



## 24<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it." - Mk 8:34-35

September 12, 2021

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

<i>Intentions</i>			
Mon.	13	8:00 a.m.	Gladys Reynolds
Tues.	14	8:00 a.m.	Dorothy Mouser
Wed.	15	8:00 a.m.	Dorothy Cassin
Thur.	16	8:00 a.m.	Int. for Janet Counts
Fri.	17	8:00 a.m.	Paula Pace
Sat.	18	4:00 p.m.	Poor Souls
Sun.	19	10:00 a.m.	Parish Family
(SA)		8:00 a.m.	Margaret Bronon

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

<b>ST. JOSEPH</b>	
<b>SATURDAY MASS - 4:00 PM</b>	<i>September 18, 2021</i>
Lector	Rhonda Lavacot
Eucharistic Ministers	Dennis Bender
Altar Servers	Volunteer
Ushers/Greeters	M/M Daniel Howard
<b>ST. JOSEPH</b>	
<b>SUNDAY MASS – 10:00 AM</b>	<i>September 19, 2021</i>
Lector	Marcy Mueller
Eucharistic Ministers	Pam Schwartz
Altar Servers	Deborah Pace Theresa Pace
Ushers/Greeters	Mike Lukachick M/M Charles Isgrig
<b>ST. ANNE</b>	
<b>SUNDAY MASS – 8:00 AM</b>	<i>September 19, 2021</i>
Lector	Mickey Bange
Eucharistic Ministers	Kenneth Knobbe
Altar Servers	Patrick, Audrey and MaryKathryn McDowell
Ushers/Greeters	Steve Folle, Jerry Rokan

## St. Joseph Catholic Church St. Anne Catholic Church

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 Saturdays: 4:00 pm Sundays: 10:00 am



## St. Joseph Fall Raffle September 19, 2021

- 1<sup>st</sup> prize \$700.00 Cash
- 2<sup>nd</sup> prize \$300+ in Misc. gift cards
- 3<sup>rd</sup> prize \$150 Lottery Scratcher Tickets
- 4<sup>th</sup> prize \$100 gas cash donated from Chuck & BJ's
- 5<sup>th</sup> prize \$100 gift card donated from Save-A-Lot

We ask for your help with the sale of raffle tickets to family, co-workers, friends and neighbors. Thank you!

## St. Joseph Fall Dinner Desserts



Parish families are requested to bring three desserts each for the Fall Dinner. Desserts are to be delivered to the church basement or meeting room Saturday

afternoon on September 18 or before 9:00 am on Sunday, September 19. Don't know what to bring? The most requested items are fruit and cream pies, brownies, 'dump cakes' and carrot cakes. All cakes and pies are appreciated. Don't have time to bake. Store bought also brings smiles! You can't go wrong with any of the above. Thanks!

## We Need Volunteers

We need volunteers on Saturday, September 18, at 10:00 am in the Church hall downstairs to set up for the dinner on Sunday, September 19. We currently have a small number. Please help us. Many hands make light work. Call the rectory at 358.2112 to volunteer or with questions. Thank you!

## Bingo – September 2, 2021

Gross Receipts: \$1,071.00; Players: 62

## Your Gift to God

*September 4 & 5, 2021*

	<i>St. Joseph</i>	<i>St. Anne</i>
<b>Envelopes</b>	\$3,725.00	\$1,502.00
<b>St. Vincent de Paul</b>	261.00	290.00
<b>Catholic University</b>	196.00	90.00
<b>Church Restoration</b>	657.00	

## 2020-21 Budgeted Amounts

Envelopes/Loose  
 St. Joseph \$3,712 St. Anne \$804  
 for 52 weeks

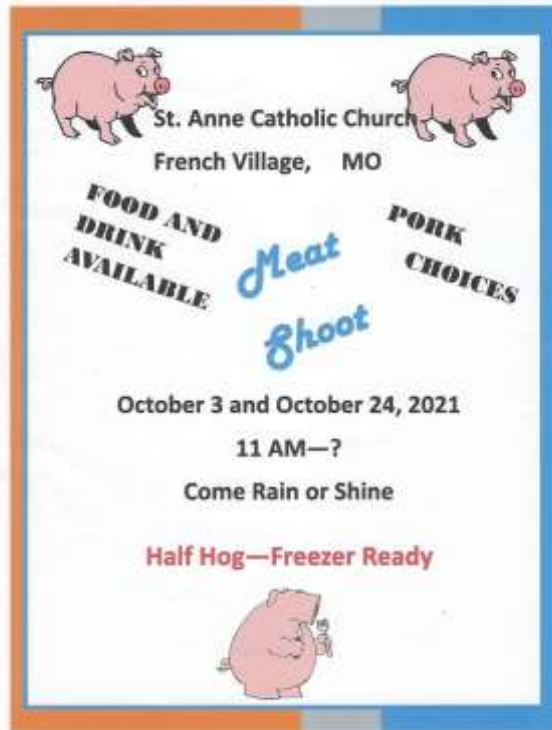
**24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – September 12, 2021**

## ST. ANNE CATHOLIC CHURCH

**Mass: Sunday 8:00 a.m.**

Church Cleaning Team #4 – Diana & Deacon Don Kintz

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Any questions, please call Jean at 636.459.6403.

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### **Please Pray for the Sick and St. Joe Manor Nursing Home Residents:**

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Nancy Farkas	Mary Waisner
Michelle Anderson	Ruth Wood
Ralph Mueller	Joyce Schilly
David White	James Bloom
Jim Stech	Catherine Weindel-Bast
Debbie Clark	Betty Warden
Robert Armstrong	Lynn Graczyk
Deacon Don Schmidt	Pat Smith
Patricia Vessell	Bill Crosswhite

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**We also remember in our prayers all healthcare professionals, those providing essential services, all who are battling chronic illnesses, COVID-19 victims, the homebound, and all of us who are in isolation.**

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### **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

If you know of anyone who has a desire to examine the Catholic faith, please invite them to contact Father Holbrook as soon as possible.

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**Please turn in your baby bottles for the PRC drive.**

## GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

September 12, 2021

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We need to get our bearings straight and properly lay life's cornerstone. Otherwise, the rest of our journey will be skewed, and our judgment clouded. We can recall Jesus' famous rebuke of Peter, "You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." Even he, as one of Jesus' closest friends struggles with understanding things and grasping the big picture. Pierre Teilhard de Chardin (1881-1955) a renowned and learned French Jesuit priest often has these words attributed to him: "We are not human beings having a spiritual experience. We are spiritual beings having a human experience." Whether they were actually from his lips, they certainly mimic his thought. These wise words orient us and capture the essence of who we really are.

Many people consider spirituality an option. It is no wonder that they come to this conclusion when they predominantly define themselves using human terms and concepts. Immersed in this world view, they struggle finding any semblance of God because God does not work according to human expectations! This is especially true when suffering and death enter life's picture. If we are only human beings having a spiritual experience, then we wrongly expect our spirituality to serve us as we desire. The human expectation is that my spiritual life is something that is useful in avoiding pain, hardship, and death, not something that gives the courage to live through it!

So, when we protest and get upset with God because our journey is becoming difficult, painful, treacherous, disappointing, and even pointing us toward death, Jesus rebukes us as he did Peter and gently reminds us how to see. It is God who inspires and opens hearts to see truth and beauty. In God, the true meaning of things is understood, and we receive a depth of insight and understanding that is not found following purely human paths. It is not our task to understand God, as God is beyond human understanding. Ours is the joyful privilege of simply resting in God's presence simply because God is God and we are who we are. As spiritual beings having an exciting and adventurous human experience, it is in our DNA to do so. Through prayer we can let go and let be. This is how we lose our lives but then save them. ©LPi

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### **Ladies of St. Joseph**

The Ladies of St. Joseph will meet on Tuesday, September 14, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. We will be making final plans for the Country Store at the Fall Dinner.

## Perfect Contrition and Spiritual Communion

### What to do if you cannot go to Confession or Holy Communion due to the COVID-19 coronavirus



If you have to self-isolate or are quarantined due to the COVID-19 coronavirus, it is unlikely that you will be able to receive the sacraments as normal.

In these circumstances, there are devotions through which you can receive absolution for your sins, (under certain conditions), and the consolation of Eucharistic grace.

These devotions are officially encouraged by the Church and have been practiced by saints.

### How to make an Act of Perfect Contrition

Through an act of Perfect Contrition, you receive pardon for your sins outside of confession, even mortal sins, on condition that you determine to amend your life and make a firm resolution to go to sacramental confession as soon as this becomes possible for you.

Perfect Contrition is a grace from God, so sincerely ask for this gift throughout the day prior to making your act of contrition: "My God, grant me perfect contrition for all my sins".

1. In reality or imagination kneel at the foot of a crucifix and say to yourself: "Jesus, my God and my Saviour, in the midst of your agony, you remembered me, you suffered for me, you wished to wipe away my sins".
2. Contrition is 'perfect' if you repent of your sins because you love God and are sorry for offending Him and causing the sufferings of Christ on the cross. Before the Crucified Christ remember your sins, repent of them because they have brought our Lord to His sufferings on the Cross. Promise him, that with His help, you will not sin again.
3. Recite, slowly and sincerely, an act of contrition focused on the goodness of God and your love of Jesus: "O my God, because you are so good, I am very sorry that I have sinned against you and by the help of your grace I will not sin again. Amen".
4. Make a firm resolution to go to sacramental confession as soon as practically possible.

### How to make a Spiritual Communion

The key to Spiritual Communion is to grow in your heart a constant desire for the Blessed Sacrament.

1. If you are aware of serious or mortal sin, make an Act of Perfect Contrition.
2. Imagine the sacred words and actions of the Mass or watch online or on TV.
3. Make all those acts of faith, humility, sorrow, adoration, love and desire that you usually express before Holy Communion.
4. Desire, with earnest longing, to receive our Lord present — Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity — in the Blessed Sacrament.
5. Say this prayer of St. Alphonsus de' Ligouri: "My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You are already there, I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You; do not let me ever be separated from You. Amen.
6. After moments of silent adoration make all those acts of faith, humility, love, thanksgiving and offering that you usually express through prayers after Holy Communion.

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