

October 7, 2018
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. MARY MOTHER OF GOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

*"Serving the People of God
Spiritually and Physically since 1848"*

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Mass Schedule

Sunday - 10:45 am

Holy Day - 5:15 pm

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Prayer Line

Dottie Carpenter (260) 705-1690

Chairperson Parish Pastoral Council

Jennifer Hayes (260) 450-2193

Sacraments

Matrimony

Arrangements are to be made with priest at least 6 months in advance. Pre-marriage instruction required.

Sick and Communion Call

Please keep the Church Office informed of the sick and homebound, particularly when there is serious illness.

Baptism

For details please call the Church Office. Baptismal Preparation is required for parents.

Reconciliation

Sunday: 10:00am-10:30am OR
Anytime by appointment.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Call Parish Office for information.

Parish Pastoral Council

Nov, Jan, Mar, May, 1st Sunday, after Mass

Bulletin Deadline

Monday 12:00 pm

Call or email submissions.

Parish Mission Statement

"Believing in faith in action, St. Mary Mother of God Catholic Church strives to reach out to others through the joyful celebration of Word and Sacrament, embracing diversity, and working for peace, justice, and non-violence."

Parish Membership Welcome

Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us, whether visitors, long time residents, or newly arrived in the parish. *We thank God for you.* If you wish to register, please call the parish office, pick up a registration form in the pew, or complete below and place in collection basket.

Name _____ Phone No _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Check one:

New Parishioner New Address New Phone Number Moving, remove from list

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Whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it." This verse is part of a beautiful reflection on childlike faith. We're reminded of the innocence of children, how eager they are to experience life and how quick they are to trust. Rarely do we hear it with the story that immediately precedes it. The Pharisees question Jesus on the lawfulness of divorce! Hardly the sort of thorny moral conversation one typically has in front of children. Yet here we are.

Jesus' response goes further back than the Mosaic law. "From the beginning, God made them male and female, the two shall become one flesh, what God has joined together, no human being must separate." Jesus cites a particular set of passages from Genesis 1 and 2, before the Fall in Genesis 3. Adam and Eve possessed original innocence. How eager they were to encounter one another and to explore the garden! How immediate their initial trust in God. We no longer live in Eden. As we age in our fallen

world, to the beauties of life. We're quick to find a way around difficult moments.

In brief, things become complicated as we lose our innocence. The teachings of Christ and the Church on sexuality become more challenging or more objectionable. Jesus recognizes this in today's Gospel. His invitation is not to compromise with our broken reality. It is a return to beauty, to the fullness of life as it was meant to be. We can affirm our trust in God. We can view life with gratitude. We can experience healing of our lost innocence. This is possible today -- now! -- by grace. Indeed, "the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

Sunday, October 7

Sacristan: Sue Jehl

Commentator/Petitions: Tom Rumschlag

Servers: Payton Hinsey, Aric Koenig, Nathan Johnson

First Reading: Ann SeCheverell

Second Reading: Rosemary Mausser

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Sue Jehl, Joanne Miller, Jennifer Hayes, Maureen McCon, Peggy Neidhart, Barb Chmiel, Celeste Streicher, Dottie Carpenter

Ushers: Andy Johnson, Katrina Johnson, Gary Grider, Megan Horrell

Greeters: Liz & Frank Cantello

Sunday, October 14

Sacristan: Chuck Luther

Commentator/Petitions: Carmen Doyle

Servers: Katy Parrott, Maxine Stovall, Noah Johnson

First Reading: Dottie Carpenter

Second Reading: Ben Clemmer

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Chuck Luther, Pat McBride, Judy Wagoner, Jane Wick,

Rosemary Mausser, Ken Yahne, Louise Yahne, Kate Brogan

Ushers: Dennis Doyle, John Peterson, Liz Peterson, Kera Parrott

Greeters: Christine & Jasmin Myles

ELECTRONIC GIVING PROGRAM - St. Mary Mother of God Church offers this safe and convenient option for you to contribute your Sunday offerings to the Church automatically through your checking or savings account. To obtain the necessary form, please contact Julie Crouch at the Parish Office (jcrouch@stmarysfw.org, or 260-424-8231). You may also go to www.stmarysfw.org, click the "Donate" link, and complete the Authorization Agreement for Direct Payment form. Mail or put the form in the Collection Basket. Thank you!



"to everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven"

"a time to be born..."

"a time to love..."

"a time to be healed..."

Jim Huth

"a time to die"

"and a time for peace"

and in our world, all people, both military and civilian who are in the midst of war or natural disasters.



"For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. So they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, no human being must separate." - Mk 10:7-9
Excerpts from the Lectionary

Readings for the Week of October 7, 2018

Sunday: Gn 2:18-24/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [cf. 5]/Heb 2:9-11/
Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

Monday: Gal 1:6-12/Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c [5]/Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15 [24b]
Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Gal 3:1-5/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [69]/Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Gal 3:7-14/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [5]/Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Gal 3:22-29/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Lk 11:27-28

Next Sunday: Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [14]/
Heb 4:12-13/Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27



Mass Intentions

Sunday, October 7

10:45 am For the People of St. Mary Mother of God Parish

Sunday, October 14

10:45 am Marie Strunk



Altar of Service

Saint Mary's Soup Kitchen

Please mark your grocery lists for our Soup Kitchen. This week we are asking for...RICE

Soup Kitchen Weekend volunteers

Saturday 10:00 am-1:00 pm

Sunday 11:30 -1:00 pm

Saturday, October 6: Leslie House & Ephrim

Sunday, October 7: Camile, Fairmans, Mary

Saturday, October 13: Spencer House

Sunday, October 14: Brice Hahn, Mary, Judy, Kera, Katie

Thank you for volunteering at the Soup Kitchen. Please call me if you are unable to make your scheduled day.

Val Vordran 625-5757 or 450-5170

AVE MARIA HOUSE PANTRY NEEDS**Sugar and Snacks****HOMEBOUND MINISTRY**

Do you feel a calling to minister to our shut-ins? Please call the church office at 424-8231 or Sue Koester at 493-4282 for more information, or if you know of a parishioner who may be homebound and in need of communion brought to them.



The Week Ahead

Sunday, October 7

- *Mary's Kids* 9:15 am
- RCIA 11:30 am- Topic - *Jesus* -

Sunday, October 14

- *Mary's Kids* 9:15 am
- Second Collection is for St. Vincent DePaul Society
- Reconciliation Parent Meeting 9:30 am

IT'S TURKEY TIME

The first planning session for the **Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner**, served at St. Mary's on Thanksgiving Day from 11am-1pm, will be **October 10th** at 7:00 P.M. in Oechtering Hall. New volunteers are always welcome. For additional information call Pat McBride at 484-8005 between 5:30 and 10:00 P.M. This is a great opportunity to serve the community! Hope to see you there.



Parish Announcements

THE CHRISTIAN IN THE PUBLIC SQUARE

Roman Catholic, Lutheran and Reformed Perspectives
Hosted by Zion Lutheran Church, 2313 Hanna Street,
Saturday, October 27 from 1:30pm -4:00 pm.

Presenters: Roman Catholic View: Judge Kenton Kiracofe, Wells County Circuit Judge

Lutheran View: Pastor Peter Brock,
St. John Lutheran Church, Bingen

Reformed View: Professor Darryl Hart, Associate Professor of History at Hillsdale College

Admission: \$5 for Adults
Children 14 and under Free

BISHOP LUERS HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS...

The Bishop Luers High School Drama Department will present "The Curious Savage," a comedy centered around Ethel Savage, a wealthy widow who is trying to cope with her family admitting her into a home for the "insane." Performances are Saturday, Oct. 13, at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 14, at 7:30 p.m. in the Bishop Luers Gym. Tickets are \$10 and will be available for purchase at the door. To reserve tickets for "will call" pick up, contact Cindy Griffith at 260-456-1261, Ext 3133.

ANNIVERSARY MASS

A Special Jubilee Mass with Bishop Rhoades to honor all couples celebrating 25, 50 and 60 years of marriage in 2018 will be celebrated Sunday, Oct. 21, at 11:30 a.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. A reception will follow at St. Mary Mother of God Parish. Anniversary couples who register will receive two free tickets to the reception. Family members may attend at \$10 per person. Please call or e-mail tmburns@diocesefwsb.org for tickets.

QUEEN OF ANGELS PARISH FALL LUNCHEON

Queen of Angels Parish, 1500 West State Blvd, is planning a 50+ fall luncheon and card party Friday, Oct. 19, from noon to 4 p.m. Activities include a luncheon, raffle, door prizes, cards of your choice and a quilt raffle. Tickets are \$10. Contact Barb at 260-483-4353.



Church Support

Monthly & Fiscal Year-to-Date Summary

	Sept 2018	July 1-Sept 30, 2018
Adult Collection-Actual	\$ 13,873	\$ 41,077
Adult Collection-Budget	\$ 18,750	\$ 52,500
Loose Collection-Actual	\$ 1,462	\$ 4,176
Loose Collection-Budget	\$ 1,750	\$ 4,900
Average % Envelopes Used	25%	28%
SVDP Collection-Envelopes	\$ 424	\$ 1,452
SVDP Collection-Loose	\$ 84	\$ 279

Many thanks for your support of St. Mary Mother of God.