

MInt	lass	ions	for the Week
10-7	Mon	9:00 AM	Sean Lydston
			By Gloria Papastrat
10-8	Tues	9:00 AM	All deceased parishioners
10-9	Wed	9:00 AM	All deceased parishioners
10-10	Thurs	9:00 AM	In honor of the Real Presence
			Of Jesus in the Holy Eucharis
			By Jean Naples
10-11	Fri	9:00 AM	Communion Service
10-12	Sat	4:00 PM	John Elbrecht
			By Rosary Society
10-13	Sun 1	0:30 AM	James & Lillian Rogers
			By the family

### 2024-2025 Diocesan Appeal

The initial Diocesan Appeal mailings have been mailed. If you do not receive a mailing there are envelopes available in the vestibule for your contribution. The assessment for the 2024-2025 appeal for Sacred Heart is \$14,576.00, a decrease of \$4,082.00 from the 2023-2024 appeal. As of October 1<sup>st</sup> as a parish we have collected \$2,362.00.

Attention Crocheters We would really appreciate it if you would share your talent in making the Harvest Festival a success. We are in need of someone who is willing to crochet nylon pot scrubbers. They are a very popular item. There are instructions and Youtube videos on how to make them online. If you need nylon netting, please call Pat Smith at 607-563-3118.

#### **Apple Pie Bakers**



There are apples available in the vestibule for anyone who would like them. They are being donated by Terry Maggio to be used to make apple pies for the Harvest Festival.



# 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time "Bone of from my bones and flesh from my flesh"

The first reading and the gospel for this Sunday bring us to reflect on the sacredness of marriage and the need for our childlike trust in God. The readings also focus our attention on the subject of divorce and remarriage. They call us to cherish and preserve the beauty of marriage and family life.

In the gospel, some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked him about the lawfulness of divorce. The Pharisees wanted to know whether it is lawful for a man to divorce his wife or not.

At the time of Jesus, the Mosaic Law permitted divorce. The Jewish Law allowed the husband to divorce his wife by writing or serving her with a certificate of divorce. In reply, Jesus made it clear that divorce was not part of God's original plan. He referred to the beginning of creation when God created man and woman. He told the Pharisees that the Mosaic Law allowed divorce because of the hardness of human hearts.

In the first reading, we learn about the divine origin of marriage from the second creation story. The book of Genesis tells us that God created man and woman and made both of them as equal and suitable partners for each other. The man was full of joy when God brought the woman to him as his companion in life. His exclamation says it all; "This is bone from my bones and flesh from my flesh." (Genesis 2: 23)

God designed marriage to be a life-long covenant of companionship. He made marriage as a sacred union and gift for humanity. Unfortunately humanity has failed to protect and preserve God's beautiful gift. When we take an honest look around, we see clearly that divorce and remarriage are common. Everything proves without debate that God's standard of marriage is under constant attack. Today's culture is often in conflict with Christ's teaching and His Church. We have many who criticize the Catholic Church as rigid on issues of marriage and remarriage and overlooking the pastoral care of the divorced and the remarried. Pope Francis was right on point when he acknowledged the need of the church to give divorced and remarried our utmost pastoral care. He emphasized in his Apostolic Exhortation, "Amoris Laetitia" that divorced and remarried must not despair of God's grace; that they all remain members of Christ' Church.

The Psalmist reminds all of us of the blessings that flow from remaining faithful to God's will.

He exhorts us to walk in the ways of the Lord so we can know true prosperity and happiness in our lives.

In the second reading, the letter to the Hebrews tells us that Jesus Christ shares in our humanity, that he sanctifies us and restores our brokenness and feebleness. Jesus has given His Mother Mary to us as our powerful intercessor, source of guidance and inspiration. In this month of October, we are encouraged to pray the rosary and ask our Mother Mary to accompany all married couples in their Christian vocation, that they and all families may thrive and reflect God's love and faithfulness to the world

Let us pray that God's Spirit may dwell in every heart and move each person to honor the sacredness of marriage, welcome children, cherish them and care deeply for them.

God bless.

Rev. Dr. Ben

Weekend of October 12th & 13th, 2024

First Reading-Wisdom 7:7-11 Second Reading- Hebrews 4:12-13

Saturday 4:00 PM

Celebrant: Lector: Eucharistic Ministers Ada Rice Altar Servers

Fr. Ben
Sheri Youngs
Pat Tartaglia
Anderson & Garret Callender

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Gospel- Mark 10:17-30
Sunday 10:30AM
Fr. Ben
Kerri Green
Kathy Saludo
Ayla & Quinn Gronwall



## Religious Education 2024-2025

10/6 9:00-10:15 AM Classes for grades Pre-K-10<sup>th</sup> 10/13 No Classes

## **Harvest Festival 2024**



The Harvest Festival is next weekend, October 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>! We need crafts for the Craft Booth, items for the Farmer's

Market, soups and baked goods. **Donations for the Treasure Chest are no longer being accepted.** 

- Calling all Crafters- You were blessed with a talent. Please share your talents to contribute to the success of the Harvest Festival. All handcrafted items are greatly appreciated.
- Uniquely crafted handmade items for the Craft Booth should be brought inside the Parish Center during office hours or before or after weekend Masses. Please contact the Parish Office, 563-1591, if you are unable to come during office hours to arrange for a time to bring in your donations.
- Donations left outside the Parish Center cannot be accepted per Catholic Mutual guidelines. Please do not leave items in the doorways or hallways. This is so we are in compliance with fire and safety codes.

If you missed the opportunity to sign-up to volunteers for this year's Harvest Festival, the sheets are in the vestibule of the church.

#### October Honors Our Lady of the Rosary

This year, October 7 is the feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary. The Church chose the first Sunday in October and, apparently by extension, the month of October to honor Our Lady of the Rosary because a great victory took place on October 7, 1571. Pope Pius V called on the Christian princes of Europe to rally to defeat an Islamic threat. The Christian fleet was far outnumbered and appeared to have no *human* hope of winning. As Christians all over Europe prayed for Our Lady's intercession, almost all of the Turks were driven to shore or drowned. Pope Pius established an annual commemoration to honor Our Lady of Victory, and his successor, Gregory XIII, decreed that the first Sunday in October would be the feast of the Holy Rosary.

In summary, the decision to designate October as the month of the Rosary apparently stems from the Church's desire to extend its thanksgiving to Our Lady for victory.

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#### October Bulletin Quotes

"When we meet Jesus in the Eucharist, this encounter has the power to change us. The Eucharist has the power to transform the depths of our hearts and the heart of our culture. United to the power of his Eucharistic Presence, may we work to ensure that each person has life—and has it in abundance."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities Respect Life Reflection:

"I Came So That They Might Have Life"

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

By our Baptism, we are called to share the love of Christ in our world. That love is desperately needed right now in southern states hit hard by Hurricane Helene. As I write this, more than 120 deaths are confirmed, and the damage left is overwhelming.

I am calling on the people across our Diocese to join in prayer for those in need. Scripture tells us, "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." (Matthew 18:20). Let us join as people in Christ and call on His healing love for all who are impacted. St. John Chrysostom said, "Nothing is equal to prayer; for what is impossible, it makes possible."

I have received questions about where people can donate. Catholic Charities USA has a Hurricane Helene Relief fund. You can find a link on its

website <a href="https://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org/">https://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org/</a> which says 100% of donations go to help those affected by this disaster.

We are coming up on a Jubilee Year in the Catholic Church. Pope Francis has chosen "Pilgrims of Hope" as the theme. I pray that we may all be pilgrims of hope for those in need.

Yours in Christ.

+ Edward B. Scharferberger

Bishop Edward Scharfenberger

Please prayfully consider making a donation to the collection for Hurricane Helene Relief. There are families of parishioners here at Sacred Heart that have been greatly affected by this storm.

Thank you.

Please pray for the following people, who have requested our prayers: Gussie Shifflett, Steve Pickwick, Joe LaFave, Ginni Roe, Gabi Bakeman, Kimberlee Roe, Kevin, Michael Bell, Grady Charles Weigand, Barbara Bennett, Daniel Rickard, Mark & Andrea, Kim Sumski, Dorothy Kashuda, Alyson Sabillon, Linda Falk, Debra Barnard, Diane, Bonnie La Voie, Doug Williams, Faith Williams, Don Butler, Debra Patterson, Ed Nicol, Dawn Maruszewski, Carey, Madlyn Sumski, Alex Roberts, Paul J. Hamilton, Sr., Ray & Mary Munetz, Jazmers Moore, Bruce Allen, Kimberly Bosket, David Rivera, Jackie Bargher, Matthew Baxter Darline Smith, Joseph Dermody, Alice Anderson, Sandy Kemp, George Walters Lorraine Keckeisen, Maria LaBar, Patrick, John McCann, Natalie Stone, Marian Heeps, Mary Kolermous, Clare Sterchak, Terri Cristofaro, Liliana, Nancy Daugherty, Mark Morotwe, Sharon Guenther, Kira Cronk, Terry Yackel, Jack Yackel, Jim Mylotte, Alice Walters, Rev. Steve Deckard, Terry Nicolini, Nick Gibson, Andy Woods, Bob Jenks, Jane, Dolores Storzinger, Alexis Spencer, Ines Warlock, Susan Chidester, Bob Oliver, Rose LoCasci, Eugene & Yvonne Cutler, Timothy Bell, Barb Doyle, Tom DeMulder, Ruth Glaum, Holly North, Dixy Pflug, Stefanie Smith, Celeste Hartman, Aidan Burns, Bill, Alicen Knapp Feroleto, Assunta Siniscalchi, James Jennings, Marge Suriano, Marlena Keath, Marian Agyemang, Frank Holley, Nicholas Gaedeke, Pat Hamilton, Gary Maraia, Rachel Feyh, Marge LaFave, Denise Dinato, Joe Maggio, Olivia Ross & family, Eric Roll, Barbara Haynes, Renee Joseph, Susan Pondolfino, Charlie Washburn, James Rattrie, Sean Granan, Marge Ramsey, Beverly Pierce, Fran Groshans, Marion Kiselica, a dear friend, Pat Nabinger, James Stanley, Chris Smith, Pat Elbrecht, Bonnie De Salvo, Lori White, Danielle & Phil Gugliemo, Ellen Reuter, Jaxson Beadle, Francis & Alfredine Duguay, Joan Rice, Rowan DeCocker, Stephanie Soldinger, Bonnie Tabone, Austin Kilmer, Daniel, John Gilmore, Will Sterchak, Donna Khan, Anthony Barber, Jr., Payton Lakin, Theresa Zieno, Joan & Tony Barber, p

