

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — OCTOBER 11, 2020

I can do all things in him who strengthens me. — Philippians 4:13

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For Sacramental emergencies after hours, please call the parish office and follow the prompts.

HOLY MASS

Saturday (Christ the King)..... 5:00 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM; 12:00 PM (Español)
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday..... 8:00 AM
Friday 7:00 PM (Español)
Holy Days of Obligation..... As announced

Changes announced at Mass, on Facebook, with FlockNote

CONFESSION

Monday..... 7:15-7:30 PM
Friday..... After Mass
Saturday (Christ the King)..... 4:15-4:45 PM
Sunday 8:15-8:45 AM; before 12:00 PM Mass

Also by appointment

ADORATION

Monday..... 7:00-9:00 PM
Friday..... 8:00-10:00 PM

NOVENAS

Miraculous Medal Novena.....Monday after Mass
St. Jude Novena Thursday after Mass

COVID-19 UPDATES

Temperatures will no longer be checked prior to entrance at Mass. If you feel sick or have a cold please refrain from attending Mass. If you believe that you have been in the extended presence of someone with COVID-19, do not come to Mass until at least 2 weeks pass.

Effective at all Daily Masses and Adoration starting: Masks are no longer needed when in place in the pew. Masks must be worn entering the church, in the Holy Communion line, and when leaving.

There is no change in the mask policy for the Saturday 5:00 PM, Sunday 9:00 AM, and Sunday 12:00 Noon Masses. Thank you to everyone for wearing masks.

Mass registration using Signup Genius is only required for Sunday Masses at St. Mary.

LORD HEAR OUR PRAYER

Pray for Carol Annette, Mary Baxter, Jerome Bickimer, Eric Bilow, Juan "Yayito" Colon, Maria Eugenia Colon, Sally Currie, Bridget Custer, Adam Gehring, Norma Grafing, Patrice Hammitt, Evelyn Hill, Sean Hobart, Fred Hunt, Lonnie Johnson, Laurie Johnston, Paul Judge, Gary Lyncosky, Jimmy Marks, Dorothy McNamara, Pat Mullen, John Reynolds, Declan Richardson, Gerardo Rivera, Thomas Rivera, Audrey Russo, Alejandro Solis Hernandez, Bea Stroupe, and Mary Zeunik.

Knights of Columbus Food Sale
Caribbean Chicken - \$10
Saturday, October 17
Pick up available 11am-1pm
Call ahead to order: 919-623-4134



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Website

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 12.....8:00 AM (SM) +Anna & +Sisto Malone (Hess Family)
Tuesday, October 138:00 AM (SM) +Msgr. Cyril Adamko (George Rozman)
Thursday, October 158:00 AM (SM) +Nancy Madigan (Judge Family)
Friday, October 16.....7:00 PM (SM-Español) +Fr. Anthony Dukich OFM (George Rozman)
Saturday, October 17.....5:00 PM (CK)..... +Nancy Madigan (Judge Family)
Sunday, October 18.....9:00 AM (SM) +CJ Jones (Ralph Jones)
Sunday, October 18.....12:00 PM (SM-Español)..... Pro Populo

DEVOTIONS & MORE

Sunday, October 11

8:15 AM..... Confession (SM)
10:30..... Confirmation parent Mtg (SM Parish Hall)
11:20 AM Holy Rosary (SM)
11:45 AM Confession (SM)

Monday, October 12

8:30 AM..... Miraculous Medal Novena (SM)
9:00 AM..... Legion of Mary (Wellein Room)
7:00 PM Knights of Columbus (SM Parish Hall)
7:00 PM Adoration until 9:00 PM (SM)
7:15 PM Confession until 7:30 PM (SM)
7:15 PM Legion of Mary-Español (Wellein Room)

Tuesday, October 13 - Wednesday, October 14

No events scheduled

Thursday, October 15

8:30 AM St. Jude Novena following Mass (SM)

Friday, October 16

7:45 PM..... Adoration after Mass until 10:00 PM (SM)
8:00 PM..... Confessions after Mass until 8:30 PM (SM)

Saturday, October 17

9:00 AM RCIA & RICA (SM Parish Hall)
11:00 AM..... Pick-up for K of C Food Sale (SM Parish Hall)
1:00 PM..... Rodriguez-Olivier Wedding (SM)
4:15 PM..... Confession (CK)

Sunday, October 18

8:15 AM Confession (SM)
10:20 AM..... Confirmation class (SM Parish hall)
11:20 AM..... Holy Rosary (SM)
11:45 AM..... Confession (SM)

CATHOLIC EDUCATION

- RCIA Classes explaining Catholicism for non-Catholic HS youth/adults and for Catholics who never received First Holy Communion or Confirmation meet on Saturdays at 9:00 AM in the St. Mary Parish Hall. The classes in English and Spanish will meet at the same time.
- There will be a class for HS students after the 12:00 PM Mass on Sundays. This class would be good for those who need Sacraments (except Baptism).
- If your children are in one of the following groups you should register for Faith Formation now.
 1. There is a **Confirmation** program for **all** 8th Graders beginning October 18, 10:20-11:30. The class will continue until the Confirmation Mass in October 2021. The fee is \$60 for materials and a retreat. There is a parent meeting on Sunday, October 11 at 10:30 AM in the St. Mary parish hall.
 2. There will be a **First Communion** class in the Spring for **all** 2nd graders. Cost: \$10. There will be some work to do at home before the in-person classes begin sometime after Christmas. This class is also for any 3rd graders who have not received First Communion. The First Communion Mass is planned for Saturday, June 5, 2021.
 3. There will be an **RCIC class** in the Spring for the older children who began preparing for First Communion in September 2019. Cost: \$10. There will be some work to do at home before the in-person classes begin sometime after Christmas. The First Communion Mass is planned for Saturday, June 5, 2021.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

- Wednesday, Oct 14: Pope St. Callistus (Callixtus) I was martyred by an anti-Catholic mob in the year 222. The only story of his life is from Saint Hippolytus, the first anti-pope. Pope Callistus encountered resistance over the theological-pastoral issue of how to reintegrate Catholics who had been forced to engage in emperor worship. Callistus held that if God could forgive murder and adultery, He could forgive idolatry too. His bitter enemies considered Callistus too lax. St. Callistus is considered the patron of cemetery workers because he took care of a Christian cemetery in Rome before coming pope. Today this underground cemetery is known as the Catacombs of Callistus which should be visited when in Rome.
- Thursday, Oct 15: St. Teresa of Avila was a reformer of the Carmelite order in 16th century Spain. She founded 17 monasteries. She lived in an age where social conventions often clipped the wings of women. Teresa would not let herself be

held back. Her spiritual writings, *Autobiography*, *Way of Perfection*, and *Interior Castle*, contain some of the most profound insights into the spiritual life ever written. For Teresa true suffering comes from being in the world and serving others. Spiritual progress is not measured by self-imposed penance or by extraordinary mystical experiences. Instead, it is measured by growth in constant love for others and an increasing desire to do the will of God. In 1970, she and St. Catherine of Siena, were declared the first women doctors (authoritative teachers) of the Church. “One must not think that a person who is suffering is not praying. He is offering up his sufferings to God, and many a time he is praying much more truly than one who goes away by himself and meditates his head off, and, if he has squeezed out a few tears, thinks that is prayer.”

- Friday, Oct 16: St. Margaret Mary Alacoque was chosen by Christ to make known the love of God symbolized by the Heart of Jesus. Her early years were marked by sickness and a painful home situation. “The heaviest of my crosses was that I could do nothing to lighten the cross my mother was suffering.” Margaret Mary entered the Order of the Visitation at Paray-le-Monial in France. In 1674, three years a nun, she received the first of her revelations. During the next 13 months, Christ appeared to her at intervals. His human heart was to be the symbol of his divine-human love. By her own love Margaret Mary was to make up for the coldness and ingratitude of the world—by frequent and loving Holy Communion, especially on the first Friday of each month, and by an hour’s vigil of prayer every Thursday night in memory of his agony and isolation in Gethsemane. She died at the age of 43 in 1690. She was instrumental in helping to establish the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus which is commemorated 19 days after Pentecost. “Keep your heart in peace and let nothing trouble you, not even your faults. You must humble yourself and amend them peacefully, without being discouraged or cast down, for God’s dwelling is in peace.”
- Friday, Oct 16: St. Hedwig (Jadwiga) was the wife of Henry, Duke of Silesia, and the mother of his six children. She led a humble, austere, and most holy life amidst all the pomp of royal state. Devotion to the Blessed Sacrament was her great love. She would attend as many Masses as were celebrated each morning. After the death of her husband she retired to the Cistercian convent of Trebnitz, where she lived under obedience to her daughter Gertrude (the only child to survive her) who was abbess of the monastery, growing day by day in holiness. She died in 1242 and is the patroness of Silesia.
- Saturday, Oct 17: St. Ignatius of Antioch was an early Christian martyr. He was an "apostolic father," which means he had direct contact with Christ's apostles and was the third Christian bishop at Antioch in Syria. Ignatius is well known for the seven letters he wrote on his long journey in chains from Antioch to Rome where he was to be executed. Five of these letters are to churches in Asia Minor; they urge the Christians there to remain faithful to God and to obey the bishops and priests. He warns them against heretical doctrines, providing them with the solid truths of the Christian faith. The sixth letter was to Polycarp, bishop of Smyrna, who was later martyred for the faith. The final letter begs the Christians in Rome not to try to stop his martyrdom. “The only thing I ask of you is to allow me to offer the libation of my blood to God. I am the wheat of the Lord; may I be ground by the teeth of the beasts to become the immaculate bread of Christ.” Ignatius bravely met the lions in the Circus Maximus in Rome in the year 107.

MONDAY OCTOBER 12 IS COLUMBUS DAY

“When President Benjamin Harrison first proclaimed Oct. 12, 1892, as Columbus Day, the idea — lost on present-day critics — was that the holiday would recognize both Native Americans, who were here before Columbus, and the many immigrants who were then coming to this country in astounding numbers.

The 1892 Columbus Day parade in New York City was telling in this regard. Harrison had especially designated the schools as centers of the Columbus celebration, and thousands of public-school students marched, followed by students from Catholic and other private schools, each wearing their respective uniforms. These included the Hebrew Orphan Asylum, the Dante Alighieri Italian College of Astoria and the Native American marching band from the Carlisle Indian School in Pennsylvania, which speaks volumes about the spirit of the original Columbus Day. In 1906, Colorado became the first state to declare Columbus Day an annual holiday, and within six years, the movement had taken on national proportions.

The Ku Klux Klan was among the holiday’s strongest opponents, since it commemorated a man who was Catholic and a non-Anglo. Oct. 12 was established as a national celebration by annual presidential proclamation in 1934; it became a federal holiday in 1968.

What sometimes gets overlooked in current discussions is that we neither commemorate Columbus’ birthday (as is the practice for many public figures) nor his death date (when Christian saints are usually memorialized), but rather the date of his arrival in the New World. Columbus Day marks the first encounter that brought together the original and future Americans. A lot of suffering followed Columbus’ landing on San Salvador, and a lot of achievement, too. It was a momentous, world-changing occasion, such as has rarely happened in human history.” *(from KofC.org; continued on back page)*

(continued from previous page) For a balanced and insightful look into the mind and motives of Christopher Columbus, please read "Christopher Columbus and the Crisis of the West" (Sophia Institute Press) by Dr. Robert Royal. "In a time marked by tearing down the good in Western civilization rather than building it up, Royal neither diminishes nor excuses the sins of the past; but he also catalogs the extraordinary moral and material achievements passed down to our common heritage by the generations that preceded us." +Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap. Archbishop Emeritus of Philadelphia, Member, Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation

STEWARDSHIP

- Cleaners: 10/11 - Armando Ibarra, Amaya Family | 10/18 - Salvador Bernabe, Margarita Salinas, David Ramirez
- Clorox wipes: If you see Clorox wipes (or similar) please consider buying one for our parish to use in sanitizing the Church, Chapel, and parish hall.
- Food Bank / Boost & Ensure: Donations of non-perishable food and Boost & Ensure are urgently needed. Suggested food items: apple sauce, cold cereal, oatmeal, canned soup and pasta, canned fruit, peanut butter, beans, rice, canned vegetables. The food will stay in our parish to help parishioners, but Boost & Ensure will be taken to the Senior center for use by their clients. You can have items delivered directly to St. Mary, 818 McGowan Rd, Shelby, NC 28150.
- Online Giving: Please consider using online giving for your weekly tithe to St. Mary or Christ the King. You can use credit or debit cards, or your bank account. Text giving is now available at both churches. Learn more at SaintMaryShelby.org/online-giving.
- Thank you for your donations to the Knights of Columbus Shoe Fund and Sock drive!
- Monthly Offertory:

	July 2020	Monthly Budget	July 2019
SM	\$14,273	\$18,066	\$14,515
CK	\$1,865	\$4,311	\$2,243

~ Thank you for your generous support of our parish ~



In Memory of
**John & Nancy
Madigan**



Pray for the repose of the souls of the deceased members of Knights of Columbus Council 11946:

Anibal Angel	Butch Lowery
Bill Campbell	Joe McNamara
Berney Gehring	Dick Nann
Karl Giffin	Conway Pagett
Bill Hill	Paul Pasco
Dave Hobart	Ibrahim Sara
Joe Izzi	Paul Territo
Marty Kane	Ed Vito
Bob Kingery	Rev. Michael Hoban

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.
And let perpetual light shine upon them.

May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.