



CELEBRATE THE LORD'S DAY MASSES:

LITURGY SCHEDULE
October 17, 2021
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday, Oct. 18
 10:00a.m... Vera Johnson

Tuesday, Oct. 19
 :00a.m... No Mass

Wednesday, Oct. 20 at St. John's
 12:00noon... Irene Coffield

Thursday, Oct. 21 at St. Mary's
 5:30p.m... Living & Deceased Members of St. Mary's Altar & Rosary

Friday, Oct. 22 at Holy Family
 9:00a.m... James Foote

Saturday, Oct. 23
 5:00p.m... Living & Deceased Priests & Members of St. Mary's Church at St. Mary's
 6:30p.m... Jerry Trant at St. John's

Sunday, Oct. 24
 9:00a.m... Parishioners of St. Mary's, St. John's and Holy Family at St. John's
 11:00a.m... Dustin McHenry at Holy Family

PRAYER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS FOR OCTOBER:

Missionary Disciples

We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel.



A couple of notes for us this weekend.

- First, I hope and pray that Fall Break went well for our Blackford County families, and I hope that Grant and Jay's go well these coming weeks. The chance to reflect and get a break after a busy Summer and school start is quite important for all of us here in our pastorate. Continued prayers for all of our families for a good rest of the school year.
- Bishop Doherty wanted all parishes in the diocese to receive a letter from himself with his thoughts and information for the upcoming Synod of the Universal Church. A great deal of the work we have done for Uniting in Heart will fulfill many of the aspects of this upcoming Synod but please read his letter in this bulletin for his reflections and guidance on this important event in our Church.
- Next Saturday we have a great chance to celebrate St. Mary's 125th anniversary of our Church's dedication. Our committee and volunteers have done a great job of preparation and planning to make this a beautiful and heartfelt celebration. Please RSVP if you are planning on attending in case any additional planning that we might need to do. If you cannot be there in person, please pray for all of our current and deceased pastors and parishioners from St. Mary's as we continue to share the Gospel in Jay and Delaware County.

In Christ,
 Fr. Hurley

HALL-O-WEEN TRICK-OR-TREATING

Saturday, October 31, from 7 p.m. – 8 p.m.

****Come decorate a table and bring treats for Trick-or-Treaters to visit Reemmer Hall at Holy Family. The Hall will be open by 6:00 p.m. for decorating.**

***Supper of Pig in the Blankets, chips, drinks, and sweets will be provided for those parishioners handing out treats!!!**

If have questions call or text Christina Christman at (765)733-4026.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

- Oct. 18: [St Luke, evangelist] 2 Tm 4: 10-17b; Lk 10: 1-9*
- Oct. 19: [Sts. John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues, priests, and Companions, martyrs] Rom 5: 12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Lk 12: 35-38*
- Oct. 20: [St. Paul of the Cross, priest] Rom 6: 12-18; Lk 12: 39-48*
- Oct. 21: Rom 6: 19-23; Lk 12: 49-53*
- Oct. 22: [St. John Paul II, pope] Rom 7: 18-25a; Lk 12: 54-59*
- Oct. 23: [St. John of Capistrano, priest] Rom 8: 1-11; Lk 13: 1-9*
- Oct. 24: Jer 31: 7-9; Heb 5: 1-6; Mk 10: 46-52*

ONE SUNDAY FOR THE WHOLE WORLD

Next weekend we will celebrate World Mission Sunday, Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

WEEKLY CALENDAR:

- Tuesday, Oct. 19:* Women's Bible Study 9-11am at St. John's
- Wednesday, Oct. 20:* Rosary 4pm at Holy Family
- Thursday, Oct. 21:* Finance Council 6pm at St. Mary's
- Saturday, Oct. 23*
- Sunday, Oct. 24:* Rosary 4pm at Holy Family



PARISH STEWARDSHIP

- St. Mary's**
 Sunday Collection: \$516.00
 Food Pantry: \$194.00
 Needed Weekly: \$887.87
- St. John's**
 Sunday Collection: \$1,166.05
 Building Fund: \$5.00
 Food Pantry: \$22.00
 Missions: \$3.00
 Needed Weekly: \$3,225.23
- Holy Family**
 Sunday Collection: \$2,132.22
 Sharing Cupboard: \$250.00
 Votive: \$18.00
 Needed Weekly: \$2,238.00

Good stewards must not argue about who is the most important. Today's Gospel says clearly that those who aspire to greatness must humbly serve the needs of all. Even Jesus came not to be served, but to serve.

SAVE THE DATE:
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH, 4:30-7PM
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY
DRIVE THROUGH ONLY

CALLING ALL SAINTS

The Holy Family RE program is hosting an **All Saints Party** for Holy Family, St. John's, and St. Mary's Pastorate Community.

When: Sunday, October 31, following the 11 AM Mass in Reemmer Hall at Holy Family.

****Come dressed as your favorite saint if you wish to participate in the Adult and Child "Best Dressed Saint" Contest. Prizes will be awarded!**

****Come help deduce "escape room" themed games and the returning All Saints Guessing Game or come watch the fun!!!!**

Please, bring a dish to share for a lunch carry-in.

PRAY FOR THE RESPECT OF ALL LIFE

We pray for women and men suffering after abortion: May the Church's abortion healing ministry, Project Rachel, help them find peace and healing through Christ's endless mercy



**ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23RD**

**Beginning with Mass at 5pm
Festivities to follow
Including a catered meal
All our pastorate family is invited
To join in the merriment!**

Please RSVP by Thursday, Oct. 21 765-348-3889

SUPPORT OUR 125TH ANNIVERSARY

St. Mary's Altar & Rosary is taking orders for the 125th Christmas Ornaments and Vinyl Window Decals of the Church. These can be for your car, truck or windows at home. There will be samples and order sheets in the back of the church. Please Prepay, the cost is \$10 for the ornaments and \$5 for the window decals. Thank you!

It's Sock-tober time Holy Family parishioners!!! Please, bring new adult men and women socks for the residents of Twin City Healthcare. Place socks in the tote located in the Narthex by Sunday, October 24. Thank you!!

**OCTOBER MONTH OF THE ROSARY—
PRAY THE ROSARY**

Let us pray for our pastorate communities and one another as we grow stronger together and for the common good of one United Heart to Jesus. The rosary is prayed each Sunday at 10:30am and at 4pm with Divine Chaplet and each Wednesday at 4pm with recitation of 15 decades at Holy Family. St. Mary's will pray the rosary each Saturday prior to Mass beginning at 4:40pm. Throughout the month of October arrive one half hour early to Mass at St. John's to join in prayer of the Holy Rosary, both on Saturday and Sunday. If you are willing to lead, just call Diana with the date(s).

**GOSPEL REFLECTIONS:
IS 53:10-11; PS 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22; HEB 4:14-16; MK 10:35-45 OR 10:42-45**

Our Gospel today conveys how we are called to imitate Jesus through humility and service. We are reminded that the Son of God became man and surrendered His life into the hands of men so that we might be saved. The life of Jesus was centered around His Father's mission and the service of mankind. And this is how we ought to live — in imitation of Christ.



James and John wanted to ensure they had a spot in heaven with Jesus. They were concerned about themselves in that moment — “Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left.” Jesus quickly reminded them, “whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all.” Our culture constantly encourages us to do what we can to get ahead in this world, to do what feels good, no matter the effects — that power, authority, and wealth should be our goals in life. Our faith offers us something different and fulfilling — a life of humility and service. As Christian stewards, we are called to live our lives in service of God and neighbor, just as Jesus did. Our life is not about us. It is about fulfilling God's glorious plan for each one of us. So, we must ask ourselves, are we living out God's plan for our lives? Is my life centered on Christ and those around me or is it centered on me? It can be difficult to know God's plan for our entire life. He sees the whole picture — we only see the now. All we can do is seek Him daily. If each day is centered on Him, then our entire lives will become the work of Jesus.



**28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
October 17, 2021**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Contact the parish office about preparation. The sacrament is normally celebrated with the community during Mass. May God continue to bless you and your new little one.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions are available by appointment as well as:
St. Mary, 5-5:30pm each Thursday; 4-4:30pm each Saturday
St. John, 8-8:45am each Sunday prior to Mass
Holy Family, 12noon-1pm each Sunday; 8:30-8:55am each Friday.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Congratulations on your upcoming marriage. Please contact the parish office to begin the preparation at least six months in advance.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Generally, Fr. Hurley 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 K-12) are available on Sunday morning. Contact the parish office for details.

**St. Mary, Dunkirk
St. John the Evangelist,
Hartford City
Holy Family,
Gas City**

**A Pastorate of
The Diocese of Lafayette-in-Indiana**

Pastor, Fr. Kevin Hurley

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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