

October 4, 2020 ~ The 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mission Statement

We, the Roman Catholic community of St. Francis of Assisi and St. Joseph's are called to live the Gospel message of Jesus through Hospitality, Worship, Faith Formation, and Service to others.

St. Francis of Assisi Church

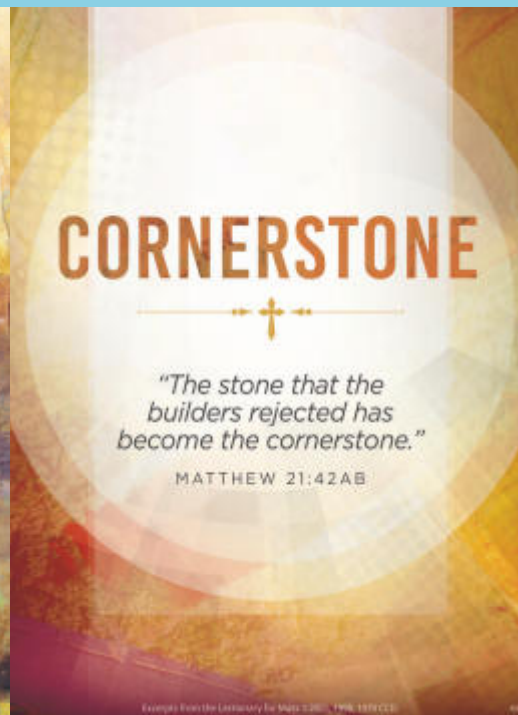
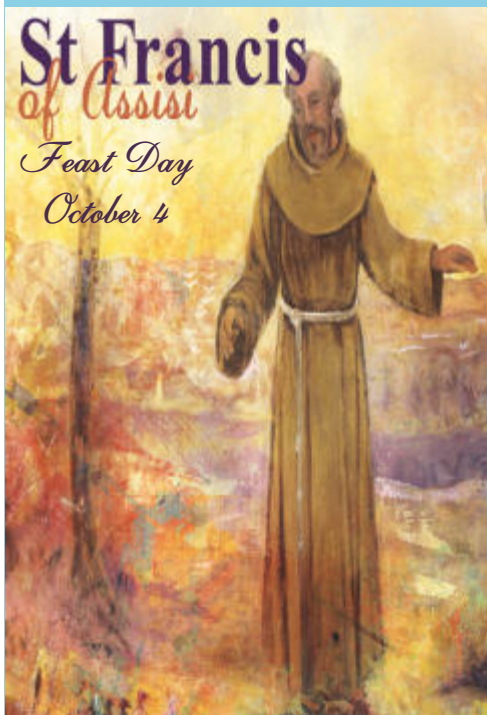
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PASTORAL STAFF:

Rev. Jun Segura, Pastor

Lisa Szumowski-Seabolt, Pastoral Associate for Administration;

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Jim Ryan, Facilities Manager

Remember in your prayers all those affected by the coronavirus throughout the world

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:15-3:45 pm at SJ; Sunday 7:30 am at SF; Sacrament of Baptism: Contact parish office; Sacrament of Marriage: Contact parish office at least 6 mos prior to the proposed marriage date; Sacrament of the Sick: Contact parish office during office hours. Emergencies call anytime; Pastoral Care and Bereavement Ministry: Peggy Piazza (SF), Wanda Smith (SJ) Pastoral Care Coordinators; Works of Mercy: Kitty Ingalls (SF), Mary Ann Losee (SJ); Parish Outreach Ministry: Contact parish office; Prayer Chain: (SF) Call Cathy 863-6271 or Katy 863-2734 (SJ) Call Erin 224-8811 Thrift Shop, St. Joseph's Closet: temporarily closed

Visit our Website: <http://www.rcda.org/churches/stjosephstfrancis>

St. Joseph Mass Intentions

Sat (3) 4:00 pm

Julia Malacynski + Rick & Pat Fallis
Vito & Nancy Greco + C & M Greco
Greg Wittemeyer + Barb & Joe Furman

Sun (4) 10:30 am

Eric Jones + Carm & Maria Greco
Living & Deceased Altar Rosary Members
Dcn Arnie Hyland + P & M Atzberger

Monday (5) 8:30 am

Dennis Parker + Barbara & Nick Finley

Friday (9) 8:30 am

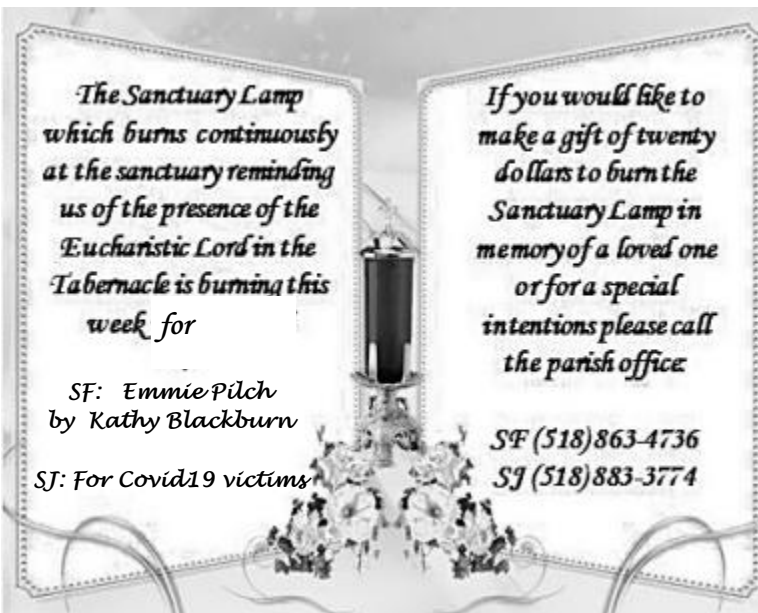
Most Rev JT Ryan, Rev. RS Piechocki

Sat (10) 4:00 pm

Robert Montenaro + B & J Furman
Eric Jones + Lou & Pat Mannion

Sun (11) 10:30 am

Tony Ottati + Pat Ottati
Dominic & Florence Locatelli
+ Joe & Pat Cardone



St. Francis Mass Intentions

Sun (4) 8 am

Wanda Cadieux
+ Len & Ann Forgette
Arianna Lanzi + Parish Family

Tuesday (6) 8:30 am

Rev William Connelly
Rev. John Zadzora
Rev. Alphonse Orvidas

Thursday (8) 8:30 am

Roy & Esther Edwards
+ William & Cynthia Cromie

Sun (11) 8 am

Dom & Flo Locatelli
+ Jan & Chuck Swatling
Jeremy Harris
+ Rick Koval
Arianna Lanzi
+ Joe & Kathleen Capobianco

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Day ~ Today's readings speak of harvesting grapes in a vineyard. God calls us to work in the vineyard, each doing our part to ensure a good harvest. We gather together each week in the Lord's name and receive Christ in the word and the Eucharist. In today's Gospel, Jesus promises the kingdom of God to those who produce its fruit. We pray that we may be nourished in word and sacrament so that we may go forth to produce fruit for the kingdom.

RESPECT LIFE ~ The Gospel of life is intrinsic to the whole Christian life and foundational to the decisions we make on a daily basis. For, "the Gospel of God's love for man, the Gospel of the dignity of the person and the Gospel of life are a single and indivisible Gospel" (EV 2). *Excerpt from Evangelium vitae, © 1995, Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission. All rights reserved. USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities 2020-2021 Respect Life Reflection, www.respectlife.org/reflection

GOSPEL MEDITATION ~ Do you ever wonder why things never seem to come together? We see glimpses of consistency, equity, justice, peace, harmony, and wellbeing, but it always falls short. Human life is still expendable and manipulated, people are used for personal advancement, countries are at war, the economy continues to face turbulence, anger and frustration are widespread, and happiness is the possession of just a few and not the many. Could it be that we are serving the wrong kingdom? We keep trying to make our kingdom work and find ourselves still scratching our heads after repeatedly failed attempts to do so. It is almost as if people are saying, "we'll get it right this time if we do ...," as if some new and secret innovation has yet to be tried.

We serve God's kingdom. We may not like hearing that, but it is true. God did not make only a few of us. God made all of humanity and all of humanity is called into service. How often do we defer any of our decision making to God? Secular leaders enjoy winking at the Sacred Scriptures and using them when they advance a cause, but are they really listened to? Even those who consider themselves believers tend to sift through God's Word, taking what seems to fit and apply and discarding the rest. After all, if we were really serving God's kingdom, we would see an abundance of fruit testifying to this fact. But what's growing on the vine is anything other than good Gospel-centered fruit.

Nothing in this world or the next belongs to us. We have such a hard time believing this and live our lives as if everything belongs to us. And, the fruit does not lie. Trees that are neglected and not properly fertilized reveal that fact. They cannot keep these deep secrets from being discovered. If God's kingdom was really being served, then life would have looked much differently after the crucifixion. By now, there would be plenty of fantastic fruit to harvest in abundance: faith, hope, love, prudence, temperance, justice, and fortitude. Do we see these in abundance around us? Why not?

Still we grapple with ownership, privilege, status, and the protection of our rights. It's all about us and what we want, think we need, and expect to acquire. When did this change of focus occur? We may be struggling with this since humanity's day in the garden and have never understood that the focus cannot be on us and the apple but on God and God's justice. Maybe the only answer is that the Kingdom be taken from us and given to someone who is willing to do a better job. Is that the fate we really want? ©LPI

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK ~ Who has authority over God's kingdom? While we know that the obvious answer is Jesus, that is not the answer our lives always reveal. We struggle with wanting control over God's kingdom. We wrestle with ownership, privilege, status, and the protection of our rights. However, at the end of the day nothing in this world or in the one to come belongs to us. All that we see and know to be true belong to God, and Jesus is the only one who has any authority. How often do we defer any of our decision making to God? We often conduct our business as if we are the owner, lord and master of it all, but sadly we are not. God gives us the means and the potential to bear good Gospel-centered fruit. This desire and capacity exist within each individual. Unless we really acknowledge and accept who is ultimately in charge, the type of love, justice, peace, and other good fruits God desires for the world will never be realized. ©LPI

Readings for the week of October 4, 2020: Sunday: Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20 [Is 5:7a]/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43 ; Monday: Gal 1:6-12/Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c [5]/Lk 10:25-37; Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15 [24b]/Lk 10:38-42; Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Lk 11:1-4; Thursday: Gal 3:1-5/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [68]/Lk 11:5-13; Friday: Gal 3:7-14/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [5]/Lk 11:15-26; Saturday: Gal 3:22-29/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Lk 11:27-28; Next Sunday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

SJ Lector: 10/10: J Naple

SF Lector:

10/11: K Murray

10/11: C Lott

October 4: Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi

Blessing of Pets and Animals

Many people bring their pets to the church to be blessed on St. Francis' feast day because of his love for animals as expressed in his Canticle of Creatures.

During this time of pandemic, you may pray for and bless your pets and animals at home. A verbal blessing and a sprinkling holy water can be offered in your backyard or garden. A small bottle with holy water will be available after Mass on Sunday to bless your pets at home on October 4. Find the text of the blessing posted on Facebook. **HAPPY FEAST DAY!**

MASS SCHEDULE
ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH Sunday 8:00 AM

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH Saturday 4:00 PM
 Sunday 10:30 AM

The dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains in place, so those who are vulnerable or even simply uncomfortable attending a public liturgy are encouraged to remain at home and view Mass via livestream, which will continue as scheduled.

Parishioners should bring/wear their own masks and, if possible, a bottle of hand sanitizer for use upon entering, before receiving Communion, after receiving Communion, and after exiting the church. Catholics should plan on restricted seating, a change in the reception of Communion in order to ensure social distancing, exit strategies to ensure social distancing, etc. Visit <http://rcda.org/coronavirus> and follow diocesan social media pages on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter for the latest updates on the return to public Masses and other COVID-related information.



Last weekend, we took up the collection the Catholic University of America in Washington DC. Together, our churches collected \$370. Thank you for your generosity.

October: The Month of the Holy Rosary

"The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. This is primarily due to the fact that the liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated annually on October 7th. It was instituted to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the protection that she gives the Church in answer to the praying of the Rosary by the faithful." Join us in praying the Holy Rosary every day before Mass during the month of October.

ST. JOSEPH'S THANKSGIVING DAY RAFFLE

\$1,000 Grand Prize; One \$500 Prize; Two \$250 Prizes; Ten \$100 Prizes

Drawing November 26, 2020 after 10:30 am Mass

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The Faith Formation program at both churches is in the planning stages of this year's Faith Formation Program. **We are in need of volunteers for the planning committee & volunteers to be catechists.** There is self-directed online catechetical formation available.

Please let Katy Ryan know if you are interested in volunteering at:
momryan6@hotmail.com or 518-863-2734.

Fr. Jun is live streaming Masses:

<https://www.facebook.com/tas.yo.9>

8:30 am Mass

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri

Wednesday 8:30am Exposition/

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

8 am Sunday Mass

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,
 I believe that You
 are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
 I love You above all things,
 and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment
 receive You sacramentally,
 come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there
 and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.
 Amen.



PIOCESAN APPEAL
 July 1, 2020- July 30, 2021
 St. Joseph's Goal \$21,882.00

For we walk by **faith**,
 not by sight.

Total
 Rec'd:
 \$1,532



Please remember when wearing a mask that it should cover your nose and your mouth. Continue to wash your hands, practice social distancing & don't touch your face.

PIOCESAN APPEAL
 July 1, 2020- July 30, 2021
 St. Francis Goal \$24,699.00

For we walk by **faith**,
 not by sight.

Total
 Rec'd:
 \$3,240

OUR GIVING

To meet expenses, the following amounts are needed weekly:
\$2,516.00 at St. Joseph's; \$2,612.00 at St. Francis.

	Attend	9/27/20	Mailed in	Cath. Univ	Candles	Poor Box
SJ 4 pm	32	\$495		\$62	n/a	n/a
SF 8 am	76	\$2,464		\$180	\$3	\$7
SJ 10:30	43	\$1,550		\$128	\$21	n/a

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