

ST. JOSEPH AND ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCHES

OCTOBER 4, 2026

“TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME”



27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



“The stone that the builders rejected has become
the cornerstone.” - Mt 21:42ab

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MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass

Monday & Friday | 8:30 am St. Joseph's
Tuesday & Thurs. 8:30 am St. Francis

Weekend Masses

Saturday | 4 pm St. Joseph's
6:00 pm St. Francis - July 4—Labor Day
Sunday | 8:30 am St. Francis
10:30 am St. Joseph's

Confession

Saturday | 3:15 pm St Joseph's
Sunday | 8:00 am St Francis
Or by appointment

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Our Mission

We, the Roman Catholic community of
St. Francis of Assisi and St. Joseph's, are
called to live the Gospel message of
Jesus through Hospitality, Worship,
Faith Formation and Service to others.

Trustees

SJ
Sheila Bleyl
Carm Greco

SF
Judy Morrison
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ST. JOSEPH'S MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday (Oct. 3)

Anna Bidanset by Anne Frasier
Theresa Ferguson by Carm & Maria Greco
5th Anniversary of Baptism of
Anthony Joseph Pisanti by Mary Pisanti

Sunday (Oct. 4)

Souls in Purgatory by a Parishioner
Living & Deceased Members of the SJ Altar
Rosary Society by the Altar Rosary Society
Brenda Billa by the Ed, Dan & Matthew Popp
families & the Steve & Kris Mraz families

Monday (Oct. 5) Rev. John Walsh

Friday (Oct. 9) Parish Family of St. Joseph

Saturday (Oct 10)

Jon DuBois by Ron & Paula Cornell
Lucy Wilcox by Dave & Debbie Walendziak
Theresa Ferguson by Dave & Debbie “ “
Luella Christman by John Christman Family

Sunday (Oct. 11)

Lucy Wilcox by Sandra Smarup
Daphne Bolibaugh by Corey & Charlotte Santo
Marcela Caringi by Danielle & Lisa Seabolt



*The red Sanctuary Lamp
which burns continuously
in the sanctuary
reminding us of the
Presence of Jesus in
the Tabernacle can
be memorialized for
your loved one.*



*This week, the candle
is burning for*

*Emmie Pilch
by the Family*

ST. FRANCIS MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday (Oct. 4)

Emmie Pilch by the Family

Tuesday (Oct. 6)

Lisa Dawber by Mary Pisanti

Thurs. (Oct. 8)

Parish Family of St. Francis of Assisi

Sunday (Oct.11)

Reenie Koval by Rick Koval
Chelsea Lott & Harley Moore
by Carol Lott

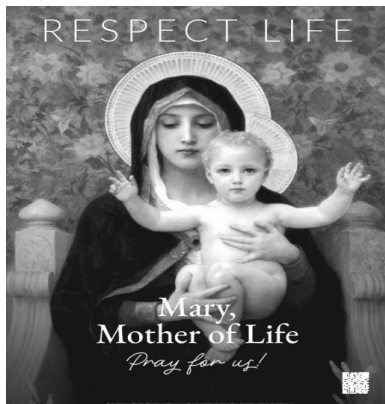
INTRODUCTION TO THE LITURGY OF THE DAY: Today's Gospel reminds us that Jesus is the cornerstone of our faith, of the Church, and of our lives as his disciples. It also reminds us that he became the cornerstone after he was rejected by the religious and secular leaders of his day. On Respect Life Sunday, we pray for those who are often rejected by society and our leaders, left vulnerable to unjust laws and practices, from the unborn to the terminally ill, from immigrants and refugees to criminals on death row. Let us never forget that we all have been made in the image and likeness of God.

GOSPEL MEDITATION — Have you ever felt like your attempts at prayer are a waste of time? I have. Early in my priesthood, I noticed that my prayer life was weakening. Awe and eager expectancy of contact with God had given way to routine. I gradually spent less and less time praying. Nothing dramatic had happened, but my attitude toward God had changed, and I was losing the desire to pray.

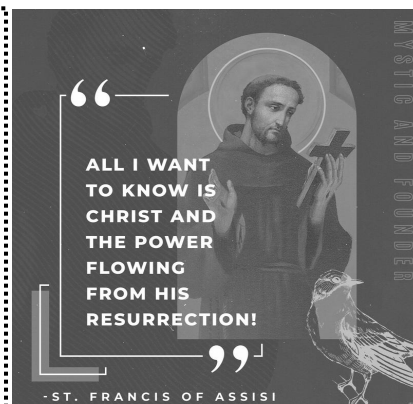
Jesus' parable of the insane vineyard tenants speaks into this kind of experience. He says the landowner "leased it to tenants and went on a journey" (Matthew 21:33). The key to this message is that the vineyard does not belong to those who work it — they are entrusted with it. But little by little, they view it as their possession, and ungrateful entitlement follows. The servants sent by the owner are treated as intrusions. Even the owner's son becomes a means to their delusional self-will. The central tragedy is not violence but the forgetfulness that spawns it. They need reminding how lucky they are to be given so much.

Eventually, God sent friends to remind me that my relationship with Him and my prayer time are not my possessions, but rather God's tremendous gifts to me. Perhaps you are feeling discouraged for some reason or other these days in your walk with God. Ponder this parable and let it be a gentle reminder that you and I are fortunate stewards, and God is the generous giver. This allows us to rediscover the beauty of the vineyards in our lives and to remain energetic in cultivating his gifts.

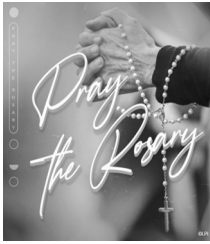
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In celebration of Respect Life Month, Birthright will conduct its annual Baby Bottle Boomerang after this weekend's Masses. Birthright offers hope, encouragement, and compassion to pregnant women in difficult situations, as well as formula, diapers, clothes, and layettes with newborn necessities. *Baby bottles will be distributed for you to take home and fill with coins, cash, or a check. Bottles should be brought back to church next weekend and placed in the designated Birthright box.*



St. Joseph



Join us in praying the Rosary at St. Joseph's before each weekend Mass during the month of October, 3:30 pm on Saturdays and 10:00 am on Sundays.

Thank you to everyone who donated underwear, socks, or undershirts for those in need in foster care, or domestic violence programs, and for the American Red Cross. May God Bless You for your generosity.



Saint Faustina Kowalska's feast day is Mon, Oct. 5. She recorded her visions of Jesus Christ in a book titled Diary: Divine Mercy in My Soul.

Volunteers needed for our Bereavement Ministry: If you possess strong empathy, listening skills, and a heart to serve, you can help families plan the funeral Mass with readings and music; setup the Mass for the funeral; or greet people smiling and handing out programs. You can choose any of the above or all of them. If interested, call Wanda Smith at 518-883-5069.

St. Joseph's Thrift Store Hours

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Saturday: 10 —1

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Each Monday & Friday after SJ 8:30 am Mass - Pray the Rosary
1st Sundays of the Month - SF - 8 am pray the Rosary
1st Mondays - SF 7:30 pm Knights of Columbus meeting
1st Tuesdays - SF (Apr-Dec) 1 pm Rosary Society Meeting
2nd Wednesdays - SJ 6 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting
Each Wednesday-SF 2 pm Prayer Group, John Paul II Hall -
Sun., Oct. 4—SF, Blessing of Animals 2:00 pm; ice cream social
Thursday, Oct. 8—Finance Council Meeting, 4 PM SF, 7 PM SJ
Sat., Oct. 10, SF—Annual Craft Fair, 9 a.m.—3 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 15—Joint Pastoral Council Meeting 7 PM

Blessing of Animals at St. Francis of Assisi: Sunday, Oct. 4 at 2:00 PM, followed by an ice cream social with homemade cookies and coffee, and drawing of the raffle tickets.

HAPPY
FEAST DAY



ST. FRANCIS
PRAY
FOR US

World Mission Sunday, October 18: Each October, the Church invites us to reflect upon our missionary vocation. This year's theme, *One in Christ, United in Mission*, chosen by Pope Leo XIV, invites us to rediscover the profound unity we share in Christ, through baptism and how our baptismal ministry identity overflows into the mission of the Church to bring all creatures into communion with God and us. The highlight of World Mission Month is the annual celebration of World Mission Sunday. Pope Leo XIV has stressed how important it is for the Church. He spent a large part of his priestly ministry as a missionary in Peru and has noticed how dependent he was on the prayers and financial support of the universal Church through World Mission Sunday. Let us pray this week for those missionaries who bring Christ's love to far-off places, often at great personal cost and risk. And let us ask the Holy Spirit to rekindle a zeal in our own hearts, that we may also be missionaries, wherever we are.

"Remember where your treasure is, your heart is also." Mathew 6:21



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September 13	SJ 4:00 / 10:30	SF 6:00/8:30
Attendance	77/105	138
Contribution	\$1,269.00 / \$ 957..00	\$2,773.00
9/7—9/11 E-Giving	\$227.80	\$ 102.10
Votive Candles	\$ 31.00	\$ 49.00

St. Francis

St. Francis is seeking a dedicated and energetic part-time Church Custodian and Handyman to maintain the cleanliness, safety and overall appearance of our church facilities. Working hours are primarily 9:00 am—1:00 pm, Tuesdays and Thursdays. We are looking for an individual that is reliable, punctual, has strong adherence to schedule, and proactive communicator. Please apply in person during office hours, 9:00 am—1:00 pm, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

St. Francis of Assisi

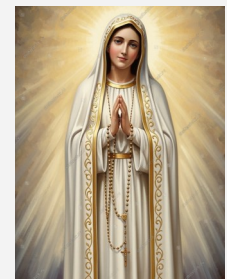
CRAFT FAIR

**Next Saturday,
Oct. 10,
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

Crafts, raffle baskets, and new, or like-new items are needed to help raise money for our church.

If you can help, please call Carmen Durkin (518) 213-3536 or text (518) 335-5472. Thank you.

Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is Wednesday, Oct. 7.

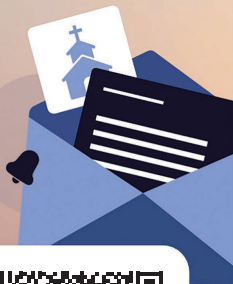


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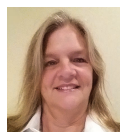
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