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THE 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

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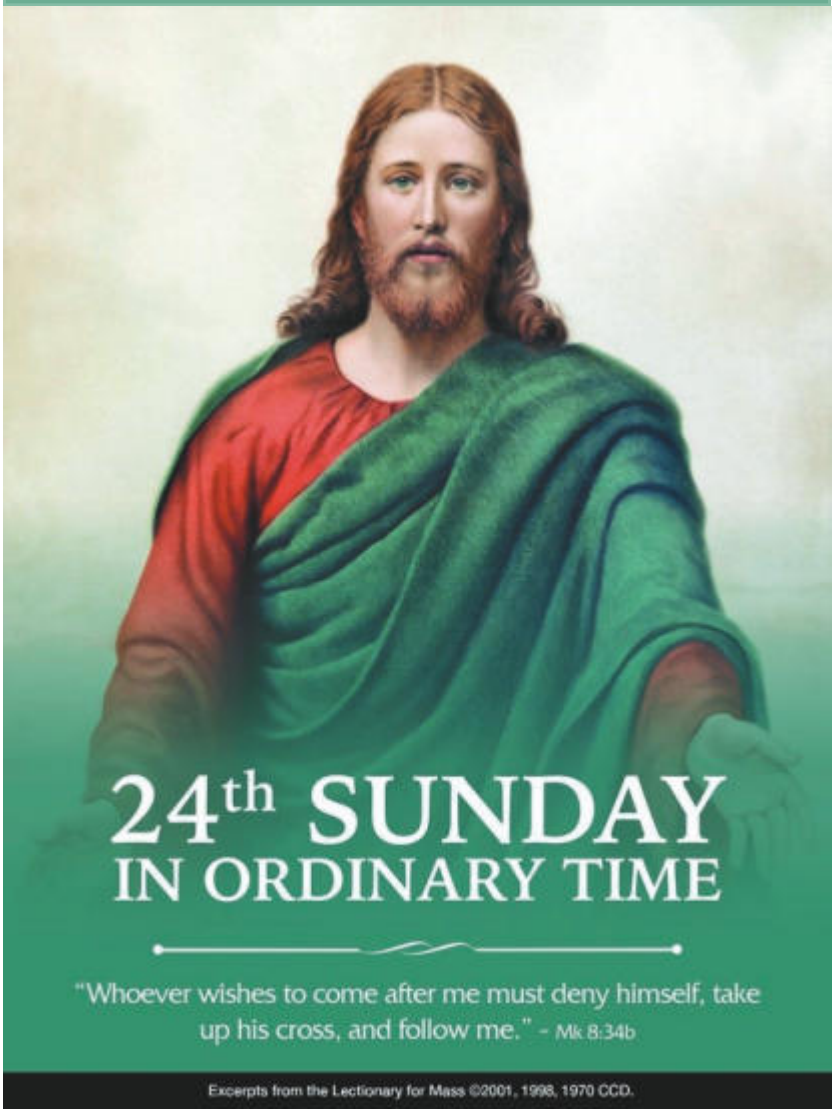

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Eucharistic Celebrations
Saturday.....5:30 p.m.
Sunday ..... 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Tuesday ..... .6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.....8:30 a.m.

Adoration and Holy Hour
Tuesday.....5:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation
By appointment only. Call the office for information.

Sacrament of Baptism
Baptisms are the second Sunday of the month, baptism class is quarterly. Please call for details and to register.

Sacrament of Marriage
Please contact the parish at least 6 months before the date. Pre-Cana or its equivalent is required.

Religious Formation
Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) serves children grades K-8.

RCIA *(Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)* is for those who are curious about our Catholic Faith, and to complete the sacraments of initiation.

PARISH CALENDAR

Next Week's Ministries

Sept. 18/19 Twenty-Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time	5:30pm	9:00am	11:00am
Altar Servers	1) Petrilla, M. 2) Thorpe, E.	1) Bowling, C. 2) Dahmke, B.	1) Church, J. 2) Keller, T.
Lector	1) Mechlin, C. 2) Williams, D.	3) Hazlett, D. 4) Reed, S.	5) Bumgarner, M. 6) Effah, E.
Greeters	1) Brick, F. 2) Link, R. 3) Li, M. 4) Ventresca, T.	5) Bell, M. 6) Gonya, J. 7) Langhans, C. 8) Langhans, G.	9) Bealer, M. 10) Brewer, C. 11) Huck, L. 12) Krumm, C.
EMOHC	B1) Link, P. B2) Zuccaro, S.	B1) Kelley, D. B2) Endres, K.	B1) Winkel, B. B2) Winkel, S.
Homebound		Paul Krumm	Minda Li
Altar Linens			Margaret Staudt

Sunday Content Guide
The 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time / September 12, 2021
First Reading:
I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. (Is 50:8)
Psalm:
I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living. (Ps 116) Or Alleluia.
Second Reading:
What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? (Jas 2:14)
Gospel:
And he asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter said to him in reply, "You are the Christ." (Mk 8:29)

Readings for the week of September 12, 2021

Sunday: **24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents' Day** Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/ Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

Monday: **St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church** 1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [1Cor 11:26b]/Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: **The Exaltation of the Holy Cross** Nm 21:4b-9/ Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 [cf. 7b]/Phil 2:6-11/ Jn 3:13-1

Wednesday: **Our Lady of Sorrows** 1 Tm 3:14-16/ Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [2]/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-3

Thursday: **Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyr** 1 Tm 4:12-16/Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10 [2]/Lk 7:36-50

Friday: **St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church** 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/ Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: **BVM** 1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2]/Lk 8:4-1

Upcoming Events:

PREP Registration closes today!

Friends of the Poor Walk—

September 25th gathering at 9:30 AM

August 2021 Collections Online

Offertory……$10,14.45
Future Needs……$67.78
Maintenance……$148.99
Major Cap. ……$62.37
Gifts……$0.00
St. Vincent DePaul……$0.00

August 2021 Collection Envelops

Offertory……$22,150.00
Future Needs……$306.00
Maintenance……$645.00
Major Cap. ……$380.00
Gifts……$200.00
St. Vincent DePaul……$2,571.83

TOGETHER WE PRAY

For the sick in our community:
T. Clapp, M. Tiberi, A. Ivy, K. Wilt, E. Wilt, MA Melvin, N. O'Connor, F. Ragase, J. Graff, G. Anglin, J. Tully, S. Lewis, R. Wickerham, M. Lesko, D. Shultz, V. Bush, Haggerty baby; AND those on our homebound lists, in the hospital, in nursing care, and those struggling mentally and financially during this time.

Please call the parish office to add or delete a name.

Please observe the following while at Mass:

- Now, wearing of masks at Church will be optional with the exception of the West Window Section. Wearing masks will always be welcome in any section of the Church for whatever reason someone may choose to do so.
- West Window Sections – the section of chairs closest to the West Windows (back parking lot) will continue to observe 6' social distancing between groups and require masks. This creates a space for all to attend in a welcoming, comfortable and safe environment.
- Please place your offering in the slot behind the baptismal font as you enter or leave.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
5:30 pm † Walter & Nora Vermaaten (req. Family)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
9:00 am People of St. Elizabeth
11:00 am † Emma Sargraves (req. Vicki Sargraves)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
6:00 pm † Tom Bates (req. Shirley Bates)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
8:30 am Elizabeth Jazwiec (req. Family)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
8:30 am Fr. Paul Noble 40 years of Priesthood (req. Pamela Hamann)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17
8:30 am † Cleonice Panzera (req. Almerinda Sborgia)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18
5:30 pm † Deceased members Of the Mechlin Family (req. Mechlin Family)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19
9:00 am People of St. Elizabeth
11:00 am † Anna Backe (req. Dan Kuhl)

Mass intention openings are still available for 2021.
Please call or email the parish office to reserve a Mass Intention for your loved ones. The stipend is $10 per Mass.

Available Dates: *October 21; 22; 27; November 16; 17; 24;*

Altar Flowers

For:
An Abundant Harvest
By:
Robert & Christine Baumann

Chapel Flowers

For:
All families impacted by 9/11

Altar and Chapel Flowers Dates Available

Altar: September 12 and 19; October 3 and 24.

Chapel: September 19; October 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31; November 28.

Contact the parish office to reserve a date in honor of a loved one.

REFLECTIONS

Gospel Meditation

We need to get our bearings straight and properly lay life's cornerstone. Otherwise, the rest of our journey will be skewed, and our judgment clouded. We can recall Jesus' famous rebuke of Peter, "You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." Even he, as one of Jesus' closest friends struggles with understanding things and grasping the big picture. Pierre Teilhard de Chardin (1881-1955) a renowned and learned French Jesuit priest often has these words attributed to him: "We are not human beings having a spiritual experience. We are spiritual beings having a human experience." Whether they were actually from his lips, they certainly mimic his thought. These wise words orient us and capture the essence of who we really are.

Many people consider spirituality an option. It is no wonder that they come to this conclusion when they predominantly define themselves using human terms and concepts. Immersed in this world view, they struggle finding any semblance of God because God does not work according to human expectations! This is especially true when suffering and death enter life's picture. If we are only human beings having a spiritual experience, then we wrongly expect our spirituality to serve us as we desire. The human expectation is that my spiritual life is something that is useful in avoiding pain, hardship, and death, not something that gives the courage to live through it!

Gospel Meditation Cont'd

So, when we protest and get upset with God because our journey is becoming difficult, painful, treacherous, disappointing, and even pointing us toward death, Jesus rebukes us as he did Peter and gently reminds us how to see. It is God who inspires and opens hearts to see truth and beauty. In God, the true meaning of things is understood, and we receive a depth of insight and understanding that is not found following purely human paths. It is not our task to understand God, as God is beyond human understanding. Ours is the joyful privilege of simply resting in God's presence simply because God is God and we are who we are. As spiritual beings having an exciting and adventurous human experience, it is in our DNA to do so. Through prayer we can let go and let be. This is how we lose our lives but then save them.

JUST FOR KIDS

Sharing the Gospel

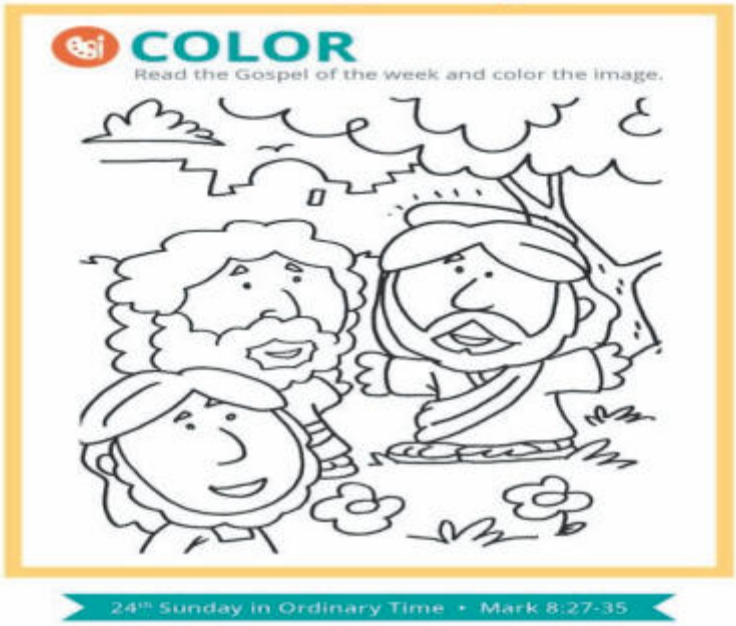
If you have a little brother who asks you to tie his shoes six times, it is easy to get angry and say, "NO. Tie it yourself." However, God wants you to help others with a smile. He wants you to tie shoes for others. He wants you to open doors for others. He wants you to sweep the floor for others. God wants you to treat others with kindness as a favor to him.

Prayer

Show me how to treat others with kindness for you, Lord.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture of yourself helping a friend look for his lost dog.



COMMUNITY

In remembrance of the 20th anniversary of 9/11

We want to also honor all that are serving now in the military, police department, fire department, and our healthcare workers.
We also wish to honor all those First Responders, Police, Fire, Hospital, Medical Personnel and Clergy, especially those working in medical centers during the pandemic and other essential workers that helped over the last year and a half.

We have all witnessed the images of Hurricane Ida's destruction on the national and local news. Hurricane Ida was even more destructive than Hurricane Katrina coupling torrential rains with sustained winds of 150 mph. Power is out in much of southern Louisiana, and expected to remain so for weeks. Communication is extremely difficult due to the destruction of many of the region's cell towers. Bishop Brennan received a letter from his brother Bishop, Bishop Fabre of the Diocese of Houma-Thibodaux in Louisiana. As of Sept 1, 2021, Bishop Fabre reports that due to Hurricane Ida's devastation, there is no hospital care in most of the Diocese, that 90% of the homes in the southern portion of the diocese have major damage with 60% of that number being uninhabitable, and that 36 or the 39 parishes in the diocese have damage, much of it being serious damage. To better understand and contribute to satisfying those needs please go to www.catholiccharitiesht.org/ida.

Lastly, Catholic Charities USA is collecting money to be distributed to the local Catholic Charities agencies who are active on the ground responding to the direct needs of those impacted by Hurricane Ida. To contribute to this fund, please go to www.catholiccharitiesusa.org. Again, to quote Pope Benedict in *Deus Caritas Est*, "Anyone who needs me, and whom I can help, is my neighbor." None of us can do everything, but all of us can do something.

Let us pray for all those suffering losses due to Ida, from the Southeast to the Northeast of our country.

2021 Friends of the Poor Walk/Run

St. Elizabeth's St. Vincent de Paul conference is asking for donations for their Annual Friends of the Poor Walk/Run. This is the only national fundraiser to raise money for local St. Vincent de Paul parishes.

All donations remain within our conference as we continue to serve our parishioners in need as well as those living within the 43229 & 43231 zip code areas.

St. Elizabeth Vincentians will be at both entrances on Saturday, Sept. 18, and Sunday, Sept. 19th to accept donations. ***Thank you for all your support!***

PARISH COMMUNITY

Real Presence Real Future

Openness to God's Ways

Deacon Steve Petrill, St. Joan of Arc Parish

Today we witness the great confession of Peter, who tells Jesus: "You are the Christ." What an extraordinary and beautiful expression of faith. Peter has come far, but he remains a work in progress. We can empathize because, like Peter, it is often easier to defend our preconceived notions than to be truly open to God's transformative love and the sacrifices that love requires. As we go forward with *Real Presence, Real Future*, we turn to St. Peter with hope. Through his intercession, may we grow in our ability to listen to God, to His Church, and to one another so that we may increase His Presence in our diocese.

For more about the life of faith and discipleship in the Diocese of Columbus, visit www.RealPresenceRealFuture.org.

Thanks

We want to thank everyone again for the success of this year's Rummage Sale, especially Lou Thalheimer, who lead the charge for the Rummage sale.

We had a record-breaking year this year! We made a total of $4,006.00. Here's looking to next year!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registration Forms for P.R.E.P are available under the mailboxes and online. We offer classes for grades K-8. Registration is due on **today, September 12th**, classes to start on September 26th. Classes are held between masses on Sunday at 10:00 AM. Please note that each family is required to fill out the Family Registration form (One per family) and the Diocese of Columbus Registration Form (One per child). Masks will be required during classes!

♫ Do you enjoy music or playing an instrument? ♫

Please consider joining the Choir! Choir Rehearsals are starting up again weekly! The 9 AM choir will begin on September 22 at 7 PM and the 11 AM choir will begin on September 23 at 7 PM. So please come sing with us! If you have any questions please contact, Pam Hamann, by phone, email, or stop by after mass! We also have a form on the website (Click on Music Ministry under Get Involved) that you can fill out as well! ♫

PARISH COMMUNITY

St. Elizabeth Parish Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment only.

Times are Thursdays from 3-5 pm, and
Saturdays from 4-4:30 pm.
Please call or email the parish office to make an appointment.

Friends, we ask that you support the following fund-raisers as much as you are able to benefit St. Elizabeth Parish

~Shaklee High quality nutritional and beauty products. Contact Amy Cotter (parishioner representative) at (614) 307-5451 or at pws.shaklee.com/stelizabeth

~Gordon Food Service: When you shop at GFS, mention St. Elizabeth Parish at check-out.

~Go to **smile.Amazon.com/ch/31-0733310** and shop as you usually would.

Come, Look, and See

Is Jesus at the Center of your faith? Do you want to learn how to use Sacred Scripture to strengthen your faith? Then Come, Look and See is a program for you. St. Elizabeth's is excited to host this incredible Adult Faith Formation program. Join others in a 10 week course, Come, Look and See to review basic Catholic doctrine and more importantly renew one's love for our Lord.

Master Catechist, Susan Bellotti will lead all participants to a fuller and deeper relationship with Our Lord & Savior, Jesus. Susan has a Master's Degree in Pastoral Ministry and has served in several parishes in the Columbus Diocese leading Adult Faith Formation programs over the last 34 years. St. Elizabeth's is excited to welcome Susan to lead this program for our parish.

Ten Sessions prior to Christmas on Tuesday evenings from 6:45pm - 8:15 pm starting on September 28, 2021. All are welcome. ***Registration forms are available at both entrances and online! Please return to the Parish Office.***

HONORING ALL WHO SERVE

May God bless the men and women who serve and have served their communities and country!

Ryan Buck-LTJG, US Navy, USS Michigan (SSGN-727), Bangor, Washington

Ellen Marie Gensicki—First LT, US Army

Katey Gruber-EMT Columbus, Ohio

David Gunkelman-Captain, Air Force, Wright Patterson AFB

Patrick E. Harris-Fireman/Paramedic/ Hazmat Columbus, Ohio, Station 14

Cody Hootman-Staff Sergeant—Air Force EOD Kirtland AFB, Albuquerque NM

Jeff Hootman-Firefighter, Worthington, OH

Colin O'Connor-Fireman—Westerville, Ohio

Sean O'Connor—Police, Cincinnati, Ohio

Tim O'Connor-Fireman and Medic-Maui, Hawaii

Mikala (Scholl) Cintron– Corporal, Marines San Diego, California

Collin Q. Siefer—SGT, US Army 3rd Calvary Regiment, Ft. Hood, Texas

Gaven Smith-Captain, Army, Clarksville, TN

Andrew Stogran-Major, Marine Corps US Central Command, Tampa, Florida.

Kevin Taylor-Master Sergeant, Army, Joint Task Headquarters-Worthington

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