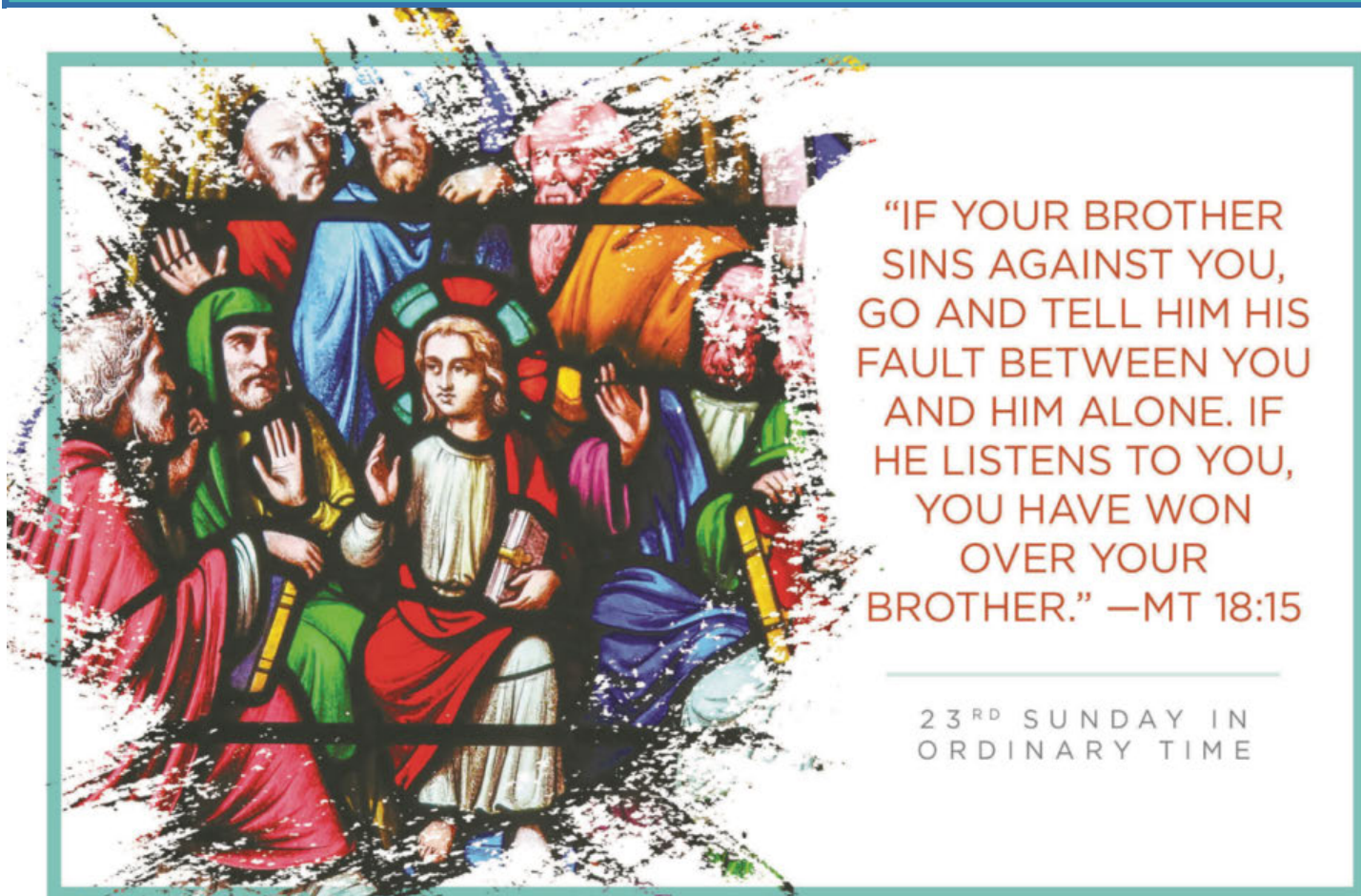


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AND HIM ALONE. IF
HE LISTENS TO YOU,
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OVER YOUR
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COLLECTIONS & ATTENDANCE

SEPTEMBER 2 & 3, 2023—WEEKEND TOTALS:

COLLECTIONS:	SH	SC
WEEKLY COLLECTION	N/A	731.00
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PARISH TOTAL	921.60	939.00
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Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sun. Sept. 10, 8:30 am (SC) - 1.) †In memory of Emily Wray, requested by Jim Wray.

2.) †For the repose of the soul of David Kollar, requested by Michele Furnare.

Sun. Sept. 17, 8:30 am (SC) - 1.) †In memory of Alex & Betty Adesse, requested by their daughters.

2.) †In memory of Bailey Alexandria Field, 3 years passed, requested by Mom, Dad and Sammy.

3.) †For the repose of the soul of Cheryl Phillips, requested by Michele Furnare.

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Love and Truth

I think even the most devout, the most pious Catholic reading this could summon to mind, if asked, one or even two examples of Catholic teaching for which they have desperately looked for a loophole.

Don't worry, I won't make you share with the group. But bring it to your mind now: the doctrine you once resented, or perhaps still do. The commandment you don't fully understand, the one you bristle against. The rule you find the hardest to follow. The belief you hate explaining to your friends.

If it disappeared from scripture or dropped out of the catechism, would your life really be easier? Would you be happier?

I am thinking of mine. For a long time, I searched high and low for a way around this particular teaching. I read books and Scripture and tradition, I prayed and reflected and tried to argue with myself. For a time, I gave up complying with it entirely. I threw it to the wind, with a shoulder shrug and a self-satisfied assurance to myself that God, being a loving father, does not want his child to be unhappy.

But reader: I was miserable. I was so, so miserable, and I stayed that way until I finally accepted that God is, indeed, a loving father, and desires nothing less than the unhappiness of his children. And so, to ward it off, he has given us the truth, and asked us to share it amongst ourselves like a cherished heirloom, a priceless inheritance.

To share truth, you must show love. To show love, you must share truth. One demands the other. Because this is what Christ does for us, and this is the mission of the Church in this world. Loosening and binding. Bearing witness. Giving testimony. Speaking truth, and in speaking truth, showing love.

"If today you bear his voice, harden not your hearts." — Psalm 95

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Lector/Eucharistic Ministers

Sept 9 (SH)	No Mass	Sept 16 (SH)	No Mass
Sept 10 (SC)	Ann Mahon Dave Marcais	Sept 17 (SC)	James Wray Ken Stuff

Counters Schedule

Sept 13 (SH)	Kathy Avery Barb Bilins	Sept 20 (SH)	Noreen Brownell Katherine Downing
Sept 11 (SC)	Bette Papa Sandy Hayes	Sept 18 (SC)	Lorna Quinn Ann Mahon

Food Pantry



Sept 27 (SC)	Dianne Kierpiec Kathleen Harris Ann Mahon
Sept 27 (SH)	Barb Bilins Wendy Hall



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

September 10, 2023 - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

What are you supposed to do about the bad behavior of the people around you? You know who I'm talking about. That family member, friend, coworker, or acquaintance who is quite immoral. On this front there are two lively options in our culture: bash the person to others (probably online) or pretend everything's fine. The former damages the person. The latter ignores reality. What to do?

Jesus' strategy in the Gospel of Matthew is as wise as it is difficult: go directly to the person, and then gradually expand the circle of intervention. Simple, often effective, and hard. But what we often miss is the context of the Lord's strategy, "If your brother sins against you..." Notice the italicized words. Is the person in a Christian familial bond with you? And was the action in question against you? If so, proceed with the plan. Fine. But how often we fret over the sins of those who either aren't our spiritual siblings or have done nothing directly to us. This is not an invitation to ignore injustice in the world. Rather, we should build bonds of fraternal love, and carefully discern when and how others' sins are indeed our concern. Sometimes they are. Other times — frequently, perhaps — they simply are not.

~Father John Muir

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The Most Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary -

This feast is a counterpart to the Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus; both have the possibility of uniting people easily divided on other matters.

The feast of the Most Holy Name of Mary began in Spain in 1513 and in 1671 was extended to all of Spain and the Kingdom of Naples. In 1683, John Sobieski, king of Poland, brought an army to the outskirts of Vienna to stop the advance of Muslim armies loyal to Mohammed IV of Constantinople. After Sobieski entrusted himself to the Blessed Virgin Mary, he and his soldiers thoroughly defeated the Muslims. Pope Innocent XI extended this feast to the entire Church.

Mary always points us to God, reminding us of God's infinite goodness. She helps us to open our hearts to God's ways, wherever those may lead us. Honored under the title "Queen of Peace," Mary encourages us to cooperate with Jesus in building a peace based on justice, a peace that respects the fundamental human rights of all peoples.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Communion Service at Sacred Heart in Fr Juanito's

Absence: While we are still searching to find a priest to fill in and say Mass while Father Juanito is away, we will be having a Communion Service each Saturday at 4:00PM (Sept 16, 23 & 30). The Albany Diocese authorizes Sunday (or Saturday anticipated) Celebrations in the Absence of a Priest lead by a Deacon or layperson due to the declining number of priests available. The rite fulfills the Sunday obligation.

"The faithful should be instructed carefully that, even when they receive communion outside Mass, they are closely united with the sacrifice which perpetuates the sacrifice of the cross," states the Vatican Congregation for Divine Worship in its 1973 document: "Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharist outside of Mass." "They are sharers in the sacred banquet," the document continues, in which "by communion in the body and blood of the Lord the people of God shares in the blessings of the paschal sacrifice."

Saint Cecilia Parking Fundraiser: Volunteers are needed for our parking lot fundraiser on Saturday, **Sept. 16**. Please call or text Kelly Viscosi @ 518-774-7250

Saint Cecilia Rummage Sale: Our rummage sale will take place on Friday October 13 and Saturday October 14 with proceeds going to St. Cecilia's. We are asking for donations of gently used clothing, linens, household goods, knick-knacks, toys, books, CDs, DVDs and small furniture. Please, no tires, TVs, computers, broken or dirty items. Drop items off at the detached garage thru Oct. 9. Help is needed Oct. 10 and 11 starting at 8:30 and the days of the sale starting at 7:45. Any assistance is appreciated. Thank you for your generosity.

Scripture: Moses, Freedom, and 10 Commandments:

Saint Kateri Shrine is holding a Bible Course.

Exodus, Numbers

Sept 9 through Oct 14 (Saturdays 11AM to 12:15PM).

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Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary: Father Juanito has an awesome assignment in mind for us this month of September. September 8 is the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The Blessed Virgin Mary is given to us by Jesus as our Heavenly Mother and Intercessor. On Her Birthday this coming, will you join our parish community of honoring her by praying the Mysteries of the Holy Rosary that the Virgin Mary loves? And will you share your thoughts of how you remember the Blessed Virgin Mary in your daily activities? We invite you to share your thoughts to our Parish Facebook Pages **Sacred Heart Church** and **StCecilia Church**

You can start your thoughts with "I think of the Virgin Mary when I am....."

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