

Franklin Hardin County Catholics

Twenty-Eighth in Ordinary Time

October 10, 2021

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28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

They were exceedingly astonished and said among themselves, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God." - Mk 10:26-27

Ellos se asombraron todavía más y comentaban entre sí: "Entonces, ¿quién puede salvarse?" Jesús, mirándolos fijamente, les dijo: "Es imposible para los hombres, mas no para Dios. Para Dios todo es posible". - Mk 10:26-27

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Questions?

Contact Brenda Strayer at St. Mark.

Wisdom from a Saint

*"Look for Christ Our Lord in everyone
and you will then have respect and
reverence for all."*

— Saint Francis of Assisi.

A Note from Fr. Kevin

Oct. 10, 2021 – “The Month of the Rosary”

In the Catholic Church, while May is commonly known as “the Month of Mary,” the month of October is known as the “the Month of the Holy Rosary;” hence, why at most of our parishes we have been publicly praying the Rosary before Mass this month. The primary reason that October is the month of the Rosary is that the Feast of “Our Lady of the Rosary” is celebrated on Oct. 7. But why this date? Why would we have such a Feast in October? Wouldn't it make more sense to celebrate this Feast during the month of Mary in May?

On Oct. 7, 1571, an important battle took place, the Battle of Lepanto. This was a naval sea battle fought by a coalition of Catholic Kingdoms – the Holy League – to repel the invading forces of the Ottoman Turkish Empire who had the goal of conquering all of Europe, and who had a reputation for cruel and merciless treatment of those they conquered, including slaughtering of innocent civilians. Thus Pope St. Pius V called all to campaign of prayer, specifically to pray the Rosary in petition for the Holy League's Victory at this battle. After the apparently miraculous victory by the greatly outnumbered Holy League (outnumbered by the Ottomans 7 to 1), Pope St. Pius V credited this victory to the prayers of the Rosary, and decreed Oct. 7 to be commemorated as “Our Lady of Victory.”

But while this feast commemorates a historical event, it is meant to emphasize the *power of the Rosary* as a prayer in aiding us in victories in whatever battles against the spiritual forces of darkness or evil that we find ourselves fighting or struggling against. Thus, to emphasize this point, this feast has now come to be known as “Our Lady of the Rosary.”

And under the patronage of Our Lady of the Rosary (of Victory), the Bishops of the United States have entrusted the cause for the protection of every human life, from conception until natural death, and thus October has also become “Respect Life” month, where we pray especially for the protection of the unborn. Every human life has dignity from the moment of conception; and that is no small, trifle thing. How we treat the “least” among us, the most vulnerable lives, including life in its most vulnerable stages, is something Our Lord Jesus takes quite seriously, “whatever you do to the least of these, you do unto me.”

Finally, if we are talking about Our Lady, at the apparitions of Fatima in 1917 – a series of six apparitions, of which the final one was on October 13, during this very month of the rosary – Our Lady specifically asked that we pray the rosary each day for world peace.

There is a story of an ambassador of Japan who came to a Catholic priest and told the priest that it was the fault of Catholics that there was not world peace. The priest asked him what he meant, and the ambassador told him that “the Lady” appeared to *Catholics* at Fatima, telling *them* to secure world peace by their prayers...she didn't appear to any other religious group, but appeared to “you Catholics,” telling them to secure world peace in their prayers, and therefore it is Catholics' responsibility.

While certainly everyone has a part on working for world peace, it is very moving that a non-Catholic would have so much faith in the power of prayers of Catholics, and it's a story that calls us Catholic Christians to our responsibility in *praying* for world peace, *especially* through the powerful intercession of Our Blessed Mother, to battle for the true Victory of an end to the power of death in the world, an end to War, and an end to the violation of the dignity of the human person, in all the forms that that takes.

During this month of the Holy Rosary, let us not take for granted this holy duty and responsibility.

Peace,
– Fr. Kevin
Peace,

PS: A good reflection on Our Lady of Victory and the Battle of Lepanto can be found here: rb.gy/9wpym3

PPS: G.K. Chesterton wrote a poem about the Battle of Lepanto, a sort of romantic re-telling of the story that is worth a read: rb.gy/bnmv6k



Monday, October 11		Saint John XXIII
8:30 AM	†	St. Mary, Ackley
5:30 PM	† Marie McCormick	St. Mark, Iowa Falls
Tuesday, October 12		
8:30 AM	† Dale Stock	St. Patrick, Hampton
Wednesday, October 13		
8:30 AM	† Msgr. Joe Slepicka	St. Mary, Ackley
Thursday, October 14		Saint Callistus I
8:30 AM	† Norbert & Virginia Hurd	St. Mary, Eldora
5:30 PM	† Msgr. Joe Slepicka	St. Mark, Iowa Falls
Friday, October 15		Saint Teresa of Jesus
12:00 PM	Holy Souls in Purgatory	St. Mary, Eldora
Saturday, October 16		Saints Hedwig & Margaret Mary Alacoque
4:00 PM	† Brenda McAllister	St. Mary, Eldora
6:30 PM	† Easton Galpin	St. Mary, Ackley
Sunday, October 17		Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM	† Shelby Miller	St. Mark, Iowa Falls
10:30 AM	† Barbara Ward	St. Patrick, Hampton
5:30 PM	For the People	St. Patrick, Hampton (Spanish)

SACRAMENTAL RITES & INFORMATION

Sacrament of Reconciliation

30 minutes prior to any weekend Mass in the linkage or by appointment.

Marriages

Contact Fr. Kevin a minimum of six months prior to the desired date of marriage. The couple will need to meet with Fr. Kevin before either Church or other parish facilities are reserved in the Parish Calendars. This includes those couples who wish to have a visiting Priest as their Celebrant.

Funerals

Please contact Fr. Kevin before setting the time and arrangements for the Vigil and Mass with the funeral director.

Please contact the Parish Offices for:

- ◆ Anointing of the Sick
- ◆ Communion Calls
- ◆ Initiation Sacraments for Adults & Youth
- ◆ Baptisms: Parents are required to complete a Preparation Program prior to their child's Baptism.

 *In Remembrance*

† **Rose Hobbiebrunken**, of St. Mark, Iowa Falls, entered into eternal rest on June 20, 2021. She was laid to rest on October 6, 2021. Please keep her family in your prayers.

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Applications Open

The Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is a federally-funded program designed to assist low-income families to meet the cost of home heating by providing a one-time payment to the heating utility. Applications are accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis from November 1 - April 30 of each year. **Households with a member 60 years of age or older, those who are disabled, and those in crisis can begin applying on October 1st.** Visit your local community action outreach office to apply for this and other programs.



All Women of the Archdiocese of Dubuque are invited to join us for their Annual Meeting/Convention on **Saturday, October 23, 9:00 AM - 1:30 PM** at Holy Trinity Parish in Protivin. The keynote speaker will be Virginia Pillars, who will speak about her life experiences as shared in her book, *Broken Brain, Fortified Faith: Lessons of Hope Through a Child's Mental Illness*. The day will also include Holy Mass, a business meeting to vote on proposed changes to the bylaws, and presentations by our Commission Chairs. There will also be a silent auction, door prizes, and displays. You are encouraged to wear a mask.

Additional information and registration for the Convention can be found at:

<https://dbqarch.org/events-1>.

Contact Joanne Pohland at dbqaccw@dbqarch.org with any questions.



Live stream of Mass

www.franklinhardincatholic.org/livestream
YouTube Channel: Franklin Hardin Catholic

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Monday & Friday.....9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

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 Parish Life.....David Keninger
 Altar Society Linda Sudtelgte
 Building & GroundsJeff Frazier
 Music.....Pam Griffel/Julie Wojcik

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

October 16 – Twenty – Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 6:30 p.m.

Lector: Ryleigh Schipper, Linda Sudtelgte
 Ushers: Richard Bloom, Mike O'Brien, Duane Sudtelgte,
 Joe Wojcik
 Money Counters: Jo DeVries, Cindy Richtsmeier
 Altar Servers: Lyla Brekunitch, Ella Gronewold
 Sacristan: Jim Wessels

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To love, it is necessary to give. To give, it is necessary to be free from selfishness, to have the courage of poverty.
Thirsting for God—Mother Teresa

St. Mary Annual Turkey Dinner

October 17
3:30—6:30 p.m.
\$10



Due to Covid it will be only take-out
 There will only be 600 dinners served
 Purchase your tickets ahead at the back of church,
 Ibeling Insurance or Ackley Rec Club

T-Shirt Sale

We will be holding a t-shirt sale. There will be two different designs and four different color shirts. The ink color will be white. The t-shirts will be \$20. There are order forms at the back of church, at the parish office or you can go to the online store to order <https://stpatstmary2021.itemorder.com/sale> The proceeds from the t-shirt sale will go for the NCYC fees.

LAST DAY TO ORDER is October 10

Socktober

the religious education program will be collecting Socks during the month of October. The socks will be sent to St. Mary Mission at the Red Lake Reservation in Minnesota. The socks will be for the students at the school ages pre-school - 8th grade. Please leave your donation of socks in the basket at the back of church. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



BRIDAL SHOWER

St. Mary Altar Society will be hosting a Bridal Shower for Abbey Schumacher, bride-elect of Ty Porterfield. The couple will be exchanging vows October 23 at St. Marys. There will be a box in the back of church for you to put your present and well wishes to Abbey and Ty.

Stewardship - Treasure

Saturday, October 2

Budget Envelopes\$1183
 Offertory\$13
 TOTAL.....\$1196
 EFTs—September\$1590
 Online Giving—September.....\$60

Give online: www.FranklinHardinCatholic.org/online-giving

Book Club

October 11 at 6:30 p.m.
Everything I Never Told You
 by Celeste Ng

Everyone is welcome we would love to have you join us!

Parish Office Hours

Wednesday-Thursday..... 8:30 AM-11:30 AM

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 Stewardship Cecilia Penning
 Liturgy Vice Chair..... Judith Andrews
 Social Justice..... Mary Nederhoff
 Building & Grounds..... Jim Roling
 Seton Circle..... Diana Stickney

ON THE KIOSK

The Catholic Church has many facets for one to study to remain informed. The kiosk in the north foyer offers many ways to enhance your faith journey. New CD titles have been added. If there is a title or topic not represented on the kiosk, let Deacon Rob know. The following is a new addition:

CD-Getting Others to Heaven, Learning To Be a Leader

Believe it or not, we are all called to be leaders. In her typical vibrant and energetic style, Noelle Garcia here shows us how leadership is an important component for propagating the New Evangelization. Noelle shares her early experiences of dealing with insecurity, and how she came to better understand what it means to be a Christian leader. She shows that although we are all sinners, God has given us all unique gifts.



The Buildings & Grounds Committee met on September 16. John Schuller was welcomed as a new member and Lori Kohart as Business Manager. They discussed the recent completed sidewalk repairs and the repairs to the ceiling in the south foyer. First Aid kits and flashlights have been placed around the facility. Snow removal contracts for this winter have been signed. The parking lots are showing some wear in the form of cracks so the committee is looking into something to fill the cracks. Next meeting Thursday, October 21, 6:30 pm.



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, October 16, 4:00 pm

Lector: Bill Kramer
 Gifts: Chuck & Char Edgerton
 Greeters: Ted & Rachel Mosher Family
 Ushers: Ted Mosher, Chuck Edgerton
 Altar Servers: Adeline Cook, Lainey Cook
 Offering Counters: Randy & Lori Ledger, Marg Ruble

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FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

- **OCTOBER 13** — 6:30 PM FAMILY MEETING
- **OCTOBER 27** — 6:30 PM OCTOBER FAMILY MASS
- **NOVEMBER 1** — 5:30 PM NOVEMBER FAMILY MASS (ALL SAINTS DAY)

ALL MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH FAMILY ARE WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO CELEBRATE THE MASS WITH US.

Please remember those at Eldora Specialty Care with your prayers, a phone call or a note during this uncertain time. Parishioners at the Care Center are Lu Cashatt, Gail Lawler, Chou Huang, Nina Huang, Anne Wiesner, and Leila Egan.

America Needs Fatima Rosary Rally
This coming Saturday, October 16 join us at 3:00 pm prior to Mass to pray the Rosary for our Nation and the Catholic Church.

The Warm Line— What is it? Answer: A central Iowa Community Service. It is a hotline to help anyone dealing with mental health issues, substance abuse, or if you just need someone to talk to, someone to listen. The line is staffed by peers. The number is 844-775-9276. *If you or someone you know is experiencing an actual crisis, the crisis line number is 855-581-8111.* See the bulletin boards or Deacon Rob with questions.

The good you do today may be forgotten; do it anyway.

Stewardship - Treasure

Date	
Budget.....	\$315.00
Offertory.....	\$10.00
TOTAL	\$325.00
EFTs—September	\$3360.00
Online Giving—September	\$835.36

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 Faith Formation Commission Rachel Warrington
 Stewardship Cindy Stalzer
 Liturgy Susan Swart
 Social Justice..... Rose Atkinson
 Parish Life..... Cindy Stalzer
 Women’s Group Sherry Martin
 Building & Grounds..... Kevin Archer
 Knights of Columbus..... Kevin Bredthauer
 Music..... Lisa Barnett

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, October 24 – 8:00am

Lector: Rebecca Peterson
 Ushers: Jim Barsness, Bruce Moore
 Greeters: Darrell & Rita Allen
 Gift Bearers: Brian & Liz Buresh
 Music: Jessica Lara, Jenn Smith
 Offertory Counters: Kathy Kuennen, Shari & Al Keninger
 Livestream: Doug Aldinger

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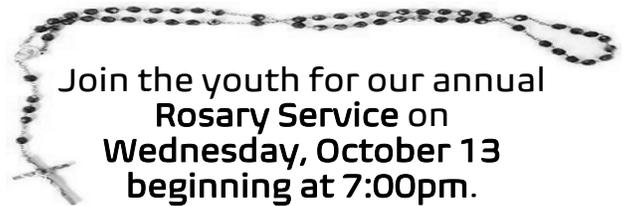
The Thrift Store has scheduled St Marks to work at the Thrift Store on October 22 & 23, two shifts 10-1 and 1-4 for both days. If you are able to help, please contact Rose Atkinson at 515-689-4269.



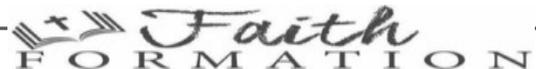
We are looking for people to help with the following liturgical minister roles:

- *Live-Streaming Mass*
- *Sacristan (setting up for Mass)*
- *Lectors*
- *Greeters*
- *Ushers*
- *Musicians (Pianists & Song Leaders)*

If you are interested in any of the above roles, or have any questions, please contact Lori Kohart in the parish office (DBQ108bm@DBQarch.org or 648-9547).
Trainings held soon for those needing it.



Join the youth for our annual **Rosary Service on Wednesday, October 13** beginning at 7:00pm.



YOUTH

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION -

Class Schedule — Kindergarten-Grade 8

* Wednesday, October 13 (6:15-7:30pm)
 Youth Led Rosary (7:00pm)

* Wednesday, October 20 (6:15-7:30pm)

Class Schedule — Grades 9-12

* Sunday, October 17 (6:15-7:30pm)

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION -

* **Eucharist - Parent/Student Session**

Wednesday, October 20 (6:15-7:30pm)

YOUTH MINISTRY -

* **NCYC Gathering -**

October 10 (4:00-6:00pm)

ADULTS

JOINING THE CHURCH - Interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or considering joining the Catholic Church? Contact Brenda Strayer.

St. Mark Prayer Chain

We are updating our Prayer Chain Ministry at St. Mark. This is a ministry where a "chain" of people pray for others who are in need of prayers. Prayer requests are sent out either via email or phone call.

Prayer request can come from anyone and the prayer intention may be for any reason for which one believes prayer will be beneficial, bearing in mind the place of our faith in answers to our prayers.

Personal Privacy is protected, so the prayer intentions and the name of the person for whom the prayer is being offered, are mentioned only to the extent the person making the prayer request wishes to communicate to 'the prayer warriors'.

If you are interested in joining this beautiful ministry or have a prayer request, please contact Brenda Strayer at DBQ108ym@DBQarch.org or 641-430-0204

Stewardship - Treasure

October 3

Budget	\$1 170.00
Offertory	\$72.00
TOTAL.....	\$1 242.00
EFTs—September	\$631 5.00
Online Giving—September	\$1 132.93

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 Stewardship----- Sue Rowen
 Liturgy----- Sue Basye
 Social Justice----- Donna Devereux
 Parish Life----- Sue Garrett
 Building & Grounds----- Dick Nelson
 Knights of Columbus----- Greg Cavazos
 Music----- Leon Kuehner

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Sunday, October 17-10:30 AM

Lectors: Mary Ann Patton
 Servers: Chase Showalter, Conner Miller
 Offertory Counters: Chad Murray, Jose & Maria Alonzo
 Usher: Madonna Weiland
 Sacristan: Millicent Fielding

Domingo, Octubre 17-5:30 PM

Linen: Anabel Alanis
 Lectores: Soiree Lara, Carmen Garcia
 Monaguillos: Marcos Rameriz, Juan Valenzuela
 Contadores de Dinero: Rafael Garcia, Soiree Lara
 Sacristan: Anabel Alanis

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Es su responsabilidad encontrar un submarino si no estará presente para su



**Upcoming Events
Próximos Eventos**

Monday/Lunes, October/Octubre 11

6:15-8:15 PM -Social Hall in use/Salon social en uso

Tuesday/Martes, October/Octubre 12

8:30 AM - Mass/Misa
 7:00 PM - AA/Al-Anon (RE Center)

Wednesday/Miércoles, October/Octubre 13

10:00 AM-Noon-Food Pantry/Mediódía Despensa de Alimentos (Social Hall)
 6:30 PM-Faith Formation Pre-K thru 8th grade/
 Formacion en la fe Pre-K hasta el 8vo grado

Thursday/Jueves, October/Octubre 14

1:30 PM Building & Grounds Mtg/Edificio y Terrenos Mtg
 6:00 PM - Eucharistic Adoration/Adoración
 6:30 PM-Parish Council Mtg/Consejo Parroquial Mtg
 1-8 PM Sideliners

Friday/Viernes, October/Octubre 15

All day set-up for Retreat/Preparación de todo el día para el retiro

Saturday/Sábado, October/Octubre 16

9:00 AM-4:00 PM **La Misericordia nos sana Retreat**

Sunday/Domingo, October/Octubre 17

10:30 AM-Mass/Masa-English-Inglesa-Social After Mass
 3:00 PM -Estudio Biblico/Bible Study-Espanola/Spanish
 5:30 PM-Masa/Mass-Espanola/Spanish
 7:00 PM-High School Faith Formation/Formacion en la fe en la escuela secundaria



Socktober - the religious education program will be collecting Socks during the month of October. The socks will be sent to St. Mary Mission at the Red Lake Reservation in Minnesota. The socks will be for the students at the school ages preschool - 8th grade. Please leave your donation of socks in the basket at the back of the church. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Socktober - El programa de educación religiosa estará recolectando calcetines durante el mes de octubre. Los calcetines se enviarán a la misión de la parroquia Santa María en la Reserva Red Lake en Minnesota. Los calcetines son para estudiantes que cursan preescolar-8vo grado. Por favor deje su donación de calcetines en la canasta que está en la parte trasera de la iglesia. Muchas gracias por adelantado por su generosidad.

THANK YOU TO:

- *Dick Nelson for the repair of the Jesus/Joseph and Blessed Virgin Mary statues and for building their tables.
- *Lynn and Mary DeSotel for your continued weekly Food Pantry donations.
- *Millicent Fielding and Janet Peterson for your care of the flower beds.
- *All that donate money specifically to the Food Pantry/Social Justice cause and other needs of our parish.
- *To everyone that does and donates behind the scenes activities to help maintain our faith family!

Fall Dinner update will be in next weekend's bulletin.



The Food Pantry is in need of paper products-- TP, Kleenex, paper towels and etc. Please bring donations to the parish office. Thank you!

Stewardship - Treasure

Budget Envelopes	\$3500.98
Offertory	\$156.00
Food Pantry	\$115.00
TOTAL	\$3771.98
EFTs—September	\$3876.00
Online Giving—September	\$818.75

Give online: www.FranklinHardinCatholic.org/online-giving

10 de octubre – “El Mes del Rosario”

En la Iglesia Católica, mientras que el mes de mayo es conocido como el “Mes de María”, el mes de octubre es conocido como el “Mes del Santo Rosario”; de ahí, por qué en la mayoría de nuestras parroquias hemos estado rezando públicamente este mes el Rosario antes de la Misa. La razón principal por la que octubre es el mes del Rosario es que la Fiesta de “Nuestra Señora del Rosario” se celebra el 7 de octubre. Pero, ¿por qué esta fecha? ¿Por qué celebramos esa fiesta en octubre? ¿No tendría más sentido celebrarlo en Mayo, durante el Mes de María?

El 7 de oct. de 1571 se llevó a cabo una importante batalla, la Batalla de Lepanto. Una batalla naval librada por una coalición de Reinos Católicos – la Liga Santa – para repeler las fuerzas invasoras del Imperio Turco Otomano que tenía el objetivo de conquistar a toda Europa, y quienes tenían una reputación de ser crueles y despiadados hacia quienes conquistaban, incluyendo matanzas de civiles inocentes. Así, el Papa San Pío V llamó a todos a una campaña de oración, especialmente a rezar el Rosario en petición por la victoria de la Liga Santa en esta batalla. Después de la, aparentemente, milagrosa victoria de la Liga Santa (superado en número por los otomanos 7 a 1), el Papa San Pío V acreditó esta victoria a las oraciones del Rosario y decretó que el 7 de oct. fuese conmemorado como “Nuestra Señora de la Victoria.”

Pero mientras esta fiesta conmemora un hecho histórico, su objetivo es enfatizar el *poder del Rosario* como una oración para ayudarnos a salir victoriosos en cualquier batalla contra las fuerzas espirituales de la oscuridad o del mal contra las que nos encontremos luchando. Por eso, para enfatizar este punto, esta fiesta ahora se conoce como la de “Nuestra Señora del Rosario”.

Y bajo el patrocinio de Nuestra Señora del Rosario (de la Victoria), los obispos de los Estados Unidos han confiado la causa de la protección de toda vida humana, desde la concepción hasta la muerte natural; y por eso, octubre también se conoce como el mes del “Respeto por la Vida”, donde rezamos especialmente por la protección de los no nacidos. Toda vida humana tiene dignidad desde el momento de la concepción; y eso no es poco. Como tratamos a los “más indefensos” entre nosotros, las vidas más desprotegidas, incluyendo la vida en sus etapas más vulnerables, es algo que nuestro Señor Jesucristo se toma muy en serio, “lo que le hagas al más pequeño de mis hermanos, me lo haces a mí”.

Finalmente, si hablamos de Nuestra Señora, en las apariciones de Fátima en el 1917 – una serie de seis apariciones, de las cuales la última fue el 13 de octubre, durante el mes del Rosario – Nuestra Señora específicamente nos pide que oremos el Rosario todos los días por la paz del mundo.

Hay una historia de un embajador Japonés que se acercó a un sacerdote católico y le dijo que era culpa de los católicos que no hubiese paz mundial. El sacerdote le preguntó qué se refería, y el embajador le dijo que la “Señora” se le apareció a los *Católicos* en Fátima, pidiéndoles que aseguraran la paz mundial con sus oraciones ... ella no se le apareció a ningún otro grupo religioso, pero a “ustedes, los Católicos,” pidiéndoles que aseguraran la paz mundial por medio de sus oraciones, y, por lo tanto, es la responsabilidad de los Católicos.

Si bien, ciertamente, todos tienen un papel en el trabajo por la paz mundial, es muy conmovedor que un no católico tenga tanta fe en el poder de las oraciones de los católicos. Es una historia que nos llama a los cristianos católicos a asumir nuestra responsabilidad de *orar* por la paz mundial, *especialmente* por medio de la intercesión de Nuestra Santa Madre, para luchar por la verdadera Victoria de un fin al poder de la muerte en el mundo, de terminar las guerras, y poner fin a la violación de la dignidad de la persona humana, en todas las formas que asume.

Durante este mes del Santo Rosario, no demos por sentado este santo deber y responsabilidad.

Paz,
– Fr. Kevin

PD: Una buena reflexión en Nuestra Señora de la Victoria y la Batalla de Lepanto, puedes encontrarla aquí: rb.gy/d2unaz

PPS: G.K. Chesterton escribió un poema sobre la Batalla de Lepanto, una especie de recuento romántico de la historia, una versión de Jorge Luis Borges, que vale la pena leer, puedes encontrarla aquí: rb.gy/u9eai9

La Despensa necesita productos de papel: papel higiénico, papel facial, toallas de papel, etc. Por favor, traiga sus donaciones a la oficina parroquial. ¡Gracias!

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En el próximo boletín habrá una actualización de la Cena de Otoño.

Readings of the Week GLPI

Readings for the week of October 10, 2021

- Sun:** Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/
Heb 4:12-13/Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27
- Mon:** Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Lk 11:29-32
- Tues:** Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 11:37-41
- Wed:** Rom 2:1-11/Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9/Lk 11:42-46
- Thurs:** Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 11:47-54
- Fri:** Rom 4:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11/Lk 12:1-7
- Sat:** Rom 4:13, 16-18/Ps 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43/Lk 12:8-12
- Next Sun:** Is 53:10-11
Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22
Heb 4:14-16
Mk 10:35-45

Please Pray for Our Sick:

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| - Chuck Baltés | - Dianne Henrich | - Tom Pieper |
| - Ray Baltés | - Virginia Hurd | - Joyce Roling |
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| - Thomas Friend Sr. | - Bruce Pieper | |
| - Deb Glodowski | - Mary (Ed) Pieper | |

Please make use of your parish's prayer line:

- St. Mary, Ackley: Jolene Harms at stmary.stpatrick@yahoo.com.
- St. Mary, Eldora: Julie Gray at (515) 351-7063.
- St. Patrick, Hampton: MaryAnn Patton at thepattons4@gmail.com.
- St. Mark, Iowa Falls: Brenda Strayer at (641) 430-0204.

In October our focus is turned toward Respect Life issues

Pope Francis has said that respect for life is not just about the unborn child in the womb, but also about the least of our brothers and sisters. Yes, it is even upon the undocumented resident alien who has no voice but ours. As followers of Jesus Christ, we are all called to protect the voiceless.

Let us pray...

*Good and gracious God,
you blew into our nostrils the
breath of life.*

*You are the One to whom we owe
our very existence.*

*Give us the courage to take that
unpopular position of protecting
those who have no voice, the
unborn child in the womb to the
person taking his or her last breath.*

*The life you have given us is a gift
beyond measure.*

*Embolden us to speak the truth
about protecting the child, the
elderly, and the one without a voice
in the public square.*

*With thankful hearts,
we ask all this of the One God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*



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*Seek
Peace
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Why Marry in a Church?

Question:

Why are Catholics required to get married in a church, and not outside or at a different venue?



Answer:

Because the sacrament of marriage is a sacred covenant between the husband and wife, the celebration of the sacrament of matrimony is much more than simply a social or family event. So, the rule that the sacrament be celebrated in a church is a way to help reinforce the deeper meaning of Christian marriage. To help make this clearer, the Church's tradition also normally includes the celebration of the Mass when the marriage is being celebrated between two Catholics, and so a church or chapel is the ideal setting. For special reasons — which vary from diocese to diocese — the local bishop can give permission for the marriage to be celebrated in another suitable place.

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Blessing of the Harvest

Our help is in the name of the Lord.
Who has made heaven and earth.
The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.

Almighty Lord God, You keep on giving abundance to men in the dew of heaven, and food out of the richness of the soil. We give thanks to Your most gracious majesty for the fruits of the field which we have gathered. We beg of You, in Your mercy, to bless our harvest, which we have received from Your generosity. Preserve it, and keep it from all harm. Grant, too, that all those whose desires You have filled with these good things may be happy in Your protection. May they praise Your mercies forever, and make use of the good things that do not last in such a way that they may not lose those goods that are everlasting, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Adrian's

Dream Catcher Event



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I have been working with Jolene Harms to coordinate a workshop at the parish hall. To promote the event she asked me to write up a little blurb about our story to put in the bulletin. Here is our story.... Sarah Vega

"On May 20th, Adrian Xavier Vega was born to Miguel and Sarah Vega. After a difficult pregnancy, enduring the stress of COVID-19, they were overjoyed that their first born son was anatomically perfect. No visitors were allowed at the hospital, but they shared photos and video calls with their close friends and family. After a few short hours with their new son, Sarah developed postpartum hemorrhaging and Adrian was taken away to the nursery. The next morning after Sarah was stabilized, the doctor informed them that they were taking Adrian to the NICU. Within the day, Adrian deteriorated quickly requiring ventilation and EEG monitoring after developing seizures. That evening as they were prepping him for transport, his little body had had enough and he passed away after only two short days of life. His parents were left shocked as they tried to process what had just happened and going home without their new baby. After three months of not knowing why they lost their child, and seeing a geneticist they finally got an answer. Sarah carries a rare and life threatening X-linked disorder that would be fatal to their future children. To help with the costs of fertility treatments, Sarah has poured her nurturing energy into her small business, Adrian's Dream, dedicated to their late son. She creates unique, customizable dream catchers, as well as workshops to share their story and create a safe place for people to come together, be creative, and share their experiences."



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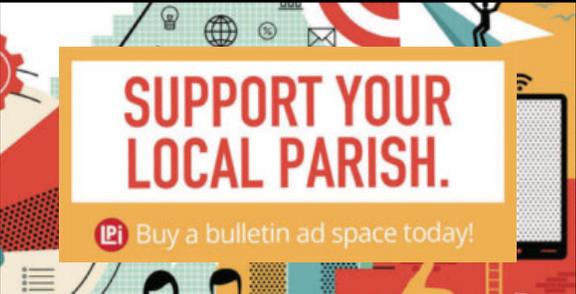
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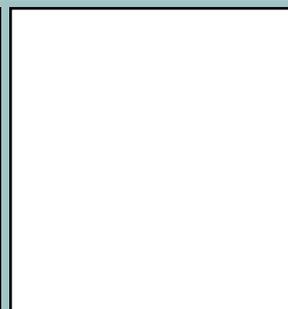



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