

Working with the Word
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in
Ordinary Time
October 5, 2025 (C)

Reading I: Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4
Responsorial Psalm: 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9
Reading II: 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14
Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

Focusing the Gospel

Key words and phrases: Increase our faith, did what was commanded, So should it be with you

To the point: Jesus tells the disciples that even a smidgen of faith can achieve great things. How do we increase faith? Faith increases through decisive obedience to what is commanded. How do we measure this kind of faith? We measure our faith by measuring our faithfulness. The faithful disciple of Jesus is never finished serving. The faith of a disciple is never finished increasing.

Connecting the Gospel ...

... to the First Reading: The prophet Habakkuk shows us in the First Reading where our never-finished, increasing faith leads: to life.

... to experience: We tend not to listen to those who challenge us to hear the truth about ourselves and how we should live. But we have also learned that when we take to heart the challenge to listen, we grow toward fullness of life.

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Please join us for the Rosary
at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesdays
in Ascension Church.



Sunday, October 5, 2025

The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

12:00 p.m. (Noon) Living and Deceased Members
of the Altar and Rosary Society

+ All Souls

Monday, October 6 - Friday, October 10, 2025

MASS AT RESURRECTION PARISH
St. Joseph Site 8:00 a.m.

Sunday, October 12, 2025

The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

12:00 p.m. (Noon) + Mildred Cina
req by Estate

+ All Souls

Votive Candles

Lit for the Week October 5, 2025

Sacred Heart

Ed Palaszynski
Dana Howe
Darlene Larkin
Henry Starowitz, Jr.
all req by Henry Starowitz, Jr.

GRIEF SHARE

Offered at St. Brigid Church Parish Center on Wednesday, October 8, 2025 through Wednesday, December 4, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. or 6:30 p.m. (either session). You may attend all or any of the sessions.

Session 6: (October 8, 2025) Anger

— Anger can give you energy to make needed changes.
— Anger is powerful but God can help you manage it.
— Forgiveness is important for you and your relationships.

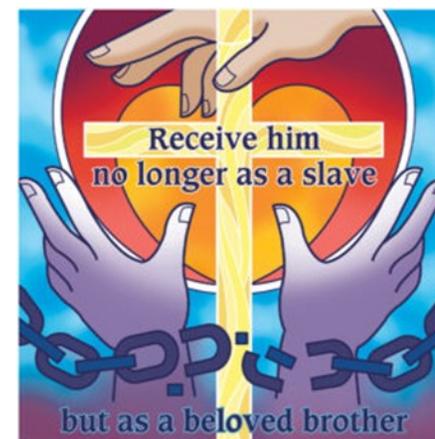
Additional information will be in weekly bulletins.

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The Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time October 5, 2025



Mass Time:

Sunday, October 5, 2025 ~ 12:00 Noon

Parish Office Hours:

Monday and Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Confessions:

Saturday at 3:00 p.m. at Resurrection Parish, St. Joseph Site

Contact information:

Office Phone: 585.343.1796

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Tickets are now available for Saturday, October 25, 2025

October 25 is the day that Ascension Parish will honor our native-son Rev. Walter J. Szczesny on the occasion of his retirement from active priestly duties. Festivities for the first priest ordained from Sacred Heart will begin with a 5:30 p.m. Mass celebrated by Fr. Walter and continue with a reception in the Hall following Mass. **Complimentary tickets are available at the Parish Office. Please call or stop in to reserve yours. Access to the Reception will be by ticket only.**

Pray for Peace

Pope Leo XIV invites the faithful to join in praying the Rosary ever day during October to invoke God's gift of peace. The Pope said: "I invite everyone, each day of the coming month, to pray the Rosary for peace - personally, in the family and in the community."

Catholics across the globe will unite to pray the Rosary for peace in war-torn lands, especially during the month of October, which the Church dedicates to Mary and the Holy Rosary.

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time October 5, 2025

Continuing our series on Paul's letter to Timothy. Today we read, "*stir into flame the gift of God that you have through the imposition of my hands.*" Again, Paul is reminding Timothy of his ordination day. Last week Paul recalled how Timothy took vows in the presence of witnesses. Now Paul recalls how he, as a bishop, laid hands on Timothy's head to confer on him the Sacred Order of the Presbyterate. We do exactly the same thing today in our ordination Masses. Priestly ordination - it's biblical! Learn more at buffalovocations.org.

September 28, 2025 Includes online deposits

Weekly Offering	\$2,243.37
Miscellaneous	_____0.00
TOTAL	\$2,243.37

Fight for Life

As you may already be aware, the M.A.I.D. Bill, which would allow physician assisted suicide, passed our legislature recently and awaits Governor Hochul's signature. Your action is needed to encourage her to veto this dangerous bill.

The Respect Life Office of the Diocese of Buffalo has provided us with a letter that you can simply sign and mail to Governor Hochul. We need to flood her office with letters stating that we oppose this bill. The letter is written to appeal to her sense of community safety, and her fight to reduce suicide rates in New York State. For your convenience, copies of the letter are at both entrances to the church. Please take a moment to help fight for life.

Faith Formation



Our next Faith Formation Class, for all students and families will be held on October 19, 2025 at 10:30 a.m. at Ascension Parish followed by the 12:00 p.m. Mass. The next session for sacramental classes will be held November 2, 2025 beginning with Mass at 10:00 a.m. at the St. Joseph Site, followed by classes at St. Joseph School.

Feast of the Holy Rosary October 7



The feast of the Holy Rosary was instituted by Pope Pius V to celebrate the anniversary of the defeat of the Turkish fleet at the battle of Lepanto on the first Sunday in October of 1571, which ended the threat of Muslim domination of the Mediterranean. The victory was ascribed in part to the prayers and processions of the Rosary Confraternity in Rome. Later it was moved to the fixed date of October 7.

Pray the Rosary with us every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

Respect Life Sunday October 5, 2025



**Reminder:
Life Chain at 2:00**



The Queen of Hearts is still missing! This Sunday, October 5, 2025, the Queen should be worth approximately \$26,000.00! Last week the Red, White and Blue was worth over \$900.00 and the Red Split Jackpot is over \$3,000.00! Doors open at 5:00 p.m. and play begins at 7:00 p.m. Come early to grab a good seat! The concession stand will have hot dogs, pizza and sandwiches.

Altar & Rosary Society Bus Trip

Join Us for a Day of Fellowship, Faith, and Fun!

ALL ARE WELCOME

Date: Thursday, October 16, 2025

Trip Itinerary:

- 9:45 Check in at front of church
- 10:00 Departure for Our Lady of Fatima Shrine
- 11:30 Mass in the Fatima Shrine
- 1:30 Lunch at Becker Farms (lunch, optional wine tasting, touring, shopping)
- 4:30 Approximate return



Highlights:

- Group Rosary and Prayer
- Mass and Spiritual Reflection at the beautiful Our Lady of Fatima Shrine
- Fall fun activities at Becker Farms
- Lunch at Becker Farms Brepub, optional wine-tasting adventure, explore country market and donut barn

Details

- Bus transportation provided—comfortable and convenient
- Cost: \$35.00 per person (includes transportation and lunch)
- Wine tasting additional \$11.00 per person

How to Register

- Sign up in Parish office by 10/6/2025
- Payments accepted by cash or check payable to Ascension Parish—Altar and Rosary Society
- Don't miss out—seats are limited to 32.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Lunch: Wrap Options (circle one): Turkey / Greek Veggie / Ham

Wine Tasting: Yes / No (if yes- add additional \$11.00)