



ST. ROMUALD CATHOLIC CHURCH

394 N HWY 259 · HARDINSBURG KY 40143

September 16, 2018 - Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

dear Padre

If, for economic reasons, a couple wants to purchase a home together before they marry, is it permissible for them to live together?

In the recent past, it would have been rare to find an unmarried man and woman living together as roommates. Today, however, it's fairly common. Sometimes these arrangements are dictated by finances—a homeowner or renter finds he or she can't afford to live alone so the person seeks a roommate. Other times it's a result of friendship. In many ways this is a positive development—it shows we've learned to have intimate friendships that don't involve sex.

There's nothing immoral about inhabiting the same home. However, when a joint real-estate venture is more than a business deal and involves eventual marriage, there are hazards. It's important for the couple to be very clear about what they're doing. Buying a home is a huge commitment. They should remember that real estate is one commitment, marriage is another, and they aren't interchangeable. It would be easy for one partner to insist on the house for economic reasons when the joint purchase is really an attempt to seal the marriage deal in advance.

Buying a house together could create marriage pressures, making it difficult to back out due to a change of heart. Such arrangements are full of possibilities for misunderstanding, disappointment, and anger. Unless it's clear that joint home ownership is—until marriage—just a business deal (and clear legal contracts are drawn up), it's not advisable. —
Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org

Parish Office:

Phone: 756-2356

Fax: 756-2099

Hours: Monday - Friday

8:00am - Noon, 1:00 - 3:00pm

Email: stromuald@bbtel.com

www.stromuald.org

Pastoral Staff:

Pastor, Father Tony Jones

Email: tony.jones@pastoral.org

Deacon, Tony Anthony

Administrative Asst, Jane Haynes

CRE: Adult, Rosa Hockenberry

CRE: RCIA, Marie Rose

CRE: 7-12, Gayle Poole

CRE: K-6, Kim Brumfield

Pastoral Council:

Janet Bland, Joellen McGary

Chris Brumfield, Danny O'Reilly

Gera Jarboe, Pam Pollock

Harry Mattingly, Mark Rhodes

St. Romuald

Interparochial School:

Phone: 756-5504

www.stromualdschool.org

Principal, Rob Cox

School Board

Representatives:

Jamie Barr, Amy Flood,

Jennifer Payne

Parish News and Events

Are you thinking of becoming Catholic?



**RCIA Begins
this Wednesday September 19th
at 6PM in the Parish Hall**

Our time together will include prayer, an overview of the RCIA process, refreshments, and an opportunity to ask questions. If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or joining the Catholic Church we hope you will join us! A spouse or friend is welcome and encouraged to attend with you. For more info call the Parish Office 756-2356.



If you are willing to serve on a **RCIA refreshment team** *one time* between September 2018 - May 2019, please call Marie

Rose at 756-2356 or 270-617-0538 to be placed on the schedule. We need you!! Thank you for volunteering for this ministry!!!

For You Information:

Confirmation will November 7th at 6:00 pm

There will be a short meeting for all Catholic School Parents after the Masses the weekend of September 15th & 16th.

Family Movie Night: Join us on Friday, September 21st at 6:00 pm when we gather to watch the movie "Paul, Apostle of Christ." Risking his life, Luke ventures to Rome to visit Paul-who's bound in chains and held captive in Nero's darkest and bleakest prison cell. Haunted by the shadows of his past misdeeds, Paul wonders if he's been forgotten as he awaits his grisly execution. Before Paul's death, Luke resolves to write another book that details the birth of what will come to be know as the church. Their faith challenged an empire...where sin abounds, grace abounds more! Pull up a chair, enjoy some popcorn and a drink on us, bring the family out for an evening of together time.

This Week at St. Romuald

Sun	8:15 am	K-6 Religious Education Breakfast
	2:00 pm	7-12 Grades Youth Activities
Mon	8:00 am	Mass
	1:00 pm	Blue Army Rosary
	7:00 pm	Al-Anon
Tues	1:00 pm	No Mass (Expended Care)
	4:00 pm	Rosary
Wed	5:00 pm	Mass
	6:00 pm	RCIA
Thur	9:30 am	Mass (Medco)
Fri	9:00 am	School Mass
	6:00 pm	Family Movie Night
Sun	8:15 am	K-6 Religious Education Classes
Upcoming		
Sept 25	10:00 am	Senior Day
	6:00 pm	Pastoral Council

Around and About

Pray to end abortion: Join other Catholics and those from other faiths that gather each Saturday at 2nd and Market in Louisville from 7:00-8:00 am (EST) to pray for families entering the abortion clinic. Many children have been saved and mothers spared future grief by this prayer action and support. With God, all things are possible! Archbishop Kurtz is known to show up and pray with everyone too!

Abortion Update: Last week 65 women went into EMW Clinic for abortions at 2nd and Market Street in Louisville. **Please pray to end abortion.**

Al-Anon Meeting: Mondays 7:00 pm St Romuald Parish Hall. Come find support and understanding to recover a sense of serenity in your life.

Dishes: Several dishes have been left in the parish hall from funeral meals. Please pick up dishes as soon as possible. Thank you!

Senior Day: Join in on the fun Tuesday, September 25th, from 10 am to 1 pm as our Seniors come to gather once again in fellowship. Bring a dish to pass as we serve up some good ole fried chicken and rolls. Our Saints of the month are St. Teresa of Calcutta, St. Wenceslaus, and St. Januarius. We will also have a special guest coming to visit to talk about the Holy Land! So, call your neighbors, friends, family, folks from all the other parishes! Invite them all, come together and share a day of celebrating life...

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday

Monday: St. Robert Bellarmine; Yom Kippur (Jewish day of atonement) begins at sunset

Wednesday: St. Januarius

Thursday: Ss. Andrew Kim Taegön and Paul Chöng Ha-sang and Companions

Friday: St. Matthew

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

Knights of Columbus

Food for Families

The Knights of Columbus are committed to helping end hunger through the Food for Families Program. Hardinsburg Council 2499 along with Kentucky State Councils are doing a Food Drive during September. We will be collecting nonperishable food on the 22nd and 23rd of September after the Mass each Sunday at St Romuald, St Mary and St Anthony Parishes (containers will be located at each entrances). Food will be donated to St Anthony's Food Bank and the Good Samaritan. We thank you for your support.

FOOTBALL FRENZY.

Once again the Kentucky Knights of Columbus are selling Football Frenzy tickets. Membership Card Cost-Buy 2 Get 1 Free: Membership Card is \$10. By purchasing the Membership Card, the card holder is automatically entered into the Football Frenzy Game. By purchasing two membership cards you can go to www.footballsweeps.com/FREE to get a FREE third ticket! Free Tickets) will be emailed to you (while supplies last, valid until 10/24/2018. Contact a KofC Member or Pat O'Reilly at 270-617-0754 to get your ticket(s).

The Kentucky Knights of Columbus over the last few years have disbursed over \$40K to charity; we have supported Stewards of Appalachia, the Wheelchair Program and Food for the Poor to name a few.

BECOME A KNIGHT:

BECOME A KNIGHT:

This is the third part of "Why Join the Knights of Columbus?" The first two parts were Lead with Faith, and Protect your Family. Now I want to talk about the third part of Why Join. To Serve Others. Make an impact. As a member of the Knights of Columbus, you can be a part of our unmatched charitable outreach. Support and participate in thousands of charitable programs – both local and international – that help those who need it most.

As a member you have the opportunity to help us:

- Put coats on kids
- Give food to families
- Bring clean water to those in need
- Provide wheelchairs and prosthetic limbs for the disabled and handicapped
- Support victims of natural disasters and support the needs of your community.

Become a Knight. Join today. Visit KofC.org/JoinUs or contact James O'Reilly at 270-617-0754, Hardinsburg Council 2499

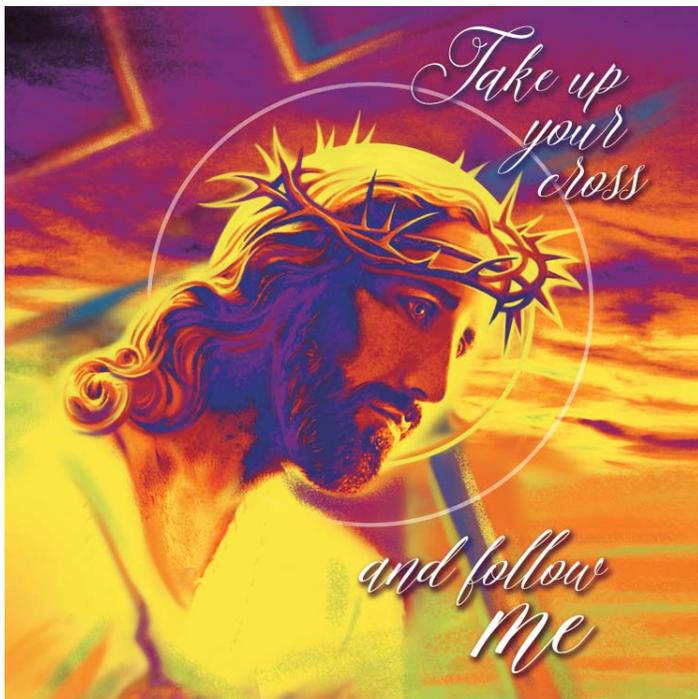
Married Couples Day of Recollection

Fr. Louis Capriccio, CPM, Chaplain for the Passionist Nuns, will present "The Formula for a Successful Marriage" at the Passionist Monastery in Whitesville on Saturday, September 22 from 8-3:30 PM. The cost is \$75 per couple, plus a freewill offering for the speaker. It includes a light breakfast and lunch. Those interested in attending should visit www.passionistnuns.org <<http://www.passionistnuns.org>> and scroll down to "Upcoming Events." Or you may contact Christie at retreats@passionistnuns.org <<mailto:retreats@passionistnuns.org>> or 270-302-8023.

Dear Parishioners:

Cross Catholic Outreach wishes to thank you for the welcome you extended to Fr. Fisher on our recent visit to your parish. On behalf of the poorest of the poor, we thank you for having shared in their lives. May our Lord continue to bless all of you for your love and support.

ATTENTION LECTORS: We will be ordering Lector Workbooks soon. If you need one please call the office as soon as possible so we can order the amount we need.



© J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

Readings for the Week

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 7:1-10
- Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps 100:1-5; Lk 7:11-17
- Wednesday: 1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13; Ps 33:2-5, 12, 22; Lk 7:31-35
- Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28; Lk 7:36-50
- Friday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13
- Saturday: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 56:10c-14; Lk 8:4-15
- Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20; Ps 54:3-8; Jas 3:16 — 4:3; Mk 9:30-37



K-6 Religious Education Breakfast



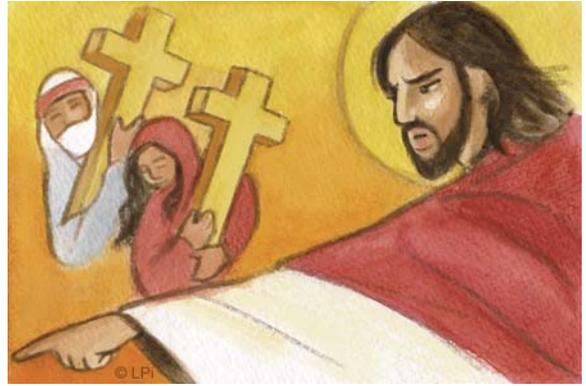
PRAYER REQUESTS

We Pray For:

Frank Adkins, Charles Alloway, Keith Androski, Frank Baker, Baby Barr, Roy Bennett, Pat Bland, Debbie Bowlds, Becky Brown, Ava Bruner, Juanita Burch, Kathy Burns, Mike Clark, Anna Carrico, Elias R. Carter, Ashley Carwile, Donnie Claycomb, H.L. DeJarnette, Pat Driskell, Debbie Dubree, Davye Duggins, Sammy Duggins, Glenda Farris, Tessa Farris, Bonnie Gail Fentress, Ginny Flood, Don Ford, Dorothy Greenwell, Linda Greenwood, The Henry Family, Henry Grey, Austin Harris, Kay Harris, JoAnn Henning, Patricia Miller Henning, Joe Hess, Kitty Himmelhaver, Bill Hinton, Jacqueline Huddleston, Mary Hurt, Robert Jackey, Alfred Jarboe, Joe Jarboe, Virginia Jeffries, Mary Ann Johnson, Ashley Jones, Becky Keenan, David Lane, Daniel Lewis, Rebecca Logsdon, Mary Ann Flood Lynch, **Jim Mattingly**, Jimmy Mattingly, Walter Manning, Bevan Michael Miller, Joe Miller, Richard Miller, Joe & Sharon Morgan, Anna Christine Mundt, Eddie O'Bryan, Joe Oelze, Patsy Oelze, Janet O'Reilly, Peggy Phillips, Jason Pirtle, Bobby Potts, Joan & Tom Powers, Marilyn Preher, Joe Priest, Mary Jo Rankin, Rita Roach, Kimberly Rolan, Suzanne Rose, Darcy Satterly, Dale Severs, Max Sharp, Bob Smith, Deborah Sue Stevens, Casey Sturgeon, Pam Sturgeon, Adalee Taul, Gina Thornsberry, Rufus Tivitt, Raymond Wethington, Charles Whitehead, Diane Whitney, Darrell Whitfill, Leona Whitworth, Madelyn Whitworth, Carolyn Wilcheck, Kevin Wilcheck, Tom Winchell, Anne Wolfe, Brandy Young **Serving in the Armed Forces:** Mandie Adams, Kevin Arnold, Fred Barham, Austin Brown, Timothy Cashen, Ryan Critchelow, Cody Garst, Parker Findlay, James Hanor, Christian Hansen, Jack Hayes, Charles Kuhlman, Bradford O'Reilly, Jordan Pate, Jeff Smith, Lane D. Taul, Liana Tindle, Chase Upchurch, Garrett Wadsworth



PRAYER AND SPIRITUALITY



GOSPEL MEDITATION

**September 16, 2018 24th
Sunday in Ordinary Time**

We know the signs of defeat: slumped shoulders, downcast eyes, a chastened demeanor. For those of us sincerely trying to follow Jesus, defeat is inevitable. We commit to spending more time with our kids, but that one project still looms. We resolve to be a good person, but our selfishness strikes again. It can be easy to get discouraged over our moral failures. Today's Gospel is a small, intriguing look at this process in the life of St. Peter.

First, Jesus' questions get the Apostles thinking about his true identity. This results in a confession of faith from Peter: "You are the Christ." Eager faith characterizes Peter's relationship with Jesus. First to follow, first to leap out of the boat, and, we know, first to deny. It's the latter tendency that manifests itself later in the Gospel. When Jesus predicts the Passion, "Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him." Jesus' rebuke in turn is stinging. While Peter's caution to Jesus is in private, Jesus intentionally turns back to the others as he declares, "Get behind me, Satan. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do."

Like Peter, we rarely get it right all the time. Peter understood that Jesus was the Messiah, but he had a false concept of what that Messiah would accomplish. Jesus wants to make sure the rest of the disciples don't follow down the wrong road. The Christian life is a difficult one, as Jesus later tells the crowds. "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself." Yet the mercy of God is abundant. If we renew our trust and our efforts after a fall, every defeat is transformed into redemptive grace. "Whoever loses his life for my sake ? will save it."

Celebration

ANNIVERSARY:

Donald & Alice Bland, September 26, 59 Years

BIRTHDAYS:

Mary Vessels, September 25th
Donald Bland, September 26th





Sunday, Sep 16, 2018

**TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
The answer this time**

We evolve. This is one of the most grateful things about existence, that we're not required to remain stuck in our stuff. We grow, learn, and adapt through the years. Our relationship with the Holy One evolves too. So, when Jesus asks us once more—Who do you say that I am?—our reply may well be different this time. Is Jesus still the God someone gave us long ago? Has Jesus become more real and necessary: as a friend, brother, healer, teacher, fellow sufferer, or champion? Is Jesus Lord of our lives, judge, irritant, role model, or inspiration?

TODAY'S READINGS: *Isaiah 50:5-9a; James 2:14-18; Mark 8:27-35 (131)*. "And Jesus asked them, 'But who do you say that I am?'"

Monday, Sep 17, 2018

MEMORIAL OF ROBERT BELLARMINI, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Make care for the poor a cardinal virtue

The Italian Jesuit Robert Bellarmine (d. 1621) is rightly remembered for his brilliance—he was made a cardinal by Pope Clement VIII on the grounds that "he had not his equal for learning." But while Bellarmine wore the red hat and had an apartment in the Vatican, he refused to live the high life. He maintained his austere disciplines, spending the bare minimum on his own needs and eating only the food available to the poor. It is said that he even used the tapestries he found in his Vatican apartment to clothe poor people, remarking, "The walls won't catch cold." Pray that all the leaders of the church share Bellarmine's vision of what it means to be a servant of God.

TODAY'S READINGS: *1 Corinthians 11:17-26, 33; Luke 7:1-10 (443)*. "I did not consider myself worthy to come to you, but say the word and let my servant be healed."

Tuesday, Sep 18, 2018

What you do for the least helps the most

One of Jesus' greatest gifts was his ability to comfort people who were suffering. He did that by performing miracles, of course, but also by simply accepting each person he encountered. Jesus' method was simple, but 2,000 years later it is apparent that we still have much to learn about how to treat the most fragile and vulnerable among us. The French geophysicist Xavier Le Pichon, in a profoundly personal and moving essay titled "Ecce Homo" ("Behold Humanity"), writes that when people turn toward the suffering ones in their midst, the entire community is transformed. Take some time today to read Le Pichon's essay and hear his extraordinary life story at .org. You won't be sorry.

TODAY'S READINGS: *1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 27-31a; Luke 7:11-17 (444)*. "When the Lord saw her, he was moved with pity for her and said to her, 'Do not weep.'"

Wednesday, Sep 19, 2018

**MEMORIAL OF JANUARIUS, BISHOP, MARTYR
They're there when you need them**

The bishop Saint Januarius, who died near the beginning of the fourth century, is known primarily for the San Gennaro festival named after him and for a famous phenomenon: the liquefying of a vial said to be his blood that has been going on several times a year in Naples, Italy for centuries. Apparently, he was an inspiring presence even before that. When Saint Paulinus of Nola was dying in 431, he called out to Saints Januarius and Martin of Tours, "who a little while ago were speaking to me and promising me that soon I would join them,"

a biography says. Saints are always available. Pray to them for help and let them serve as examples of love and service in your life.

TODAY'S READINGS: *1 Corinthians 12:31—13:13; Luke 7:31-35 (445)*. "Strive eagerly for the greatest spiritual gifts."

Thursday, Sep 20, 2018

MEMORIAL OF ANDREW KIM TAE-GÖN, PRIEST, PAUL CHÖNG HA-SANG, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

What they did for love

"Love makes the whole difference between an execution and martyrdom," Evelyn Underhill once said. As one of Christianity's renowned commentators on mysticism, she should know. The saints we call mystics are hailed for their utmost trust in God's love, their sheer abandonment to its power. But martyrs take it one step further—abandonment to even the point of death. Such devotion is "not an affair of red cassocks and authorized hymnbooks," Underhill wrote, "but a burning and consuming fire." As we remember today nearly 10,000 Korean martyrs, most of them laypeople, who were tortured and killed for their love of Christ, whose blood built the church in Korea, reflect on what real love looks like and what helps it grow.

TODAY'S READINGS: *1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Luke 7:36-50 (446)*. "You did not anoint my head with oil, but she anointed my feet with ointment."

Friday, Sep 21, 2018

**FEAST OF MATTHEW, APOSTLE, EVANGELIST
I'm the tax man**

Before Matthew was an apostle, he was a tax collector. Tax collectors as a rule are not the most popular people on the block, but they were despised in Roman-occupied Jewish lands, where they did the dirty work of collecting the Empire's taxes. Jesus' desire to mingle with such people scandalized the religious authorities, but Jesus was more interested in being with "tax collectors and sinners" than with the righteous, who felt they had nothing to learn from Jesus and no need to reform their lives. If we want Jesus to feel comfortable in our homes and hearts, it is good for us to guard against righteousness, the temptation to elevate ourselves by judging others.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13; Matthew 9:9-13 (643)*. "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

Saturday, Sep 22, 2018

**MEMORIAL OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Run like a girl**

The spiritual life is often described in sporting terms: Fight the good fight, run the race, win the crown. These come from an ancient Greek culture immersed in the excitement of athletic games and competition. But there are other ways to triumph, spiritually speaking. Mary of Nazareth employed the gospel paradox of the weak surpassing the strong through utter reliance on God's promises. Her "race" involved domestic life, birth and death, security and danger and challenge. Competition isn't the only way to win.

TODAY'S READINGS: *1 Corinthians 15:35-37, 42-49; Luke 8:4-15 (448)*. "Knowledge of the mysteries of the kingdom of God has been granted to you."

©2009 by TrueQuest Communications, L.L.C. PHONE: 800-942-2811; E-MAIL: mail@takefiveforfaith.com; WEBSITE: www.TakeFiveForFaith.com. Licensed for noncommercial use. All rights reserved. Scripture quotes come from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible.