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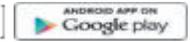
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Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 10:00 AM

Tuesday: 9:00 AM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:15-3:45 PM or by appointment

PARISH MINISTRY TEAM

Deacon Dick Thiesen — Parish Life Director

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Rev. Anthony J. Chiaramonte and Rev. James Kane

Staff

Ann McCauley, Pastoral Associate for Administration: Ext. 10

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Music Ministry

Shirley Myers

Trustees

Ray Cecot & Stephanie Cogan

From Deacon Dick

Sharing Faith with our Youngsters – Why Not You!

Each year we have difficulty filling the role of teachers of the faith to our children. Yet, our baptism infuses us with sacramental grace to do just that. The following is a piece I wrote for *The Evangelist* at least 25 years ago ... before I was ordained to the Order of Deacon ... I pray that it will give you some encouragement to step forward.

Reflections of a Catechist – Richard Thiesen

The word "catechist" is derived from Latin and Greek words meaning "one who orally teaches Christian doctrine." I think it translates as "one who is willing to pass on our Catholic faith – the Christian message" – to the next generation." Who are these catechists? Ultimately you and me!

From an intellectual perspective, that's not so hard to grasp. The more difficult proposition, however, is simply put: "Why me?" When I was first asked to consider this role, I confess that my thoughts were negative. I thought of all the reasons I just couldn't do this. I have no time!

I also questioned my competency to fulfill this role. What do I have to offer? I'm not a teacher! I know the students will ask questions I can't answer. So, my initial reaction was to figure out a way to say "no" gracefully. But something within said: "Think about it for a few days ... bring it to prayer. How important is my faith ... important enough to share?"

Over the next week or so, I prayed for God's wisdom and, more importantly, the grace and courage to act on it. I thought about the message our youth incessantly receives from society about what is most important in their lives ... power, wealth, dominance, possessions, technology without personal contact with others ... the message that those on the margins of society are largely disposable, irrelevant to our secular measures of success.

I then thought about the counter-cultural message of Jesus – His message of love and forgiveness, of the dignity of each human person, of the need to serve rather than be served, of seeing Christ in the least of our sisters and brothers.

So, the question essentially became: As a Catholic Christian which message do I want our young people to carry forward into adulthood?

I decided to say "yes." I must tell you that it was an enlightening and rewarding experience. I hope it was the same for the students. I learned that, despite seemingly indifferent outward appearances, these young people really hunger for hope and meaning in their lives ... and that comes through their relationship with the person of Jesus Christ! That is why I believe the role of lay catechist is so utterly vital to God's Church today.

I enthusiastically encourage each of you to prayerfully reflect upon your potential role in the ministry of catechist.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2021 / TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

WEEKLY PRAYER

SUNDAY'S READINGS

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

SUN 10/10 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 10/11 Rom 1:1-7/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Lk 11:29-32
TUE 10/12 Rom 1:16-25/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 11:37-41
WED 10/13 Rom 2:1-11/Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9/Lk 11:42-46
THR 10/14 Rom 3:21-30/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 11:47-54
FRI 10/15 Rom 4:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11/Lk 12:1-7
SAT 10/16 Rom 4:13, 16-18/Ps 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43/Lk 12:8-12
SUN 10/17 Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-4

QUESTION FOR THE WEEK

Adult: How can the pleasures and comforts of this world become barriers to your relationship with God?

Children: What favorite toy, game, video, etc., of yours would you be willing to share with someone this week?



MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Make a list of things that are special to you. If God asked you to give away your favorite toy or game to someone who's poor, could you do it? Be honest with God, and ask him to help you love him more than anything.

FIRST READING

I pleaded, and the spirit of wisdom came to me. I preferred her to scepter and throne, and deemed riches nothing in comparison with her. (Wis 7:7-8)

PSALM

Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy! (Ps 90)

SECOND READING

No creature is concealed from him, but everything is naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must render an account. (Heb 4:13)

GOSPEL

"Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." (Mk 10:21)

OCTOBER 12

Tuesday 9:00 AM

For All Souls



SANCTUARY LAMP ~ IS LIT THIS WEEK FOR

For All Souls

The Sanctuary Lamp in the Chapel is a beautiful way to remember a loved one. There are many dates still available through the remainder of 2021. Please contact the parish office at 518-459-6635 if you would like to make arrangements to remember a loved one in this special way.



OCTOBER 16 & 17

Saturday 4:00 PM

Mary Mastrianni ; (Anniv Remb), req., Marie & Fred Mastrianni
 Evelyn Salvaggio; (Anniv Remb), req., Marie & Fred Mastrianni
 Regina DiNova; req., Michael & Karen DiNova
 Susan Chiffolo; (Anniv Remb); req., sister, Betty
 Thaddeus and Cecilia Michalski; req., Family

Sunday 10:00 AM

Deceased Members of the Sole Family; req., Family
 Eugene Seeberger; (B-day Remb), req., daughter, Elaine Mecier
 Edward Morgan; req., McCashion Family
 Sandra McDonald; req., Joan, Martha & Anne

SHRINE OF REMEMBRANCE

Added to the Shrine of Remembrance for the month of October with a lit candle is **Lori Krecidlo**.



Blessings & Congratulations to the family of Ella Marie Heeney

as we welcome her this weekend into the family of Christ Our Light through the waters of baptism on Saturday, October 10

PARISH GIVING ~ SHARING GIFTS WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN

Weekly Offertory for October 2 & 3, 2021

Weekly Budget	\$	7,450.98
Weekly Actual—Mail-Ins & Offertory	\$	8,991.00
Overage/Shortfall	(+)	\$ 1,540.02

YTD (July 2020-Present) Offertory

YTD Budget	\$104,313.73
YTD Actual	\$ 99,989.00
YTD Overage/Shortage	(-) (4,324.73)

Thank you for your generosity.
 Your gifts are greatly appreciated!!

Special Collection for Catholic University \$ 852.00 (Updated)

Upcoming Collections:

Mission Sunday ~ October 23 & 24

DAY OF BLESSINGS

To see photos from our Day of Blessings; Backpack, Catechists and Pet, go to our Website at www.christourlightchurch.org/photos or check out our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/ChristOurLightLoudonville/

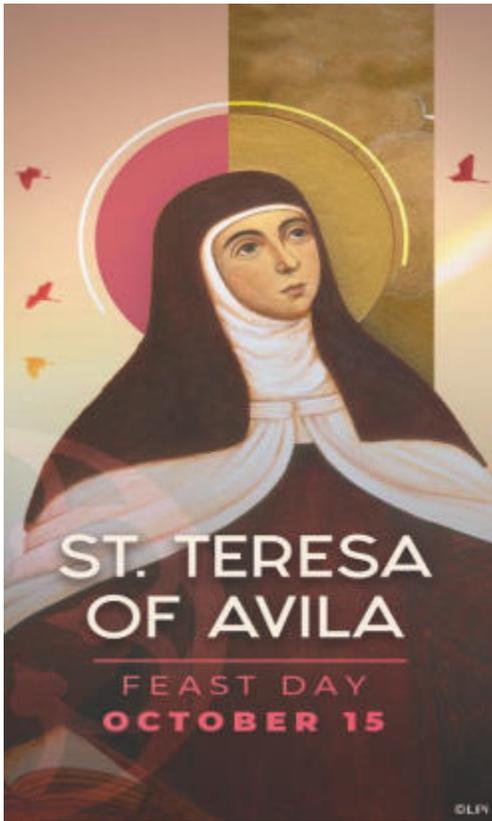


PLEASE NOTE

In observance of Columbus Day the parish office and church will be closed on Monday, October 11. Seniors will not meet on October 11.



WEEKLEY EVENTS CALENDAR



Day	Date	Event	Time	Place
Sun.	10-Oct	Mass	10:00 AM	Church
		Baptism: Ella Marie Heeney	10:00 AM	Church
		Liturgical Rites for Confirmandi	6:00 PM	Church
Mon.	11-Oct	Holiday- Church & Office Closed COL Seniors - Will not Meet		
Tue.	12-Oct	Mass	9:00 AM	Church
Wed.	13-Oct	Eucharistic Adoration	9:30 AM-6:30 PM	Chapel
		Rosary	6:15 PM	Chapel
		Charismatic Mass	7:00 PM	Church
		BLD Music Group	7:30 PM	CR 1
Thur.	14-Oct	Boy Scout Troop 1022 Mtg	6:30 PM-8:30 PM	Hall
Fri.	15-Oct	Mass: BLD Albany	7:00 PM	Church
		Fellowship: BLD Albany	Following Mass	Hall
Sat.	16-Oct	Food Pantry Pick-Up	8:15 AM	Parking Lot
		Reconciliation	3:15 PM-3:45 PM	Church
		Vigil Mass	4:00 PM	Church
Sun.	17-Oct	Mass	10:00 AM	Church
		Prayer Shawl Ministry	11:00 AM	Hall

RESPECT LIFE MONTH

Each October the Church in the United States celebrates *Respect Life Month*, and the first Sunday of October is observed as *Respect Life Sunday*. As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning of life to its end, and at every point in between. During the month of October, the Church asks us to reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life.

Join us in our year-round Respect Life efforts: For more information on the Church's pro-life efforts and the Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, visit uscclb.org/prolife.

- ◆ **Subscribe**
Sign-up to receive prayers, action alerts, and monthly resources through Respect Life Prayer & Action.
- ◆ **Follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.**
Stay connected on social media and get the latest news and updates!



**Monday, October 18
from 7 PM to 9 PM
at St. Edward the
Confessor Parish**

Young adults from across the diocese are invited to the next "**Good News & Cold Brews**" -- a Young Adult Happy Hour and presentation by Dr. Marco Stango on "The Religious Sense", an interesting and relevant topic to help us in our faith journeys.

- Happy Hour and Presentation
- Social Gathering - food and drinks included
- Presentation
- Question & Answer / Conversation
- Conclude with additional social time

To register or for more information, contact Tom Cronin at thomas.cronin@rcda.org



How many people in our community are in need of prayers, either for themselves, or for family or friends?

If you would like your prayer petitions to be prayed for during the Wednesday night

Rosary Group, please call Ed at 518-441-2857.

Thank you and God Bless!

We Need Catechists

If you would like to help in this ministry Kari would love to chat with you. No experience required - you just need a Love for the Lord and a willingness to share. Come by the office or email Kari.Kurtz@rcda.org.



Faith Formation registration is open!

If you have a child from K-10th Grade we would love to have them as part of our program!

Registration Sheets are available on our website

(<https://www.christourlightchurch.org/faith-formation>) and in the back of the church.



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