St. John, St. Mary, Visitation Churches

Mass Schedule for Sept. 19 th – Sept.27 th				
Sat. 19 th 5:00 p.m.	Prima Alia Rivera (Visn)(Fr. DD)			
Sun. 20 th 7:45 a.m.	Jerry Gerber (SM) (Fr. GV)			
Sun. 20 th 9:45 a.m.	Harry & Ruth Fliehman (SJ) (Fr. DD)			
Sun. 20 th 11:30 a.m.	Parishioners (Visn)(Fr. DD)			
Mon. 21 st 9:00 a.m.	Living & Deceased of Mark & Dianna Metzger Family (Visn)			
Tues. 22 nd 9:00 a.m.	Medical workers, emergency			
	responders, & their families (Visn)			
Wed. 23 rd 12 noon	Pinky Broermann (Visn)			
Wed. 23 rd 6 p.m.	Living & Deceased of			
	Subler/Moore/Hubacher Family			
	(Visn)			
Thurs. 24 th 9:00 a.m.	Intentions of Fr. Doseck, Fr. Vonderhaar, & Fr. Fitzsimmons (Visn)			
Fri. 25 th 9:00 a.m.	Bob Bruns (Visn)			
Sat.26 th 5:00 p.m.	Joseph & Vesta Herbst (Visn) (Fr. DD)			
Sun. 27 th 7:45 a.m.	Living & Deceased of the Valiquette & Jones Families (SM) (Fr. DD)			
Sun. 27 th 9:45 a.m.	Living & Deceased of the Peleck, Zamiecky & Makowka Family (SJ) (Fr. GV)			
Sun. 27 th 11:30 a.m.	Parishioners (Visn) (Fr. DD)			

Confessions Saturday 4:00 – 4:30pm Visitation

Wednesday 5:00-6:00 pm Visitation

Rosary Rally

On **Saturday - October 10** @ **Noon** at *Our Lady's Grotto for the Unborn (next to Visitation of BVM, Church)*, we will be hosting a **Rosary Rally.** Bring a friend, your own lawn chair, and pray the Rosary together (weather permitting).

Pet Blessing

On Sunday evening **October 4th at 5:00PM** on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, at *St. John Church in New Paris*, we will have an outdoor "**Pet Blessing**". Any pet that is safe to be around other people and other animals is welcome. We will gather in the parking lot and overflow in the large grass area for any larger animals. Owner is responsible for cleaning up after your pet. Fr. David and his pet dog, Brooklyn, will be handing out a few treats and look forward to praising God for a year of blessing for all our pets.

Visitation St. Anne Soildality will be meeting in the church hall on September 21st following the 9:00 a.m. Mass

Thank you for your continued support of our parishes through mail and online donations.

OFFERTORY 9/06/2020

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Visitation	Masses	Online	Total
	2720.00	1037.00	3757.00
St John	Mass	Online	Total
	340.00	325.00	665.00
St Mary	Mass	Online	Total
	917.00	135 .00	1052.00

	OFFERTORY 9/13/2020			
Visitation	Masses	Online	Total	
	2095.00	2040.50	4135.50	
St John	Mass	Online	Total	
	45.00	25.00	570.00	
St Mary	Mass	Online	Total	
	510.00	135.00	645.00	

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear Friends in Christ,

Jesus Christ has revealed to us a way of publicly and personally fulfilling a divine mission given to us in our Baptism. Our heart and mind, wounded by sin and weakened free-will, are reaffirmed in faith through the Scriptures and Sacred Tradition of our Catholic faith. The core of our involvement as Christians in the public arena should let faith inform our conscience above and beyond any political slogan or campaign. We cannot simply use human reason and arrive at a solution to the issues we face as a nation together. We can never fully trust in a single political party, candidate, or personal/selfish opinions. Jesus, the Son of God and Truth itself, is with us in every tabernacle, at every Mass in the Eucharist, and in our hearts and homes by faith, prayer, and penance. Christ and His Church always proclaim throughout every century the truth and dignity of every human person at the core of our Catholic Social Teaching. Charity, the divine gift from God that enables us to "love one another" (Jn 13:34), must animate our whole being and inform how we approach voting. Some simply say that "I don't like politics" or when together with family..." we don't discuss these things...Religion, Politics, and Parenting, etc.". However, as a people of faith in our world today, we hold that active participation in "public life" is a moral obligation. We cannot love God and Love our neighbor and not dive into "Religion, Politics, and etc...." However, we are called to engage others in this time with charity and remain focused on the preeminent issues of life and the dignity of every human person in light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Voting "Catholic" means to rise above and beyond any particular political party and particular candidate and to encounter the Love of Jesus Christ in our public life as rendering "to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and to God what belongs to God" (Mt 22:21). We are called as fellow Catholics to gather together, pray, learn about the issues, let faith inform our natural reason, and discern for whom we should cast our ballot in our upcoming election. In our bulletin from now until Election Day, we will be providing you with different themes of Catholic Social Teaching to help us develop an informed conscience to vote in accord with our faith and the truth of Jesus Christ.

God Love You, Fr. David Doseck iVoteCatholic: We are called to live our faith in all aspects of our lives. This provoking question requires much prayer and discernment from each of us. We acknowledge the difficulty of this question and the perceived alignment or misalignment of the candidates and issues with our Catholic faith. Our Church teaches a consistent ethic of life so we are called to be advocates for a variety of issues related to life and human dignity. Some have misinterpreted this teaching to convey that each related issue is morally equivalent. This is not the case. Some have misinterpreted this teaching to convey that one related issue could excuse indifference to the rest: this is not the case either. We have challenging work ahead of us! Starting next week, the Archdiocese of Cincinnati will be offering prayers, scripture, quotes, family activities and discerning questions through the lens of the seven principles of Catholic Social Teaching to aid the discerning vote. We will not be telling you for whom or what to vote. We will be encouraging careful discernment, intentional prayer, and a universal call to holiness and compassion to inform your voting. Find out more at www.iVoteCatholic.org

Bible Study

<u>Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible – A Bible Timeline</u>

"Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible" study program helps you go get the "big picture" of the Bible, showing how fourteen narrative books tell the complete story from Adam and Eve to Christ and the Church.

Wednesday mornings from 10:15 – 11:30 a.m. beginning on September 30, 2020 for 8 weeks.

Hebrews- The New and Eternal Covenant

This study will allow you to more fully: understand the book of Hebrews as well as many aspects of the Catholic faith, appreciate more fully the power of the Holy Mass, and be encouraged by the community of Saints.

Monday or Tuesday evenings from 6:30-8:00 p.m. depending on the preference of the class beginning on September 28, 2020 for 8 weeks.

All sessions will be held in Visitation Hall using the same safety precautions as we do in Mass. Contact the office or Dianna Metzger – 937-839-5735 to reserve a spot.