

CELEBRATE THE LORD'S DAY MASSES:

Saturday: 5:00pm at St. John's
Sunday: 8:30am at St. John's
10:30am at St. Mary's



**LITURGY SCHEDULE
OCTOBER 21
29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Monday, October 22

0:00 a.m...No Mass (St. John's)

Tuesday, October 23

5:30 p.m...No Mass (St. John's)

Wednesday, October 24

12:00noon...No Mass (St. John's)

Thursday, October 25

5:30 p.m...No Mass (St. Mary's)

Friday, October 26

11:00 a.m...No Mass (Miller's Merry Manor)

Saturday, October 27

5:00 p.m...Kathy Rogers (St. John's)

Sunday, October 28

8:30 a.m...Parishioners of St. Mary's and St. John's (St. John's)

10:30 a.m...Marilyn Ballinger (St. Mary's)

**PRAYER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS
FOR OCTOBER:**

Evangelization – The Mission of Religious

That consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalized, and those who have no voice.

If you need to put someone on the prayer chain, please contact Janice Jackson at 348-1521. Thank you

Fr. Dave is scheduled to be on retreat from October 22-29; therefore, there will be no weekday Mass next week. Contact the office if the need for a priest arises.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Oct. 22: [St. John Paul II, pope] Eph 2: 1-10; Lk 12: 13-21

Oct. 23: [St. John of Capistrano, priest] Eph 2: 12-22; Lk 12: 35-38

Oct. 24: [St. Anthony Mary Claret, bishop] Eph 3: 2-12; Lk 12: 39-48

Oct. 25: Eph 3: 14-21; Lk 12: 49-53

Oct. 26: Eph 4: 1-6; Lk 12: 54-59

Oct. 27: Eph 4: 7-16; Lk 13: 1-9

Oct. 28: Jer 31: 7-9; Heb 5: 1-6; Mk 10: 46-52

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

St. Mary's

Sunday Collection: \$708.25

Food Pantry: \$168.00

Needed Weekly: \$887.87

St. John's

Sunday Collection: \$5,470.00

Building Fund: \$50.00

Food Pantry: \$249.00

Needed Weekly: \$3,225.23

All discipleship involves mission. The bishops' pastoral letter on stewardship reminds us, "Every member of the Church is called to evangelize, and the practice of authentic Christian stewardship inevitably leads to evangelization."

FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

Please remember in your prayers Larry Bogenschutz, Sr., parishioner of St. John's, who passed to eternal life this week. May his family be comforted by your prayers.

COFFEE & DONUTS

Please join the religious education students and teachers each Sunday morning following Mass for coffee and donuts and fellowship prior to class.

THIS WEEK:

Tuesday 23, Women's Bible Study 9-11am at St. John's

Wednesday 24, K of C 7:30pm at St. John's

Saturday 27, Haiti

A & R Rummage Sale 8-noon

Sunday 28, Haiti

Bible Study 9:30-10:30am

PRAY THE ROSARY

October is the month of the Rosary as well as Respect Life month. Let us pray the rosary for the respect of all life from conception to natural death that all may live and die with dignity, love and peace.

SERVERS FOR ST. JOHN'S OCT. 27 & 28

Sat., 5p.m...Cameron Rinker & Mason Merkel

Sun., 8:30...Allyson Henderson & Anya Aulbach

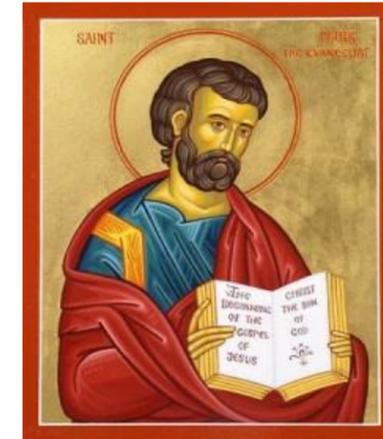
October is the month of the Rosary and Pope Francis has asked all the faithful to pray the Rosary daily this month asking our Blessed Mother to protect the Church from the attacks of the devil.

"The Holy Father has decided to invite all the faithful, of all the world, to pray the Holy Rosary every day, during the entire Marian month of October, and thus join in communion and in penitence, as the people of God, in asking the Holy Mother of God and Saint Michael to protect the Church from the devil, who always seeks to separate us from God and from each other."

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; may God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

GOSPEL REFLECTIONS:

IS 53:10-1; PS 33: 3-5, 18-19, 20, 22; HEB 4:14-16; MK 10:35-45 or MK 10: 42-45



Our readings today are wonderfully consoling and wildly challenging. If we take them to heart, they just might change our lives. For they should call us to profound gratitude for all that God has done for us and inspire us to live lives of thanksgiving

and obedience to Him in response to His overwhelming love and mercy. In the Gospel Reading, from Mark, Jesus tells us in His own words how we can thank Him and how our lives can reflect greatness in His eyes — we can imitate Him. He tells us, "Whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Our God has ransomed our lives. In truth, this "ransom" means our lives are not our own but belong to God. We must do what He asks us to do with them. And He has told us clearly what to do — serve others in love as we have been served in love by Him. This is why service for the Christian Steward is not an add-on to our already busy lives. It is our life.

Over the course of the next week, take these readings to heart. Reflect on the remarkable love God has shown for you. Then look carefully at your daily life. Is it an imitation of the servant-love of your Brother and Savior? What changes do you need to make, perhaps just in attitude, or perhaps to the trajectory of your life as a whole, to live in grateful service to the One who loves you so?

How is your book reading coming along? Our Catholic Book Club continues this fall. Keep up with your reading. We will meet in early November for book discussion.

This Sunday we celebrate World Mission Sunday: One Sunday for the Whole World!

Pope Francis calls all of us – children of God – to be “voices for mission.” Today we “speak up” through our prayers and personal sacrifices for our brothers and sisters in the Missions – in places like Uganda where people face food uncertainty and violence... in the Philippines where local clergy face martyrdom... in Oceania where peoples’ livelihoods are threatened by climate change... and in remote regions of Latin America where people are hearing the Gospel for the first time.

Raise your voice this World Mission Sunday by supporting the priests, religious Sisters and Brothers, and lay catechists who provide loving service to those most in need. May your faith remain ever young when it is open to the mission that Christ entrusts to us. Envelopes are included in the packets. Thank you.

TRUNK OR TREAT

St. John’s Youth Group will be out in the community on October 26 helping with the community Trunk or Treat. If you would like to donate a bag of candy, please drop it off in the box at either church entrance. Thank you.

SEMI-ANNUAL RUMMAGE OCTOBER 27

St. John’s Altar & Rosary will hold their fall family rummage on Saturday, October 27, 8am-noon in the parish hall. Set-up will be Friday 6-8pm. Tables rent for \$10 each. You price and keep your own sales. Contact Megan Trissel or the office if you wish to rent a table(s).

NEW SPONSOR ADVERTISING SHEETS

Be sure to check out our new bulletin ad sheets. These advertisers subsidize the cost of the bulletins, so if you have the opportunity, you may thank them by using their products or services.

This week’s sponsor is:

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THANK YOU!

“WALKING TOGETHER IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST”

The Fruitful Harvest 2018 biennial appeal kicked off last weekend. As a Catholic community and part of the local Church, we are called to respond to God’s grace in our lives. Fruitful Harvest is an opportunity to respond to His grace by sharing your blessings. St. John’s portion of this goal is \$44,717 and St. Mary’s goal is \$13,697.

I ask that you prayerfully consider your pledge and plan to participate in our diocesan appeal, Fruitful Harvest 2018, and help us reach our goals. Contact Diana in the office if you wish to know your previous pledge amount. Thank you for your continued stewardship and prayers as we begin this next diocesan appeal, “Walking Together in the Light of Christ.”

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REMINDER: WREATH ORDERS ARE DUE NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28.

Get them to an Altar & Rosary member at St. John’s or drop them by the office. Thank you.

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH

This weekend, Catholics nationwide celebrate Respect Life Sunday with the theme "Every Life: Cherished, Chosen, Sent." Each weekend in October we will focus on a feature of respecting life from conception to natural death.

This week’s short reflection is on the sick and suffering, those nearing the end of life, and their caregivers:

That in their weakness they may find strength; that in their suffering they may see the Cross of Christ and in their dying they may await Your call with patience and that all caregivers may show compassion and be attentive with a loving heart.

THE STORY

The Bible as one continuing story of God and his people will meet on this Tuesday and continue each Tuesday, at 6:30pm at Grace United Methodist Church. **This week’s topic:** The Resurrection



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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Contact the parish office about preparation. The sacrament is normally celebrated with the community during Mass.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are available by appointment as well as:
St. Mary, the first Thursday 6:00-6:30pm
St. John, the first Saturday 1:00-1:30pm and third Saturday after 5:00pm Mass.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact the parish office to begin the preparation at least six months in advance.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Generally, Fr. Dave is available after Mass for anointing, or you may contact the parish office to arrange a time.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION

Sessions for children and youth (grades pre3-12) are available on Sunday morning. Contact the parish office for details.

The Clustered Parishes Of

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**St. John the Evangelist,
Hartford City**

Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana

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PARISH REGISTRATION

Visitors are always welcome. Residents are invited to join the community by calling the parish office.

RCIA

People interested in knowing about the Catholic faith and way of life meet each week. Contact the parish office for information.