

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, October 3, 2021

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Mass Schedule

Sat.— 5:30 pm Mass
Thurs.— 8:30 am Mass

Reconciliation:

Before Mass or by Appointment

Sacrament of Baptism – Baptisms are celebrated during the Saturday 5:30p.m. Mass. Please call the Rectory to make arrangements.

Marriages – Diocesan Policy require at least a six month preparation process. Couples who are planning to marry should speak directly with the Pastor before setting a date. No Weddings are scheduled on Sundays.

Hospitalized Parishioners – Due to a change in the privacy law, Father cannot go to the hospital and ask for a list of parishioners for him to visit. As a patient, you must ask the hospital to notify the Rectory that you are requesting a visit. For our homebound parishioners, if you would like Father to visit, please call the Rectory and Father will be more than happy to come and visit you. Thank you!

Mass Intentions:

10/2/21 Sat. 5:30 pm +Edward Masching (Ray & Heidi Ehrhardt)
10/7/21 Thurs. 8:30 am +Frank & Minnie Gianotti & Descendants
10/9/21 Sat. 5:30 pm +Daniel Ryan (Mark & Sue Richie)

If you would like a Mass Intention said, please contact the Parish Office. Suggested Donations is \$10.

Remember in Prayer our deceased relatives and friends, the ill of our parish and community, nursing home residents, the homeless, hungry and unemployed, those living alone and our own special intentions we hold deep in our hearts. Keep in prayer all men and women serving our country, the injured and those being held prisoners. Let us not forget all men and women who gave up their lives so that we may live in freedom and peace!

Liturgical Schedule for Lectors

10/2/21 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Bridget
10/9/21 Sat. 5:30 pm-Lector-Jane



Holy Father's Intention for the month of October: *General Intention:* Missionary disciples. We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel.

Weekly Income:

Sunday Collection 9/19 \$ 510.00
Sunday Collection 9/26 \$ 571.00
Your Offering is most appreciated!

Prayers for Sick

Heidi Ehrhardt, Donna Masching, Debbie Turner, and Michael Mullen

Daily Mass will resume on Thursday, October 7th at 8:30am. Receiving the Eucharist at **daily Mass** strengthens your spiritual life and makes it easier to fight the temptation to sin. Please consider coming to daily Mass if you are able.

Eucharistic Adoration- Everyone is invited to adore Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament at the Church of St. Lawrence O'Toole in Essex every 1st Wednesday of the month beginning Wednesday, October 6th from 11am – 1pm. Please try to find time for Jesus in Adoration.

Our condolences to Monica Ruder on the loss of her brother, Zephyr Benoit who entered Eternal Life. Eternal Rest Grant to him O Lord. May his soul and all the souls of the Faithful Departed through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace!

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, Oct. 4th.

October is the Month of the Rosary -The Rosary is such an important tool for prayer in our lives that the entire month of October has been dedicated to the Rosary. The liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated every year on October 7th.

St. Mary's Fall Utility Collection-The Finance Committee for St. Mary's met in May to finalize the 2021-2022 budget for our church. The new budget year began on July 1. The good news is that even with the effects of the COVID pandemic, our church was able to achieve our budget last year! Without the generous contributions from our parishioners throughout the year and during our two utility collections, this may not have occurred. If you would like a copy of the 2020-2021 Financial Report, it is available upon request by calling Lin at the parish office. **During the weekend of October 10, we will have our first utility collection for the new budget year.** (A green envelope is included in your box for this collection.) Last year utilities for our building and 20% of the rectory were \$6,690.00. The money from this collection and the second collection in March is used to defray our utility expenses. Thank you to all of our parishioners who have donated generously to the two utility collections in the past! These collections directly benefit St. Mary's of Reddick. Thank you for your support!

Bill O'Brien, Jane Arends, Dan Hogan, and Tom O'Brien, St. Mary's Finance Committee

Respect Life Sunday-On Respect Life **Sunday, October 3**, Life Chain will take place at various locations in the Diocese of Joliet. Life Chain is a peaceful and prayerful public witness of pro-life individuals standing while praying for our nation and for an end to abortion. It is a visual statement of solidarity by the Christian community that abortion kills children and that the Church supports the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception until natural death. **2:30 PM to 3:30 PM Braidwood – IL Rt. 53 at IL Rt. 113** Contact: Dave Wollgast (815) 287-2036 **3:30 PM to 4:30 PM Morris** – Rt. 47 (Division Street) at Jefferson St Contact: Annie Rasmusson (214) 608-7446 *Meet at 3:15 PM at 118 E. Jefferson St.

2021 Public Square Rosary Rally-Please join us in praying for world peace and conversion of hearts. Where: St. Margaret Mary Church, Main Street, Herscher, IL When: Sat., Oct. 16, 2021 Rosary will begin at 12:00 noon. Please bring a lawn chair. (in case of inclement weather, we will gather in the church hall) For more information, please contact Jackie Eberle at 815-421-4048.

Word of Life-"St. Joseph's 'yes' to the Lord meant that regardless of the hardship and personal sacrifice to himself, he consistently chose to put the needs of Mary and Jesus before his own. Joseph's devotion helps reveal to us our own call to show special care for the lives of those whom God has entrusted to us." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities Respect Life Reflection: St. Joseph, Defender of Life respectlife.org/reflection-joseph

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time –03 Oct2021 Genesis 2:18-24. Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6. Hebrews 2:9-11. Mark 10:2-16. **Making, Testing, and Deciding.** There are at least three take-aways from the readings today. In the **making** of man and woman in this second creation story, God builds them up from the same stuff. In the first creation story, read during the Easter Vigil, they are made into God's own image and likeness (Genesis 1:27). Made as equals. In the **testing** of Jesus, the Pharisees try to trip him up with legal loopholes. Jesus does not play that game. In **deciding** who belongs to the Kingdom of God, it is Jesus and not his handlers who choose. Children are important. So is everyone else. How will I foster the equality of both women and men? How will I avoid loopholes and, instead, tell the truth? Just like Jesus, how will I treat everyone the same as equal members of God's Kingdom?

