

October 28, 2018
30th 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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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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"Son of David, have pity on me!" Has the cry of Bartimaeus ever escaped your lips? Today's Gospel tells the story of a blind man with a difficult lot in life. He made a living by begging coins off passing travelers. When word reaches him that Jesus will be passing by, this is when he begins to shout for mercy. Jesus hears Bartimaeus' cry and beckons him forward.

"What do you want me to do for you?" Last week, Jesus asked a similar question to James and John. Their response was a clutch for fame. Bartimaeus' response is much humbler. "Lord, I want to see." How strange this interaction must have seemed to the onlookers. The man is blind! Of course he wants to see! But Jesus is always teaching us. By asking us what we want, Jesus reveals the dispositions of our hearts. God already knows them, but do we? By asking James and John to name their ambition, their selfishness is

exposed to them and to the other disciples. By asking Bartimaeus to name his longing, his faith is exposed to the entire crowd. Jesus invites participation in our own redemption. He doesn't save us without us!

Take some time in silent prayer today. Place yourself in this story of Bartimaeus. Imagine yourself there on the dusty, crowded roadside. Jesus is calling you! When you stand before him, his focus is on you and you alone. "What do you want me to do for you?" he asks. Search your heart. How would you respond? What part of your heart is Jesus asking you to expose? He has come to heal and to restore. May we, too, be sent! "Go ... your faith has saved you."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*The Lord has done great things for us;
we are filled with joy.*

Sunday, October 28

Sacristan: Susan Berghoff
Commentator/Petitions: Dottie Carpenter
Servers: Tommy O'Neil, Lauren O'Neil, Carl O'Neil
First Reading: Louise Yahne
Second Reading: Ken Yahne
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Susan Berghoff, Maxine Stovall, Judy Wagoner, Melinda Reyes, Rosemary Mausser, Barb Chmiel, Jennifer Hayes, Sue Koester
Ushers: Julie Huth, Dennis Doyle, Val Vorndran, Megan Horrell
Greeters: Sue & Irv Arnold

Sunday, November 4

Sacristan: Sue Jehl
Commentator/Petitions: Greg Gemperline
Servers: Payton Hinsey, Aric Koenig, Nathan Johnson
First Reading: Metrice Smith
Second Reading: Katie Lamee
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Sue Jehl, Jennifer Hayes, Maureen McCon, Kate Brogan, Barb Chmiel, Celeste Streicher, Dottie Carpenter, Judy Wagoner
Ushers: Andy Johnson, Katrina Johnson, Gary Grider, Megan Horrell
Greeters: James and Karstan Ball

**INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER
FOR NOVEMBER**

Universal - In Service of Peace

That the language of love and dialogue may always prevail over the language of conflict.



"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..."

Therese Spencer, Don Ferguson, Jim Horrell

"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.

Ecclesiastes 3:1f



Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way. - Mk 10:51-52

Readings for the Week of October 28, 2018

Sunday: Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Heb 5:1-6 /Mk 10:46-52
Monday: Eph 4:32--5:8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Eph 5:1] /Lk 13:10-17
Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33 or 5:2a, 25-32/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [1a] /Lk 13:18-21
Wednesday: Eph 6:1-9/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14 /Lk 13:22-30
Thursday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 6]/1 Jn 3:1-3/ Mt 5:1-12a
Friday: Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1 or 4b]/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40
Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26/Ps 42:2, 3, 5cd/ef/Lk 14:1, 7-11
Next Sunday: Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/Heb 7:23-28/



Mass Intentions

Sunday, October 28

10:45 am *Lawrence Endress*

Thursday, November 1 All Saints Day

5:15 pm *For the People of St. Mary Mother of God*

Sunday, November 4

10:45 am *Jane Czech*



Altar of Service

Saint Mary's Soup Kitchen

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

Soup Kitchen Weekend Volunteers

Saturday 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

Sunday 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Saturday, October 27: Girl Scouts

Sunday, October 28: Shanebrooks, Nina Gerry

Saturday, November 3: Brad, Leslie House, Alexander Kaufman

Sunday, November 4: Carrie Brinkman, Aiya Miller, Lynn B.

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

Peanut Butter and Jelly

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 28

- Mary's Kids 9:15am

Thursday, November 1

- All Saints Day — Holyday of Obligation
- Mass at 5:15 pm

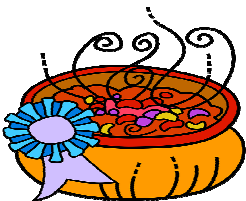
Sunday, November 4

- Mary's Kids 9:15 am
- RCIA 11:30 AM Topic is Prayer

2018 CHILI COOK-OFF CHALLENGE

NOVEMBER 11—11:30—1:00 IN OECHTERING HALL

Pick up a pan in the Gathering Space this Sunday and sign up to challenge Dottie for bragging rights to the best chili of 2018!



This event is a fundraiser for Ave Maria House
Contact Dottie Carpenter with any questions
705-1690

Parish Announcements

YOUR ATTENTION PLEASE

In response to the numerous crises today, both in our Church and in our world, as well as from encouragement from both Church Officials and a number of our own parishioners, effective with the Mass of the Holyday of All Saints, on November 1st, we will join with many other parishes and incorporate into each of our Masses here at Saint Mary's, two of the Church's ancient prayers – namely at the end of the "Prayers of Petition" we will conclude by praying together the "Prayer to Saint Michael, the Archangel." Also, at each Mass, following the singing of the Communion Hymn/Meditation we will pray together the "Anima Christi." In these trying times both in our Church and in our world, there are many things we can and should be doing in order to purify both, and we remind ourselves that prayer should be our first and most appropriate response. Also, it never hurts to remind ourselves what is ultimately at stake because everyday, without exception, the Devil is seeking our souls and Almighty God through His Angels, Saints and the giving of Himself to us in Holy Communion presents us with the defense and protection we so desperately need! It would be a good idea too, if you were to make these two prayers a part of your daily prayer life even when you are not at Mass!

Fr Phil

HALF EMPTY OR HALF-FULL?

45 pledge cards have been received and processed this past week with the result that our pledge total is right at 50% of our assigned "goal". Looking at it more pessimistically, it is only about 30% of what I would like to see pledged to defray a portion of the cost of our church repairs and security expense. So we have a long way to go. If you have completed a pledge card, thank you. If you have not, please do so at your earliest convenience. Keep in mind that I have not yet selected my follow-up committee on the assumption that I won't need one. However, if I'm wrong, then you may be solicited for that task! The members will, of course, come from the folks who have not completed pledge cards, so forewarned is forearmed! Blank pledge cards are still available for your use if you keep forgetting to bring in the pledge card I sent you! Questions: you can reach me at any time at (260) 484-1889.

Ken Yahne

GOBBLE, GOBBLE....

The final planning session for the annual citywide **Thanksgiving** dinner will be November 7th(Wednesday) at 7:00pm in Oechtering Hall. New volunteers are always welcome. For additional information call Pat McBride at 484-8005 (evenings after 5:30 pm.) See You there!!!

