

Any who give you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose their reward.

Mark 9:41

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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

SAINT PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH 104 West First Street • Mansfield, Ohio 44902 419.524.2572 • Mansfieldstpeters.org

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m. Monday & Friday 5:30 p.m. Tuesday & Thursday 7:00 a.m. Wednesday (School Year) 8:25 a.m. & 9:35 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday: 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. & 30 minutes before every Mass

Sacrament of Baptism:

Please contact the Parish Center to begin plans for the baptism of your baby or child.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Arrangements should always be made at the **Parish Center office at least eight months** in advance of the ceremony.

Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Friday: 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday & Sunday: Closed

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Friday at 12 p.m., one week prior to publication date. All submissions must be in writing to *bulletin@myspartans.org.*

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 27 St. Vincent de Paul, Priest 5:00 pm Rosary 5:30 pm † Robert Sutter

Tuesday, September 28

Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr; Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs 7:00 am † Lucy Atherton

Wednesday, September 29

Weekday 8:25 am † Barbara Crundwell 9:35 am † Timothy Kilgore

Thursday, September 30

Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church 7:00 am + Linda Oswalt

Friday, October 1

St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church 5:00 pm Rosary 5:30 pm † Ron Ahles

Saturday, October 2

Vigil of the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2:00 pm Wedding: Christina Lyons & Kelsey Gledhill 5:00 pm † Jonette Reynolds

Sunday, October 3

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30 am For Parishioners 9:30 am † Richard & Marilyn Landoll 11:30 am Piedmo Family

IN GOD'S ARMS

Keira Jane Corl Karen Carr Baker



Bill Joyce

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM O LORD.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Names will only be listed for four (4) weeks. If you wish to have additional time, contact the Parish Center at (419) 524-2572.



Fr. Gregory Hite **Bill Ruhl** Jeannie Burkhalter Krista Marshall **Aaron Blank Dina Riley** Eilana Nelson MaKaya Butler Sharon Valdry Maria Loschinkohl John Ziegler Marlene Ziegler **Dorothy Trinter** JoAnn Marbaugh **Gwen Yockey** Louise Steggall Keith Combs Mady Ziegler

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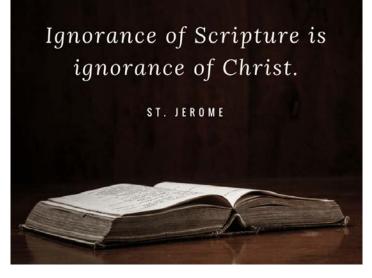
FROM THE PASTOR:

Many thanks to our parishioners who responded to my appeal for help with serving food in the school cafeteria and ushers for collection at the weekend Masses. Their willingness to help has brought more than a few smiles to people's faces! However, we are still in need of further help. If you are thinking about volunteering, but are unsure, I encourage you at least to try it. People vary in their interests and consequently in the area for which they volunteer. It is good to remember that all of us need to find our particular area of volunteering here at the parish. I'm extremely grateful for all of our parishioners who do so and remember them in my prayers.

I'm looking forward this week to attending more of the school sporting events. I'm a big fan of any outdoor activity that involves physical action. I've played football, basketball (not my favorite sport), white water rafting, water skied, snow skied (looking forward to Snow Trails being very close), hiked in Appalachia , and ran "over the river and through the woods" (grueling!) for six years while in the seminary. I enjoy seeing our students discover this aspect of God's creation in the midst of physical competition. If you see me there, don't be surprised to see me eating popcorn. I'm prepared to bring my own bag if needed!

Remember also to contact the parish office if you will be attending the Bible study that I'll soon be offering. In previous years at other parishes, I have had a wide range of people attend. Some were teenagers who never participated in a Bible study before and others had led group Bible studies. It might be surprising that such a diverse group of people are all engaged and being spiritually fed. However, the Holy Spirit reminds us that the Bible, which we Catholics refer to as Sacred Scripture, is "the Word of God" and is "living, active, and effective." (cf. Hebrews 4:12) The goal of upcoming study of the Gospel of Mark is to have a deeper knowledge and love of Christ. That will definitely affect our lives in many other ways. Consider attending!

Gratefully, Fr. Miller



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB

The next luncheon and meeting will be Wednesday, October 13, at the Roadhouse Brown Derby Event Center on Park Ave. West. The lunch will start at 12:00 pm and the meeting and program will follow.

All Catholic women in the Saint Juan Diego Deanery are invited. If you are new, you are encouraged to come and join us and get to know the Catholic women in the area.

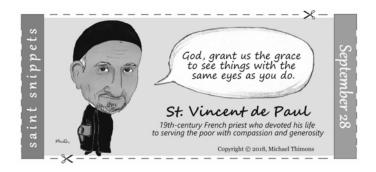
Please contact Deborah Blackstone (October Chairperson) at 419-610-3215 or Anita Holloway (President) at 419-524-2219, to make a reservation. Reservations must be made by October 8, before noon. We are looking forward to seeing current members and meeting new members!

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

In today's gospel, Jesus tells his disciples: "Anyone who gives you a drink of water because you belong to Christ will not, I assure you, go without his reward." On September 27, the Church will celebrate the feast of St. Vincent de Paul.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul members are on the front line in laboring for the poor. This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist eight families, providing shelter (motel stay), utility bill assistance, and rent assistance to avoid eviction.

God bless you for supporting our ministry's efforts in serving the needs of our community through your donations and in prayer. For more information about our ministry, please contact us by voice mail by leaving a message for St. Vincent de Paul ministry by calling the Parish Center at 419-524-2572.



PRISON MINISTRY CORNER

Prison Ministry Corner has been in our parish bulletin every week since September 2016 for the purpose of keeping parishioners informed about our dynamic parish prison ministry programs in the two local state institutions, ManCl and RiCl,



and to share opportunities for parish involvement. The column has also included information and updates on related issues, such as re-entry, restorative justice, the death penalty, etc.

Thank you to all who continue to donate plastic bags and knitting supplies. These items can be brought to the Parish Center office during business hours or given to Lynne after 7:30 Mass most Sundays.

FEED THE NEEDY: PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

Please continue to donate personal care items which are distributed at the Free Dinner twice a month. Especially popular are washcloths, 3-in-1 body wash, shampoo and conditioner, deodorant, hair brushes, and disposable razors. These can be brought to church any weekend or to the parish center.

CONFIRMATION MASS—OCTOBER 10

Saint Peter's will be celebrating Confirmation on Sunday, October 10th at the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Bishop Daniel Thomas will be celebrating this sacrament with our young people.

Incense will be used at this Mass for those who have sensitivities to its use. Please pray for our young people as they make this next step on their faith journey.

HARVEST FESTIVAL-OCTOBER 3

Mother of Sorrows Chapel, 7212 N. Auburn Road, North Auburn (Tiro) is hosting its Fall Festival on October 3 from 11 a.m.—3 p.m., featuring pork and chicken dinners, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, applesauce, green beans, dessert. Drive-thru and carry out available.

Plus, a farmers market, baked goods, fall décor and arts and crafts.

For more information visit stbernardnwo.com.

CORRECTION: IN GOD'S ARMS

In last week's bulletin, we listed Jade Corl in "In God's Arms" section. This was incorrect. The name of the deceased was Keira Jane Corl. We apologize for the error.

SUNDAY OFFERING	<i>As of August 2021 Sunday Collection</i>
Sunday Collection & Holy Day Collection:	\$140,478
Total Budgeted Sunday Collection To Date:	\$145,400
Sunday Collection Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$4,922)
School Collection	
Total School Collection To Date:	\$24,201
Total Budgeted School Collection To Date:	\$24,000
School Collection Surplus/(Deficit)	\$201



That Man is You! is an interactive men's program that combines the latest findings of modern science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to develop authentic male leaders capable of transforming themselves, their families and society.

It's not to late to join us this upcoming Friday at 6 a.m. Call Father Kevin is you would like more information.



BELOVED: FINDING HAPPINESS IN MARRIAGE

Understanding God's plan for marriage is one thing, living it out is another. **Beloved: Living Marriage** examines the day-today challenges of being united as husband and wife while maintaining individuality. Join us to watch the series and learn how to put faith at the center of your marriage.

Date/Time: October 9 after 5 p.m. Mass in the church basement.

Whether you are a newlywed or have been together 40 years, St. Peter's date night is a great way to enrich your marriage and meet other couples in the parish while breaking bread together. Dinner is provided and if you need more information, questions, childcare, or to RSVP, email Brad or Katie Michel at **stpdatenight@gmail.com.**

FORMED

PICK OF THE WEEK

Sept 26, 2021

THÉRÈSE

A pampered child from a middle-class 19th century French family, Therese Martin journeys to Rome to beg Pope Leo XIII for permission to enter the Carmelite monastery at the unheard-of age of 15. Once admitted she experiences the joys and rigors of monastic life, and makes the surprising yet simple discovery that holiness can be achieved by small acts of love and compassion – a spiritual path she calls her "Little Way."



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RECYCLING — FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8

FOOD COLLECTION: OCTOBER 9 & 10



those who faithfully served the Diocese of Toledo by donating to the Perpetuate The Gift Appeal.

Your gift supports our retired diocesan priests, enabling them to pay for their living expenses. All funds contributed between September 18 through December 31. assist our parish in its assessed contribution to the fund. A gift of cash or check can be sent to Perpetuate The Gift, PO Box 954, Toledo, OH 43697, or placed in the parish collection.

A gift may also be made online at www.toledodiocese.org under the Give tab. You can also make a gift on your handheld device by holding the camera up to the QR code above. THANK YOU for your support!

YOUTH PRAISE & WORSHIP TEAM

PERPETUATE THE GIFT

Support Our Priests' Retirement: Our priests have given their lives in service to us and our parish, including our recently retired

pastor Father Hite, and we are most

grateful! Please offer your gratitude for

The Saint Peter's Praise and Worship Team will once again start meeting in October!

The Praise and Worship team is a group comprised of 1st - 6th graders who come together to sing, dance, praise God and make a joyful sound! In addition, they help to lead the song and dance at Vacation Bible School which takes place annually in July. If you are interested, please contact Elizabeth Wurm at (wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org) for more information and meeting times.

We would love to see your children there.

STEM LEARNING-MOSQUITO LARVAE



Sixth-grade science students are learning how to identify mosquito larvae. They are using tools from The GLOBE Program Mosquito Habitat Mapper App. The lenses allow students to observe the larvae using their iPad cameras. They will also use FoldScopes, which are paper microscopes, to study the larvae.

POP-UP PARK OPENING



Students participated in the ribbon cutting and opening of Imagination Park, a pop-up linear park along W. 3rd St. Students were able to take part in some of the games from Little Buckeye Children's Museum and the Mansfield/Richland County Public Library.

BUILDING A CULTURE OF LIFE YOUTH RETREAT AND DINNER

Saturday, October 23—6 p.m.—9 p.m. St. Stephen Parish Hall, West Salem

This FREE event is for youth in grades 7-12!

- Spaghetti dinner, ice cream bar, games, t-shirts
- Confession opportunity & Eucharistic Adoration
- Speakers:
 - Phil Klinefelter—"Men of Honor for LIFE"
 - Fred del Guidice—"St. Joseph-Father for LIFE"

Contact Wendy or Todd McKee at (330) 262-1096 or rosarywtm@gmail.com by October 16 to reserve your spot.

SPARTAN SPIRIT FAITH. EXCELLENCE. SERVICE. Your Parish School in Action



CONGRATULATIONS ROGER ZELLNER!

Our elementary students know him as "Mr. Roger". They love his fresh baked cookies. Parents see him every day directing traffic at dropoff and pickup. He also has many other gifts and talents that keep our school buildings well maintained.

Mr. Roger is a great living example of Faith, Excellence, and Service.

Recently, Roger qualified for the United States Senior Olympics! He won two gold medals in the 1500m & 800m and silver in the 400m.

Our Spartan family is proud of his achievements, and we all look forward to cheering him on this spring when he competes in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, in May 2022!



Students in grades 6-12 are encouraged to attend Life Teen Youth Nights at Resurrection Parish.

The Life Teen program is a Eucharist-centered movement that leads teenagers and their families into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church.

Missionaries from Camp Damascus will help facilitate the program. The kickoff will be held this Sunday, September 26, from 6:30—8:30 p.m.

Dates include:

- September 26 (Kickoff)
- November 7

October 17

- October 3October 10

All are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Elizabeth Wurm (*wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org*) at St. Peter's or Mary Young at Resurrection Parish (*mary@resurrectionlexington.com*).

FEAST OF FAITH The Lord's Prayer

The Eucharistic Prayer ends with the great "Amen," the acclamation of assent by the assembly. Then the Communion rite begins with the Lord's Prayer. We pray this prayer in many contexts, both inside and outside the Church's liturgy. Here, in the context of the Mass, the Lord's Prayer is profoundly eucharistic. When we ask for our "daily bread," we are asking for the gift of the Eucharist. When we ask God to forgive us as we forgive others, we are seeking forgiveness and purity of heart before we approach the altar to receive the sacrament of the Lord's Body and Blood—"so that what is holy may, in fact, be given to those who are holy" (General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 81).

At Mass, a prayer for peace is inserted between the prayer and the doxology. In this prayer, called the embolism, the Church asks God for freedom—freedom from sin and all anxiety and distress. We are living in an in-between time; even as we rejoice in Christ's presence, we await his coming in joyful hope.

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PROCLAIM THE WONDER OF GOD

The gift of the Spirit is given freely, not according to human expectations, but according to the generosity of God. Joshua wants Moses to stop Eldad and Medad from prophesying in the camp, when they were not with the others as the spirit was bestowed on them. Moses, so close to God's mind in the matter, wishes everyone could possess the spirit of God and proclaim it to the nations.

Psalm 19 celebrates the perfection of God's law, and how it brings joy and delight. It is better than the finest gold or the sweetest honey. Moreover, God gives the wisdom of the prophets to everyone, especially the simple and lowly ones, even to children. It is the "little ones" who proclaim the wonder of God to all.

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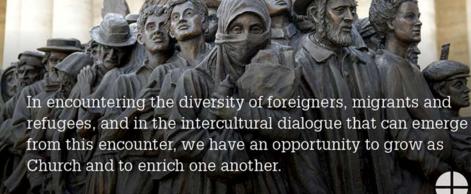
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WORLD DAY FOR MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES



-Pope Francis, World Day of Migrants and Refugees 2021

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH

Every October the Catholic Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Month, and the first Sunday of October is observed as Respect Life Sunday. As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning to the end of their lives, and at every point in between.

During the month of October, the Church asks us to reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life.



You and your family deserve to be safe and loved in your home.





OCTOBER IS ALSO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH

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If you or someone you know is experiencing domestic violence, help is available. Call the 24/7 National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Lk 9:46-50
- Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-56
- Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51
- Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12
- Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Lk 10:13-16
- Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Mt 18:1-5, 10
- Sunday: Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Moses said, "Would that all the people of the Lord were prophets!" (Numbers 11:25-29).

Psalm — The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart (Psalm 19).

Second Reading — Come now, you rich. The wages you withheld from the workers who harvested your fields are crying aloud (James 5:1-6).

Gospel — Whoever is not against us is for us (Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48))

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Today we celebrate World Day for Migrants and Refugees!

We pray for migrants, refugees, and all other strangers in our midst, that they may find strength in our concern for justice and feel the warmth of our love. # 776400 800 bulletins please

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