SUDAY IN ORDINARY TIME "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." - Mk 8:34b

The Catholic Community of Sts. James, Cornelius & Cyprian



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Saturaay, Sept 11th	4.00pm	Helefi Filio
Sunday, Sept 12th		For People of Our Parish D'Brien Deceased Family Members
Tuesday, Sept 14th	12:10pm	Louie Passariello, Living
Wed Sept 15th	12:10pm	Ralph Pax Sr
Thursday, Sept 16th	11:00am	For Grandparents (Bunkerhill)
Friday, Sept 17th	11:10am	Thomas Gray Jr
Saturday, Sept 18th	4:00pm	Thomas Gray Jr
Sunday, Sept 19th	<b>11:00am</b> 10:30am	Barney Zonca (Bunkerhill) Arnie Rodriguez

\*\*Please note that Father still 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, September 18th 4:00 P.M.

Sacristan	Theresa Seman	
Comm.	Need 1	
Lector	Need 1	
EM	Theresa Seman, <b>Need 1</b>	
Greeters	Sara Goodman, <b>Need 3</b>	
Ushers	Norman & Ann Puma,	
	Sandy Deview, Sara Goodman	
Music Tech Need 1		

### Sunday, September 19th 11:00 A.M.

Sacristan	Need 1
Lector	Kim Smith
EM	Need 1
Greeters	Soledad & George Heiler
	Need 2
Ushers	Need 4

### Sunday, September 19th 10:30 A.M.

Sacristan		Sue Powers	
	Comm.	Need 1	
	Lector	Need 1	
	EM	Need 2	
	Greeters	Need 4	
	Ushers	Need 4	
	<b>Music Tech</b>	Need 1	

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### STARTING SEPTEMBER 7<sup>th</sup> CLOSING FOR LUNCH!!!

MONDAY	12 to 1 pm
TUESDAY	12 to 1 pm
WEDNESDAY	12 to 1pm
THURS	11 am to 12 pm
RIDAY	11 am to 12 pm
MONDAY-TH	URSDAY 8 am to 4

MONDAY-THURSDAY 8 am to 4 pm FRIDAY Closing 11 am



Jeanne Angevine, Brigette Babin, Jerry Baldwin, Lou Bartolacci, Kaye Batdorff, Jim & Linda Brayton, Dorothy Burch, Ray Butler, Bill Butler, Evelyn Cade, Rebecca Clinton, Bonnie Combs, Robert Copi Sr., Tim Coppernoll, Andrew David, Don & Joyce Deaver, Keith Drayton, Florence Eifert, Deacon Tom Feiten, Greg Gehringer, Kym Hall, Dan & Donna Hancock, Andrea Hartman, Marian Herbst, Kenzie Herman, Pat & Christine Hesch, Debra Jansen, Jay Jensen, Nancy Klco, Matt Laura, Kristen Levielle, Pat Marshall, Fr. Ken McDonald, Nancy Moffatt, Constance Monday, Irene Morrison, John Oakley, Kari Olney, Scott Olson, Karen Oswald, Dail Patterson Jr., Larry Poxson, Marilyn Reilly, Ron Reynolds, Cam Schaub, Joyce Schulien, Tim Schulien, Ron Sinke, Ayden Weyer, Les Willams, Martha Williams

### May the angels welcome you to paradise...

### Charles "Chuck" Bodary

(Husband of Ann & Father to Charlie) Charlie Holleran (Husband of Bonnie) David Gehringer (Husband of Donna)



Please email heather@saintsjcc.org if you have a seriously ill relative or friend, prayer need, or deceased to be added to our prayer list. Also please email any updates needed to the current list.

## LITURGICAL LIFE

### **QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK**

### **First Reading**

Despite his suffering, the prophet Isaiah insisted "the Lord God is my help." In what way do you need the Lord's help today?

### Second Reading

James sees faith alone as insufficient for Christians. He even asserts: "I will demonstrate my faith to you from my works." Could you do the same?

### **Gospel Reading**

We hear today Jesus' definition of discipleship: "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." How well do you measure up to this definition of discipleship?



### GOSPEL MEDITATION Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

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!

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.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 12TH



Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 50:4c-9a Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 Jas 2:14-18 Mk 8:27-35

### Monday

1 Tm 2:1-8 Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9 Lk 7:1-10

### Tuesday

Nm 21:4b-9 Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 Phil 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17

Wednesday 1 Tm 3:14-16 Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

### Thursday

1 Tm 4:12-16 Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10 Lk 7:36-50

### Friday

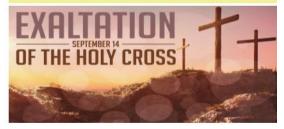
1 Tm 6:2c-12 Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20 Lk 8:1-3

> **Saturday** 1 Tm 6:13-16 Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5

> > Lk 8:4-15

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 2:12, 17-20 Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 Jas 3:16 - 4:3 Mk 9:30-37



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# <sup>2021</sup> Annual Parish Picnic

## Sunday, September 19 Mass at 11 am

## Come let us break bread together right after Mass. Food served at 12 noon (free-will donation).

Food. Fun. and Fellowship! Hotdogs & Hamburgers!

- Raffle! (Drawing at 4 pm) 1st Prize: \$500.00 2nd Prize \$300.00 3rd Prize: \$200.00 4th Prize \$100.00
- **Multiple Basket Raffles!**
- Kids Games!
  - **Garage Sale!**

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Do not have to be present

to win!

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### International Outreach Ministry (IOM) Fundraiser - Help Needed

IOM has a Texas Hold'em Fundraiser from Wednesday, 9/15 to Saturday, 9/18. We are in need of volunteers to help with this fundraiser. No experience needed! Please email or call Sue Powers at SQPOWERS@aol.com or 517-449-0999, if you are interested in helping.

The Coats for Kids Benefit Dinner will be held at the A&W Restaurant on Monday, September 20th. It will be a ham dinner with all the trimmings. The drive-thru hours are 11:00 am to 9:00 pm. Inside dinning hours are 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. Coats for Kids will receive \$2.00

from each dinner purchased.



### Items Needed:

### Church Picnic Garage Sale!

We are accepting donations (no clothes, just household items). Donations may be placed on the porch of the White House at the Bunkerhill campus. Set-up for sale Thursday, September 16th. Time TBA Sale Friday, Saturday and Sunday September 17, 18, and 19. Times TBA

### Church Picnic Bake Sale!

The ladies club will be hosting a baked goods fundraiser! Baked good donations will be accepted on the day of the picnic! Please bring them to the ladies club table! Thank you!

#### Register for a Women's Retreat at St. Francis Retreat Center "Rediscovering Jesus - Called, Formed, Sent"

Looking to step away from the chaos of the world and spend a weekend with the Lord? Drawing on the wisdom of the book, "Rediscover Jesus" by Matthew Kelly, we will be revisiting what we know about the personhood and divinity of Jesus Christ. From the Incarnation to the Resurrection and beyond, we will strive to deepen our understanding of what Jesus said about who he is. Register online at www.stfrancis.ws or call the St. Francis office at (517) 669-8321.

The suggested donation is \$185.

St. Francis is offering this women's retreat theme for 6 weekends: September 17-19, 2021 October 8-10, 2021 **November 12-14, 2021 (Sts. JC&C weekend)** March 11-13, 2022 April 8-10, 2022

This is a wonderful spiritual experience to share with your family, friends and fellow parishioners. We hope to see you there!

### Knights of Columbus Corner Upcoming Events for Mason Council #9182

September 17 - 4:30 - 7:00 PM St. James Fish Fry. September 24 - 4:30 - 7:00 PM St. James Fish Fry. September 26 - 5:00 PM Mason Council Officer's Meeting. 6:00 PM Mason Council Regular Meeting. 6:00 PM St James Knight's Angels Meeting.

In the month of September there will be the Divine Mercy Chaplet prayers being said at 10:10 AM each Sunday morning before Mass.

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The deadline for free membership has been extended to December 31, 2021. Join the Mason Knights of Columbus by going to kofc.org/joinus, and enter the password of MCGIVNEY2020. Once you are a member, we will get you into our council. If you sign up before December 31st, your dues will be free for all of 2021.

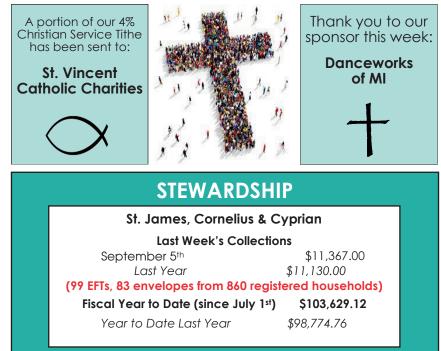
To learn more about Mason #9182 Knights of Columbus Council visit www.masonknights.org, or contact any council member at Church.



### MASON COUNCIL #9182 K of C FAMOUS FALL FISH FRIES

Please use the Cedar Street Entrance

Yes, the Famous Mason Council #9182 Knights of Columbus Fall Fish Fries at 1010 S. Lansing St., Mason, have come back and will be going from September 10 thru October 8th. With the uncertainty of the new virus, it will be Drive Thru only. We ask that you come in the Cedar St. entrance and process to the North Side of the hall where there will be a table to take your money and order your food. Payment will be by Credit Card, Check or Cash. If you have un-used punch cards, they can be used. Hours of operation will be from 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM. The cost will be \$11.00 for everyone. The meal will include: 3 Fried or Baked Pieces of Cod, Shrimp, Home Made Fries, Cole slaw, Green Beans, Mac & Cheese, Dinner Roll and Dessert. Pop and Water is not included but can be purchased separately. What a way to get a great Friday Night Fish Dinner!





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## LIVE THE LITURGY

Rest in the presence of God simply because God is God and you are you. This is all that is necessary. Out of this relationship will come inspiration, understanding, courage, constancy, truth, and virtues of all kind. We will find ourselves knowing the true meaning of things and developing a depth of insight that is not found following purely human venues. It is God who inspires and opens human hearts to see truth and beauty. In God, we understand all of our relationships with a richer appreciation and come to know who Jesus, who speaks of God's kingdom, really is. The trust that is fostered from resting with the Divine One allows us to see that God's ways are not our ways. There is something bigger going on in this picture of life. It is something mystical and magical that seeks to surprise us at every turn. It is not for us to cling to this world and its limitations. Our adventure is to dream bigger and brighter, realizing that it is even in suffering that the radiant light of the dawn will come. God's ways allow for our paths to be rocky, challenging, difficult, and even crippling at times. Purely human eyes cannot understand the 'why' of such experiences. The eyes and mind of God, however, reveal and detail a journey that ends in glorious resurrection joy. When we lose our axis and become too human in our thinking, Jesus rebukes us and gently reminds us how to see.



**Registration is open for Fall Faith Formation!** 

All students through 12th grade need to be registered. You can sign up on our website: www.saintsjcc.org

\*Financial Assistance Available

### EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments Can You Walk the Walk?

I've met and talked with enough people to feel confident that if you polled 100 fallenaway Catholics about why they didn't want anything to do with the Church, the term "accountability" would pop up in almost all of their answers.

And to be fair, a lack of accountability isn't just a Catholic problem. Talking the talk but not walking the walk has been a shortcoming handed down throughout the ages, across all creeds and nationalities.

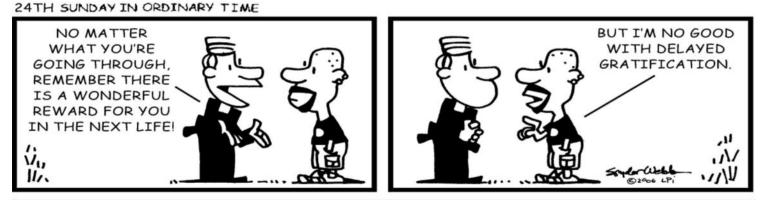
Loving our neighbor, welcoming the stranger, clothing the naked, feeding the poor — it all sounds fantastic, especially when we're the ones saying it. But the doing — well, that's a different story, isn't it? We would do well to remember that Christ calls one of his best friends "Satan" when Peter tries to convince Jesus to stray from his destiny.

Have you ever been called Satan by one of your good buddies? I'll bet it's not a great feeling. But think about what Peter was doing. He had just said, "You are the Christ." And now, mere moments later, he's saying: "Don't say these things. Don't say you're going to suffer. Don't say you'll be killed."

He was telling Christ to squander what the Lord had given him. He was telling him that having faith was fine, but being faithful? It's just a little too hard. God has a destiny for you, too, and He's asking you to be open to it. Maybe it's not in your comfort zone. Maybe you don't think you can do it.

Lord, give us faith — but help us, also, to do the work.

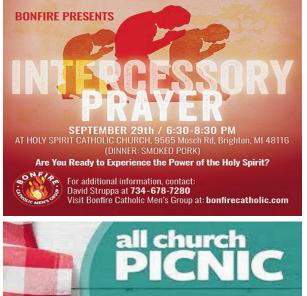
- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Love God ~ Love People ~ Make Disciples View this bulletin online at www.DiscoverMass.com The church gardens are in need of weeding. If you would like to help spruce up our grounds, there is a small group meeting in the gazebo garden on no-rain **TUESDAYS** from 10:00-12:00. Bring rake, shovel, knee pads... whatever you think you will need. We have a wheelbarrow available to



us. Many hands make light work. Thank you! Please contact Paulette Fox at 517-676-1807 for more info.



Sunday, September 19th Noon - 4:00pm Bunkerhill Campus

We are asking all parishioners to help sell tickets for several drawings happening at the picnic. Please pick-up tickets to sell after both

the 8:30 and 10:30 Sunday Masses in the parking lot. Tickets are only \$1.00 a piece!



1st place is \$500, 2nd place \$300, 3rd place \$200, & 4th place \$100! Do not need to be present to win!



2021 Annual Parish Picnic Cornhole Tournament!

It's a team sport so come in pairs, amateurs and experienced alike! No better time to make a friend! Enjoy some friendly competition in support of our YOUTH GROUP! Entry fee per team is \$10.00.

For more info & to register please contact: Colleen Satkowiak (ceayotte77@yahoo.com) or Fred Wilson (fwpw746@gmail.com)

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