OCTOBER 19, 2025



BULLETIN

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Pastor:

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Parish Office:

Hours:

Wed. 5:00 pm - 8:00 pm & Fri. 9:00 am-Noon 620-475-3326 office@sjolpe.org

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Mass Schedule:

Saturday - 5:00 pm Sunday - 8:30 am Wed., Thurs., & Fri. - 7:15 am The rosary is recited before weekend Masses @ 4:35 pm on Saturday evenings and 8:05 am on Sunday mornings

Confessions:

Wed., Thurs., & Fri. - 6:30 am - 7:00 am Saturday - 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm Upon Request

Adoration:

Wednesdays: 8:00 am-7:00 pm in the Church

Other Sacraments:

Contact Parish Office

Parish Contacts:

Funeral Dinners: Linda Dieker, (620) 475-3567 Cemetery: Steve Redeker, (620) 475-3255 K of C: Danny Schneider, (620) 794-5889 Family Life: Kay Schmidt, (620) 475-3767 Outreach: Arlene Redeker, (620) 475-3414 Finance Council: Kevin Flott, (620) 475-3275 Pastoral Council: Kim Irwin, (620) 475-3295 Religious Ed: Lindsey Ratcliff, (214) 732-3813 St. Joseph School Endowment: Michael Ratcliff, (620) 490-0388

Sacristan 10/20/25 - 10/26/25 Michael Dieker

Weekend Lectors/EMHCs

10/18: Donna Bolen10/19: Carolyn Cole10/25: Leanne Eberle10/26: Dan Schneider





This Sunday is World Mission Sunday. All Catholics are invited to embody and share Christ's hope, bringing it to those in need, especially in mission communities where the Church is still growing. There are special envelopes in your October envelopes and also in the back of church to make contributions. They can be dropped in the offertory basket this weekend or next. Thank you for your generosity.

St. Joseph Prayer List

Collins Baldwin Linda Barnard Maya Bishop Jeanette Reed Copeland Vicki Dickson Kauffman Dieker Susan Haag Sylvia Haag Darren Heins Kenneth Langley Debbie Markowitz Brian Martin Sylvia Miller Shea Mueting James Nunley **Todd Orear** Twyla Owen Olivia Pimpl Mrs. Ken Redeker **Richard Scheve** Danny Schmidt Jackie Schmidt **Greg Schonhardt** Mike Wecker Clara Young

United States Army:

SGM Matthew S. Richter, Sgt. Austin Burenheide, Grant Fath, Major Jacob Haag

Marines:

Lt. Col. James Bechtel

Navy:

Grace Coughlin

Air Force:

Megan DePauw

Army National Guard:Sqt. Mason Harmon

Mass Intentions:

Sat. 10/18: 5:00 pm +Jim & Marie Kuhlmann

Sun. 10/19: 8:30 am For the Parish

Wed. 10/22: 7:15 am Special Intention for the Bob &

Dee Davis Family

Thurs. 10/23: 7:15 am Special Intention for Maya

Bishop

Fri. 10/24: 7:15 am +Jerry & Doris Redeker Sat. 10/25: 5:00 pm +Charles & Evelyn Musick

Sun. 10/26: 8:30 am For the Parish



Hole-y Donuts is <u>this</u> Sunday in the Parish Life Center. We hope to see you there!



Soles4Souls

Are you doing fall cleaning? Have your kids outgrown their shoes? We are collecting new and used shoes for Soles4Souls through October 26. Since 2006, Soles4Souls has diverted over 71 million pounds of shoes and clothes from landfills and helped provide shoes for those in need in the U.S. and around the globe. Any sizes or styles of new or gently used shoes are needed. We are collecting them in the tub in the back of church. Thanks for your help!

Please mark your calendars for our upcoming fall Prize Bingo/Soup Supper on Sunday, November 23rd. We will have more information to come in the near future, but plan to join us for this fun, fall tradition at St. Joseph Catholic Church. We will be reaching out for donations soon. Looking forward to

seeing you all there!



Last Week's Collection:

Envelopes (26) \$ 1,296.00 Plate 229.90 Capital Improvements 25.00

TOTAL \$ 1,550.90



Knights' News



Join us for our biscuits and gravy breakfast **next Sunday**, October 26th, from 7:30 - 10:00 am. We look forward to seeing all those who can attend.

We still have several boxes of Tootsie Rolls left over. If you are interested in purchasing some for Halloween treats or just to snack on, please contact Danny Schneider (620-794-5889) or Steve Kuhlmann (620-794-1915).

Respect Life Month

What does it mean to be "pro-life"? It means being against abortion, assisted suicide, embryonic stem-cell research, human cloning, and any other practice that is an affront to the dignity of the human person. But being pro-life isn't just about being against things. Being pro-life means being for something. It means loving God's gift of life, and acting on that love.



Here are some actions that you can take this week:

- 1) Stay informed on current life issues, including human trafficking, through lifesitenews.com.
- 2) Raise awareness of human trafficking by sharing on social media. Visit ourrescue.org..
- 3) Offer your Communion for those entrapped in human trafficking.

TRICK-OR-TREAT FOR CANS

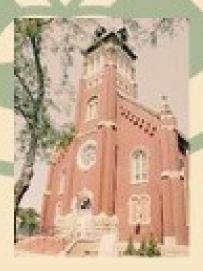
ST.JOSEPH'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SERVICE PROJECT WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29TH, 7:00PM







CHARITY





GIVE

Your donations will benefit John & Frances Ice Food Panery at Sacred Heart Church.

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

- IN TOWN: LEAVE CANNED GOODS ON YOUR FRONT PORCH WITH A LIGHT ON FOR STUDENTS TO PICK UP
- OUTSIDE OF TOWN: DROP OFF AT WEEKEND MASSES AT CHURCH, OR WEDNESDAY NIGHT AT THE PARISH LIFE CENTER

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Father's Corner



Solemnity of All Saints - November 1st

This is normally a Holy Day of Obligation, but since it falls on a Saturday, it is not obligatory this year.

Mass will be offered at 8:30am.

Confessions will be available at 7:30am.

Saturday evening and Sunday Morning Mass that weekend will be Mass for All Souls rather than the 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time.

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From a treatise against Fabianus by Saint Fulgentius of Ruspe, bishop

(Cap. 28, 16-19: CCL 91 A, 813-814)

We are made holy by our sharing in Christ's body and blood.

In our offering of the holy sacrifice we fulfill the command of our Savior, as recorded by the apostle Paul: The Lord Jesus, on the night in which he was betrayed, took bread, and after he had given thanks, broke it and said: This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me. The same way, after the supper, he took the cup saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me. For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you shall proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes.

This sacrifice is offered, then, to proclaim the Lord's death; it is offered in remembrance of him who laid down his life for our sake. As he says: *Greater love than this no one has, that one lay down his life for his friends*. Because Christ died for us out of love, we ask, when we make remembrance of his death at the time of sacrifice, that we too may be granted love through the coming of the Holy Spirit. We pray that by the love which Christ had for us when he braved the cross, we may receive the grace of the Spirit and be crucified to the world, and the world to us. *The death Christ died, he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives, he lives to God.* Let us imitate our Lord's death, and also live a new life. Strengthened with the gift of his love, let us die to sin and live for God.

For God's love has been poured out in our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us. Indeed our sharing in the Lord's body and blood when we eat his bread and drink his cup teaches us that we should die to the world, and that we should keep our life hidden with Christ in God, crucifying our flesh with its vices and evil desires.

That is why all the faithful who love God and their neighbor truly drink the cup of the Lord's love even though they may not drink the cup of his bodily suffering. And becoming inebriated from it, they put to death whatever in their nature is rooted in earth. They clothe themselves with the Lord Jesus Christ and do not indulge fleshly desires. They do not fix their gaze on visible things, but contemplate things which the eye cannot see. Thus they drink the Lord's cup by preserving the holy bond of love; without it, even if a man should deliver his body to be burned, he gains nothing. But the gift of love enables us to become in reality what we celebrate as mystery in the sacrifice.

HERE'S WHAT
FR. MERSMANN
HAS BEEN
LISTENING TO