

WHAT THE CATHOLIC CELEBRATE IN OCTOBER

The month of October is dedicated to the **Holy Rosary**. The entire month falls within the liturgical season of Ordinary Time, which is represented by the liturgical color green. 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. 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.

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" ¹⁴² (*Mediator Dei*). 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," (*Ingravescentibus malis*) but also a compendium of the Liturgical Year. Therewith the Rosary stands revealed as a dynamic teacher and nurturer of Christian faith, morality, and spiritual perfection, fostering in various ways faith, hope, charity, and the other virtues, and mediating special graces, all to the end that we may become more and more like unto Christ. — *Mariology*, Juniper B. Carol, O.F.M.

No form of extra-liturgical devotion to Mary is more widely practiced among the faithful or found by them to be more satisfyingly complete than the Rosary, which has come to be regarded as the very badge of Catholic piety.

October usually is an enjoyable time of the year in the United States. The celebrations of the Church for the month of October are also wonderful and unique. The feasts of some of the most popular saints of the universal Church are celebrated during this month: St. Therese the Little Flower (France), St. Francis of Assisi (Italy) and St. Teresa of Avila (Spain). These saints come from different countries, and in honoring these saints we can include cultural dishes or activities from each country to make the feastday even more special. Read more about the lives of these saints. Perhaps the family can pick one virtue that each saint practiced well and try to implement it.

The feasts in October also include two of the most popular, time-honored devotions of Catholics, the devotion to the **Holy Rosary** (October 7) and the **Guardian Angels** (October 2).

Prayer of the Month: **Prayer of St. Louis de Montfort**

"O Jesus living in Mary, come and live in Your servants, in the spirit of Your holiness, in the fullness of Your might, in the perfection of Your ways, in the truth of Your virtues, in the communion of Your mysteries. Subdue every hostile power, the devil, the world and the flesh, in the strength of Your Spirit, for the glory of Your Father, Amen."

Or visit Catholic culture at: <https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/library/view.cfm?recnum=12529>

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, 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. Mas información llamar a la oficina de la iglesia al numero (276) 638-4779.

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 a la oficina y hacer cita por lo menos 6 meses antes de las fecha de la boda.

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 comunión 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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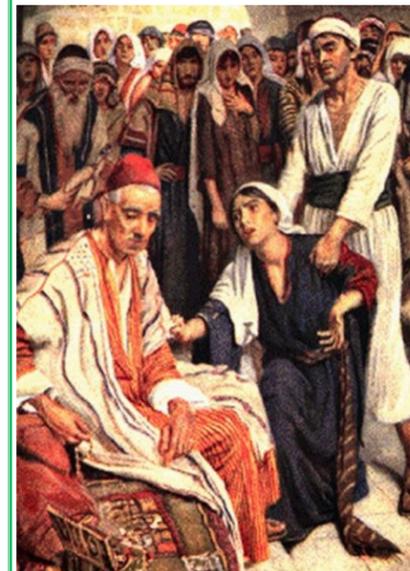
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OFFICE HOURS: TUESDAY- FRIDAY 9:00AM - 4:00PM

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 Misión Parroquial: Queremos fomentar y profundizar la fe en la Santísima Trinidad a través de la celebración de la Eucaristía y la Palabra de Dios y ser discípulos activos de nuestro Salvador, Jesucristo, en nuestra comunidad y en todo el mundo.

OCTOBER 16TH, 2022 ~ 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~



29th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

The Lord said...
"Will not
God...secure the
rights of his
chosen ones who
callout to him day
and night?"
LUKE 17:17-9

ST. Joseph's Mass Schedule

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

Tuesday 11th at 12:00 pm
Wednesday 12th at 12:00 pm
First Friday of Month 3:00 pm

Confessions/Adoration

Tuesday 11th 12:30 pm - 1:30pm
Wednesday 12th 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm
and 6pm

PARISH OFFICES: (CLUSTER)

St. Joseph, Martinsville

Phone/ Teléfono: (276) 638-4779 Fax: (276) 638-2218.

Office Hours / Horario de Oficina:

Tuesday-Friday 9:00 am-4:00 pm.

St. Francis of Assisi, Rocky Mount:

15 Glennwood Dr. Rocky Mount, VA. Phone: (540) 483-9591.

Parish Pastoral Council Members:

Irma Harrison – Chair; Maria Ruiz – 1st Vice Chair; Stephanie Bailey – 2nd vice Chair; Daniel Van Nostrand – Secretary; Jesus Sanchez; Thea Gutierrez; Suzanne Steele; Anselmo Diaz; Diane Aguirre; (Sandra Ruiz Hispanic Ministry).

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FATHER CARLOS' REFLECTION

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today's Gospel from the beginning of Luke chapter 18, presents a parable with the theme of a lesson in persistence in prayer. While the parable seems to present prayer as nagging God for what we want, such a reading misses the point. God is not like the judge in the parable, worn down by requests and coerced to respond.

The key is found in the description of the judge as corrupt and unjust. Since God can be neither, we must understand Jesus to be saying that if an unjust judge responds to the persistence of the widow, how much more so will God listen to our prayers. God truly wants to hear our needs and respond generously. It is the final lament of Jesus that gets to the point of the parable. "Will such faith be found when the Son of Man comes?" In this lament, Jesus notes how easy it can be for us to lose heart.

God wants us to be like the persistent widow, staying in relationship with God, confident that God hears and answers prayers. We see how our world and society are lacking in that effort to pray for one another and to listen to the voice of the Lord who sustains us in those moments. The example of the widow in the parable shows to us that persistence in prayers will help us in times of difficulties, trouble, and hardships to be focused on the Lord asking for strength and courage.

Frequently, we may hear someone worry that they are pestering God, the Blessed Mother or a favorite saint. To the contrary, a well-known professor of Sacred Scripture, Mary Healy, has this to say: "If the Gospel makes anything indisputably clear it is that God wants to be bothered. Jesus wants us to be persistent and unrelenting in our prayers" (*Magnificat*, October 2022, p. 248) As Christians, we should pray unceasingly with confidence and persistence that our prayers raised up to the Lord will lead us to see what it is good and just.

Almighty ever living God grant that we may always conform our will to yours and serve your majesty in sincerity of heart.
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Father C. Lerma

10/16 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings **1014**
Processional **574 Glory and Praise to Our God**
Psalm R&A **144**
Gospel R&A **145**
Offertory **644 Your Words Are Spirit and Life**
Communion **673 Be Not Afraid**
Recessional **733 Lead Me, Lord**

Liturgical Minister Schedule October 23rd

Lectors:
Thea Gutierrez – 1
Bonnie Favero – 2
Lil East – Int.
Minister:
Marilyn Cartier

Daily Mass Readings

Readings for the week of October 16th:

Sunday: Ex 17:8-13; Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; 2 Tm 3:14-4:2; Lk 18:1-8
Monday: EPH 2:1-10; PS 100:1B-2, 3, 4AB, 4C-5; LK 12:13-21
Tuesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b; 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9
Wednesday: EPH 3:2-12; IS 12:2-3, 4BCD, 5-6; LK 12:39-48
Thursday: EPH 3:14-21; PS 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19; LK 12:49-53
Friday: Eph 4:1-6; 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; LK 12:54-59
Saturday: EPH 4:7-16; PS 122:1-2, 3-4AB, 4CD-5; LK 13:1-9

Or visit daily readings at www.usccb.org

MASS Intentions

Sunday, Oct 16: Frank Benz +
Tue, October 18: Vinzenc Bendel + & Romeo Huard +
Wed, October 19: Nicolas Laurain
+ Indicates the Mass Intention is for the repose of the soul of the person(s) listed.

Prayer Requests

★: Mark Szulecki, Ed Cozzete, Tim Hollingsworth, Theresa McGarry, Lena Martin, Ruth Weaver, Doo Lie Toppled, Lauren Teresa, Mike Harris, Ann White, Bridget Johnson, Betty Gillispie, Anna Towarnicki, Marie-Bernice Downey, Tia Jessup, Larry Wylie, David Hall, John Engel, Randy Grandinetti, Marlene Jackson, Margaret Cunningham, Lynn Croxell and family.

If you want to send a get well card please do it, they are going to appreciate it.

Nancy Edelen
The Moravian Hall Square
Apt. 2210
175 W North St.
Nazareth, PA 18064

Marie-Bernice Downey
Mulberry Creek Rehab
Room #220
300 Blue Ridge Street
Martinsville, VA 24112

NEW ★ (All underlined names will be removed next month (November)). Call or email to keep the name on the prayer list). To add or remove prayer requests, please call the church office. Unless otherwise requested, names will remain on the prayer list for 4 weeks. If you would like to add a name to the prayer network phone chain, please call Betty Gillispie or Ann Gunter.

Sick, homebound, hospitalized? If you, or someone you know, would like to receive Communion or anointing of the sick, please call the office. Outside of office hours, please call Barbara Kurtz (276) 647-1906
¿Enfermo, Confinado en casa u hospitalizado? Si usted o alguien que usted conoce quisiera recibir el **Sacramento de la Communion** tendremos a Rosa Aguirre, Maribel Ortega, Anselmo Diaz, y Miguel Ruiz que seran los encargados de este ministerio por favor llamar a la oficina para agendar la visita al (276) 638-4779.

MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like a Mass offered for a loved one, please call the church office or fill out a Mass intention envelope completely and place it in the offertory basket. Make checks payable to **St. Joseph Catholic Church**. Specific dates may not be available. Please include a contact number to arrange an alternate date if necessary.

INTENCIONES PARA MISA

Si usted quiere ofrecer una misa a un ser querido por favor lléne el sobre correspondiente para la intención y deposítelo en la canasta de la colecta. Haga el cheque a nombre **St. Joseph Catholic Church**. Quizas algunas fechas no esten disponibles incluya su número de teléfono para ofrecerle opciones.

Collections/ Colectas 10/09/2022

Budget Amt. / Presupuesto **\$4,615.00**
Collection/ Colecta: **2,703.78**
Surplus/Deficit **- 1,911.22**

Grocery Card Income (7/1 – 9/30) quarter:

FOOD LION : \$364 **Kroger** : \$ 169.97
amazonSmile : \$ 16.83

The second collection for October 23rd will be for **building maintenance**.

The first collection is for payment of St. Joseph's daily expenses which include office supplies, salaries, sacramental materials, etc. If absent, please make up your contribution.

Thank you for your generous support of our parish!

Grace Network food Partner assignment

Oct-Dec 2022, we have committed to helping Grace Network with stocking their food pantry for those in need.

Our item for this quarter is:



Apple Sauce (24-32 oz) Thanks!

October: Grace Network always needs:
Toilet Paper
Feminine Products
Deodorant

WORLD MISSION

TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY.

We celebrate this day by remembering our baptismal call – to bring the Gospel to all! The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith supports the work and witness of the Mission Church, as it provides for priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. Thank you for your generosity.



★ Our church is looking for someone to fill a Secretary position at Rocky Mount at St. Francis of Assisi. The position is 28 hours a week. If you are interested call the office or visit the office to know more.



New Year's Retreat



Steve Ogilbee will be selling race tickets after mass in the commons. The tickets are for the October 29th Race at the Martinsville Speedway. Father Carlos will be doing the prayer before the race. If you are interested see Steve for more information. Each ticket will be \$25.



New Year's Retreat: Rebuilding Your Temple. Begin the New Year with an answer to the question: What does it really mean to be a temple of the Holy Spirit? Let Franciscan Friar, Fr. Peter Tremblay, lead you on a journey of discovery, beginning with God's original temple plan in creation to the true temple food in the Eucharist. In addition to powerful preaching, there'll be Mass, confession, Matins, Vespers, and Adoration. Plus time to simply reflect upon the New Year, enjoy the gas logs in our lounge, or explore the beautiful grounds of the Catholic Conference Center in Hickory, NC. Two nights, December 30-January 1. As a special treat, the retreat includes a New Year's Eve banquet and traditional festivities. Last year's sold out, so register now at www.catholicconference.org/new-years. For more information email info@catholicconference.org or call 828.327.7441.



Shroud of Turin Parishioners of St. Joseph: On **Tuesday Oct.25th at 7:00 pm** in the **Social Hall**, You are invited to a presentation on the **Shroud of Turin** by **Mike Pietrzyk**. Mike is a parishioner of St. Andrews. The Shroud is one of the most intriguing, amazing, controversial, and mysterious artifacts in the world today. Pope John Paul II called it a "distinguished relic linked to the mystery of our redemption". The presentation is **60 minutes** and will certainly raise your interest in the image of the man on the cloth.

STROKE SCAN PLUS

Since 2001, Stroke Scan has provided low cost, painless ultrasound screenings for the early detection and prevention of **Stroke** and (**AAA**) **Abdominal aortic aneurysm** at over 3000 churches, corporations and school districts across the US. The painless ultrasound scans available are as follows:

ORGAN SCREENINGS:

*While scanning the carotids, we can also visualize the **thyroid**. If any cysts or tumors are seen, we will note it.*While scanning the aorta, we can also visualize the **gall bladder, liver** and **kidneys**. If any cysts, nodules or tumors are seen.

Appointment: October 15th

Be Part of History
American Red Cross
BLOOD DRIVE
Friday, October 28, 2022
10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Historic Henry County Courthouse
1 East Main Street, Martinsville, Virginia
Schedule your appointment at www.redcrossblood.org
or call/text John Phillips at 276-806-5022
Sponsored by the **Martinsville-Henry County Historical Society**
Celebrate October as Local History Month in Virginia

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

COUNCIL # 6538

KOVAR FUNDRAISER
Don't forget to bring all your empty cans in bags to the church drop off. This is a Knights of Columbus fundraiser for KOVAR who help people with intellectual disabilities in the State of Virginia. There will be a location behind the dumpster. **CANS ONLY PLEASE!**
ATTENTION!!
We have two wheelchairs and two canes available to donate, if you or anyone need it, please see Steve Ogilbee



First Saturday Devotional to the Immaculate Heart of Mary:
For 5 consecutive Months practice the First Saturday Devotion. Our lady asks us to:
1. Got to Confession
2. Pray 5 decades of the Holy Rosary
3. Receive Holy Communion
4. Keep Our Lady company for 15 minutes
5. Offer each of these acts in reparation to Our Lady
Pick up a pamphlet on the round table for more information.