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24 OCTOBER 2021

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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## THIS WEEK

**Weekday Masses Live Streamed Parish YouTube Channel**

**MONDAY 25 OCT** / *Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2-4, 6-7, 20-21/Lk 13:10-17*

- 5 PM - Stephen Minister Meeting, Conference Room

**TUESDAY 26 OCT** / *Rom 8:18-25/Ps 126:1-6/Lk 13:18-21*

- **8:15 AM - Public MASS** (+Joseph & Sophie Sigman) FSB
- 9:15 AM - Staff Meeting/Prayer, Conference Room
- 3 PM - Point Catholic Rosary, Ministry Center
- 4 PM - Salvation Army Meal Ministry
- 6 PM - Alpha, Spirit Hall

**WEDNESDAY 27 OCT** / *Rom 8:26-30/Ps 13:4-6/Lk 13:22-30*

- **8:15 AM-Public MASS** (+Michael Schnur) FTM
- 6 PM - Reconciliation, Ministry Center Library
- 5:45 PM - Faith Formation Community Event, Spirit Hall
- 6:30 PM - Faith Formation Gr. 7-8, Kostka Hall
- 8 PM - Point Catholic Late Night Mass FSB

**THURSDAY 28 OCT** / *Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-5/Lk 6:12-16*

- **8:15 AM - Public MASS** (+Darlene Okray) FSB
- 9 AM-3:30 PM - Eucharistic Adoration - 3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet
- 6:30 PM - Advent Planning Meeting, Conference Room
- 7 PM - Community Bible Study, Sprit Hall

**FRIDAY 29 OCT** / *Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-15, 19-20/Lk 14:1-6*

- **8:15 AM- Public MASS** (+Conrad, Jerome & Jim Pieczynski) FSB
- 9:15 AM - Alpha, Spirit Hall

**SATURDAY 30 OCT** / *Rom 11:1-2, 11-12, 25-29/Ps 94:12-15, 17-18/Lk 14:1, 7-11*

- 8:30 PM - "Revive" Convocation Begins, Holiday Inn
- 7 PM - Convocation Praise & Worship, St. Bronislava

## LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

**31st Sunday in Ordinary Time / 30/31 OCT**

*Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34*

- **5 PM - Public MASS** (+John P. Dunigan) FSB
- **8 AM - Public/Live Stream MASS** - 7:30 - Rosary (+Alois & Cecelia Walenski) FSB
- **10:30 AM -Public MASS** (+Jeanne Tanke) FSB
- **6 PM - Public MASS** (the people of Holy Spirit Parish) FSB

## Point Catholic Fall Festivities

Groups of Point Catholic students took advantage of the beautiful fall weather and went out into the community to rake leaves! We wanted to give back and show our appreciation to parishioners of Holy Spirit Parish for all they do for college students throughout the year! We know that raking leaves is a small act, but we hope it reflects our true gratitude for all Holy Spirit Parish does in support of Campus Ministry. Another fall afternoon was spent going to a nearby pumpkin patch owned by one of our very own parishioners. Then students were able to carve them! It's hard to believe the semester is halfway over already, but how good it has been so far!



**Save the date! 10.30.21**

**CALLING ALL PORTAGE COUNTY AREA CATHOLICS:**

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Dear Holy Spirit Parish:

"The blind man threw aside his cloak, sprang up,  
and came to Jesus." (Mark 10:50)

We all cloak our hearts in layers of protection. Unfortunately, they separate us from love as well as hurt. They leave us in the dark, blind. Bartimaeus' friends told him "Jesus is calling. Do not be afraid." Throwing off his cloak, he stepped into the light.

The core message I hear from Fr. Mallon's book Divine Renovation and from Ron Huntley, our keynote speaker for Saturday's Deanery Convocation, is: "Jesus is calling. Do not be afraid."

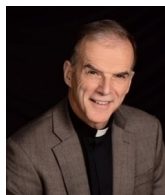
I have cloaked my heart beneath many layers of protection: "I don't trust those other parishes in the deanery. I'm looking out for just Holy Spirit parish." "These ideas of Fr. Mallon and Mr. Huntley sound Protestant to me. They can't be good." "I've been to too many workshops to count. What's another workshop going to do." "Church leadership is never going to change. Why try." These attitudes keep me from getting hurt, but they also keep me from growth and new life.

There is a lot I am looking forward to at Saturday's Convocation at the Holiday Inn. In one workshop, our very own Sherry Boyce and Joann Chase will be sharing what we have learned so far from the Stephen Ministry Program. Another workshop I plan to catch will be led by Joyana (Jacoby) Dvorak. A native of Stevens Point, Joyana is now an adjunct faculty member in the Peace, Justice and Conflict Studies Program at DePaul University. Her morning breakout session will lay out core Catholic teachings on Social Justice. The afternoon session will be a chance for people from area parishes to come together and coordinate their efforts in the deanery. There are workshops in liturgical music, hospitality, adult formation, Elizabeth Ministries and youth ministry as well. You may register at the door. Registration opens at 8:00am. Mass begins at 8:30am. The Keynote is at 9:30am. The day is free with a free will offering for lunch. "Bartimaeus, Jesus is calling. Do not be afraid."

Next weekend, being the closest weekend to All Saints and All Souls Days, we will remember the loved ones we lost this past year. At each of the Masses, during the time of the Intercessions, we pray for each of them by name. We will again have a table of remembrance in the alcove where the vigil light stand normally is. All are invited to place there, their pictures of loved ones they have lost, whether this year or in other years, whether parish member or not. It is helpful to have their name on the front of the picture and your name and phone number on the back. The pictures can remain there until the weekend of November 20 & 21 when you can take them home again. With your name and phone number on the back we will be able to remind you if you forget. We will be remembering many great souls who more than once "threw off their cloak and came to Jesus."

With Confirmation coming November 7<sup>th</sup>, I have had the pleasure this past week of starting to interview our sixteen candidates. I must confess that the young person is not the only one who sits down to the table with their heart cloaked. From some years of experience, I come to the table fearing I will meet an adolescent angry about being forced to do something they don't believe in. And they, I can well imagine, come fearing judgement and rejection. So far, in all of the interviews, after just a few minutes of conversation, the cloaks have been cast aside and the light and love of Christ fills the room. I will proudly ask Bishop Callahan November 7<sup>th</sup> to Confirm, seal and strengthen the lovely Spirit growing in their hearts.

Bartimaeus, is the cloak really helping?



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## Helping Our Afghan Siblings

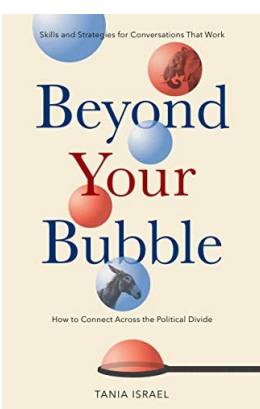
Holy Spirit Parish has joined in an effort to provide help to our Afghan siblings at Fort McCoy. Churches are accepting the following items that will be delivered to Fort McCoy. If you'd like to join this effort please deliver any of the following NEW items to the Ministry Center by October 31st.

- Toddler and baby clothing - winter onesies
- Sweatshirts/pants, long sleeve shirts, winter coats for all age children
- Winter clothing - adult sizes (small & medium preferred)
- Athletic style shoes & winter boots for toddlers, children and adults
- Gloves and hats of all sizes
- Baby formula (powder)



## Beyond Your Bubble - Is Back!

The UW-SP Critical Thinking Center is collaborating with faculty and staff at UWSP to host a community read of the book Beyond Your Bubble: How to Connect Across the Political Divide, Skills and Strategies for Conversations That Work.



This is a wonderful opportunity both for those currently interested, to deepen their understanding and practice of the skills and strategies that may lead to building trust and finding common ground in every conversation!

Here are the details:

- There will be no fee attached to this event.
- Thanks to a grant from the Menard Center, we will be able to

provide copies of the books for the participants.

- We're planning to have 8 groups, each with 5 students, 5 community members, and 1 facilitator.
- Each group will meet once for 90 minutes.
- The meetings will take place in the last week of November and first week of December.
- Some groups will meet over Zoom and others face-to-face.

Tania Israel, the author of the book, will be Zooming with all groups on December 7 so there will an opportunity (but of course no obligation) for participants to attend this event as well.

If you're interested, please register by Friday, **October 29**. The registration form is live at <https://forms.office.com/r/qxakB6nqWt>

## BEING GOOD STEWARDS

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### PARTICIPATION AT MASS

October 16/17, 2021

5pm — 170      8am — 113

10:30am — 128      6pm — 80

### HOLY SPIRIT PARISH GIVING

Week Ending October 15, 2021

Auto drafts & Debit/Credit Cards.....\$9,058

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Total.....\$13,325

## OCTOBER COMMUNITY EVENT GRADE K-6 FAMILIES

*Come one! Come All! Let's celebrate Fall!!*  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27<sup>TH</sup> in SPIRIT HALL from  
6:30-7:30 PM

Join in an evening of enrichment and renewal as we celebrate God, the Creator of all Good Things, and open ourselves to God's grace by deepening our understanding of the Sacraments. The hour will be filled with song, crafts and . . . a fun surprise that may just lay out Fr. Steve flat on the floor! Get into the Spirit in Spirit Hall on October 27<sup>th</sup>!!



## Elsewhere

**KNOW YOUR FAITH SERIES - RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES:** The final installment of this series takes place at 6:30PM on October 28 at St. Anthony Spirituality Center. Fr. Al Burkhardt will discuss *Pacem in Terris* (Peace on Earth), a papal encyclical issued by Pope John XXIII on April 11, 1963 on the right and obligations of individuals and of the state, as well as the proper relations between states. For more information, or to register visit [www.sarcenter.com](http://www.sarcenter.com) or call 715-443-2236.

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