

## The Catholic Community of

# Saint Joseph

### Masses

Saturday – 4:00 p.m.; Sunday – 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Mass in Spanish: Sunday – 1:30 p.m. Holy Days: Check inside of bulletin.

Weekdays: Tuesday – 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday, Thursday & Friday – 8:15 a.m.

Confessions: Saturday – 3:00-3:45 p.m.; Sunday – 12:30-1:15 p.m., or anytime by appointment.

*“In the spirit of St. Joseph, we lovingly serve Jesus Christ and His people.”*

Parish Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday-Friday

- ◆ **PARISH STAFF:** Rev. James Hatfield, *Pastor*; Deacon Ronald Fondriest, *Retired*; Ms. Brenda Stilgenbauer, *Pastoral Associate*; Ms. Cindy Teynor, *Director of Religious Education*; Mr. Jeremiah Jones, *Director of Music*; Mrs. Jodi Lindberg, *Bookkeeper*; Ms. Diane Lemmermann, *Coordinator of Family Life Center*; Mr. Russ Clay, *Church and Cemetery Maintenance*; and Mr. Neal Kwasnicka, *Custodian*.
- ◆ **FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS:** Mr. Brian Bauer, Mr. Chris Chaney, Mr. Mark Clemence, Mr. Jack Dooling, Mr. Dennis Gonano, Mr. Jan-Michael LaBrake, Mrs. Brenda Pope, Mr. Frank Rose, Mr. Joe Sciarretti.
- ◆ **MARRIAGES** – Arrangements should be made through the Parish Office at least eight months before any other planning.
- ◆ **BAPTISMS** – Baptisms are celebrated on Sunday at 12:30 p.m. (outside of Mass). Parents must attend the Baptismal Preparation Program. This is at 7:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month in the Family Life Center. Godparents are also welcome to attend. Please pre-register by calling the Parish Office.
- ◆ **BAUTISMOS** – Bautismo en español se celebran una vez al mes después de la Misa el Domingo. Los padres y padrinos deben recibir charles de preparación en el Centro Familiar. Deben inscribirse llamando a las Oficinas de la Parroquia.
- ◆ **NEW PARISHIONERS** – Please register in person at the Parish Office or complete a registration form (available in church). Please return to Parish Office or put in collection.
- ◆ **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS** – Please have bulletin announcements to the Parish Office by 3:00 p.m. on Monday, or e-mail [stjosephchurch@roadrunner.com](mailto:stjosephchurch@roadrunner.com).

**Parish Office:**  
330-364-6661

**After Hours  
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330-364-6662

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330-364-6661

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330-432-0811

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Catholic Elementary  
School:**  
330-343-9134

**Tuscarawas Central  
Catholic High School:**  
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**St. Joseph Church**  
**Dover, Ohio 44622**  
**The Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**September 24 and 25, 2022**  
**Septiembre 24 y 25 del 2022**



**Mass Intentions**

**Monday, September 26**

**No Mass**

Readings: 455: Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17/Lk 9:46-50

**Tuesday, September 27**

**6:00 p.m.** Intentions of David Ayers

Readings: 456: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Ps 88/  
Lk 9:51-56

**Wednesday, September 28**

**8:15 a.m.** Nancy Conidi

**9:00 a.m.** Rosary

Readings: 457: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88/Lk 9:57-62

**Thursday, September 29**

**8:15 a.m.** Chic and Irene Cercione

**9:00 a.m.** Eucharistic Adoration

Readings: 647: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 138/Jn 1:47-51

**Friday, September 30**

**8:15 a.m.** Theresa Doriche

Readings: 459: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 139/  
Lk 10:13-16

**Saturday, October 1**

**The Vigil for The Twenty-seventh Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**

**4:00 p.m.** Deceased Members of the Thomas Family

**Sunday, October 2**

**The Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**8:30 a.m.** Irma Biancamano

**11:00 a.m.** Michael Zifer

**1:30 p.m.** (Mass in Spanish)

Readings: 141: Hb 1:2-3, 2:2-4/Ps 95/  
2 Tim 1:6-8, 13-14/Lk 17:5-10

**Ministry Schedule**

**Tuesday, September 27 – 6:00 p.m.** – Mary Salvo

**Wednesday, September 28 – 8:15 a.m.** – Jack Burnham

**Thursday, September 29 – 8:15 a.m.** – TCCES Student

**Friday, September 30 – 8:15 a.m.** – Mike Finley

**October 1 and 2, 2022**

**4:00 p.m.**

**Lector:** Lyle Tope

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Tim Avon, Mary Roberts,  
Beth Cecil

**Ushers:** Tim Avon, Steve DeBois, Roy Montan

**Servers:** Easton Pope, Nadia Pope, Brady Pope

**8:30 a.m. Mass**

**Lector:** Nancy Allen

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Sharon Kuczirka, Matt Ritzert,  
Jeannine Kennedy

**Ushers:** Chris Chaney, Kelly Chaney, John Karl,  
Max Burnham, Ronnie Saffell

**Servers:** Miya Olson, Matthew Olson, Piper Olson

**11:00 a.m. Mass**

**Lector:** Jim Elco

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Mary Elco, Joe Sciarretti,  
Elizabeth Clemence

**Ushers:** Patti DeVault Mark Renner, Terry Olbrysh

**Servers:** Nick Williams, Tessa Williams, Izzy Murphy

If you know of a friend or family member who is in the hospital for surgery or due to illness, or is currently homebound, please call the Parish Office and someone will visit them as soon as possible.



**Prayer Chain:** To place your request on the prayer chain, please call the Parish Office or Charlene Herzig at 330-343-1063. If no one is available, please leave a message.

**Offertory for September 17 and 18, 2022**

Loose Cash and Checks	\$ 3,218.00
Adult Weekly Envelopes	\$ 4,424.00
Online Giving	\$ 745.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 8,387.00</b>
<b>Other Funds</b>	
Poor Fund	\$ 230.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 207.00
Youth Ministry	\$ 75.00
St. Joseph School Subsidy	\$ 105.00
Other Collections	\$ 10.00

Thank you for your generosity.

Your contributions make the mission of St. Joseph Parish possible and keep our parish financially sound.

Please remember in your prayers all the sick, homebound, and recovering in our parish. Also, pray for those coping with physical or mental conditions.

Please include all those on our prayer lists who have asked for our prayers and those who have no one to pray for them.



When traveling, and you need to find information on the closest Catholic Church and the times for their Masses, please check out [www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org).



### Spiritual Notes

The prophet Amos provides us with another "woe" this weekend. This one is addressed to those who are complacent. While Zion is the mountain of Jerusalem, the mount of Samaria represents the northern kingdom. Thus our text can be read as addressed to citizens of both nations. The prophet speaks of those who are "lying upon beds of ivory," a sign of excessive indulgence. Like the rich man in today's Gospel, they are blinded by their wealth and cannot see the poverty that surrounds them. To them the prophet speaks words of judgment. The encouragement addressed to Timothy today is also for each of us. Timothy, a fellow missionary with Paul, is a leader of the church at Ephesus. Through Baptism, God calls us to "pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness." Our lives are meant to witness to life in God. The parable of the rich man and Lazarus reinforces Amos' message. Purple clothes were a sign of wealth in Jesus' day. The contrast between the description of the rich man, "who dressed in purple garments and fine linen," and Lazarus, who was "covered with sores," tells us that they are at opposite ends of the socioeconomic scale. While the rich man "dined sumptuously each day," Lazarus did not. The added detail that the dogs "used to come and lick his sores" paints his situation as even more dire. Part of the tragedy of this story is that the rich man should have known better than to ignore Lazarus, "lying at his door;" they are both children of Abraham.

*For Reflection: Where can I find the Lazaruses in society today? What in my life prevents me from seeing them?*

We are excited to announce that Father Jimmy will be leading a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in June 2023. If you would like more information, you may call the Parish Office. Highlights of the trip are: Caesarea, Church of the Transfiguration, Cana, Tiberius, Sea of Galilee, Capernaum, Nazareth, Bethlehem, Church of the Nativity, Mount of Olives, Jerusalem, Western Wall, Via Dolorosa, and more!



### Box of Joy

Box of Joy is an annual Christmas gift ministry organized by Catholic Churches across the United States. By packing Boxes of Joy with toys and other gifts, participants bless children suffering from extreme poverty by sharing the joy of Christmas and planting seeds of hope. Our boxes will be available next weekend, and you may pick them up in the Vestibule. There is a list in the bulletin of recommended items for items most needed.

### "Mark Your Calendars!"

Below are some of the upcoming events in October and November.

#### September 29th

Tuscarawas County Health Dept. COVID Vaccine Clinic  
at 4:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center

#### October 6th

TCCES Fall Card Party - 6:00 p.m. - TCCES Gym

#### October 8th

Knights of Columbus Pig Roast - 5:00 p.m.

Knights Hall

#### October 9th

Confirmation Candidate and Sponsor Meeting - 9:45 a.m.

Candidate Session #1 beginning at 11:00 a.m. Mass.

#### October 16th

Hike on the Fort Lauren's Towpath

Time - 3:30-5:30 p.m.

#### October 19th

St. Joseph Seniors - Noon at the Manor Restaurant

#### October 20th

Knights of Columbus Open House - 6:30 p.m.

#### October 21st

TCCES Grandparents Day

#### October 22nd

Knights of Columbus 5K Ghost Run - 9:00 a.m.

#### October 23rd

1st Penance Parent Meeting - 9:45 a.m. TCCES Gym

#### October 30th

Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast

Family Life Center

#### November 1st

All Saints Day

Masses at 8:15 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

#### November 2nd

All Souls Day

Memorial Mass for the Deceased - 6:00 p.m.

#### November 13th

Confirmation Session #2 - 11:00 a.m. Mass

#### November 17th

Knights of Columbus Open House - 6:30 p.m.

#### November 24th

Thanksgiving Day Mass - 9:00 a.m.

#### November 25th

Parish Office Closed

#### November 27th

First Sunday of Advent

### Volunteer Needed!

St. Joseph Family Life Committee serves our parish in many ways, including preparing food for the various functions and providing other family related activities. More members are needed. **Especially with our 175th Anniversary, and all the activities that will be happening in 2023!** If you are interested in joining the committee or to learn how you can help, please contact Fran Mason at 330-401-8580.



**Knights of Columbus Pig Roast**  
**Knights Hall – 346 West 9th Street, Dover**  
**October 8th – doors open at 5:00 p.m.**

Dinner includes mashed potatoes, beans, cabbage rolls, and of course, roasted pig. Desserts, too! The cost is \$15.00 per person, and tickets must be purchased in advance. To purchase tickets or if you have questions, please contact Lou Settimio at 330-204-4361 or Larry Cihon at 330-365-0393.

**Youth Group News!**

The Youth Group Meetings in October:

Sunday, October 2nd – 6:30 p.m.  
 Family Life Center

Sunday, October 16th – 6:30 p.m.  
 Holy Trinity Zoar



**Tuscarawas Central**  
**Catholic Elementary School**



**Fall Card Party**  
**Thursday, October 6, 2022 - 6:00-10:00 p.m.**  
**TCCES Gym**

Admission is \$8.00 per person, and includes, food, drinks, and a chance to win a door prize. There will be 50/50 drawing, gift baskets, and a lottery tree to bid on. To RSVP, please call Kateri at 330-987-7251.

**Job Opportunity**

Tuscarawas Central Catholic Elementary School is seeking a part-time maintenance person for evenings and some weekends. This is a 25-hour-a-week position. Candidates must have the ability to multitask, establish priorities, exhibit initiative, flexibility, and the ability to maintain strict confidentiality with all information. Job offer is contingent on the successful passing of the mandatory background screening and completion of the VIRTUS Protecting God's Children course. Compensation is commensurate with candidate's experiences. **Interested persons should contact Jessica DeBois at [jdebois@cducation.org](mailto:jdebois@cducation.org).**

**You're Invited!**

The Tuscarawas County Catholic Schools Board of Trustees is requesting your presence at the **Annual Membership Meeting**. The meeting is scheduled for Monday, October 24, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at TCC High School. Items to be discussed will include the annual school report, Board of Trustee candidate nominations and elections. We look forward to seeing you there!

**St. Joseph Soup Kitchen**

The intention for the Soup Kitchen is to serve God's children in need: the poor in spirit, as well as the needy. Teams, if you need assistance, please contact Andrea Settimio or the Parish Office.

September 28, 2022 - Team H (Cindy Jones)

October 5, 2022 - Team I (Isabellas)

October 12, 2022 - Team J (Ashley Graham)

October 19, 2022 - Team K (Hannah Jacobs)

**Please keep our guests and volunteers in your prayers!**

**Mini Food Pantry**

Our mini food pantry box, located at the Family Life Center, has been able to provide food for many people in need. Our volunteers are restocking several times a week. The items most in need are:

Tuna	Spam
Canned Pasta	Baked beans
Chunky Soups	Canned fruit
Pancake mix	Pancake syrup

If you would like to contribute items, there is a tote in the Vestibule of the church, or you can make monetary donations by placing an envelope in the collection basket marked "Mini Pantry."

**Rosary Coast to Coast**

Immaculate Conception of Dennison will be participating in *Rosary Coast to Coast* on Sunday, October 9th. This special afternoon of prayer is open to the members of all parishes and will culminate with praying the Rosary at 4:00 p.m. followed by Benediction and the Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Please mark the date on your calendar and plan to attend. More information will be included in upcoming bulletins.



**Tuscarawas Central**  
**Catholic High School**



The TCC Booster Club is proud to host its annual Booster Club Golf Scramble on October 15th starting at 9:00 a.m. at Oak Shadows Golf Club. It's a four-man scramble format, followed by a meal for the teams. The cost to play is \$300.00 per team. The deadline to register is October 1st. This important fundraiser supports the Booster Club as they provide uniforms, transportation, cover event fees, scholarships and much more. For more questions or to register, please call Nick Angelini at 330-934-9004 or by email at [Nicholas.angelini@gmail.com](mailto:Nicholas.angelini@gmail.com).

**Tuscarawas County Friends of the Homeless**

During the month of October we will be having a "paper product drive" for the Friends of the Homeless.

The items most in need are: paper towels, toilet paper, paper plates, napkins, trash bags (33 and 30 gallon size), plasticware, storage bags of all sizes, disinfectant wipes, dish detergent, and all kitchen and bathroom cleaning products. There are totes at the entrances, or you may drop off your donations at the Parish Office. Thank you for your generosity!

# Lectio Divina

## SCRIPTURE READING + MEDITATION + PRAYER + CONTEMPLATION

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"What page, what passage of the inspired books of the Old and New Testaments is not the truest of guides for human life?" ~Saint Benedict, from the *Rule of Saint Benedict* (73:3)

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*The month of September is dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows.*

**"Let each of us accept the truth of the following statement and try to make it our most fundamental principle: Christ's teaching will never let us down, while worldly wisdom always will. Christ Himself said that this sort of wisdom was like a house with nothing but sand as its foundation, while His own was like a building with solid rock as its foundation." +SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL**

**Monday, September 26 ~ Twenty-Sixth Week in Ordinary Time  
Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs**

**Holy Gospel: Luke 9:46-50** An argument arose among the disciples about which of them was the greatest. Jesus realized the intention of their hearts and took a child and placed it by his side and said to them, "Whoever receives this child in my name receives me, and whoever receives me receives the one who sent me. For the one who is least among all of you is the one who is the greatest." Then John said in reply, "Master, we saw someone casting out demons in your name and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow in our company." Jesus said to him, "Do not prevent him, for whoever is not against you is for you."

**Meditation:** It is somewhat surprising to see that even the disciples of Jesus argued about who is the greatest among them. And yet, as they are human, we see the appetite for glory and greatness seems to be inbred in all humans – even among the disciples! On one hand, who doesn't cherish the ambition to be "somebody" whom others admire rather than a "nobody"? Even the psalms speak about the glory God has destined for us. "You have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor" (Psalm 8:5). Jesus made a dramatic gesture by placing a child next to himself to show his disciples who really is the greatest in the kingdom of God. What can a little child possibly teach us about greatness? Children in the ancient world had no rights, position, or privileges of their own. They were socially at the "bottom of the rung" and at the service of their parents, much like the household staff and domestic servants. What is the significance of Jesus' gesture? Jesus elevated a little child in the presence of his disciples by placing the child in a privileged position of honor at his right side. It is customary, even today, to seat the guest of honor at the right side of the host. Who is the greatest in God's kingdom? The one who is humble and lowly of heart — who instead of asserting their rights willingly empty themselves of pride and self-seeking glory by taking the lowly position of a servant or child. Knowing this, do you still seek glory, fame and greatness among your human peers?

**Prayer:** May you be magnified, O Lord, by the revered memory of your Saints Cosmas and Damian, for with providence beyond words you have conferred on them everlasting glory, and on us, your unfailing help. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** We tend to search around looking for people to model our lives after, when Jesus, himself, is our model. He came not to be served, but to serve (Matthew 20:28). Paul the Apostles states that Jesus "emptied himself and took the form of a servant" (Phil. 2:7). Jesus lowered himself (he whose place is at the right hand of God the Father) and took on our lowly nature that he might raise us up and clothe us in his divine nature. "God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble" (James 4:6). If we want to be filled with God's life and power, then we need to empty ourselves of everything which stands in the way — pride, envy, self-seeking glory, vanity, and possessiveness. God wants empty vessels so he can fill them with his own glory, power, and love (2 Cor. 4:7). Are you ready to humble yourself and to serve as Jesus did?

## **Tuesday, September 27 ~ Twenty-Sixth Week in Ordinary Time**

### **Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest; Founder of the Vincentian Order**

**Holy Gospel: Luke 9:51-56** When the days for Jesus to be taken up were fulfilled, he resolutely determined to journey to Jerusalem, and he sent messengers ahead of him. On the way they entered a Samaritan village to prepare for his reception there, but they would not welcome him because the destination of his journey was Jerusalem. When the disciples James and John saw this they asked, "Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to consume them?" Jesus turned and rebuked them, and they journeyed to another village.

**Meditation:** Are you surprised to see two of Jesus' disciples praying for the destruction of a Samaritan village? The Jews and Samaritans had been divided for centuries. Jewish pilgrims who passed through Samaritan territory were often assaulted. Jesus did the unthinkable for a Jew. He not only decided to travel through Samaritan territory at personal risk, but he also asked for hospitality in one of their villages! Jesus' offer of friendship was rebuffed. Is there any wonder that the disciples were indignant and felt justified in wanting to see retribution done to this village? Wouldn't you respond the same way? Jesus, however, rebukes his disciples for their lack of toleration. Jesus had "set his face toward Jerusalem" to die on a cross that all might be reconciled with God and be united as one people in Christ.

**Prayer:** O God, who for the relief of the poor and the formation of the clergy endowed the Priest Saint Vincent de Paul with apostolic virtues, grant, we pray, that, afire with that same spirit, we may love what he loved and put into practice what he taught. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** Tolerance is a much needed virtue today – not "tolerance" when we enable bad or sinful behaviors by turning a blind eye or a deaf ear or by saying "if it feels good, do it" thus being tolerant for the wrong thing or for the wrong motive. We must remember that right and wrong, defined by God, still exists; the truths of Jesus Christ are timeless. We must instead be "tolerant" by exhibiting Christian love which seeks the highest good of both one's neighbor and one's enemy. Take for example Abraham Lincoln, who as president was criticized for his courtesy and tolerance towards his enemies during the American Civil War. President Lincoln's response? He said: "Do I not destroy my enemies when I make them my friends?" Which begs the question: How do you treat those who cross you and cause you trouble? Do you seek their good rather than their harm?

## **Wednesday, September 28 ~ Twenty-Sixth Week in Ordinary Time**

### **Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr; Saint Lawrence Ruiz and companions, Martyrs**

**Holy Gospel: Luke 9:57-62** As Jesus and his disciples were proceeding on their journey, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." Jesus answered him, "Foxes have dens and birds of the sky have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to rest his head." And to another he said, "Follow me." But he replied, "Lord, let me go first and bury my father." But he answered him, "Let the dead bury their dead. But you, go and proclaim the Kingdom of God." And another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but first let me say farewell to my family at home." Jesus answered him, "No one who sets a hand to the plow and looks to what was left behind is fit for the Kingdom of God."

**Meditation:** Are you ready to follow the Lord wherever he may lead you? With the call the Lord gives the grace to respond and the strength to follow all the way to the end. Why does Jesus issue a challenge with the call? Jesus was utterly honest in telling people what it would cost to follow him. When a would-be disciple approached Jesus and said he was ready to follow, Jesus told him it would require sacrifice — the sacrifice of certain creaturely comforts. Jesus appealed to this man's heart and told him to detach himself from whatever might hold him back. Spiritual detachment is a necessary step for following the Lord. It frees us to give ourselves without reserve to the Lord and his service. While many of us may not need to give up the comfort of our own home and bed to follow Jesus, we, nonetheless, must be willing to part with anything that might stand in the way of doing God's will. Another would-be disciple said he would follow as soon as he had buried his father. What he meant by this expression was that he felt the need to return to his home to take care of his father through old age until he died. The third had no obligation to return home, but simply wanted to go back and say good-bye. Jesus surprised these would-be disciples with the stark truth that nothing should hinder us from following the Lord. Was Jesus being harsh and rude to his would-be followers? Not really. We are free to decide whether we will take the path which Jesus offers. But if we choose to go, then the Lord wants us to count the cost and choose for it freely.

**Prayer ~ Saint Wenceslaus:** O God, who taught the Martyr Saint Wenceslaus to place the heavenly Kingdom before an earthly one, grant through his prayers that, denying ourselves, we may hold fast to you with all our heart. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Prayer ~ Saint Lawrence Ruiz and companions:** Grant us, we pray, Lord God, the same perseverance shown by your Martyrs Saint Lawrence Ruiz and his companions in serving you and their neighbor, since those persecuted for the sake of righteousness are blessed in your Kingdom. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** You may be asking: "What does the story of a plowman have to do with the journey?" A plowman who looked back while plowing caused his furrow – the "trough" or groove in the earth that he was plowing – to be crooked. He had to look straight ahead in order to keep the plow from going off course. Likewise, if we look back on what we have freely left behind to follow the Lord, our path will likely diverge and we'll miss what God has for us. The gospel does not record the response from these three would-be disciples. We are only left with the question which Jesus intends for us as well. Are you ready to take the path Jesus offers? His grace is sufficient and his love is strong. There is nothing greater we can do with our lives than to place them at the service of the Lord and Master of the universe. We cannot outgive God in generosity. Jesus promises that those who are willing to part with what is most dear to them for his sake "will receive a hundred times as much and will inherit eternal life" (Matthew 19:29). Is there anything holding you back from pursuing the Lord and his will for your life?

### **Thursday, September 29 ~ Twenty-Sixth Week in Ordinary Time Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels**

**Holy Gospel: John 1:47-51** Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, "Here is a true child of Israel. There is no duplicity in him." Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered and said to him, "Before Philip called you, I saw you under the fig tree." Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the King of Israel." Jesus answered and said to him, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than this." And he said to him, "Amen, amen, I say to you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

**Meditation:** What does Jesus mean when he says "you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man"? One of the most remarkable revelations recorded in the bible is the dream of Jacob (Genesis 28:12-17). God had opened a door for Jacob that brought him and his people into a new relationship with the living God. In Jacob's dream God revealed his angelic host and showed him the throne of heaven and promised Jacob that he and descendants would dwell with the living God. Who are the angels and why do they intervene between heaven and earth? The scriptures tell us the angels are God's servants and messengers. "They are the mighty ones who do his word, hearkening to the voice of his word" (Psalm 103:20). The angels belong to Christ and were created for and through him (Colossians 1:16). The Letter to the Hebrews speaks of the role of the angels in God's plan of salvation: "Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to serve, for the sake of those who are to obtain salvation?" (Hebrews 1:14) The angels are not only messengers but protectors and guardians as well. "For he will give his angels charge of you to guard you in all your ways" (Psalm 91:11). We are not alone in our struggle against sin and evil in the world. The armies of heaven fight for us and with us in the spiritual battle for our hearts, minds, and wills.

**Prayer:** O God, who dispose in marvelous order ministries both angelic and human, graciously grant that our life on earth may be defended by those who watch over us as they minister perpetually to you in heaven. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** Jesus' response to Nathaniel's new faith is the promise that Jesus himself will be the "ladder which unites earth with heaven". Jesus proclaims that he is the fulfillment of the promise made to the Patriarch Jacob and his descendants. Jesus is the true ladder or stairway to heaven. In Jesus' incarnation, the divine Son of God taking on human flesh for our sake, we see the union of heaven and earth – God making his dwelling with us and bringing us into the heavenly reality of his kingdom. Jesus' death on the cross where he defeated sin and won new life for us through his resurrection opens the way for each of us to come into a new relationship with God as his sons and daughters. The Lord Jesus opens the way for each of us to "ascend to heaven" and to bring "heaven to earth" in the daily circumstances of our lives. God's kingdom is present in those who seek him and who do his will. Through the gift of faith

God opens a door for each one of us to the heavenly reality of his kingdom. Do you see and believe the heavenly reality with the "eyes of faith"?

**About this Feast and the Archangels:** The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* teaches us that, "[T]he existence of the spiritual, non-corporeal beings that Sacred Scripture usually calls "angels" is a truth of faith. The witness of Scripture is as clear as the unanimity of Tradition." Angels are pure, created spirits. The name "angel" means "servant" or "messenger of God." Angels are celestial or heavenly beings, on a higher order than human beings. Angels have no bodies and do not depend on matter for their existence or activity. They are distinct from saints, which humans can become. Angels have intellect and will, and are immortal. They are a vast multitude, but each is an individual person. Archangels are one of the nine choirs of angels listed in the Bible. In ascending order, the choirs or classes are 1) Angels, 2) Archangels, 3) Principalities, 4) Powers, 5) Virtues, 6) Dominations, 7) Thrones, 8) Cherubim, and 9) Seraphim. The name of the **Archangel Michael** means, in Hebrew, *who is like unto God?* and he is also known as "the prince of the heavenly host." He is usually pictured as a strong warrior, dressed in armor and wearing sandals. His name appears in Scripture four times, twice in the Book of Daniel, and once each in the Epistle of St. Jude and the Book of Revelation. From Revelation we learn of the battle in heaven, with St. Michael and his angels combating Lucifer and the other fallen angels (or devils). We invoke St. Michael to help us in our fight against Satan; to rescue souls from Satan, especially at the hour of death; to be the champion of the Jews in the Old Testament and now Christians; and to bring souls to judgment. **Archangel Gabriel's** name means *God is my strength*. Biblically he appears three times as a messenger. He had been sent to Daniel to explain a vision concerning the Messiah. He appeared to Zachary when he was offering incense in the Temple, to foretell the birth of his son, St. John the Baptist. St. Gabriel is most known as the angel chosen by God to be the messenger of the Annunciation, to announce to mankind the mystery of the Incarnation. The angel's salutation to our Lady, so simple and yet so full of meaning, Hail Mary, full of grace, has become the constant and familiar prayer of all Christian people. Our knowledge of the **Archangel Raphael** comes to us from the book of Tobit. His mission as wonderful healer and fellow traveler with the youthful Tobias has caused him to be invoked for journeys and at critical moments in life. Tradition also holds that Raphael is the angel that stirred the waters at the healing sheep pool in Bethesda. His name means *God has healed*.

## **Friday, September 30 ~ Twenty-Sixth Week in Ordinary Time**

### **Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church**

**Holy Gospel: Luke 10:13-16** Jesus said to them, "Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty deeds done in your midst had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would long ago have repented, sitting in sackcloth and ashes. But it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the judgment than for you. And as for you, Capernaum, 'Will you be exalted to heaven? You will go down to the netherworld.' Whoever listens to you listens to me. Whoever rejects you rejects me. And whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me."

**Meditation:** Why was Jesus upset with these communities? The word woe is also translated as alas. It is as much as an expression of sorrowful pity as it is of anger. Why does Jesus lament and issue a stern warning? The people who heard the gospel here very likely responded with indifference. Jesus upbraids them for doing nothing! Repentance demands change – a change of heart and way of life. God's word is life-giving and it saves us from destruction – the destruction of soul as well as body. Jesus' anger is directed toward sin and everything which hinders us from doing the will of God and receiving his blessing. In love he calls us to walk in his way of truth and freedom, grace and mercy, justice and holiness.

**Prayer:** O God, who gave the Priest Saint Jerome a living and tender love for Sacred Scripture, grant that your people may be ever more fruitfully nourished by your Word and find in it the fount of life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Contemplation:** If Jesus were to visit your neighborhood community and walk the streets of our town today, what would he say? Would he issue a warning like the one he gave to Chorazin and Bethsaida? And how would you respond? Wherever Jesus went he did mighty works to show the people how much God had done for them. Chorazin and Bethsaida had been blessed with the visitation of God. They heard the good news and experienced the wonderful works which Jesus did for them.

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October 4th from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

The Pontifical College Josephinum

7623 North High Street, Columbus

Sr. Leonarda, OP will host young women.

RSVP by September 27

to [programs@SerraColumbus.org](mailto:programs@SerraColumbus.org)

#### **Vocations Luncheon for Young Men**

November 8th from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

The Pontifical College Josephinum

7623 North High Street, Columbus

Father Bill Hahn, Director of Vocations for our Diocese will host the young men. RSVP by October 15th to [programs@SerraColumbus.org](mailto:programs@SerraColumbus.org).



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*"My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established..."*

LUKE 16:25-26

When God created the world, He declared that it was good and He gave it to all mankind for us to enjoy. However, over the years we have created a chasm between those who have great gifts and those who do not. In today's Gospel, we see that with our own generosity we must bridge that gap between those who have much and those who have little or we may find ourselves on the wrong side of the chasm in the next life.

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### **CRS Continues Ukraine Relief**

Catholic Relief Services continues to send staff and resources to support local partners in Ukraine, Romania, Moldova, and Poland to address the growing immigrant and refugee needs. If you would like to make a donation to support the efforts of CRS, you may do so by going to <https://www.crs.org/> and following the Ways to Give link.

### **St. Joseph Cemetery**

If you are interested in purchasing lots, or if you have questions regarding rules and regulations, please call Russ in the Parish Office, and he will be happy to assist you.



### **Other Information To Note:**

**Mass Intentions:** Please be reminded that any parishioner is welcome to request Masses be celebrated for deceased or living loved ones. To schedule a Mass Intention, please contact the Parish Office.

**Low-gluten Hosts:** If you are a person who needs to receive a low-gluten host because of wheat allergies or celiac disease, please call the Parish Office.

**Bulletin deadline:** The bulletin deadline is Monday at 12:00 p.m. Please include your contact information with phone number and email address. Bulletin notices may be in writing, faxed to 330-602-7488, dropped off, or emailed to [stjosephchurch@roadrunner.com](mailto:stjosephchurch@roadrunner.com).



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### **The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions September 2022**

For the abolition of the death penalty  
We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.

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## KEY REMINDERS

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3. Secure the lid with a rubber band (no tape, please). Please do not place donation inside the Box of Joy.



## PERSONAL NOTES & PHOTOS

We encourage you to enclose a personal note or a handmade Christmas card and share a photo of yourself or your family. (It is advisable for parents or teachers to review notes written by children.)

### TOYS

**Deflated soccer balls with pump\***

Mini puzzle

Binoculars

Harmonica, kazoo or other small instrument

Jump rope

Yo-yo

**Dolls\***

Craft kit (beads, elastic, etc.)

### SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Pencils

Pencil sharpener

Erasers

Pencil case

**Crayons\***

Ruler

**Coloring book\***

Notepads

Stickers

### HYGIENE ITEMS

Toothbrush/Toothpaste

Bar soap

Comb/Brush

Manicure kit

### HARD CANDY & GUM

**Please seal in a zip closure-style bag**

**No chocolates**

**No Jolly Ranchers**

### APPAREL

Socks

Shorts

Underwear

**T-shirts\***

Flip-flops

Hats

### ACCESSORIES

Watch

**Sunglasses\***

Jewelry

Hair accessories

Cross or rosary

### USEFUL ITEMS

Sewing kit

LED flashlight

**Drawstring bag\***

## DO NOT PACK

Food or Beverages • Medicines or Vitamins • Liquids (shampoo, nail polish, etc.) • Gels (hand sanitizer, etc.)  
Jolly Ranchers or Chocolates • Military or Police Toys • Toy Weapons • Glass or Breakables • Knives or Tools

**Iglesias San José**  
**Ministerios Hispanos**  
**Vigésimo sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**  
**25 de Septiembre del 2022**



**Calendario Litúrgico:**

Misas en Español

Domingo	2 de Octubre	1:30 p.m.
Domingo	9 de Octubre	1:30 p.m.
Domingo	16 de Octubre	1:30 p.m.

Confesiones

Antes de misa de español de 12:30 p.m. a 1:15 p.m.

Misas en Ingles

Sábados	4:00 p.m.
Domingos	8:30 a.m. y 11:00 a.m.

**Intenciones de Oración del Santo Padre**  
**Septiembre 2022**

Por la abolición de la pena de muerte  
Recemos para que la pena de muerte, que atenta a la inviolabilidad y dignidad de la persona, sea abolida en las leyes de todos los países del mundo.



**Horario de los Coros**

2 de Octubre	Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe
9 de Octubre	Reina de Los Angeles
16 de Octubre	El Nuevo Sembrador
23 de Octubre	Seguidores de Cristo
30 de Octubre	Mensajeros de Cristo

Si tiene preguntas llame a Sonia a la oficina al 330-364-6661.

**Clase de Bautismo:** La próxima clase será en el Centro Familiar San José al 330-364-6661.

**Capilla de la Virgen de Guadalupe:** Todos somos bienvenidos a venerar en la Capilla de la Virgen de Guadalupe. Podemos encender una vela que permanece prendida por tres días, con una donación de \$3.00. (2 velas por \$6.00, etc.) **Por favor usar sólo las velas de la Capilla.**

**Notas Espirituales**

El profeta Amos nos dice "¡ay de ustedes" este fin de semana. Éste está dirigido a "aquellos que están satisfechos." Aunque Sión es el monte de Jerusalén, el monte de Samaria representa el reino del norte. Así, nuestro texto puede ser leído dirigido a la gente de ambas naciones. El profeta habla de aquellos que están "mintiendo en camas de marfil," un signo de la indulgencia excesiva. Al igual que el hombre rico en el Evangelio de hoy, ellos están cegados por su riqueza y no pueden ver la pobreza que los rodea. Para ellos el profeta habla palabras de juicio. El impulso dirigió a Timoteo hoy es también para cada uno de nosotros. Timoteo, un compañero misionero de Pablo, es un líder de la iglesia en Éfeso. A través del bautismo, Dios nos llama a "seguir "la justicia, la devoción, la fe, el amor, la paciencia, y la mansedumbre." Nuestras vidas están destinadas para presenciar la vida en Dios. La parábola del hombre rico que Lázaro refuerza en el mensaje de Amos. Ropas púrpuras eran un signo de riqueza en la época de Jesús. El contraste entre la descripción del hombre rico, "que se vestía de color púrpura y ropa fina," Lázaro, que estaba "cubierto de llagas," nos dice que ellos se encuentran en los extremos opuestos de la escala socioeconómica. Mientras que el hombre rico "cenaba lujosamente cada día," Lázaro no lo hizo. El detalle añadido que los perros "utilizados se acercaban a lamer las llagas "pinta su situación aún más grave. Parte de la tragedia de esta historia es que el hombre rico debería haber sabido que no podía ignorar a Lázaro," postrado a su puerta," que los dos son hijos de Abraham.

*Para Reflexionar: ¿Dónde puedo encontrar a los Lázaros en la sociedad actual? ¿Qué en mi vida me impide verlos?*



Por favor, recuerde en su oración, a todos los enfermos, al salir de casa, y la recuperación de nuestra parroquia. Además, orar por aquellos que sufren de condiciones físicas o mentales.



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