amelia Wolter

Saturday, October 7 – Lynn Herbert

Sunday, October 8 – Caleb Kramer

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday – October 7 at 4:00 PM

Servers: Ella Wagner, Allie Harmeyer

Lector: Tara Johannigman

Gifts: Dennis and Flo Wagner

EM: Terry Harmeyer (*Bread*), Roseann Wirth (*Hall*)

Judy Steuri, Rita Kress

Sunday – October 8 at 10:00 AM

Server: Hudson Kohlman

Lectors: Susan Schutte, Amy Kinker

Gifts: Daniel and Becca Harlemert

EM: Amanda Schutte (*Bread*), Cindy Weisenbach (*Hall*)

Kevin Tunny, Scott Simon

Saturday – October 14 at 4:00 PM

Servers: Sam Simon, Ava Wagner

Lector: Judy Steuri

Gifts: Brian and Karen Horan

EM: Beth Simon (*Bread*), Judy Steuri (*Hall*)

Terry Harmeyer, Rita Kress

Sunday – October 15 at 10:00 AM

Server: Macy Kinker

Lectors: David Hardesty, Cindy Weisenbach

Gifts: Chris and Valorie Parker

EM: Kevin Tunny (*Bread*), Leslie Hicks (*Hall*)

Vicki Wagner, Amanda Schutte

PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes	\$2316.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 21.25
Loose Collection	\$ 285.00
Total Regular Collection	\$2622.25
Capital Improvement	\$340.00
Religious Education	\$95.00
Parish Mission	\$1170.00
Donation for Float	\$30.00

BLESSINGS TO YOU THIS WEEK!

RUMMAGE SALE – The Mary & Martha Circle Fall Rummage Sale is this week, Friday, October 6, 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM, and Saturday, October 7, 8:00 AM to Noon. You can bring your donations to the hall starting today, Sunday, October 1, through Wednesday, October 4, no later. And if you plan to donate bed linens, curtains, or similar items, we ask that you label what they are, the size, and how many pieces are in a set. Please call Roberta Bohman, 812-756-4191, if you have any questions.

CHURCH CLEANING – Committee #10, with Roseann Wirth as chairperson, will be cleaning church for the month of October. We thank you ladies for your time!

175TH CELEBRATION – Our 175th anniversary celebration is on Sunday, December 3. On the back table as you come into church, there is an invitation for every household in the parish. Please make sure to pick up this invitation within the next two weeks.

ELEMENTARY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – Classes for Preschool through Grade 5 on Wednesday, October 4, 6:45 PM. **In honor of the Feast of St. Francis, there will also be a blessing of pets at 6:30 PM.**

JR. HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – There will be NO classes for Grades 6 through 11 next week. Enjoy your Fall Break!

NO HOLY HOUR/MASS – Father Binu will be at a retreat October 9–12. There will be no Holy Hour or Mass on October 10 at St. Maurice, and there will be no Holy Hour or Mass at Immaculate Conception in Millhousen or St. John the Baptist in Osgood on any of those days.

UNITED CATHOLIC APPEAL – The United Catholic Appeal kicks off soon. Be looking in the mail for your pledge card. “The United Catholic Appeal embodies the spirit of generosity and unity within the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. With a rich history of faith, compassion, and community, this appeal aims to support and strengthen the vital ministries and initiatives that touch the lives of countless individuals across central and southern Indiana.”

4:00 PM MASS GREETERS

October 7 – Steve Gilland, Brian Horan
October 14 – Paul Simon, Ken Harmeyer
October 21 – Eric Busch, Ken Hellmich
October 28 – Dennis Wagner, Gary Wagner

10:00 AM MASS GREETERS

October 8 – George and Mary Bultman
October 15 – Paul and Arlene Gehl
October 22 – Tom and Joyce Muckerheide
October 29 – George Bultman, Kevin Tunny

ROSARY COAST TO COAST – St. Louis Parish invites everyone to the Gazebo at Liberty Park, 716 S. Park Avenue, Batesville, on Saturday, October 7, at 3:00 PM, for the Divine Mercy Chaplet, speakers, and songs, and then praying the Rosary Coast to Coast beginning at 4:00 PM. All ages welcome!

CALLING ALL SINGERS – If you are interested in joining the Golden Gate singers, they are starting practice October 1 at the United Methodist Church in Osgood for their performance of “Glorious Impossible.” Practice is every Sunday at 1:30 PM until their performance on December 3 at 7:00 PM at the Damm Theatre in Osgood. If you have any questions, contact Sharon Miller at 812-871-3401.

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS – Conversion, changing the heart, is...at times a painful process, because there is no path of holiness without some sacrifice and without a spiritual battle...Conversion is a grace we must always ask for: “Lord, give me the grace to improve. Give me the grace to be a good Christian.” (*Angelus, Rome, September 27, 2020*)

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION – In what circumstances are you arrogant? What can you do to strengthen the bonds of unity in your family? Your workplace? Your parish?

THE LORD'S LAUGHTER – A young mother was preparing pancakes for her two sons, ages 6 and 4, for breakfast. The boys began arguing over who would get the first pancake.

The mother admonished the boys: "If Jesus were here, He would say, 'Let my brother have the first pancake. I can wait.'"

The older boy turned to his brother and said, "Okay, you be Jesus." (via Carolyn Burns, St. Michael's Lutheran Church, Portage, MI)

October 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Jr. High/High School Religious Ed 8:30 - 9:45 AM Mass - 10:00 AM NO Coffee & Donuts	Hall in Use - Setting Up for Rummage Sale	Hall in Use - Setting Up for Rummage Sale Holy Hour 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Celebration of Mass 6:00 PM	Hall in Use - Setting Up for Rummage Sale Feast of St. Francis Pet Blessing 6:30 PM Elementary RE Classes 6:45 - 8:00 PM	Hall in Use - Setting Up for Rummage Sale	Rummage Sale 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 AM - Noon	Rummage Sale 8:00 AM - Noon Celebration of Mass - 4:00 PM Blood Pressure Checks Pickpocketers
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
NO Jr. High/High School RE Classes Mass - 10:00 AM Blood Pressure Checks Coffee & Donuts Pickpocketers	COLUMBUS DAY	NO Holy Hour or Mass	FEAST OF POPE JOHN XXIII NO Elementary RE Classes - Fall Break		Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 AM - Noon	Celebration of Mass - 4:00 PM
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Celebration of Mass 10:00 AM Coffee & Donuts Youth Outing to Rascal's Fun Zone		Holy Hour 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Celebration of Mass 6:00 PM Parish Council Meeting 6:45 PM	FEAST OF ST. LUKE Elementary Religious Education Classes 6:45 - 8:00 PM		Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 AM - Noon	Celebration of Mass - 4:00 PM
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
WORLD MISSION SUNDAY Jr. High/High School Religious Ed 8:30 - 9:45 AM Celebration of Mass 10:00 AM Coffee & Donuts		Holy Hour 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Celebration of Mass 6:00 PM	Elementary Religious Education Classes 6:45 - 8:00 PM		Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 9:00 AM - Noon	FEAST OF STS. SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES Celebration of Mass - 4:00 PM
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
Jr. High/High School Religious Ed 8:30 - 9:45 AM Celebration of Mass 10:00 AM Hall Rented - No Mass in Hall NO Coffee & Donuts		Holy Hour 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM Celebration of Mass 6:00 PM EVE OF ALL SAINTS HALLOWEEN	ALL SAINTS DAY Mass at St. John 5:30 PM Mass at St. Maurice 7:00 PM HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION	ALL SOULS DAY	THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR THE MONTH For the Synod: We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.	