



OUR VISION STATEMENT:

We aspire to be a healthy, loving and growing faith community that brings people to Christ and the Eucharist, and forms missionary disciples to send them out to transform our communities. Every member is highly valued, and committed to worship, grow, serve, connect and give freely.

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time: October 17, 2021



October 3rd Bilodeau Baptism



Sprucing up the garden

COFFEE & DONUTS after Sunday Masses

**11th ANNUAL COATS FOR KIDS DRIVE
DISTRIBUTION DATE
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23rd
8:00 AM to 2:00 PM
Coats for all ages!**

**WOMEN'S CLUB RUMMAGE SALE! Mason Campus
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30th
Items may be brought to Cave Hall
Mon thru Thu, Oct 25-28 Time: 8 am-4 pm
See page 3 for more info**

GARDENING

Persons needed. We meet Tuesdays 10 am to 12 pm. Bring own gardening equipment. We have a wheelbarrow available to us.

Many hands make light work.
Contact Paulette Fox at 517-676-1807
for more information.

**DEACON CHUONG & ST CASIMIR
WELCOMING PARTY POTLUCK
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6th
AFTER MASS**

Food & more information on page 3

Love God • Love People • Make Disciples

Mass for the Week

Saturday, October 16th

4:00 P.M. Richard Vincent

Sunday, October 17th

8:30 A.M. Roberta Quinn

10:30 A.M. Grace Bushey

Tuesday, October 19th

12:10 P.M. Louie Passariello

Wednesday, October 20th

12:10 P.M. Ralph Pax, Sr

Thursday, October 21st

11:00 A.M. The People of the Parish

Saturday, October 23rd

4:00 P.M. Mike Masson

Sunday, October 24th

8:30 A.M. Fr Stanley Czarnota

10:30 A.M. Linda Baldwin

***Please note that Father does Mass intentions in a private Mass when no public Mass is held.*

Please contact the office to request a Mass Intention.



MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEKEND

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 23RD 4:00 P.M.

Sacristan **NEED 1**
Comm. **NEED 1**
Lector **NEED 2**
EM **NEED 1**
Greeters Sara Goodman
Ushers **NEED 4**
Music Tech **Need 1**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24TH 8:30 A.M.

Sacristan **Need 1**
Lector Joan Weber
EM Rosemary Atwood
Greeters **Need 4**
Ushers **Need 4**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24TH 10:30 A.M.

Sacristan **NEED 1**
Comm. **Need 1**
Lector Gabriela Kopacewicz
EM **Need 2**
Greeters **Need 4**
Ushers **Need 4**
Music Tech **Need 1**



READINGS FOR WEEK OF OCTOBER 17TH



Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 53:10-11;

Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22;

Heb 4:14-16;

Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

Monday

2 Tm 4:10-17

Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]

Lk 10:1-9

Tuesday:

Rom 5:12, 15, 17-19, 20-21

Ps 40:7-8, 8-9, 10, 17 [8 and 9]

Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday

Rom 6:12-18

Ps 124:1-3, 4-6, 7-8 [8]

Lk 12:39-48

Thursday

Rom 6:19-23

Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5]

Lk 12:49-53

Friday

Rom 7:18-25

Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94 [68]

Lk 12:54-59

Saturday

Rom 8:1-11

Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 6]

Lk 13:1-9

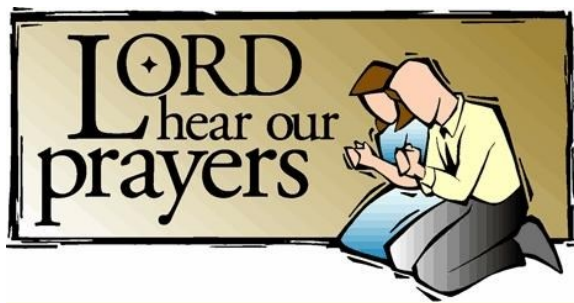
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 31:7-9

Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]

Heb 5:1-6

Mk 10:46-52



SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30th MASON

We accept all gently used clothing, housewares, small appliances, shoes, books, linens, etc. We **DO NOT ACCEPT LARGE APPLIANCES, MATTRESSES, STUFFED FURNITURE OR LARGE EXERCISE EQUIPMENT.** Items can be brought to Cave Hall **beginning Monday, October 25th.**

8:00 am to 4:00 pm M-TH

Questions? Call Nancy at 517-878-6037

Jeanne Angevine	Debbie Austin
Brigette Babin	Jerry Baldwin
Lou Bartolacci	Kaye Batdorff
Claire Beauregard	Jim & Linda Brayton
Dorothy Burch	Ray Butler
Bill Butler	Evelyn Cade
Rebecca Clinton	Sarah Damm
Bonnie & Mike Combs	
Tim Coppennoll	Don & Joyce Deaver
Andrew David	Keith Drayton
Florence Eifert	Dcn Tom Feiten
Greg Gehringer	Kym Hall
Dan & Donna Hancock	
Andrea Hartman	Marian Herbst
Kenzie Herman	Pat Hesck
Mike Hill	Debra Jansen
Jay Jensen	Nancy Klco
Matt Laura	Patricia Levandowski
Kristen Levielle	Pat Marshall
Fr. Ken McDonald	Amber McRay
Nancy Mercer	Nancy Moffatt
Constance Monday	Irene Morrison
John Oakley	Kari Olney
Karen Oswald	Dail Patterson Jr
Phil Pixley	Larry Poxson
Marilyn Reilly	Ron Reynolds
Cam Schaub	Joyce Schulien
Tim Schulien	Ron Sinke
William Vendt	Ayden Weyer
Les Willams	Martha Williams

Contact the office when you have a seriously ill relative or friend, prayer need, or deceased for our prayer list.



SOCIAL EVENT PICTURES NEEDED

Fr Kusi would like you to share the pictures you take with bonnie@saintsjcc.org.



POTLUCK—BRING A DISH TO PASS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6th AFTER MASS IN CAVE HALL

We're providing Ham & Scalloped potatoes!

After dinner, Deacon Chuong will give testimony on his story of coming here from Vietnam as a refugee.

We plan to stream the talk if you are unable to be here. It will begin approximately 6 pm.

Any questions call Pat Morrison at 231-487-0126

A portion of our 4% Christian Service Tithe has been sent to:

~Mason Food Bank~



Whoever wants to be
FIRST
must be
LAST
of all and servant of all.

Thank you to
Our Sponsor
of the Week:

~ S & Sue's ~



*The Earth is full
of His unfailing
love. Psalm 33:5*

STEWARDSHIP

St.s James, Cornelius & Cyprian

Last Week's Collections

October 10th \$ 14,247.00

Last Year \$ 11,105.00

(EFTs, Envelopes from 838 registered households)

Fiscal Year to Date (since July 1st) \$ 157,387.12

Year to Date Last Year \$ 144,881.76



MARKET DAY AT ST. JAMES

I have been approached about having another Market Day here at St James. Is there any interest? Are you a crafter? Do you have items to sell? If you are, contact Mary Knudstrup @ 517-242-7708 c or 517-676-1566 h or email me @ cknudstrup@comcast.net. If there is enough interest we will set a date.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

**Sundays in Mason when we have
Faith Formation Classes**

ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION

It's begun! Please pick-up a yellow registration form today!

You may also register with the link on the parish website.

If you are planning on home-schooling, please register so we can provide you with the materials that you need.

FAITH FORMATION FUNDRAISER

NO MONEY NEEDED

CONSUMER ENERGY CUSTOMERS

SIGN-UP FOR A FREE HOME ANALYSIS at:

ConsumersHomeEnergy.com

Or Call 248-463-8811

Promo Code: SAINTSJCC

FREE ENERGY EFFICIENT UPGRADES!

Maureen Stockwell, Alison Burch and Charli Heiler had their Home Energy Analysis done! They received free upgrades and expected to save over \$180 a year on their energy bills. Ask them about their experience.

Had one done in the last 12 months?

All we need is your name and address

This is based on sign-ups and analysis within a 90 day period.

Our goal is 200 households to participate
this would generate \$5,000!



Knights Corner

Mason Upcoming Events

Rosary at 10:15 October Sunday's

October 24-5 pm Officer Meeting

6 pm Regular Meeting

6 pm Angel Meeting

Free membership has been extended to December 31, 2021! Join the Mason K of C by going to kofc.org/join and enter the password MCGIVNEY2020.

To learn more about Mason #9182 Knights of Columbus Council visit www.masonknights.org, or contact any Mason Council # 9182 member at

Fr Gerald F Chapman - Bunkerhill

Upcoming Sunday Events

October 17—Coffee & Donuts
after Mass

October 24—Coffee & Donuts
after Mass

October 31—Coffee & Donuts
after Mass



Men-on-Fire

presents:

Dr. Ray Guarendi

Thu, Oct 21st

WOMEN INVITED

Dr. Ray will talk on

"Back to the Family"

Mass 6:15pm * **Talk 7:00pm**

Refreshments 8:00pm

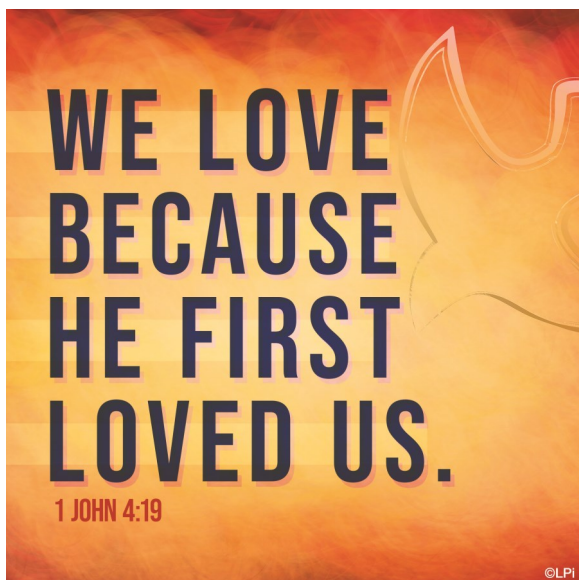
@ Holy Spirit Catholic Church

9565 Musch Road, Brighton MI 48116

Dr Ray is a Catholic father of ten, clinical psychologist, author, professional speaker, and national radio & television host. His radio show, *"The Dr. Is In"* can be heard on over 440 stations and SiriusXM® channel 130. His EWTN television series, *"Living Right With Dr. Ray"* is aired in 140 countries. Dr. Ray has given over 3,000 talks on various topics including parenting, **marriage, family & the Catholic faith.**

**OUR HOLY FAMILY OF BETHANY
SPEAKER SERIES PRESENTS BRIG SORBER**
Thursday, October 28 from 7 to 8 pm in
our Blessed Solanus Conference Room.
You are invited to come learn from Brig
Sorber as he discusses Finding my Faith
in Business Chaos. As a fellow parishioner
and former co-owner of Two Men and a
Truck, Brig's relaxed and humorous
personality will encourage and inspire you.
So, mark your calendars and plan to join
us for the return of St. Martha's popular
Holy Family of Bethany Speaker Series,
sponsored by our Evangelization Commit-
tee. All ages welcome!

St Martha Okemos



St. Francis Retreat Center, DeWitt MI

Upcoming Events

October 18th - The Life of St. Therese of
Lisieux One Day Retreat

October 22-24 - Co-Ed Weekend Retreat

October 30th - Continuing the Journey:
Bringing the Light Out of Darkness

November 12-14 - Women's Retreat

November 12th - All Saints and All Souls
One Day Retreat

November 13th - One Day Marriage Retreat

November 19-21 - DOL Confirmation Retreat

December 3-5 - Married Couples Weekend
Visit www.stfrancis.ws or call 517-669-8321
for more information or to register.

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LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

It's the positions of power and great authority that people often admire. We equate success with six figure incomes, high positions, management, and influence. We even go above and beyond to find favor with our bosses so that we can get a little extra recognition and maybe the next promotion when it comes up. This is the way of the world. Those who have their values set on earthly things are going to work by earthly rules. We forget that it doesn't work that way in the Kingdom of God. Success is measured not from the place of status, influence, or prestige but from the place of humility, service, and sacrifice. The authority that one hopes to achieve is not an authority over others but an authority that comes from wisdom and developing one's relationship with God. Jesus flips the tables on our priorities. Even the first disciples had a tough time understanding this. They really thought that they would somehow receive a privilege or bonus from being faithful. We often operate under that same illusion.

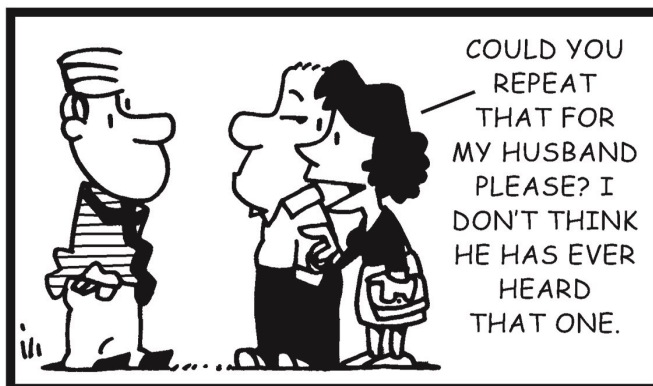


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GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

"What do you wish me to do for you?" Whether we realize it, this is a question God is always asking. It's an important question because the answer we provide will reveal a great deal about where our hearts lie. Our requests of God can often appear very noble and altruistic. They consist of requests for healing for someone in need of prayers, successful resolution of a personal conflict, assistance in overcoming a disease and myriad other desires for both ourselves and others. We are especially concerned about those we love and can easily find ourselves bringing their struggles to God for a hearing in our prayer.



Is that really all that prayer is about? The woman in today's Gospel, having been put in her place by Jesus, was only looking out for the wellbeing of her sons. She was doing what mothers do, protecting and securing the livelihood of her children. But she was sadly mistaken, her request was not granted. We all make this same misguided mistake from time to time. The goal of prayer is not to convince God of the worthiness of our agenda or to gain a hearing. Sometimes we believe that the more we multiply our prayers or discover the right combination of supplications that we will receive

more of God's attention. That's not how it works. Even though God desires to hear, know, and be an intimate part of what is on our minds, it goes much deeper.

What we need from God is a relationship. It's a relationship that guides and immerses us in the very stuff of life and in the direction of the Gospel. This relationship sees God's kingdom and agenda, not our own, as what is most important. It builds the strength of character necessary to bring God's Gospel into a world that may not receive it with open arms. It may cause us discomfort and suffering. We are asked to heroically journey

with God through suffering, hardship, ridicule, and even death! Ultimately, our desire from God must become our desire for God. It is only when this happens that the powerful words "thy will be done" will be found with sincerity and humility on our lips. Whatever God wishes becomes what we wish as we see this glorious union of wills. Our humble lives will then become powerful witnesses, and what happens to us in God's eternal kingdom the result of his mercy. We become true servants and find ourselves discovering God's definition of success. That definition has nothing at all to do with status, income, or privilege.

"But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many." - Mk 10:43-45

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