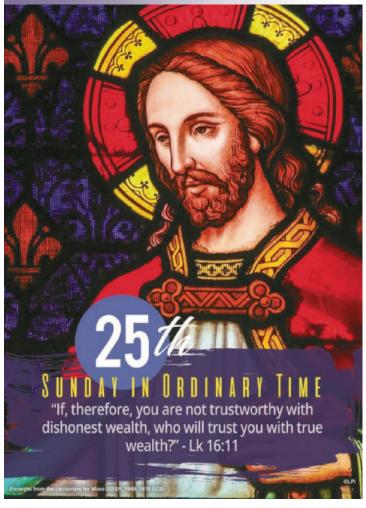
STAR OF THE NORTH CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Fr. Emmanuel T. Finbarr, Administrator **25th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 18, 2022 - Year C**



Mass Times

Saint Joseph Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Sunday, 8:00a.m. & 11:00a.m.

Holy Family Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saint Joseph Saturday, 4:00-4:45p.m.

Holy Family Thurs, 10:00-10:30a.m. (after Mass)

and by appointment

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Star of the North Catholic Community

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, September 19

No Mass

Tuesday, September 20

No Mass

Wednesday, September 21

No Mass

Thursday, September 22

No Mass

Friday, September 23

9:30a.m. Mass Vicky Toma St Joseph

Saturday, September 24

4:00-4:45p.m. **Private Confession** St Joseph 5:00p.m. **Mass** Gerald Lehman St Joseph

Sunday, September 25

8:00a.m. **Mass** For the people of Holy Family

& St Joseph Parishes St Joseph 9:30a.m. Mass Barb Gleason Holy Family

11:00a.m. **Mass** Phyllis Lehman **St Joseph**

**There will be no mass Sept 19th-22nd.
Father will be gone for Convocation**



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

4th Sunday September 24th & 25th

Altar Servers

5:00_{PM} Casey Klofft

8:00_{AM} Emily and/or Olivia Leibler

9:30_{AM} **VOLUNTEERS** 11:00_{AM} Chase Brewer

Eucharistic Ministers

5:00_{PM} **3 Needed**

 $8:00_{AM}$ 3 Needed

9:30_{AM} John Peralta, Hazel Peralta,

Janette McCleary, Josie Burnham

11:00_{AM} **3 Needed**

Proclaimers of the Word

5:00_{PM} Joan Denemy, As requested

8:00_{AM} Calli-Lawe-Barr, Sue Bergevin,

Joan Denemy

9:30_{AM} Irv Booms, Sally Vanderbush

11:00_{AM} Brian Sikorski, Angie Sikorski,

Lamont Swain

Hospitality Ministers

5:00_{PM} **VOLUNTEERS**

8:00_{AM} Brian Leibler, Rick Leibler, Dick

Ehinger, Mike Balser

9:30_{AM} **VOLUNTEERS**

11:00_{AM} William Kuzenko

ST. JOSEPH WEEKEND COLLECTION

Offertory:

9/4/22: \$8,469.00

9/11/22: \$8,231.19 (includes monthly

tithe)

2022 CSA Target: \$81,093.00

97 Pledges for a total of: \$44,925.00



HOLY FAMILY WEEKEND COLLECTION

Offertory:

9/4/22: \$2,869.00 9/11/22: \$1,437.00

2022 CSA Target: \$20,570.00

60 Pledges for a total of: \$17,346.00



To those who continue to support the parish financially and with your prayers!

***If you cannot attend mass during the week or weekend you can mail-in your tithe, sign-up for electronic transfer (call the parish office for information) or you can put your envelope in the mail box at the parish center.

WELCOME...

THANKS FOR COMING!

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Thank you to all who have made their gift to the 2022 Catholic Services Appeal. St. Joseph is 55% towards their goal of \$81,093. Holy Family is 84% towards their goal of \$20,570. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, it is not too late to help us meet and even exceed our target. Please participate in the support of our diocesan church by giving today.

St. Joseph CCW News

Saturday October 8th, 9am-3:30pm at St. Francis of Assisi, Lewiston. "Loved into Being: A Day of Prayer and Reflection." In this presentation, we will look at the nine expressions of Spirituality—Activist, Ascetic. Contemplative, Caregiver, Enthusiast, Naturalist, Sensate, and Traditionalist- and the way we are called to living out that call. Registration is due by October 1st, with a check for \$20, which includes morning snacks and lunch. Copies of the registration form are on the bulletin board. Call Sharon for more information and/or to coordinate rides.

Our October meeting will be on Monday, October 10th, 2pm at the K or C Hall. We will be working on plans for our bake sales for November and December. In December we have a Christmas luncheon with Holy Family CCW, so November is our last meeting until spring.

Wednesday October 26th is our next regional CCW meeting at Holy Family Church, Klacking Creek West Branch. Save the date; details will be announced soon.

National Conference of CCW to be held in Minneapolis—St. Paul November 3rd-5th at the Minneapolis Marriott. Basic registration is \$400. Meal and activities (some include the speaker) is around \$300, rooms begin at \$146 plus taxes for single and goes up depending on how many are in the room. Again more information is online or contact Sharon.

Meditation for the week: "Lord, to you I call; hasten to me; hearken to my voice when I call upon you. Let my prayer come like incense before you; the lifting up of my hands like the evening sacrifice." Ps 141:1-2

Questions, ideas, suggestions, please call Sharon Fritz at 989-343-0772.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #2022 NEWS September 1st-15th Calendar Winners

1st- 893 Steve Simmons \$25 2nd- 397 Joanne DePew \$25

3rd–190 Wendy Brindley \$25

4th-214 Diane Gillette \$50

5th-399 Jonna Winter \$25

6th-349 Chris Nelson \$25

7th-670 Heather Govitz \$25

8th–317 Jack Kramer \$25

9th- 937 Cathy Riney \$25

10th-300 Mark Dantzer \$25

11th-737 Danielle Gerdes \$50

12th-998 Shantel Leibler \$25

13th-386 Don LaBean Sr, \$25

14th–517 Louis Winter \$25

15th-622 Shelly Mader \$25



Congratulations! Thank you for supporting the Knights of Columbus Council 2022!

FAMILY PERSPECTIVE BY BUD OZAR

Despite all our time saving gadgets, we still have less leisure and family time. To solve this we created the Myth of Quality Time. Don't be fooled: Quality Time is Quantity Time. Jesus counsels us today, we "cannot serve two masters" and expect to be happy. Dedicate time to your family. No one in their final hours regretted not spending more time at work.

ATTENTION

The Parish is in need of a Coordinator to organize and schedule the volunteer cleaners of the church. If you are interested, please call the parish center (989)345-0064.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

The intentions requested in the parish petition book, our sick, and our deceased.



ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL

Welcome Julie Spencer-Potter to our staff as our new 5th/6th grade homeroom teacher, 5-8 grade ELA, SS! We're glad to have her join our team. Please continue to pray for our school, staff and students.



It has been a great year so far! The kids been busy learning classroom have routines. Our Preschool students have been playing with some of the new toys on the playground which include a new drum set and a crawl through caterpillar. They're also learning to share and listen at carpet time. Kindergarten students have been learning centers focused doing reviewing the letters and sounds. 1st/2nd graders are reading/listening to stories on Epic, learning bucket fillers and making complicated patterns. Our 3rd/4th grade students are learning Michigan History and Paddle-to-the-Sea bv Clancy Holling. The 5th through 8th grade have been writing Personal Narratives. As part of their service projects, our 7th/8th grade class clean the church each week.

PRAYER REQUEST

Sylvia Selesky, Karen Benjamin, Geraldine Chrivia, Mary Ellen Houston, Cecil Zettel, Joe Hintz, Donna Fritz-Stanley, Rosie &



Brian Evans, Geri Tabaka, Rita Rhead, Hazel Peralta & Tina Peralta Wilkes, Steve Kenworthy, Virginia Bailey, & Cathy Adamski.

HOLY FAMILY CCW UPCOMING EVENTS

Garage Sale:

Drop off days:

Monday, Sept 19th 10am-4pm Tuesday, Sept 20th 10am-4pm Wednesday, Sept 21st 12pm-6pm Thursday, Sept 22nd 10am-4pm

Sale days:

Friday, Sept 23rd 9am-5pm Saturday, Sept 24th 9am-5pm



THANK YOU!

The Holy Family CCW would like to thank the bakers, workers, and everyone for making their bake sale a success.

BENEFIT DINNER

The Knights of Columbus #8849 and Holy Family CCW are co-sponsoring a benefit spaghetti dinner for one of our Knights, Steve Kenworthy. Steve will be coming home after some extended health care. The benefit dinner will be held

Date: **Sunday, September 25th**Location: Holy Family Parish Hall
Time: 4:00pm-8:00pm
Menu: Spaghetti, Salads, Desserts
****50/50 drawing****



St. Joseph Cemetery News

Flowers and decorations must be removed by October 1. Winter greeneries can be put on starting November 15 and removed April 1, 2023.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God in Your Ordinary Moments



Fixing the Scales Most people don't intend on being selfish. The reality of selfishness usually lies in the grey shades of our decision-making. We would

never go out of our way to kick a homeless person begging by the highway exit. We would never steal money from our parish collection plate.

But would we drive past the homeless person without even extending a thought or a prayer toward his need? Would we justify stinginess in time, talent, and treasure because of our own comfort? We all have been guilty of transgressions such as these in the past. We will fall again in the future.

Most of the evil in this world can be traced back to a feeling of entitlement that lurks deep within each of us — a frantic concern for our own good that we find difficult to shake. The same instinct that compelled Eve to reach for the fruit that would give her the knowledge of good and evil still compels people to focus on what they are owed, on what they have "earned," on what they have "coming to them." We are so tempted to fix the scales. We are so tempted to keep score.

We would do well to remember that our God is not a God who keeps score. He is not a God who acts entitled or who tacks on extra dues, taking as much as He can get. He is a God who seats the lowly with princes. He is a God who seeks avenues for reconciliation and mercy.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Scripture Readings

Monday, September 19 S Januarius

Prv 3:27-34; Ps 15:2-4b, 5; Lk 8:16-18

We are to be light in the darkness (2), living lives marked by justice (Ps) and love of neighbor (1).

Tuesday, September 20 S Andrew Kim Taegon, Paul Chong Ha-sang and companions

Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34-35, 44; Lk 8:19-21

Those who hear the Word and practice it (Ps) constitute the family of Jesus (2). They do what is right and just (1).

Wednesday, September 21 S Matthew

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13

Matthew (or Levi), the tax collector, is called (2) to be an evangelist (1), to proclaim the good news (Ps) by word and deed.

Thursday, September 22

Eccl 1:2-11; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17bc; Lk 9:7-9 For Qoheleth, everything is sadly repeated in the cyclic character of life (1). For the psalmist, however, we experience anew each day the Lord's kindness (Ps). Herod, perplexed by Jesus, seeks to meet him (2).

Friday, September 23 S Pius

Eccl 3:1-11; Ps 144:1b, 2abc, 3-4; Lk 9:18-22 The meaning of Jesus' messiahship will be revealed (2) at the appointed time (1): in his surrender to the Father on the cross, in total trust (Ps).

Saturday, September 24

Eccl 11:9-12:8; Ps 90:3-6,12-14,17; Lk 9:43b-45 The vitality of youth (1) is like the dawn which springs up anew but by sunset fades away (Ps). The Son of Man must suffer (2).

Sunday, September 25 TWENTY_SIXTH SUN-DAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

Amos condemns the complacency of the rich who seek only their own comfort (1). In his parable of the rich man and Lazarus, Jesus echoes Amos, exhorting those who have to share with those who have not. Self-sufficiency must never blind us to the needs of others (3, Ps). Only in this way do we keep God's commandments in integrity and in truth (2).



**STAR OF THE NORTH CLUSTER OFFICE HOURS

Office hours are as usual, however appointments are preferred. Please call the office during these hours and we will be here to answer or leave a message and we will call you back as soon as possible. Thank you.

Monday - 10:00a.m. - 12:00p.m.

Tuesday - Thursday - 10:00a.m. - 2:00p.m.

Friday - 10:00a.m. - 12:00p.m.

BAPTISM

To have your child baptized please contact the parish office 989-345-0064 extension 301 to make arrangements for baptismal preparation.

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