

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 20, 2019

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday, October 21

9:00 a.m...No Mass (St. John's)

Tuesday, October 22

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

Wednesday, October 23

12:00noon...Warren Family (St. John's)

Thursday, October 24

5:30 p.m...Ron Watson (St. Mary's)

Friday, October 25

10:00 a.m...Sharon Newton (Crown Pointe)

Saturday, October 26

5:00 p.m...Riley Garrett (St. John's)

Sunday, October 27

8:30 a.m...Agnes Bowen (St. John's)

10:30 a.m...Parishioners of St. Mary's and St. John's
(St. Mary's)

PRAYER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS FOR OCTOBER:

A Missionary "Spring" in the Church

That the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the Church.

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

NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH?

Call the Church office at 348-3889 or contact a member of the Knights.

RESPECT LIFE MONTH

This October the Respect Life theme is *Christ Our Hope: In Every Season of Life.*

Our efforts on behalf of the unborn, the dying, the elderly, the imprisoned, the poor and so many others have a profound impact, both now and in the life to come. Pray with us:

That the life of every human person, from conception to natural death, might be protected in our laws and cherished in our hearts; *We pray to the Lord.*

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

St. Mary's

Collection: \$1,352.00

Food Pantry: \$205.00

Needed Weekly: \$887.87

St. John's

Sunday Collection: \$2,318.19

Food Pantry: \$38.00

Building Fund: \$25.00

Needed Weekly: \$3,225.23

Today's theme is perseverance - Moses keeping his hands upraised throughout the battle, Paul urging Timothy to stay with the task of preaching and teaching, and the widow appealing to the corrupt judge. To be faithful stewards of God's gifts, we too must persevere in the roles to which we are called.

FALL CLEAN-UP

St. Mary's will have a cleaning day on Saturday, November 2, 2019 beginning at 9 AM.

A pitch-in lunch will follow and any help is appreciated.

Please join us during this Month of the Rosary . . .

Throughout October, prior to each Mass, St. John's parishioners are invited to arrive early (4:25 on Saturday or 7:55 on Sunday) to unite in prayer through the Rosary. Individuals and groups will take turns each weekend to lead the prayers. Bring your rosary and join in the prayers in order to draw closer to Jesus and Mary by meditating on the great mysteries of our salvation.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Today is World Mission Sunday. We celebrate this day by remembering our baptismal call - to bring the Gospel to all! The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith ensures the work and service of the Mission Church, as it supports priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. Thank you for your generosity. Envelopes can be found in your packets.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Oct. 21: Rom 4: 20-25; Lk 12: 13-21

Oct. 22: [St. John Paul II, pope] Rom 5: 12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Lk 12: 35-38

Oct. 23: [St. John of Capistrano, priest] Rom 6: 12-18; Lk 12: 39-48

Oct. 24: [St. Anthony Mary Claret, bishop] Rom 6: 19-23; Lk 12: 49-53

Oct. 25: Rom 7: 18-25a; Lk 12: 54-59

Oct. 26: Rom 8: 1-11; Lk 13: 1-9

Oct. 27: Sir 35: 12-14, 16-18; 2 Tm 4: 6-8, 16-18; Lk 18: 9-14

IS YOUR SPOUSE STILL NUMBER 1?

Looking for a new way to let your spouse know you love them in the midst of your jobs, car-pooling the kids, and trying to keep up with your house, pool and yard? Tell him or her they're still Number 1 in your life . . . share a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** with each other. Future Marriage Encounter Weekends will be at Our Lady of Fatima Retreat House, Indianapolis. Visit www.wwme.org for further information.



SHOP NEW-TO-YOU

Thursday 11-5, Friday 11-2, Saturday 11-2.

SUNDAY REFLECTION

Angie Windnagle

Persistence takes patience, however. It isn't something that always comes easy, as Moses learned in the Old Testament. Help is often needed. In the second reading, we are given the tools to remain constant spiritually. St. Paul reminds us of the power of Scripture and Tradition, the Deposit of Faith handed down to us. We have the strength and wisdom of the Church to guide us into truth and help us remain persistent in faith. The persistence will slowly yet surely wear away the culture of darkness, transforming it into a culture of light and life.

Let us commit then to be like the widow or the rain, continually raising our hearts to God in prayer without ceasing. With the power of God's word and protection, goodness will always triumph if we remain persistent in the fight.

Sunday October 27th is World Priest Day. World Priest Day has been sponsored by **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** since 2000. It is a celebration and affirmation of the men who commit their lives to Our Lord and Our Church by the Sacrament of Priesthood in Holy Orders. It is an opportunity for Catholic Parishioners to thank, affirm and share their love and support for our faithful and dedicated Priests. Send a hand-written note, or card, to your Bishop and Priests telling them what their Sacrament and friendship mean to you.

THIS WEEK:

Monday 21, Finance Council 7pm at St. John's
Tuesday 22, Women's Bible Study 9-11am St. John's
Wednesday 23, Eucharist DVD Series begins 6pm at St. John's

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Saturday 26, Haiti at St. John's

Sunday 27, Haiti at St. John's

Bible Study 9:30am at St. John's

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OSPEL REFLECTIONS:

EX 17:8-13; PS 121:1-8; 1-4;2 TM 3:14-4:2; LK 18:1-8

The four pillars of parish stewardship are hospitality, prayer, formation and service. Today's readings show us the immense value of prayer and the privileged place it must have in our individual lives and our in parish community.

Our Lord Himself calls us to prayer — and persistence in prayer — in the Gospel passage from Luke. Jesus tells the parable of the nagging widow who finally wears down the judge with her unrelenting persistence in her pursuit of a just ruling from him on her behalf. Jesus goes to great lengths to describe this judge, saying he “neither feared God nor respected any human.” Yet even this corrupt judge responds with a just judgment because of the widow's persistence.

Jesus uses this outlandish example to draw a vivid contrast between a reluctant, dishonest judge and our loving, all-merciful Father. If even a bad judge will give a good result in response to a persistent request, how much more (infinitely more) eagerly and perfectly will our good Father respond to our persistent prayers to Him.

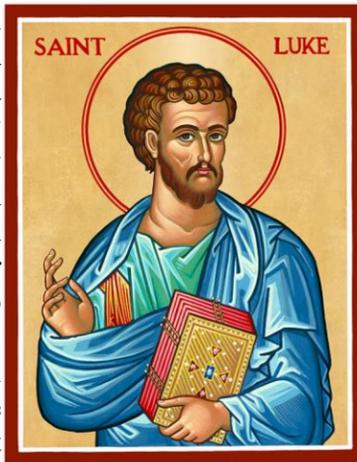
If he delays in responding, if he provides a different response from the one we were expecting, we can remain confident and trusting in His goodness, knowing that His response, whenever it comes and in whatever form, will be the very best one for us.

Our job then, as Christian stewards, is simply to remain faithful to our relationship with God through prayer. We must lean on each other in our communities — family and parish — as we support each other in prayer. A strong pillar of prayer will make all our other stewardship efforts fruitful.

SERVERS FOR ST. JOHN'S OCT. 26 & 27

Saturday, 5p.m...Matthew Aulbach & Cameron Rinker

Sunday, 8:30a.m...Jenna Payne & Juan Velasquez



Session 2: In the Beginning

Did you know that hints of the Eucharist can be seen throughout the Old Testament? Going all the way back to the book of Genesis, we'll discover how the Eucharist has been a part of God's plan from the beginning of time. (Run time 44:58)

LECTIO EUCHARIST

The first meeting of the bible study video series, **Eucharist, Finding the Mass in the Bible**, was held last Wednesday! Approximately, 38 people, from teens to pre-Vatican II Adults from St John's and St Mary's were present for "Source & Summit" Session 1. Father Paul opened with Scripture and a prayer, as well as leading the discussion following the video. Each video stands alone, but also is sequential. If you missed the first one, you can come for the next one, **Wednesday, October 23 at 6 pm.** Light refreshments are available. *Childcare is available with prior notice to Diana 348-3889 by Monday.*

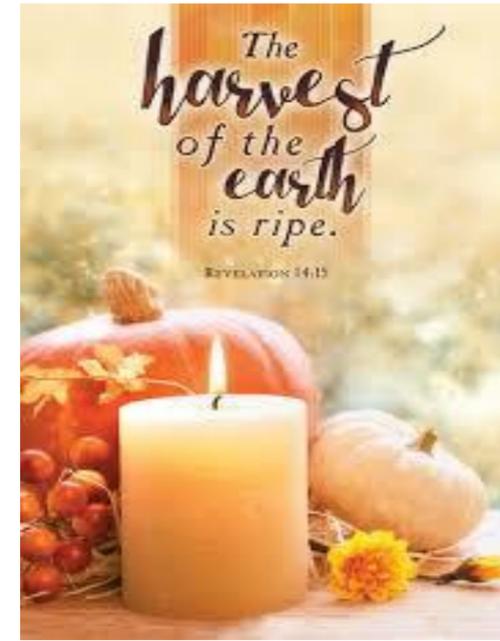
NOTES on Session 1

If you would like the scripture references: Dr. Brant Pitre in "Source & Summit," discusses various names for Eucharist:

The Eucharist, Luke 22:19; The Lord's Supper, 1 Cor 11:20-22; Breaking Of The Bread, Acts 2:41-42; Memorial, Luke 22:19; Passover, Exodus; Holy Sacrifice Of The Mass, Hebrews 13:9-15; The Medicine Of Immortality, St Ignatius; Holy Communion, 1 Cor 10:15-17; and The Holy Mass. Something to think about is Dr Pitre's question: "How does the Eucharist shape your world view?"



Friday, October 25th on the courthouse square. St. John's youth group will be providing candy for youth.



29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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, by appointment
St. John, the first Saturday and third Saturday 4:00pm.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

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

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Generally, Fr. Paul 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.

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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.