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MASS SCHEDULE

St. John Vianney

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri: 8:00am

Wednesday: 6:00pm

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00-4:45pm

Wednesday: 5:00-5:30pm
or by appointment

Holy Family

Sunday: 11:00am

Tuesday: 6:30pm

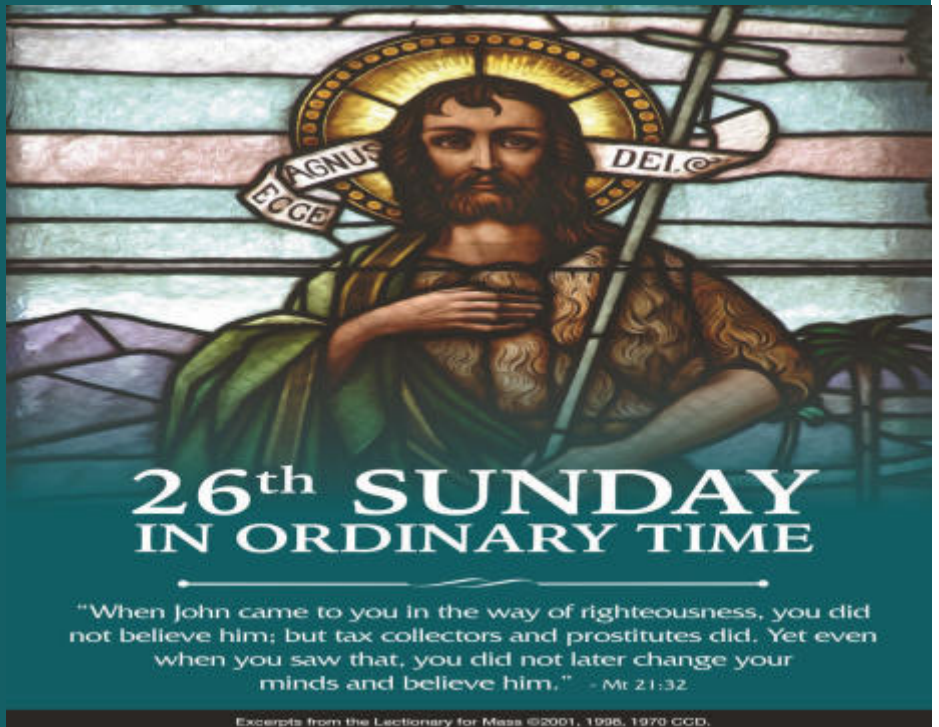
Reconciliation

Tuesday: 6:00-6:20pm
or by appointment

Holyday Masses As Announced

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September 27, 2020



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Assisted hearing devices available at SJV upon request from ushers

Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting & Investigation
To report allegations of sexual abuse of a minor by clergy, even if it is in the past, individuals are encouraged to call 217-321-1155. Individuals may also contact the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-25-ABUSE, or contact your local police authority.

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Dear Brothers & Sisters in Jesus Christ,

We seem to be getting comfortable by not attending the Eucharistic celebration in person. Today's Scripture passages warn us that it is our final decision for or against God, that is, our choosing to obey Him gracefully by doing His will or our choosing to go against His will, which will decide our eternal reward or punishment. As free people, we are the ones who choose our eternal destiny.

In the first reading, the Lord, through the prophet Ezekiel, corrects the Jewish beliefs that children inherit the guilt of their ancestors and are punished for their sins, and that God is more strict than merciful. God explains that His mercy overrules against strict justice and that He will punish us only for our sins, not for the sins of our ancestors. The second reading, Paul's Letter to the Philippians, also affirms the truth that the final choice for God, made by perfect obedience to Him, will be rewarded. Paul emphasizes the fact that it is because of Christ's obedience to God's will in emptying himself, taking human form and humbling himself by accepting even death on a cross that God the Father exalted Christ, bestowed on him the Name above every other name, and made Jesus the recipient of universal adoration.

In the parable in today's Gospel, a man with two sons tells both to go out to work in the vineyard. The first son says he will not go, but later regrets it and works. The second son says he will go but does not. In each case, it is the final decision that is more im-

portant. Jesus teaches through this short parable that repentant tax-collectors and prostitutes, represented by the first son who initially refused to go, will make their way into the Kingdom of God before the chief priests and the elders, represented by the second son in the parable. By their pride and their refusal to obey God's call to repentance, the scribes and the Pharisees are excluding themselves, while the tax-collectors and sinners whom they despised are repenting of their sins and will be accepted into God's Kingdom. It is a parable on the necessity of offering a continual "yes" to the saving act of God.

Dear friends, each one of us is responsible to God for every one of our actions, and the just God will punish or reward each individual according to that person's actions. Since we are not sure about the moment of our death, our only guarantee of dying in God's friendship is to live in that friendship always, saying "Yes," to God by doing His will.

It is never too late for us to repent, be converted, and allow the Holy Spirit to renew our life. If we have been disobedient to God in our past life, we need to knock at the door of God's mercy. God can, and will, do for us what, in his mercy, He, did for the repentant tax-collectors and the sinful women in the parable and in real life. Hence, every night we need to repent of our sins and ask God's pardon. If we are in serious sin we also need to be reconciled with God, the Church and our brothers and sisters through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, to be able to receive Jesus Holy Communion. Let us remember that it is never too late for us to turn back to God.

Fr George Nellikunnel

Mass Sign Up Continues at St. John Vianney

You can make a reservation online or by calling the parish office. The sign up link can be found at sjv.dio.org. Please wear a mask upon entry and exit of the church or if you need to leave the pew. Once seated in the pews you can remove your mask, if you so desire. You are encouraged to arrive early to ensure seating.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Reflect on Scripture



I Don't Want To! Sometimes we bristle at being told what to do. We may say a yes or a no, then do something else. The demands of Christian living are not easy. But we look to Jesus for guidance, for encouragement, for example. Reread Philippians all week. It is a longer version of what we heard on Palm Sunday. It urges us to be like Christ.

- ◆ What attitude-adjustment do I need to be more like Christ?
- ◆ What will I do to be more compassionate and merciful?
- ◆ What interest of another will be important to me this week?



KC VOCATION RAFFLE

Knights of Columbus vocation raffle tickets are available at the back of the St. John Vianney Church and in the SJV Activity Center Lobby.

Please take a book or several books home with you, fill them out and return to the Church or the Activity Center.

Books are \$15 each (sold in full booklets only). Proceeds go to support vocations in our Diocese and the State. Grand prize is \$10,000 with several smaller prizes also.

If you would like a book mailed to you, please contact the parish office.

Thank you for your generosity and your support of our seminarians.



HOLY FAMILY

Bible Study

Wednesday,
September 30, 2020
6:45 pm

Lesson 2
Envy and Admiration
Video and
Discussion Questions



BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

The Baby Bottle campaign funds the life-saving work that First Step Women's' Center offers to mothers making unplanned pregnancy decisions.

Julie Korell, from first step women's center will kick-off the 2020 baby bottle boomerang campaign at **Holy Family's 11:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday, October 4th**. Baby bottles will be available after the Mass. This year because of concerns over the corona virus, envelopes will be provided for those hesitant to handle the bottles.

You are asked to take a bottle/envelope home, fill it with currency or checks, and ask your family, friends, and co-workers to do the same. Return it to church no later than Sunday, November 8th.



SAVE THE DATE

Springfield Right to Life
Life Chain • October 4th
2:00-3:00pm • SRTL Sidewalk

Refreshments provided. Holy Family will be gathering outside SRTL with Life Chain in public witness and prayer.

Vision Statement: We are determine to end abortion in the Springfield Area.

Mission Statement: SRTL was formed to inform, educate and advocate for life issues affecting those residing in the Springfield area; from conception to natural death.



Riverton K of C
Fish Frys are Back!
Friday, October 2, 2020
5:00 - 7:00pm

Drive Thru & Call In (629-7202 after 5pm)
Walleye Meal w/Fries or Baked Potato
Shrimp Meal w/Fries or Baked Potato
No public allowed inside.
All Meals \$10.00 cash/checks Only



NATIONAL LIFE CHAIN PRAYER WITNESS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2020

You are invited to join in the National Life Chain Prayer Witness. **Holy Family Parish** has scheduled a time to meet at the Bruns Lane location (see details below).

Our parishes have also been invited to join the Chain from 2:00 to 3:30pm near Saint Aloysius area on Sangamon Avenue from 19th Street to Dirksen Parkway. You may pray for the entire 1.5 hours or any times in between. **Life Chain** is a call to churches of all denominations to come out and pray to end abortion, praying silently, while holding signs. Signs will be available for you. Keep watching the bulletin for more information.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Is It the Thought That Counts?

I can remember times when I received a gift that I would not have chosen for myself. At those times I certainly thought to myself that "it was the thought that counts." I was happy that the gift-giver thought of me at all. Then there have been times when my children have not given me a gift and then chose to tell me all about what they were going to give me. They would then follow it up by saying, "it was the thought that really counts." Really!?! I don't think so. I could think of sending my wife on a cruise, but that is not in any way the same as going on the cruise. I think there are times when all of us think we are more generous than we are, simply because we were thinking about being generous.

This way of thinking can be dangerous. Jesus teaches us to say what we mean and mean what we say. The intentionality of our actions is important, but intentionality without action is meaningless. How we act and what we give serves as evidence of our intentions and indicates where our heart truly lies. If we fool ourselves into thinking we are someone we are not, it can become difficult to see the truth. We need to look for the fruit in our lives. We need to make sure our desires and thoughts are moving us to act. You know that other saying about intentions, don't you? Don't pave the road to a place no one wants to end up with your intentions. Instead, let your intentions and actions lead others to another place where Jesus can be found.

– Tracy Earl Welliver
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MASS INTENTIONS

(† indicates deceased)

Monday, September 28

Weekday

8:00am— Betty Connolly†

Tuesday, September 29

St. Michael, Gabriel, & Raphael, Archangels

8:00am— All Souls †

HF 6:30pm— Phillip Frank, Sr. †

Wednesday, September 30

St. Jerome, Priest & Doctor of the Church

6:00pm— Dan Conlon †

Thursday, October 1

St. Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

8:00am— Ronald Cardoni †

Friday, October 2

The Holy Guardian Angels

8:00am— Brian Wheatley †

Saturday, October 3

Vigil Mass

5:00pm— Ken & Michelle Campbell (50th Wedding Annv.)

Sunday, October 4

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am— Pat Finnell †

HF 11:00am— For the People (Pro Populo)

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 3 — 5:00pm (St. John Vianney)

Lector: Amy Schutzbach

Sunday, October 4 — 9:00am (St. John Vianney)

Lector: Stacie Henderson

Sunday, October 4 — 11:00am (Holy Family)

Lectors: Lambert Fleck III (L) Lambert Fleck IV (P)

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

If he turns from the wickedness he has committed, he does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life. (Ez 18:27)

Psalm:

Remember your mercies, O Lord. (Ps 25)

Second Reading:

Do nothing out of selfishness or out of vainglory; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves. (Phil 2:3)

Gospel:

“When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him.” (Mt 21:32)

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The Week Ahead

Tuesday, September 29

Holy Family: 2:00-6:30pm Adoration
6:00pm Rosary
6:30pm Mass

Wednesday, September 30

St. John Vianney: 5:00pm Adoration
5:30pm Rosary
6:00pm Mass

Holy Family: 6:45 pm Bible Study

Thursday, October 1

St. John Vianney: 7:00pm KC Meeting

Saturday, October 3

St. John Vianney: 10:00am Pet Blessing

Holy Family: 11:00am Pet Blessing

Second Collection: October 3rd Peter's Pence



Considering the current health emergency, the Holy Father has established that, for the current year 2020, the Peter's Pence collection, which traditionally takes place around the solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul on 29 June, will be transferred throughout the world to the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, memorial of Saint Francis of Assisi. Your contributions support the works of the Holy See and help Pope

Francis fulfill his prayer that the Church will reach out with acts of mercy.

St. John Vianney WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING September 19-20, 2020

Sunday Envelopes	\$3,650.00
WeShare Donations	\$3,317.17
Loose Collections	<u>\$308.00</u>
Total	\$7,275.17
Weekly Budget	\$4,788.46
Weekly Surplus / Shortfall	\$2,486.71
Building & Maintenance	\$30.00
Capital Improvements	\$25.00
Holy Land Collection	\$50.00

Holy Family WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING September 19-20, 2020

Sunday Envelopes	\$905.00
WeShare Donations	\$ -
Loose Donations	<u>\$60.00</u>
Total	\$965.00
Weekly Budget	\$1,377.69
Weekly Surplus / Shortfall	(\$412.69)
Building Fund	\$50.00
Holy Land Collection	\$
Restoration Funds	\$

Catholic Faith Formation for Youth

Faith Formation will begin this year with a family-centered remote approach. We will be using **A Family of Faith** from the Sophia Institute for our K-8th graders.

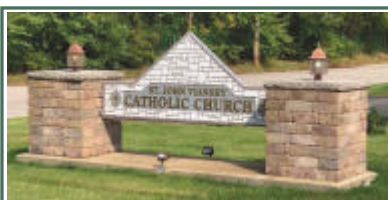
Much like the hybrid model being used by Williamsville-Sherman schools, we will be dividing children into three groups (A, B, C). Each group will attend Faith Formation Enrichment Days once a month on a Sunday. Students in 2nd, 3rd, and 8th grade will be preparing for their Sacraments on these enrichment days.

Preview the Family of Faith program at <https://sophiainstituteforteachers.org/previewfamilyoffaith>.

In this whole-family approach to catechesis, parents will be guiding their children through 2 lessons and additional faith-building activities each month. The same lesson is used for the whole family; the message is suitable for all ages. Faith formation leaders will meet with parents monthly (via Zoom) to preview the lessons and dig into the teaching. A Parent's Guide and Children's Activity Books will provide the structure for your lessons and conversations about our faith.

If you have not yet had a chance to Pre-Register your child(ren), please do so as soon as possible at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040a4ea9ad2ea1fb6-cfffamily>

Please contact the Faith Formation Coordinators at psr@sjv.dio.org with any questions.



Calling All Woodworkers!

The church sign for St. John Vianney near the street is in need of some repairs.

If you think you might be able to fix it, please take a look and let the Office know what materials you'll need.

Thank you!



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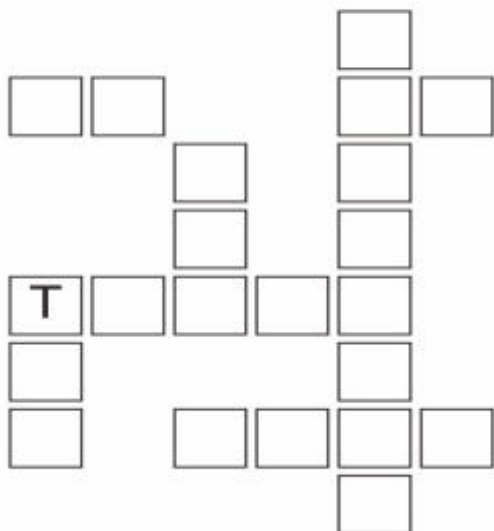
Saturday, October 3rd
St. John Vianney at 10:00am
Holy Family at 11:00am

We will gather in the grassy area at the back of the church buildings. Please have your pet on a leash or in a carrier.

GOSPEL Maybe you have heard that actions speak louder than words. It means that the things you do are more important than the things you say. Show kindness to others. Trust God. He wants what is best for you, so find out how to work for God. Then do what he asks.

PUZZLE

Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares: Go and work today in the vineyard.



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Celebrate LIFE Week 2020

Sept. 28th Speaker: Kristi Hofferber! 7pm on Zoom!

Sept. 30th Keynote Speaker: Patricia Sandoval! 7pm on Zoom!

Oct. 1st Movie Night: Unplanned 7pm on Zoom!

Oct. 3rd Vigil at Fairview Heights Planned Parenthood

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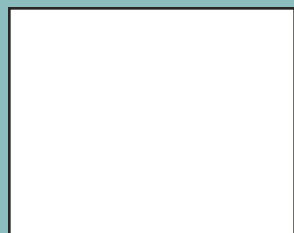
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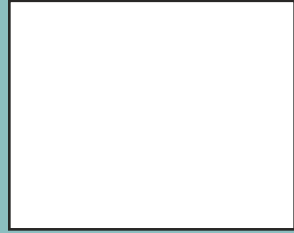
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