

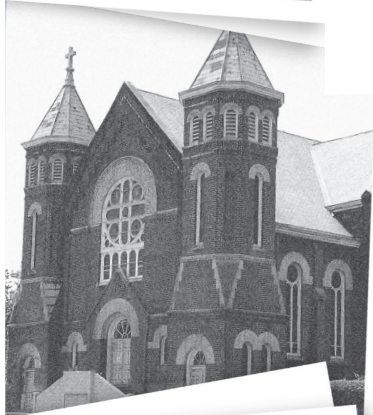


*In the spirit of St. Joseph, we lovingly
serve Jesus Christ and His people.*

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF

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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.

MASS TIMES

Saturday	4:00 p.m.
Sunday	8:30 & 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

MARRIAGES

Arrangements should be made through the Parish
Office at least eight months before any other
planning.

BAPTISMS / BAUTISMOS

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. *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.*

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please have bulletin announcements to the
Parish Office by 3:00 p.m. on Monday, or e-mail
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St. Joseph Church

Dover, Ohio 44622

The Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 7 and 8, 2023

7 y 8 de Octubre del 2023



Mass Intentions

Monday, October 9

No Mass

Readings: 461: Jon 1:1-2:2-11/Ps Jon 2: 3-5/
Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday, October 10

No Mass

Readings: 462: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 130/Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday, October 11

No Mass

Readings: 463: Jon 4:1-11/Ps 86/Lk 11:1-4

Thursday, October 12

No Mass

Readings: 464: Mal 3: 13-20b/Ps 1/Lk 11:5-13

Friday, October 13

No Mass

Readings: 465: J1 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Ps 9/Lk 11:15-26

Saturday, October 14

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

4:00 p.m. The Intentions of Deacon Joe Salvo

Sunday, October 15

The Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. Catherine and Mario Corsi

11:00 a.m. John and Katherine Gopp

1:30 p.m. The People the Parish (Spanish Mass)

Readings: 142: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 22/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/
Mt 22:1-14

Ministry Schedule

Tuesday, October 10 – No Mass

Wednesday, October 11 – No Mass

Thursday, October 12 – No Mass

Friday, October 13 – No Mass

October 14, 2023

4:00 p.m.

Lectors: Lyle Tope – 1st Lector

Debbie Tristano – 2nd Lector

Eucharistic Ministers: Tim Avon, Jackie Hostetler,

Beth Cecil, Michelle Tope, Kateri Renicker, Mary DeBois

Ushers: Tim Avon, Roy Montan, Steve DeBois

Servers: Alex Utuy, Dylan Utuy, Sofia Ionno

October 15, 2023

8:30 a.m. Mass

Lectors: Matt Ritzert – 1st Lector

Mike Finley – 2nd Lector

Eucharistic Ministers: John Kuczirka, Sharon Kuczirka,

Mary LaBrake, Jack Burnham, Doug Telle,

Laura Barkett, Jessica DeBois

Ushers: Chris Chaney, Kelly Chaney, John Karl,

Max Burnham, Ronnie Saffell

Servers: Miya Olson, Matthew Olson, Jennifer Ajanel

11:00 a.m. Mass

Lectors: Cathy Galbraith – 1st Lector

Mark Clemence – 2nd Lector

Eucharistic Ministers: Dan Galbraith, Elizabeth Clemence,

Mark Clemence, Marcus Clemence, Beth Ernest,

Mike Ernest, Erin Deeds

Ushers: Patti DeVault, Lindsay Williams,

Larry and Linda Clawson

Servers: Izzy Murphy, Greg Nguyen, Tessa Williams

Offertory for October 1, 2023

Loose Cash and Checks	\$ 2,742.00
Adult Weekly Envelopes	\$ 4,933.00
Online Giving	\$ 625.00
Total	\$ 8,300.00

Other Funds

Poor Fund	\$ 204.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 124.00
Youth Ministry	\$ 130.00
St. Joseph School Subsidy	\$ 55.00
Other Collections	\$ 90.00

Thank you for your generosity.

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

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.



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.

Please Note: If you would like to present the gifts at the
Offertory, please contact the Ushers before Mass.

Spiritual Notes

As he begins to conclude his letter to the Philippians, Paul continues to exhort them to grow in their faith. If we place our trust in God, then "the peace of God will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." It is this confidence that allows Paul to suffer persecution, imprisonment, and finally death. Paul knows that following the way of Christ ultimately leads to peace, so he encourages them to persevere in their faith. Today's text from Isaiah serves as a background for Jesus' parable of the vineyard. Isaiah addresses his parable to people as a word of judgment. God has planted a vineyard with great care in Israel. Even the location, a fertile hillside, is intended to ensure a successful harvest. He planted the choicest vines after preparing the soil; yet despite all this, the vineyard only yields wild grapes. Isaiah warns the inhabitants of Jerusalem that because the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel and they have produced an undesirable harvest, they are about to face God's judgment. Jesus speaks of a landowner who planted a vineyard and leased it to tenants. This landowner has done everything he could to ensure that the land would produce a good harvest. But in his absence, the tenants refuse to pay the rent, and they abuse the servants sent to obtain his produce. Even his son cannot get them to pay the rent; they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. For Matthew's community, these wicked tenants represent those who reject Jesus: They will have the kingdom taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit. Like the parable in Israel, Jesus' parable also challenges us to produce fruit or face judgment.

For reflection: Is my life producing a desirable harvest for God? How has God helped me provide a successful yield?

The flowers in front of the Holy Family are for Tony and Anna Contini, as they celebrate their 70th Wedding Anniversary! May God continue to bless you and your marriage!

St. Joseph Cemetery: All summer flowers and pots must be removed from the cemetery no later than Monday, October 16th or they will be removed for you. If you are unable to do so, please call Russ in the Parish Office.

Box of Joy



Thank you to everyone who took one of our Boxes of Joy. Please return them to the Vestibule or the Parish Office no later than Sunday, October 29th.



During the month of November, the St. Joseph L.C.B.A. Chapter 867 will be collecting new socks, hats, gloves and mittens for a special Share A Christmas program. There are plastic bins at the entrances.

Mark Your Calendars!

October 14, 2023

Oktoberfest

Parish Hall/TCCES Gym

6:00 p.m.

October 18, 2023

St. Joseph Seniors

Ricardo's Party Center

12:00 p.m. Noon

October 21, 2023

Knights of Columbus 5K Run

Knights Hall - 8:00 a.m.

October 27, 2023

TCCES Grandparents Day

October 28, 2023

Knights of Columbus Pig Roast

Knights Hall - 5:00 p.m.

October 31, 2023

Vigil Mass for All Saints

6:00 p.m.

November 1, 2023

Mass for All Saints

8:15 a.m.

November 2, 2023

Memorial Mass for the Deceased

6:00 p.m.

November 7, 2023

LCBA

Family Life Center

1:00 p.m.

November 12, 2023

Confirmation Session 1

11:00 a.m. Mass

Followed by Session in the Family Life Center

November 15, 2023

St. Joseph Seniors

Ricardo's Party Center

12:00 p.m. Noon

November 16, 2023

Knights of Columbus Wives Dinner

Knights Hall - 6:30 p.m.

November 23, 2023

Thanksgiving Day

Mass - 9:00 a.m.

November is the month dedicated to remember the saints and our deceased family members and friends. November 1st and 2nd, the Church celebrates the Feast of All Saints and the Feast of All Souls. We mourn and honor all our beloved dead. The "Book of the Dead" to remember those family and friends who have died will be on the table in the Vestibule of the Church, beginning this weekend, October 14 and 15, 2023. All are invited to write the names of their deceased family members and friends in this book, so those names will be remembered in prayer.

Upcoming Bible Study Opportunities

Our Advent study, Rejoice!

We will delve into the Sunday readings via brief videos and daily journals. The introductory session will be Sunday, November 26th and the brief weekly video and group discussion will be all four Sundays of Advent, December 3, 10, 17, and 24 after the 8:30 a.m. Masses.

Friends of the Homeless of Tuscarawas County Annual Paper Product Drive

Beginning in September, for the entire month, there will be bins in the Vestibule to collect paper product items. Those items most in need are: Paper towels, toilet paper, paper plates, dinner napkins, trash bags, Ziploc bags, wax paper, aluminum foil, baby diapers of all sizes, baby wipes, feminine hygiene products, and dry laundry detergent. Please consider supporting this worthy cause!

St. Joseph Parish 175 th Anniversary Raffle		
The holder of this ticket number will be entered in 12 monthly drawings beginning January 2023 for \$175. Drawings will be held on the 17th of each month at 5:00 pm.		
Cost: \$20.00 Per Ticket One Winner Per Number		
NAME _____	PHONE _____	EMAIL _____

The next drawing will be
Tuesday, October 17th at 5:00 p.m.
Each drawing will be livestreamed!!

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 Settimo or the Parish Office.

October 11, 2023 - Team F (Boy Scouts)

October 18, 2023 - Team G (Joan Wenzel)

October 25, 2023 - Team H (Cindy Jones)

November 1, 2023 - Team I (Isabellas)

Please keep our guests and volunteers in your prayers!

Mini Food Pantry

Our Mini Food Pantry box, located at the Family Life Centers, 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:

Cereal	Canned Fruit
Chunky Soups	Rice
Jelly	Spaghetti sauce

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 marked "Mini Pantry" in the collection basket.

Walking with Moms in Need

The Parishes of Tuscarawas County recently joined a nationwide effort to increase outreach and support for pregnant and parenting mothers entitled, "Walking with Moms in Need." You are invited to follow our journey. We are also inviting you to join us in prayer for all of the mothers and families who are in need of support. But mostly, we are inviting you to join us in forming the most expansive network of people who want to do better at "Walking with Moms in Need."

To follow us, use the forms located in the Vestibule to provide your name and email address. If you prefer, you can also share that information with us on our local website at WWMINTusc.com. Once a month, we will provide updates, progress reports, and stories of how we as a community can participate in the "Walking with Moms in Need" program.

To learn more about the nationwide initiative, you can visit walkingwithmoms.com or by contacting Michelle Tope. Thank you for joining us in this important journey!



Become a Knight

The Knights of Columbus is a trusted name, tried by time, present where men are, providing inspiring resources and support for strengthening your faith and living a life of virtue. Knights lead with faith. Knights protect our families. Knights serve those in need. When the world says men should step aside, Knights of Columbus step up. We are Catholic men. We live by principles informed by faith. We are sons, fathers, husbands, and grandfathers. Join us on life's greatest adventure to discover the man God calls you to be. Consider joining our group of Good Men, Dover Saint Joseph's Council #1973 Knights of Columbus, to continue to grow your Catholic faith.

For more information, visit www.kofcoho.org and click on JOIN US! Or contact Grand Knight, Larry Cihon, by email at Lcihon@yahoo.com, or phone 330-365-0393 for more details.

Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge

On September 17, the Dover Knights of Columbus Council 1973 held their Inaugural Soccer Challenge. Under the supervision of Keith Knestaut, Jake Kinsey and John Laffredo, the Knights had 20 participants. Fifteen Knights helped to keep the competition run smoothly! Winners were Boys 9-11: Cody Snyder; Girls 9-11: Piper Wolfe; and Boys 12-14: Tristan Yackey. There were no girls in the 12-14 group. It was a very successful learning program. We look forward to doing it again in 2024.

Memorare Mom's Group

You are invited to join fellow moms on Friday mornings after the St. Joseph 8:15 a.m. Mass in the Family Life Center for prayer, Sunday reading discussion, and fellowship. Children are welcome. For more information, call or text Susanna Clore at 330-741-0956.

Lectio Divina

SCRIPTURE READING + MEDITATION + PRAYER + CONTEMPLATION

“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)

The month of October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary.

"At the moment for saying farewell, or better still, 'arrivederci,' I once more remind everyone of what counts most in life: blessed Jesus Christ, His Holy Church, His Gospel; and in the Gospel, above all, the 'Pater noster' (Our Father) in the spirit and heart of Jesus and the Gospel, the truth and goodness, the goodness meek and kind, active and patient, victorious and unbowed."

+ "FINAL REMINDER" FROM THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF POPE JOHN XXIII

Monday, October 9 ~ Twenty-Seventh Week in Ordinary Time

Saint Denis, Bishop and Martyr, and Companions, Martyrs;

Saint John Leonardi, Priest

Holy Gospel: Luke 10:25-37 There was a scholar of the law who stood up to test Jesus and said, "Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus said to him, "What is written in the law? How do you read it?" He said in reply, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself." He replied to him, "You have answered correctly; do this and you will live." But because he wished to justify himself, he said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man fell victim to robbers as he went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. They stripped and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead. A priest happened to be going down that road, but when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. Likewise a Levite came to the place, and when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight. He approached the victim, poured oil and wine over his wounds and bandaged them. Then he lifted him up on his own animal, took him to an inn, and cared for him. The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper with the instruction, 'Take care of him. If you spend more than what I have given you, I shall repay you on my way back.' Which of these three, in your opinion, was neighbor to the robbers' victim?" He answered, "The one who treated him with mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Meditation: Jesus' story enlightens us about true love for one's neighbor. Above all, we must be willing to help even if others brought trouble on themselves through their own fault or negligence. Our love and concern to help others in need must also be practical; good intentions and showing pity, or empathizing with others, is not enough. Also, our love for others must be as wide and as inclusive as God's love, remembering that God excludes no one from his care and concern. God's love is unconditional. So we must be ready to do good to others for their sake, just as God is good to each of us -- always.

Prayer ~ Saint Denis: O God, who sent Saint Denis and his companions to preach your glory to the nations and strengthened them for their mission with the virtue of constancy in suffering, grant, we pray, that we may imitate them in disdaining prosperity in this world and in being undaunted by any trial. 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 John Leonardi: O God, giver of all good things, who through the Priest Saint John Leonardi caused the Gospel to be announced to the nations, grant, through his intercession, that the true faith may always and everywhere prosper. 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: When Jesus said "Go and do likewise" in today's Gospel, he wasn't only saying it to the scholar of the law, Jesus was speaking to each of us. Sacred scripture is called the "living word" because the scripture readings are not just ink on paper, but readings to learn from, be challenged by, and put into action. So when Jesus tells us "Go and do likewise" he means it, at all times, and in all situations. "Go

and do likewise" as he teaches us throughout sacred scripture – live "the word" – live the teachings as "doers of the word, not hearers only" (James 1:22). Thus we also are all called to love God above all things, and love your neighbor as yourself, as Christ shared with the scholar of the law.

Tuesday, October 10 ~ Twenty-Seventh Week in Ordinary Time

Holy Gospel: Luke 10:38-42 Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak. Martha, burdened with much serving, came to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me." The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her."

Meditation: The Lord Jesus desires that we make a place for him, not only in our hearts, but in our homes and in the daily circumstances of our lives as well. We honor the Lord when we offer to him everything we have and everything we do. After all, everything we have is an outright gift from God (ref. 1 Chronicles 29:14). Paul the Apostle urges us to give God glory in everything: "Whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him" (ref. Col. 3:17). When you sit, eat, sleep and when you entertain your friends and guests, remember that the Lord Jesus is also the guest of your home. Scripture tells us that when Abraham opened his home and welcomed three unknown travelers, he welcomed the Lord who blessed him favorably for his gracious hospitality (ref. Genesis 18:1-10; Heb. 13:2). The Lord wants us, as well, to bring him glory in the way we treat others and use the gifts he has graciously given to us.

Prayer: Almighty ever-living God, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask. 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: Does the peace of Christ reign in your home and in your personal life? Really and truly reign? Jesus loved to visit the home of Martha and Mary and enjoyed their gracious hospitality. In this brief encounter we see two very different temperaments in Martha and Mary. Martha loved to serve, but in her anxious manner of waiting on Jesus, she caused unrest. Mary, in her simple and trusting manner, waited on Jesus by sitting attentively at his feet. She knew that what the Lord and Teacher most wanted at that moment was her attentive presence. Anxiety and preoccupation keep us from listening and from giving the Lord our undivided attention. The Lord bids us to give him our concerns and anxieties because he is trustworthy and able to meet any need we have.

Wednesday, October 11 ~ Twenty-Seventh Week in Ordinary Time **Saint John XXIII, Pope**

Holy Gospel: Luke 11:1-4 Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name, your Kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread and forgive us our sins for we ourselves forgive everyone in debt to us, and do not subject us to the final test."

Meditation: Jesus teaches us to address God as "Our Father" and to confidently ask him for the things we need to live as his sons and daughters. We can approach God our Father with confidence and boldness because Jesus Christ has opened the way to heaven for us through his death and resurrection. When we ask God for help, he fortunately does not give us what we deserve. Instead, he responds with grace and mercy. He is kind and forgiving towards us and he expects us to treat our neighbor the same. We can pray with expectant faith because our heavenly Father truly loves each one of us and he treats us as his beloved children. He delights to give us what is good. His love and grace transforms us and makes us like himself. Through his grace and power we can love and serve one another as Jesus taught -- with grace, mercy, and loving-kindness.

Prayer: Almighty and eternal God, who in the Pope, Saint John XXIII, gave to the whole world the shining example of a good shepherd, grant that, through his intercession, we may with joy spread abroad the fullness of Christian charity. 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: When Jesus taught his disciples to pray he gave them the disciple's prayer, what we call the Our Father or Lord's Prayer. What does Jesus' prayer tell us about God and about ourselves? First, it tells us that God is both Father in being the Creator and Author of all that he has made, the first origin of

everything and transcendent authority, and he is eternally Father by his relationship to his only Son who, reciprocally is Son only in relation to his Father (ref. Matthew 11:27). All fatherhood and motherhood is derived from him (ref. Ephesians 3:14-15). In Jesus Christ we are reborn and become the adopted children of God (ref. John 1:12-13; 3:3). Do you treat others as they deserve, or do you treat them as the Lord would with grace and mercy? Jesus' prayer includes an injunction that we must ask God to forgive us in proportion as we forgive those who have wronged us. God's grace frees us from every form of anger, spite, resentment, bias, prejudice and hatred. Are you ready to forgive others just as Jesus forgives you?

About Pope Saint John XXIII: Pope Saint John XXIII was born Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli at Sotto il Monte, Italy, in the Diocese of Bergamo on 25 November 1881. He was the fourth in a family of 14. The family worked as sharecroppers. The religious atmosphere of his family and the fervent life of the parish, under the guidance of Fr. Francesco Rebuzzini, provided him with training in the Christian life. He entered the Bergamo seminary in 1892. Here he began the practice of making spiritual notes, which he continued in one form or another until his death, and which have been gathered together in the *Journal of a Soul*. Here he also began the deeply cherished practice of regular spiritual direction. In 1896 he was admitted to the Secular Franciscan Order by the spiritual director of the Bergamo seminary, Fr. Luigi Isacchi; he made a profession of its Rule of life on 23 May 1897. From 1901 to 1905 he was a student at the Pontifical Roman Seminary. On 10 August 1904 he was ordained a priest in the church of Santa Maria in Monte Santo in Rome's Piazza del Popolo. In 1905 he was appointed secretary to the new Bishop of Bergamo, Giacomo Maria Radini Tedeschi. When Italy went to war in 1915 he was drafted as a sergeant in the medical corps and became a chaplain to wounded soldiers. When the war ended, he opened a "Student House" for the spiritual needs of young people. Benedict XV brought him to Rome to be the Italian president of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith in 1921. In 1925 Pius XI named him Apostolic Visitor in Bulgaria, raising him to the episcopate with the titular Diocese of Areopolis. For his episcopal motto he chose *Oboedientia et Pax (Obedience and Peace)*, which became his guiding motto for the rest of his life. On 19 March 1925 he was ordained Bishop and left for Bulgaria. He was granted the title Apostolic Delegate and remained in Bulgaria until 1935, visiting Catholic communities and establishing relationships of respect and esteem with the other Christian communities. In 1935 he was named Apostolic Delegate in Turkey and Greece. His ministry among the Catholics was intense, and his respectful approach and dialogue with the worlds of Orthodoxy and Islam became a feature of his tenure. In December 1944 Pius XII appointed him Nuncio in France. At the death of Pius XII he was elected Pope on 28 October 1958, taking the name John XXIII. His pontificate, which lasted less than five years, presented him to the entire world as an authentic image of the Good Shepherd. Meek and gentle, enterprising and courageous, simple and active, he carried out the Christian duties of the corporal and spiritual works of mercy: visiting the imprisoned and the sick, welcoming those of every nation and faith, bestowing on all his exquisite fatherly care. His social magisterium in the Encyclicals *Pacem in terris* and *Mater et Magistra* was deeply appreciated. He convoked the Roman Synod, established the Commission for the Revision of the Code of Canon Law and summoned the Second Vatican Council. The faithful saw in him a reflection of the goodness of God and called him "the good Pope." He was sustained by a profound spirit of prayer. He launched an extensive renewal of the Church, while radiating the peace of one who trusted in the Lord.

Thursday, October 12 ~ Twenty-Seventh Week in Ordinary Time

Holy Gospel: Luke 11:5-13 Jesus said to his disciples: "Suppose one of you has a friend to whom he goes at midnight and says, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, for a friend of mine has arrived at my house from a journey and I have nothing to offer him,' and he says in reply from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked and my children and I are already in bed. I cannot get up to give you anything.' I tell you, if he does not get up to give him the loaves because of their friendship, he will get up to give him whatever he needs because of his persistence. "And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. What father among you would hand his son a snake when he asks for a fish? Or hand him a scorpion when he asks for an egg? If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?"

Meditation: Notice how Jesus used the illustration of a late-night traveler to teach his listeners an important lesson about how God treats us in contrast to the kind of treatment we might expect from good neighbors. The rule of hospitality in biblical times required the cooperation of the entire community in entertaining an unexpected or late-night guest. Whether the guest was hungry or not, a meal would be served. In a small village it would be easy to know who had baked bread that day. Bread was essential for a meal because it served as a utensil for dipping and eating from the common dishes. Asking for bread

from one's neighbor was both a common occurrence and an expected favor. To refuse to give bread would bring shame because it was a sign of inhospitality.

Prayer: Almighty ever-living God, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask. 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 a neighbor can be imposed upon and coerced into giving bread in the middle of the night, how much more hospitable is God who, no matter the circumstance, is generous and gracious to give us what we need 24/7/365? In conclusion Jesus makes a startling claim: How much more will the heavenly Father give! The Lord is ever ready to give us not only what we need, but more than we can expect. He gives freely of his Holy Spirit that we may share in his life and joy. Do you approach your heavenly Father with confidence in his mercy and kindness?

Friday, October 13 ~ Twenty-Seventh Week in Ordinary Time

Saint Edward the Confessor

Holy Gospel: Luke 11:15-26 When Jesus had driven out a demon, some of the crowd said: "By the power of Beelzebul, the prince of demons, he drives out demons." Others, to test him, asked him for a sign from heaven. But he knew their thoughts and said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself will be laid waste and house will fall against house. And if Satan is divided against himself, how will his kingdom stand? For you say that it is by Beelzebul that I drive out demons. If I, then, drive out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your own people drive them out? Therefore they will be your judges. But if it is by the finger of God that I drive out demons, then the Kingdom of God has come upon you. When a strong man fully armed guards his palace, his possessions are safe. But when one stronger than he attacks and overcomes him, he takes away the armor on which he relied and distributes the spoils. Whoever is not with me is against me, and whoever does not gather with me scatters. "When an unclean spirit goes out of someone, it roams through arid regions searching for rest but, finding none, it says, 'I shall return to my home from which I came.' But upon returning, it finds it swept clean and put in order. Then it goes and brings back seven other spirits more wicked than itself who move in and dwell there, and the last condition of that man is worse than the first."

Meditation: It is not enough to banish evil thoughts and habits from our lives. We must also fill the voids in our lives – "empty time" if you will – with God who is the source of all that is good, wholesome, true, and life-giving for us. Saint Augustine said that our lives have a God-shaped void which only God can fill satisfactorily. If we attempt to leave it vacant or to fill it with something else, we will end up being in a worse state in the end. So, what do you fill the void in your life with? The Lord Jesus wants to fill our hearts and minds with the power of his life-giving word and healing love. Jesus makes it very clear that there are no neutral parties in this world. We are either for Jesus or against him, for the kingdom of God or against it. There are ultimately only two kingdoms which stand in opposition to one another — the kingdom of God and the kingdom of darkness which is under the rule of Satan. If we disobey God's word, we open the door to the power of sin and Satan. Thus our "house" must be occupied by Jesus.

Prayer to Saint Edward the Confessor: Most glorious Saint Edward, you showed your devotion to God with patience, gentleness and generosity. Like you, may I serve to strengthen the Kingdom of God through patient prayer and charity. Amen.

Also on this day in Fatima: In 1917 the marvelous miracle of the sun took place in the sky before 70,000 witnesses. The Virgin Mary's message at Fatima was to pray the rosary – let's do as she asks!

Contemplation: Jesus came to free us from the greatest danger of all — the corrupting force of evil which destroys us from within and makes us slaves to sin and Satan (ref. John 8:34). Evil is not an impersonal force that just happens. It has a name and a face and it seeks to master every heart and soul on the face of the earth (ref. 1 Peter 5:8-9). Scripture identifies the Evil One by many names – "Satan," "Be-el'zebul—the prince of demons," the "Devil," the "Deceiver," the "Father of Lies," and "Lucifer" the fallen angel who broke ranks with God and established his own army and kingdom in opposition to God. Jesus declared that he came to overthrow the power of Satan and his kingdom (ref. John 12:31). Jesus overcame the Evil One through his obedience to the will of his Father; your obedience to God's will can achieve the same triumph over Satan and all that is evil.

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Sacred Heart Congress

Do you yearn for the peace, protection, and joy of a Christ-centered home? The Sacred Heart of Jesus is the answer. The Congress is for those searching and wanting to go deeper with the Heart of Christ and His 12 Promises. Come whether you have enthroned the Sacred Heart in your home or want to discover what Jesus promises for those who expose and honor His Sacred Heart. This 12th Annual gathering has become the largest Sacred Heart event in the nation. The half-day event provides a wealth of spiritual renewal deeply rooted in the Catholic tradition. The purpose of the Congress is to gather in unity and prayer to grow closer to the loving and perfect Heart of Jesus. After Holy Mass, coffee and donuts will be provided.

What: 12th Annual Sacred Heart Congress

Where: St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church,
Westerville, Ohio

When: November 4, 2023, from 8:30 a.m. to Noon

Details: Doors open at 7:45 a.m.; Rosary starts at 8:00 a.m.

Theme: "Reviving the Family through the Sacred Heart and the Holy Eucharist"

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Other Information to Note:

Pray for the Priest, Deacon, or Seminarian of the Day: Posted on the bulletin boards are calendars with the names of Priests, Deacons, and Seminarians. As you come into the church, you may want to look at the calendar and pray for the designated person of the day.

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.

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

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The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions

October 2023

For the Synod

We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

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8 de Octubre del 2023



Calendario Litúrgico:

Misas en Español

Domingo	15 de Octubre	1:30 p.m.
Domingo	22 de Octubre	1:30 p.m.
Domingo	29 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.



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.

Notas Espirituales

A medida que comienza la conclusión de su carta a los Filipenses, Pablo continúa exhortando a crecer en su fe. Si ponemos nuestra confianza en Dios, entonces la paz de Dios.../guardará vuestros corazones y mentes en Cristo Jesús. "Es esta confianza la que permite a Pablo a sufrir persecuciones, encarcelamiento, y finalmente la muerte. Pablo sabe que siguiendo el camino de Cristo en última instancia conduce a la paz, por lo que les anima a perseverar en su fe.

El texto de hoy de Isaías sirve como fondo para parábola de la viña de Jesús. Isaías se dirige a su parábola a la gente como una palabra de juicio. Dios ha plantado una viña con gran cuidado en Israel. Incluso la ubicación, "una ladera fértil," tiene por objeto asegurar una buena cosecha. Él "sembró vides escogidas," después de la preparación del suelo; pero a pesar de todo esto, la viña sólo produce "uvas silvestres." Isaías advierte a los "habitantes de Jerusalén" que debido a "la viña del SEÑOR de los ejércitos es la casa de Israel" y han producido una cosecha indeseable, están a punto de enfrentar el juicio de Dios.

Jesús habla de un "propietario que plantó" y "arrendó a unos labradores." Este hacendado había hecho todo lo posible para garantizar que la tierra produciría una buena cosecha. Pero en su ausencia, los inquilinos se niegan a pagar el alquiler, y abusan de los funcionarios enviados a "obtener sus productos." Incluso su hijo no puede conseguir que paguen la renta; "lo agarraron, lo arrojaron fuera de la viña y lo mataron." Para la comunidad de Mateo estos labradores malvados representar a los que rechazan a Jesús: tendrán el reino "les quitaran a ustedes/y se los darán a un pueblo que produzca sus frutos." Al igual que la parábola en Isaías, la parábola de Jesús también nos desafía a "producir frutos" o encarar el juicio.

Para la reflexión: ¿Esta mi vida produciendo una cosecha deseable para Dios? ¿Cómo Dios me ha ayudado a ofrecer un rendimiento exitoso?

Intenciones de Oración del Santo Padre

Octubre 2023

Por el Sínodo

Oremos por la Iglesia, para que adopte la escucha y el diálogo como estilo de vida a todos los niveles, dejándose guiar por el Espíritu Santo hacia las periferias del mundo



Horario de los Coros

15 de Octubre	Mensajero de Cristo
22 de Octubre	El Buen Pastor
29 de Octubre	Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

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

Sacramentos. Si necesita sacramentos como: Penitencia, Comunión o Confirmación, por favor regístrese en la Iglesia al 330 364 6661

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