

September 30 – Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

THEME FOR 2018-2019

Growing in
Faith
Living in
Hope
&
Love Acting in

Lord God, allow faith, hope, and love to enter into our minds.

Allow faith, hope and love to enter into our spirits.

Allow faith, hope and love to enter into our bodies.

Lord God, allow us to be overflowing in faith, in hope and in love.

Let them fill our minds with a sense of purpose and direction.

Let them fill our spirit with life and enthusiasm.

Let them fill our hearts and draw us into renewed love.

Lord God allow us this year as individuals and as a parish to grow in faith, to live in hope, and to act in love.

We pray this prayer in Jesus' name.

Amen.

Witness

"Anyone who is not against us is for us!" Consider this statement in a new way. Jesus is inclusive: he wants all his followers to be saved! He encourages each of us, "Take up your baptismal cross to do marvelous things in my name." Jesus tells those who place obstacles in the way of faith that they exclude themselves and are open to punishment. Faith bears witness to the resurrection of Christ. Obstacles that come from hypocritical actions or excuses bear false witness. Christians grasp Christ Jesus risen in their lives of faith. (Text, Philip J. Sandstorm, STD, 2000, OCP. All rights reserved. Used with Permission.)

PRAYER SERVICES

Wed., Oct. 3	7:45 AM	Morning Prayer
Fri., Oct. 5	7:45 AM	Morning Prayer

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Sept. 29	4 PM	Art Young
Sun., Sept. 30	10 AM	Irene Barnhorst
Sat., Oct. 6	4 PM	Myrna Kohlman
Sun., Oct. 7	10 AM	Caleb Kramer

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday – October 6 at 4:00 PM

Greeters: Gary Wagner

Joe and Janet Wagner

Server: Cloey Simon

Cantors: Joe Wagner, Sarah Wenning

Lectors: Judy Steuri, Cathy Wagner

Euch. Ministers: Katy Schmidt, Janet Deller
Janet Wagner, Bill Deller

Sunday – October 7 at 10:00 AM

Greeters: Ken and Janice Fry - back

Paul and Arlene Gehl - back

Mark Wagner - side

Servers: Shaylee Volz, Caleb Simon

Cantor: Scott Simon

Lectors: David Hardesty, Julie Stephens

Euch. Ministers: Ben Harlemert, Blake Simon
Amy Kinker, Jane Pictor

PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes	\$2301.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 8.39
Loose Collection	<u>\$ 356.00</u>
Total Regular Collection	\$2665.39
Capital Improvement	\$505.00

Harvest Blessings!

"Man alone, of all creatures, has a soul which is capable of knowing the infinite; he alone has aspirations beyond what he sees and touches and feels; he alone can attain everything in the world and still not be satisfied. That is why, when he misses the infinite and the eternal for which he was made and which alone can satisfy, he despairs." ~ Fulton Sheen

STEWARDSHIP – St. James warns in today's second reading that those who hoard their wealth and live only for themselves will be condemned. But in the Gospel, Jesus assures us that all who give of themselves for His sake will be rewarded.

SANCTUARY LIGHT – The sanctuary light will burn September 30 through October 7 for Nancy Schmalenberg.

REST IN PEACE – St. Maurice parishioners extend sympathy to Susan Pahner upon the death of her mother, Mary Fay Dapper. May God bestow Eternal Joy upon Mary!

SECOND COLLECTION – All parishes are asked to take up a second collection for the victims of Hurricane Florence. This collection will be taken up in our parish the weekend of October 6-7. Please give as you are able, and continue your prayers for them. Thank you.

ST. MAURICE CELEBRATION – Thank you...thank you to our Faith Formation Committee for planning and implementing our St. Maurice Celebration! Also a word of gratitude to Paul Thole and James Collier (Paul's nephew) for providing music for the sing-a-long. And to all who brought food and attended, thank you for adding to the joy of the evening!

Sean Gallagher, writer for the Criterion, was present, so look for his article in a future issue.

BLESSING OF ANIMALS – The annual Blessing of Animals will take place on the front lawn of the parish home Wednesday, October 3, 6:30 PM. Bring your pets!

PARISH COUNCIL – Parish Council members will meet on Thursday, October 4, 7:00 PM.

ADORATION – Eucharistic Adoration will be held this Friday, October 5, 8:00 AM to 12:00 Noon.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – Classes for Preschool through Grade 5, Wednesday, October 3, 6:45 PM. At 6:30, there will be a pet blessing. Please have pets on a leash or in a cage.

NO classes for Grades 6 through 11 next Sunday, October 7, because of Fall Break!

FALL RUMMAGE SALE – The Martha and Mary Circle will have their annual Fall Rummage Sale this Friday and Saturday, October 5 and 6. You can bring in your donations Monday through Wednesday, no later than Wednesday evening. If the doors are locked, you can put your items in the shelter. Also, if you can help sort, work at the sale, or help clean up afterwards, please call Roberta Bohman (812-756-4191).

BLOOD PRESSURE – You can get your blood pressure checked next weekend, October 6 and 7, in the St. Anne Room following the Masses. Roseann Wirth and Jodi Meister will be there to assist you.

PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY – There will be a Public Square praying of the Rosary for America on Saturday, October 13, at 12:00 noon in front of St. Maurice's Parish Lobby. As human efforts fail to solve America's key problems, we turn to God, through His Holy Mother, asking His urgent help. All are welcome.

THE LORD'S LAUGHTER – Men marry women with the hope they will never change. Women marry men with the hope they will change. Invariably, they're both disappointed. (Albert Einstein)

SUNDAY REFLECTIONS

The Gospel today is filled with scary imagery about what will happen to us if we lead a "little one" into sin. It seems that Jesus might mean we are our own "little ones" and we must not lead ourselves into sinful ways.

The image of being thrown into the sea with a heavy stone tied to our neck or facing the fires of hell is very harsh. Even worse is the idea of having to cut off our offending hand or foot. And, if our lustful eyes yield to temptation, we are also advised to remove the offending eye from our head.

Our hope can be found in Jesus' words, "Whoever is not against us is for us." If we continue to be "for Jesus" and do what is good, we will not lose our way. (Deacon Dick Folger)