



CELEBRATE THE LORD'S DAY MASSES:

LITURGY SCHEDULE
November 14, 2021
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday, Nov. 15 at St. John's
10:00a.m...Molly Jo May

Tuesday, Nov. 16
0:00a.m...No Mass

Wednesday, Nov. 17 at St. John's
12:00noon...Christy Robinson

Thursday, Nov. 18 at St. Mary's
5:30p.m...Phillip Crouch

Friday, Nov. 19 at Holy Family
9:00a.m...Don Johanning

Saturday, Nov. 20
5:00p.m...Don Martin at St. Mary's
6:30p.m...Oswalt Family at St. John's

Sunday, Nov. 21
9:00a.m...Jess, Sr. & Olive Huggins at St. John's
11:00a.m...Parishioners of St. Mary's, St. John's,
and Holy Family at Holy Family

We conclude our National Vocations week on a sad note with the passing of one our priests, Fr. Alejandro (Alex) Paternoster. One part of his priesthood that was not necessarily known by everyone was that he discerned while as a diocesan priest a religious calling to the Carthusian monastery. And that bears mentioning that there are many types of religious vocations and orders that one can discern with and for the consecrated life. One of the oldest types of these is the eremitic life, otherwise sometimes known as hermits. Hermits devote their life to the praise of God and salvation of the world through a stricter separation from the world, the silence of solitude and assiduous prayer and penance. Another of the older vocations is for consecrated virgins and widows. From apostolic times Christian virgins and widows, called by the Lord to cling only to him with greater freedom of heart, body, and spirit, have decided with the Church's approval to live in the respective states of virginity or perpetual chastity "for the sake of the Kingdom of heaven."

One of the most popular is religious life, which is lived within institutes canonically erected by the Church, it is distinguished from other forms of consecrated life by its liturgical character, public profession of the evangelical counsels, fraternal life led in common, and witness given to the union of Christ with the Church. The last two are maybe not as well known. One is a secular institute, which is an institute of consecrated life in which the Christian faithful living in the world strive for the perfection of charity and work for the sanctification of the world especially from within. Lastly are societies of apostolic life whose members without religious vows pursue the particular apostolic purpose of their society, and lead a life as brothers or sisters in common according to a particular manner of life. So, let us pray for all members of the consecrated life and those discerning, as well as prayers for Fr. Alex and his family and friends.

In Christ,
Fr. Hurley

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Nov. 15: [St. Albert the Great, bishop & doctor of the Church] 1 Mc 1: 10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Lk 18: 35-43

Nov. 16: [St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude, virgin] 2 Mc 6: 18-31; Lk 19: 1-10

Nov. 17: [St. Elizabeth of Hungary, religious] 2 Mc 7: 1, 20-31; Lk 19: 11-28

Nov. 18: [The Dedication of the Basilica of Sts. Peter & Paul, apostles; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne, virgin] 1 Mc 2: 15-29; Lk 19: 41-44

Nov. 19: 1 Mc 4: 36-37, 52-59; Lk 19: 45-48

Nov. 20: 1 Mc 6: 1-13; Lk 20: 27-40

Nov. 21: [Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe] Dn 7: 13-14; Rv 1: 5-8; Jn 18: 33b-37

HOLIDAY FUNDRAISER

St. Mary's Altar & Rosary will be taking orders for RADA Cutlery products for the holidays. We will take orders through Nov. 30th. or you may order online at anytime through the link below. It should say the fundraiser for St. Marys Catholic Altar & Rosary at the top of the screen. Here is the link for the fundraiser.
<https://radafundraising.com?rfsn=1550019.a0ce2>
If you would like to see a catalog see any A&R member or to place an order contact Loretta Wilson or call at 765-744-1611. Thank You!



SOUP SUPPER

On Saturday, Nov 20, St Mary's will host a "Soup Supper" with assorted soups and sandwiches. Please join us after Mass for fellowship, soup, and sandwiches. Bring a dessert or side if you wish.

ANNIVERSARY DVD'S AVAILABLE

DVD's of St. Mary's 125th Anniversary Celebration will be available in the back of church at St. Mary's. Or contact the office or Sara Kolodka for your copy. Also, it is not too late to bring your pictures to add to the historical archive of Saint Mary's.



Through the month of November, we will have a candle display remembering those whom we have lost from our parishes from November 1, 2020-October 22, 2021. Also, on the stand at the back of our churches, there is a Book of the Dead. Feel free to include any deceased loved one's name(s) in this book that you wish prayed for throughout the month. This is a way we can honor and pray for all the holy souls and faithful departed, that through the mercy of God, they may rest in His peace.

MASS INTENTIONS

Envelopes for All Souls' Day can be found in your envelope packets. If you would like to pray for a deceased loved one or the welfare of someone living, please enclose \$10 stipend in an envelope and indicate the name of the person and living or deceased and send it to the office via mail or basket. These will to be offered throughout the coming year for our loved ones.



BAKE SALE FOR ALTAR & ROSARY

St. John's Altar & Rosary will participate in the Santa's Depot Craft Show again this year with their annual **bake sale** on Saturday, November 20, 9-2pm at Blackford High School. Contacts will be made this week for baked goods donations, candies, etc. Your donations are greatly appreciated for this annual fundraiser which helps purchase candles, hosts, and altar supplies for our church.

WEEKLY CALENDAR:

Monday, Nov. 15: Finance Council 6pm at St. John's
Tuesday, Nov. 9: Women's Bible Study 9-11am at St. John's
Wednesday, Nov. 10: Rosary 4pm at Holy Family
Thursday, Nov. 11: Adoration & Reconciliation 5-5:25pm at St. Mary's
Saturday, Nov. 13: Soup Supper at St. Mary's
Bake Sale at Santa's Depot 9-2 St. John's
Sunday, Nov. 14: Rosary 4pm at Holy Family

PRAYER INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS FOR NOVEMBER:

People Who Suffer from Depression
We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

"The true measure of loving God is to love Him without measure."
— St. Bernard of Clairvaux

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

St. Mary's

Sunday Collection: \$453.00

Food Pantry: \$20.00

Needed Weekly: \$887.87

St. John's

Sunday Collection: \$3,604.00

Building Fund: \$120.00

Food Pantry: \$207.00

Campaign for Human Development: \$30.00

Needed Weekly: \$3,225.23

Holy Family

Sunday Collection: \$3,916.00

Sharing Cupboard: \$120.00

Votive: \$131.00

Missions: \$5.00

Campaign for Human Development: \$45.00

Needed Weekly: \$2,238.00

The readings today speak of the end of the world and the coming of the Kingdom. The bishops' pastoral on stewardship says clearly that "that 'life to come' is in continuity with this present life through the human goods, the worthy human purposes, which people foster now." May our good stewardship cause us to be numbered among the chosen on the last day!

JR. KNIGHTS BEING CALLED

St. John's is beginning a Jr. Knights group of young men in jr. and sr. high school from any of our three parishes. The group is aimed at training up these young men to act as young men, serve their church and community.

Next Sunday, Nov. 21, after religious education (11am) the group will meet in the parish hall for activity and snacks. If you can't make this one, there will be more to come!

THIS WEEK ON FORMED:

Dr. Ben Akers welcomes Ken Davison, founder of Holy Heroes, to discuss the formation and education of children and how Holy Heroes was created in order to bring the faith alive in a new way for kids of all ages.

Visit FORMED.org, Click Sign Up, Select "Sign Up As A Parishioner", Find **St John the Evangelist** by parish name, be sure to put **Hartford City** or zip code of **47348**. Enter your email - and you're in!

GOSPEL REFLECTIONS:

DN 12:1-3; PS 16: 5, 8-11; HEB 10:11-14, 18; MK 13:24-32

Today's readings are in stark contrast to the joy of the holiday season that is fast approaching, warning us instead of dark times ahead and our inevitable judgment day.

The first reading from the prophet Daniel describes a time "unsurpassed in distress since nations began" and warns that "many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake; some shall live forever, and others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace." The second reading, from Hebrews, speaks of Christ who "waits until his enemies are made his footstool."

However, when we firmly establish for ourselves as individuals — as a family and as a parish that we will give to God the first and best portion of our Time, Talent, and Treasure — the warnings we read in the Scriptures today should be no cause for alarm. In fact, we can view these words as encouragement — "Keep Calm and Steward On," no matter what comes our way.

One of the blessings of a stewardship way of life is that in challenging times, whether in our homes or workplaces or even our beloved Church itself, we can take great comfort in knowing we have a concrete plan to keep our priorities in proper order. And, when we put God first in all aspects of our lives, we will experience the peace that He gives that surpasses all understanding.

RCIA is the Rite of Christian Initiation. It is an informational and prayer process of someone who wishes to know more about the Catholic faith (already Catholic or wishing to join the Catholic faith). Our group is meeting on Thursdays with private or computer study and in-person study. Contact the office or Fr. Hurley if you wish to know more about the RCIA process.



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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

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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