October 2, 2016

# **Ordinary Time**

**Twenty-seventh Sunday** 



## **Faith Works Wonders**

Faced with the challenge of discipleship that calls for a constant conversion and renewal, it is not surprising that the apostles during their journey to Jerusalem turn to the Lord to plead:

"Increase our faith!"

If these pillars of faith petition the Lord in this manner, how much more reason do we have to do so, who are of little faith.

Today's Bulletin is sponsored by Lorene & Dennis Fishbeck in memory of the Rosie & Joe Fishbeck Family.

Flowers for the Altar this weekend are donated in memory of the deceased of the Mary Ann & Charles Rother Family.

## MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, October 5

8:00 a.m. Celestine & Rudy Darilek

Thursday, October 6

10:30 a.m. Shady Oaks – For Residents & Staff

Friday, October 7

8:00 a.m. Leona & Jacob Tousek and Gerry Jochen,

Ella Migl

Saturday, October 8

6:30 p.m. Karen Moeller

Sunday, October 9

6:30 a.m. Elvin Mikulencak 9:30 a.m. Ella & Frank Kloesel

#### PREPARING FOR SUNDAY LITURGY

Next weekend is *The Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*. Prepare for the liturgy by reflecting on these passages from your Bible.

First Reading: 2 Kings 5:14-17 Responsorial Psalm: 98

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-13

**Gospel: Luke 17:11-19** 

## WOMEN'S A.C.T.S. RETREAT - OCTOBER 13 - 16

Applications can be found at all church entrances.

The Picnic Report is available at the Church entrance.

The Sanctuary Light will be lit this week in memory of Helen Bohuslav.

## FIRST FRIDAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

8:30-9:30 am – Doris Foster, Sharon Etlinger 9:30-11:00 a.m. – Anna & Michael Fishbeck

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11:30-12:00 p.m. – *adorers needed* 

12:00-1:00 p.m. – James Wenske, open

1:00-2:00 p.m. – Mary Ann Wenske, *open* 

2:00-3:00 p.m. – Lisa Rothbauer, open

3:00-4:00 p.m. – Linda Pilat, *open* 

4:00-4:30 p.m. – Rose Rothbauer, open

4:30-5:00 p.m. – Rose Rothbauer, Mike Janecek

5:00-5:30 p.m. – Angie Jalufka, Mike Janecek

5:30-6:00 p.m. – Angie Jalufka, Deacon Kenneth Fishbeck

Come spend some time in prayer before the Lord.

**Respect Life Sunday** is celebrated today. The purpose is to raise consciousness and provide resources on various issues that affect the dignity of human life from conception to natural death. We pray for – and renew our resolve to bring about – a culture of life and an end to the killing of innocent human beings, especially those who are vulnerable due to age, size, health or dependency.

## **CHURCH SOCIETY NEWS**

**The Confraternity of Christian Mothers** is sponsoring a public square Rosary at the pavilion at the Moulton City Park at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, October 15. The Rosary is being held in conjunction with America Needs Fatima. For more information, please call Mary Ann Wenske at 596-7085.

**Altar Society** members are accepting raffle prizes for the raffle held in conjunction with the Annual Noodle Soup Dinner in February. Contact Bernice Ellinghausen (596-7721) to donate prizes.

**Thank You:** The Country Store at the Picnic was very successful this year. We were able to achieve our goal, \$2,000+. This would not have been possible without the help of all those who donated canned goods, crafts and other items. We really appreciate your generous donations.

Betty Maskey, Country Store CP

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child of Kay Lynn & Toby Rothbauer has begun his journey of faith in our Christian faith community.



### THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY - Gold Star Club Meets, YMC

TUESDAY – Women's A.C.T.S. Team Meets, Parish Hall

WEDNESDAY - Champions Club Meets, YMC

THURSDAY – KC Bingo, former KC Hall

FRIDAY – Eucharistic Adoration, 8:30 a.m.- 6:00 p.m.,

Family Room

 Parish Office closed on Fridays. For any Pastoral emergency, call the Office at any time.

## **REFLECTION**

## The Service of Faith

The second part of the Gospel this Sunday does not speak specifically of faith but of disinterested service.

In the parable the Servant was doing double duty. Ordinarily, in the ancient world, a person who owned servants designated their allotted tasks; some labored in the fields while others were assigned domestic duties. Even with the heavy burden he was doing no more than was expected of him as a servant. Therefore, he should not have expected even an expression of gratitude from his master.

Jesus' point is clear; those who accept God's gift of faith and the relationship that flows from it are to consider themselves *servants*, no more, no less. The issue in this parable is not how the Master treats the servant but how the Servant understands his role. God is God and Master; we are creatures and servants. Faith affords us the insight to understand who we are, servants in the manner of Jesus, who assumed the role of the servant who suffered, washed the feet of his own, and ministered to sinners. With this example in mind, the implications of the parable are clear. Even if our actions never cause scandal and we forgive those who wrong us on every occasion, we are doing no more than our duty. Our discipleship calls us to keep stirring into flame the gift of faith. This is our duty and honor.

## **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

- Oct. 2 Cailynn Aragon, Karis Barta, Anna Bartos, Jaxon Bartos, Leroy Nieto
- Oct. 3 Cameron Jalufka
- Oct. 4 Darren Fikac, David Kalich
- Oct. 5 Lorrie Janecek, Hayden Rother, Presley Rother
- Oct. 6 Beth Gaertner, Christopher Rebecek
- Oct. 8 Clayton Chaloupka, Tiffany Simper

## **HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

- Oct. 4 Anna & Kevin Bartos
- Oct. 5 Marilyn & Glenn Michal
- Oct. 7 Betty & Dennis Kloesel
- Oct. 8 Karen & Calvin Pilat
  - Mildred & William Pilat

### YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

- Today C.C.D.
- Oct. 3 After School Program, Grades K-2
- Oct. 5 After School Program, Grades 3-6
  - C.C.D., Grades 9 -11
- Oct. 8 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Leads the Saturday Evening Rosary
- Next Sunday Youth Mass (8<sup>th</sup> Grade); C.C.D.
- Oct. 12 Safe Environment Training, Grades 9-11
- Oct. 16 Safe Environment Training, Grades K-5 & 6-8 See article on Safe Environment Presentations

#### Safe Environment Presentations

Grades K-5 Strong Voices, Smart Choices is peppy and bright, addressing real situations children encounter and ways to address these situations in a positive way. A friendly stranger offers some bottles of water to Ben at the park as he takes a break from a game. His friends race over and remind him of the safety rules. Later at home, Ben's parents express their concern about his lack of judgment and inform him that his older brother and his friends are turning the situation into a speech class project about personal safety. The teens present an animated lesson that explains the difference between trusting adults and respecting them. They also illustrate how to avoid bad situations, how to respond if something bad happens and how to get help from someone they

Grades 6 - 8, 9 -11 My Digital Life explores the perils and possibilities of the brave new digital world. This thoughtprovoking video addresses issues of privacy and the digital footprint; misguided notions about multitasking and learning; as well as the value of being wired vs. unplugged. Are we really more connected or are we losing intrapersonal skills? Is this technology robbing us of our sleep, our free time? Is it controlling our lives? And, what should we be telling our children, ourselves? Experts and adolescents offer powerful strategies to effectively navigate a rapidly growing and ever-changing digital world.

# **ORDINARY TIME**

# ORDINAKY 111VIE 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday – 34<sup>th</sup> Sunday (Christ The King)

**Introduction**: During this period of Ordinary Time the Lectionary readings begin with a continuation of our reflection on discipleship and community and then abruptly change. In the last weeks we see that the mysterious workings of God find their culmination in the establishment of the reign of God and our invitation to enter into the reign.

First Readings: We are told at the onset that faith is the foundation stone of our lives. Later the readings move away from what is expected of us to the unexpected that God accomplishes. The role of prayer is next considered. The final passage that highlights the life of the disciple reminds us of the attitudes that should be ours when we come before God in prayer. We must identify ourselves with the lowly and the needy and humbly bring our petitions before God confident God will hear our prayers.

Psalms: The Responsorial Psalms create an assortment of prayerful responses to God and can be viewed as responding to some theme found in the First Reading.

**Second Readings**: With the exception of the reading for the Feast of Christ the King, the passages are continuous readings from 2 Timothy and 2 Thessalonians.

Gospels: The Gospel readings are a collection of the teachings of Jesus. The one account of the healing of ten lepers ends with an instructive saying, and the report of Jesus' visit to Zacchaeus is a lesson in action. The teaching itself focuses on four major themes: the question of faith, aspect of prayer, the universality of salvation, and the aspects of the end-time.