

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

October 4, 2020

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 3rd

8:30 am St. John – Shirley Donna
 9:00 am - 9:30 am – *Confessions at St. John*
 3:15 pm - 3:55 pm – *Confessions at St. John*
4:00 pm St. John – Dick Vering by Susan Dugan

Sunday, October 4th

7:00 am - 7:25 am – *Confessions at St. John (time permitting)*
7:30 am - St. John – Patricia Yando by Amy Marcinko
 9:00 am - 9:25 am – *Confessions at St. Elizabeth (time permitting)*
9:30 am - St. Elizabeth – Peter Klimonoski by Cara
11:30 am - Queen of Peace – Mass for the people
Confessions at QP before Mass (time permitting) or following Mass as needed.

Monday, October 5th Blessed Francis Xavier

8:30 am - St. Elizabeth – John Wall, Jr by his estate

Tuesday, October 6th St. Bruno

8:30 am - St. John – For the intentions of the priest by Linda Toborg

Wednesday, October 7th Our Lady of the Rosary

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm – *Holy Hour of Adoration with Confessions at St. John*
5:15pm - St. John – Deceased members of the St. J. K. of C.

Thursday, October 8th

8:30 am - St. John – Linda St. Cyr by Amy Marcinko

Friday, October 9th St. Denis, St. John Leonardi

8:30am - St. Elizabeth – Patrick Cochran by Amy Marcinko

Saturday, October 10th

8:30 am St. John – Priest Intention
 9:00 am - 9:30 am – *Confessions at St. John*
 3:15 pm - 3:55 pm – *Confessions at St. John*
4:00 pm St. John – Marion Handy by Isabelle

Sunday, October 11th 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 am - 7:25 am – *Confessions at St. John (time permitting)*
8:00 am - St. John – Randy Mackay by Priscilla & Bob Messier
9:30 am - St. Elizabeth – John Wall by his estate
11:30 am - Queen of Peace – Mass for the people
Confessions at QP before Mass (time permitting) or following Mass as needed.

Please keep our parishioners in mind who are ill & in need of your prayers, especially: Pam Austin, Charlene Chase, Connie Lapage, Martin Fortin, George Thurston, Charlie Weis, & Randy Thomas.

Please Note: To help relieve overcrowding at St. Elizabeth's, the 7:30am Mass will move to 8:00am beginning October 11th.

Oct. 10-11, 2020	St. John	St. Elizabeth	Queen of Peace
Lector	4pm (Sat.) K.Gilding 7:30am T.Lovett	9:30am S. Mason	M. Goldrick

All Souls Envelopes-please note the All Souls envelopes are in your packet now for All Souls Day November 2, 2020

The **FORMED** program is available to everyone in our parish. To start enjoying this free gift, please visit the FORMED website:

1. Go to: nekatholic.formed.org
2. Click on REGISTER to create a personal account

PARISH EVENTS

Sun. Oct. 4th 1:30pm Family Faith Formation
 Mon. Oct 5th 6:30pm Parish Council/Zoom
 Tues.Oct. 6th 6:45pm St. V. de Paul/Ctr
 Wed. Oct. 7th 6:00pm St. J. K. of C
 Sat. Oct 10th 5:00pm K. of C. Bingo/Fr. Lively Center
 Sat. Oct. 17th 5:00pm K. of C. Bingo/Fr. Lively Center

FINANCIAL REPORT

Fiscal Year: 7/1/20-6/30/21 Budgeted Regular Collection: \$243,650
Reg. Collection Year-to-date: \$39,835.63+ **On-Line: YTD:** \$19,261.55
Collections and Receipts: September 27, 2020
 Regular Offertory: \$3,727.90

Please consider using the Online Giving tool for your weekly offertory donations. Visit our website at: nekatholic.com and click "Give Online" to sign up!

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL, Corpus Christi Conference offers assistance in name of Jesus to the needy in our community. To contact us call: Patrick McWilliams: 274-3542 Ann Lovett: 751-8187; or the Rectory: 748-8129
 We will arrange a visit to see if we are able to serve you!

Good Shepherd Early Ed & Childcare Center

Good Shepherd Early Ed and Childcare Center is a year-round child care option offering a nurturing and faith-based program for children age 6 weeks to 5 years old. Openings are available. Call 751-8223

2nd Collection: Stewardship

Employment Opportunity: We are looking for someone to shovel snow at St. John Church for the upcoming season. This would be a part-time position taking care of the walkways for the Church, Rectory & Fr. Lively Center. If interested, please call the Parish Office.

NEED A PLACE TO PARK THIS WINTER?

We have a few spaces remaining on Winter St near the Fr. Lively Center that are available for parking this winter. If you or someone you know are interested please give the Rectory a call. (Various rates available)

The Blessed Virgin Mary's Invitation to Get Spiritually Healthy

God has an incredible dream for you, one that can fulfill your deepest desires and longings. But we often get distracted. We make the mistake of hoping that certain people or things will fill us, but they can pull us away from God. Our Mother invites us back. Over and over again at Fatima, the Blessed Virgin encouraged us to turn away from the things in our lives that hold us back. The things that keep us from finding the happiness God wants for us. But how do we get there? Even if we want to follow God's dream for us, actually doing that can seem intimidating. Remember it's a journey. And God is with us each step of the way. Simply take one small step forward, especially when it is difficult. Here are a few ideas to get you started: **1.)** Identify the things in your life that need to change. Pick one bad habit, then focus on the positive habits that can crowd out that bad habit. **2.)** Make fasting part of your spirituality. God wants to liberate you from your struggles. But some things in our life can only be overcome by prayer and fasting. Whether you fast from food or something else like noise or complaining, offer your struggle to God, and practice fasting. **3.)** Even if it has been a long time, make an effort to go to Reconciliation. **4.)** Ask God for advice. Invite God into your decisions, both big and small. Ask God, "What should I do?" **5.)** Establish a daily habit of prayer. Begin with 10 minutes a day. You'll be amazed at the results. You will find incredible happiness if you embrace God's dream for you. You will be blessed with spiritual vitality. You will become all that you can be: the-very-best-version-of-yourself.

October 7th: Feast of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary

In his apostolic letter, *Rosary of the Virgin Mary*, Blessed Pope John Paul II observed, "The Rosary, though clearly Marian in character, is at heart a Christ-centered prayer. It has all the depth of the gospel message in its entirety." Through the Rosary, Mary guides us in the contemplation of significant events in the gospels. By meditating upon the 20 mysteries of the Rosary, we are led closer to Christ, with the ultimate aim of imitating His virtue. Meditation can be as mysterious as the Rosary mysteries themselves. Many Catholics would like to pray the Rosary more often but are unsure about how to meditate or where to begin. Meditation on the Mysteries begins with knowing them well as they are recorded in the Sacred Scriptures. Here are the Mysteries and where they can be found in the Bible; in parenthesis is a virtue that might be helpful to consider with that Mystery.

Joyful Mysteries:

1. *The Annunciation* (Abandonment to God's Will) Lk 1:26-38
2. *The Visitation* (Love of Neighbor) Lk 1:39-56
3. *The Nativity* (Poverty of spirit) Lk 2:6-20; Mt 1:18-25
4. *The Presentation* (Offer your heart to God) Lk 2:22-39
5. *The Finding of the Child Jesus in the Temple* (Joy of finding Jesus in the Tabernacle) Lk 2:41-51

Luminous Mysteries:

1. *The Baptism of Jesus* (Fidelity to our baptismal promises) Mt 3:11-17; Mk 1:9-11; Lk 3:15-22; Jn 1:26-34
2. *The Wedding Feast at Cana* (Faith in Mary's intercession & maternal care) Jn 2:1-12
3. *The Proclamation of the Kingdom* (Conversion of heart) Mk 1:14-15; Mt 5:1-16; Mt 6:33; Mt 7:21
4. *The Transfiguration* (Desire to become a new person in Christ) Mt 17:1-8; Mk 9:2-10; Lk 9:28-36
5. *The Institution of the Holy Eucharist* (Love of the Eucharist); Mt 26:26-28; Mk 22:25; Lk 22:14-20; Jn 6:33-59

Sorrowful Mysteries:

1. *The Agony in the Garden* (Resignation to God's Will) Mt 26:36-46; Mk 14:32-42; Lk 22:39-46
2. *The Scourging at the Pillar* (Modesty and purity; mortification or self-denial) Mt 27:26; Mk 15:15; Lk 23:16-22; Jn 19:1
3. *The Crowning of Thorns* (Humility) Mt 27:29-30; Mk 15:16-20; Jn 19: 2-3
4. *The Carrying of the Cross* (Perseverance & patience in suffering) Lk 23: 26-32; Mt 27:31-32; Mk 15:21; Lk 23:26-32
5. *The Crucifixion* (Mercy; sacrificial love) Lk 23: 33-46; Mt 27: 33-54; Mk 15: 22-39; Lk 23: 33-47; Jn 19:17-37

Glorious Mysteries:

1. *The Resurrection* (Faith) Mt 28: 1-10; Mk 16: 1-18; Lk 24: 1-49; Jn 20:1-29
2. *The Ascension* (Hope) Mk: 16: 19-20; Lk 24: 50-51; Acts 1: 6-11
3. *The Descent of the Holy Spirit* (Love of God) Acts 2:1-41
4. *The Assumption** (Union with Christ) Revelation 12:1
5. *The Crowning of Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth** (True devotion to Mary) Revelation 12:1

*Mary's Assumption and Coronation are implied in Revelation 12 and in other Biblical references, but neither is directly stated in the Bible. The Catechism of the Catholic Church defines the Assumption in Sections 966 and 974.

How One Visit to the Blessed Sacrament Can Change the World

Saint Therese of the Child Jesus is the patroness of all missionaries, even though she never left her convent. She died at the early age of twenty-four but accomplished great things through the power of prayer. The Church made her the patroness of all missionaries to emphasize and dramatize this most important truth: All conversions and all apostolic activities in the Church are accomplished by grace generated by prayer. The Church teaches that the most efficacious form of prayer is prayer in the Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Prayer in the Divine Presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament releases the power, the blessings, and the graces of God. The best example of this is from Scripture. Jesus asked His Apostles who touched Him, because He felt power go out from Him. He was referring to the woman who made an act of faith by touching the hem of His garment, knowing that by doing so she would be healed. Another time, the Gospel tells us that everyone wanted to touch Him because power and graces flowed out from Him.

Each time that you go to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, you touch His Heart with your faith. Each holy hour that you make in the Presence of Jesus releases His power and graces upon you, your family, your parish, your diocese, and the world. This is why Pope St. John Paul II, said that "the Church and the world have a great need of Eucharistic Adoration." Pope St. John Paul II canonized St. Maximilian Kolbe, who made ten visits every day to the Blessed Sacrament during his adult life. He canonized St. Faustina, who wrote in her diary that each holy hour of prayer so pleases the Heart of Jesus that each man, woman, and child on the face of the earth receives a new effect of God's goodness and love because of the value of a single holy hour made in His Presence. He also beatified Bl. Dina Belanger because of her devotion to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Jesus revealed to Dina the power of the holy hour in making reparation. One form of reparation is the ability to make up for what is lacking in the life of another. One day before her holy hour, Jesus showed Dina a multitude of souls on the precipice of hell. After her holy hour, Jesus showed the same souls in the hands of God. He told her that through holy hours of prayer a multitude of souls go to heaven who otherwise would have gone to hell as one person can make up for what is lacking in the lives of others by winning precious efficacious graces for their salvation. In other words, Eucharistic Adoration is the outpouring of God's Divine Mercy on the world!

October 6th: Feast of Blessed Marie Rose Durocher

Eulalie Durocher was born on October 6, 1811, at St. Antoine in Quebec, Canada. She was the youngest of ten children. After her education at the hands of the Sisters of Notre Dame, she helped her brother, a parish priest, and in the process established the first Canadian parish Sodality for young women. In 1843, she was invited by Bishop Bourget to found a new congregation of women dedicated to Christian education. Accordingly she founded the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary and took the religious name of Marie Rose. Under her saintly and wise leadership, her community flourished in spite of all kinds of obstacles, including great poverty and unavoidable misunderstandings. She remained unswerving in her concern for the poor. Worn out by her many labors, Marie Rose was called to her heavenly reward on October 6, 1849, at the age of thirty-eight. She was declared Blessed by Pope John Paul II on May 23, 1982. Her feast day is October 6.