What do Catholics celebrate in October?

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. The Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated on October 7. According to an account by fifteenth-century Dominican, Alan de la Roch, Mary appeared to St. Dominic in 1206 after he had been praying and doing severe penances because of his lack of success in combating the Albigensian heresy. Mary praised him for his valiant fight against the heretics and then gave him the Rosary as a mighty weapon, explained its uses and efficacy, and told him to preach it to others. "Since the prayers of the Rosary come from such excellent sources from Our Lord Himself, from inspired Scripture, and from the Church it is not surprising that the Rosary is so dear to our Blessed Mother and so powerful with heaven."If we consider the power of the Rosary as seen in its effects, we find a great abundance of proofs of its wonderful value. Many are the favors granted to private individuals through its devout recitation: there are few devoted users of the Rosary who cannot testify to experiencing its power in their own lives. The Rosary is Christocentric setting forth the entire life of Jesus Christ, the passion, death, resurrection and glory. Of course, the Rosary honors and contemplates Mary too, and rightly so, for the same reason that the Liturgical Year does likewise: "Because of the mission she received from God, her life is most closely linked with the mysteries of Jesus Christ, and there is no one who has followed in the footsteps of the Incarnate Word more closely and with more merit than she". Meditation on this cycle of Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and Luminous Mysteries makes the Rosary not only "a breviary or summary of the Gospel and of Christian life, "but also a compendium of the Liturgical Year.

Ongoing Events

STUDY THE BIBLE

Sunday morning after 10:30 Mass until 1:00 pm Probe the Scripture Readings of the day. Question; share insights; consider applications for living in today's world. Everyone is welcome to attend and participate!

EARN MONEY FOR OUR PARISH

Food Lion gift cards in various amounts are available every Sunday after Mass and in the church office during the week.
The cards can be used when you do your regular shopping or given as gifts. They are as easy to use as a debit card- just swipe and go and St. Joseph gets money!
Go to Smile.amazon.com and designate St. Joseph as your charity and shop through Amazon as usual!
If you shop at Kroger – register your rewards card online at www.kroger.com/communityrewards and enter St. Joseph #82116 and the number on your card. The church gets money back based on how much you spend.
There is no cost to you for any of these programs! Kroger rewards need to be renewed after a year. You should receive an email with instructions. See Steve Ogilbee for more information about gift cards or call the church office about Amazon.

HELP THE COMMUNITY

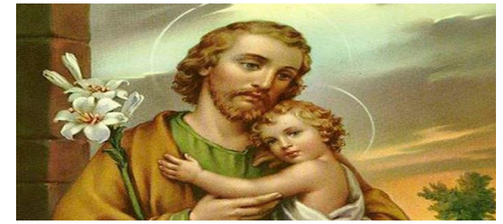
Community Storehouse is still in need of Chef Boyardee microwave meals for the children's backpack program.
The Women's Guild meets every second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM in the Social Hall. Contact Stephanie Bailey for details: (276) 732-6441.

Events / handouts / fundraiser policy

If you would like to post or donate, flyers, pamphlets, books, magazines, or other materials, please bring them to the church office.
DO NOT put items on the bulletin board or tables. Items needs to be approved and posted by office staff.
Activities held on church property must be preapproved by the appropriate committee and Father Carlos. Please come to the church office during the week for an activities form.

Sacraments / Sacramentos:

Baptism: Call parish office to register for preparation classes. Expectant parents are encouraged to attend.
Bautismo: Llenar el formulario, después padres y padrinos asistir a dos pláticas de preparación. Ver a Eduardo Guerrero Miéroles y Viernes de 6:30 a 8:30 pm en la oficina de la iglesia.
Reconciliation: Tuesday/Wednesday at 12:30 pm and Wednesday 6:00-7:00 PM or by appointment.
Confesión: Martes/Miercoles a la 12:30 pm y Miercoles de 6:00 a 7:00 pm o llamar a la oficina para hacer una cita.
Marriage: Call or email for an appointment at least 6 months prior to wedding.
Matrimonio: Llamar y hacer cita por lo menos 6 meses antes de las fecha de la boda, o ver a Eduardo Guerrero.
Ministry with the Elderly: Homebound parishioners who would like to receive communion at their home, contact the parish office.
Ministerio con los ancianos: Feligreses que no pueden salir y quisieran recibir la comunion en sus casa, llamar a la oficina.
Religious Education and Youth Ministry: Call Sandra Ruiz at (276) 638-4779 Tuesday –Friday 9:00 am-4:00 pm
Religion Education: Adults (RCIA). More information contact Stephanie Bailey at ssiddle13@gmail.com or call church office at 276-638-4779



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ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

Parish Mission Statement: To foster and deepen faith in the Holy Trinity through the celebration of the Eucharist and the Word of God & to be active disciples of our Savior, Jesus Christ, in our community and throughout the world.
Declaración de la mission parroquial: Queremos fomentar y profundizar la fe en la Santísima Trinidad a través de la celebración de la Eucaristia y la Palabra de Dios y ser dicipulos activios de nuestro Salvador, Jesucristo, en nuestra comunidad y en todo el mundo.

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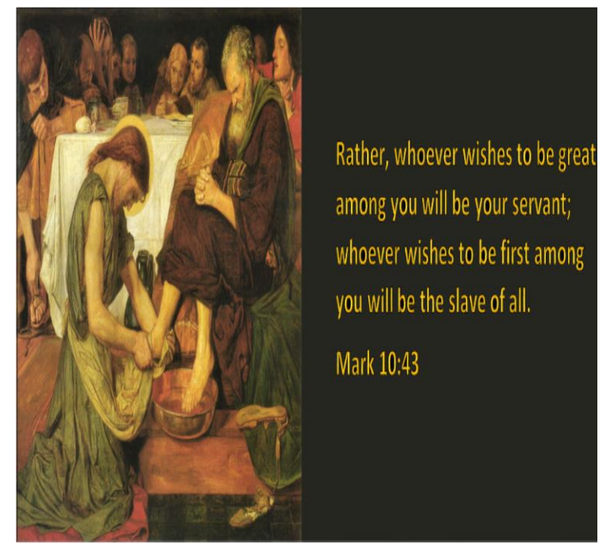

ST. Joseph's Mass Schedule

Sunday 10:30 am English
Sunday 12:30 pm Spanish

Tuesday 12:00 Noon
Wednesday 12:00 Noon
First Friday of Month 3:00 pm

Confessions/Adoration

Tuesday/Wednesday 12:30pm-1:30pm
Wednesday 6:00 pm-7:00 pm

We are lifting the mask requirement to enter church for those who are fully-vaccinated starting on May 28th. We ask that people who are not fully-vaccinated continue to wear masks, all those over the age of 5. Thank you.

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Father Carlos' reflection
Twenty Ninth Sunday Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel, James and John ask to be given seats of honor when Jesus enters into his glory. Once again, the disciples seem to be selective in what they hear Jesus say. They want to share Jesus' glory, but do not appear to understand that his glory will be preceded by his suffering. Jesus notes their lack of understanding and predicts the suffering they will endure for the sake of the Gospel. Jesus says that the honor they seek is not his to give. When the other ten hear what James and John have asked, Mark reports that they are indignant. Jesus takes the opportunity to teach them.

Jesus explains the importance of service and sacrifice in the life of a disciple. In particular, he seems to be preparing the Twelve for their leadership roles in the emerging Christian community. Following Jesus' example of sacrificial love continues to be countercultural in our day as well. We might take this opportunity to consider our models of authority and examine our own exercise of authority. On whose example do we model our leadership? We Christians have no doubts as to our obligations under these two headings. We fulfill our duties to God by being faithful, loyal, active members of the spiritual kingdom, the Church, which Christ established on earth in order to lead us to our eternal kingdom. We fulfill our duties to our country by loyally obeying the just laws of the State, by paying all lawful taxes, and by contributing our share, whenever called on, toward the common good.

As Christians and civilians, we are called to serve one another by giving ourselves as did Jesus! The Apostles/brothers James and John were certainly mistaken in the way sought to be first, given seats of honor in Jesus coming Kingdom, consider how today's Gospel challenges and directs us to be "first" among Jesus' followers.

Discipleship demands a lot of effort and commitment to follow Jesus Christ and continue his mission in his Church and among all people. What kind of servant are you and would like you to be? The Lord encourages us to be first by being the slave of all. Let us together pray that as members of this community, we can show the gift of service and become servants to others, especially those who are lonely, isolated and need our love and care in our parish: Almighty ever living God, grant that we always conform our will to yours and serve your majesty in sincerity of heart. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

10/17 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings:	1013	
Processional	448	Holy, Holy, Holy
Psalm	R&A	144
Gospel	R&A	145
Offertory	679	Only In God
Communion	794	I Am the Living Bread
Recessional	573	All the Ends of the Earth

Liturgical Minister Schedule for October 24:
Lectors: Lil East -1, Thea Gutierrez-2, Bonnie Favero- Int
Eucharistic minister: Carole Kiser

Daily Mass Readings

Readings for the week of October 17:

Sunday: Is 53:10-11, Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22, Heb 4:14-16, Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

Monday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b, 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18, Lk 10:1-9

Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21, 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17, Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18, 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, Lk 12:39-48

Thursday: Rom 6:19-23, 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6, Lk 12:49-53

Friday: Rom 7:18-25a, 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94, Lk 12:54-59

Saturday: Rom 8:1-11, 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6, Lk 13:1-9

Or visit daily readings at www.usccb.org

Mass Intentions

Sunday, Oct 17: **Jack Kiser+**
Tue, Oct 19: **Robert Butler+**
Wed, Oct. 20: **Beltran and Florante Cuartero+**

Prayer Requests

Carolyn Eanes, Mike Kelly, Lewis Drane, Teresa Biggs, Ricky East, Mark Szulecki, Theresa McGarry, Jim Tobin, Ed Cozzete, David Simmons, Margaret Cunningham, Tim Hollingsworth, Lena Martin, Ruth Weaver, Doo Lie Toppled, Lauren Teresa, Mike Harris, Ann White, Bridget Johnson, Betty Gillispie.

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