



St. Joseph Catholic Church

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Pastor Fr. Augustine R. Njuu, A.I.

October 20, 2019

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday: Tuesday ~ Friday 8:00 am

Sunday Masses: Saturday, 4:00 pm;

Sunday, 8:00 am & 10:30 am

CONFESSION

Saturday, 3:00-3:45 pm or by appointment

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday ~ Thursday 9:00-4:00

ORGANIZATIONS of ST. JOSEPH

ST. JOSEPH MEN'S CLUB

Meets last Sunday of the month at 6:00 pm

Mr. Gary Stepp, President

(417) 844-1148 / steppgary@yahoo.com

PARISH COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (PCCW)

Meets the last Saturday of the month at 9:30 am

Bobbie Emery, President

(417) 209-4387 / roberta.emery@va.gov

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Classes held 9:10-10:15 Sunday morning Aug-May

Bonnie King, PSR/Confirmation Director

(417) 861-5010 / bonniestjoepsr@aol.com

YOUTH GROUP

St. Joseph Youth Group-Billings

ST. VINCENT de PAUL

Meets the third Sunday of the month at 1:30 pm

Mrs. Pat Hutton, President (417) 732-6180

Pantry Day ~ 2nd Saturday monthly

PARISH COUNCIL

Meets quarterly—Mar, Jun, Sept & Dec

Tim Potthoff, Chairman

(417) 988-4500

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Meets quarterly—Feb, May, Aug & Nov

Randall Moots, Chairman

(417) 848-6196

EVANGELIZATION

The Society of Our Mother of Peace

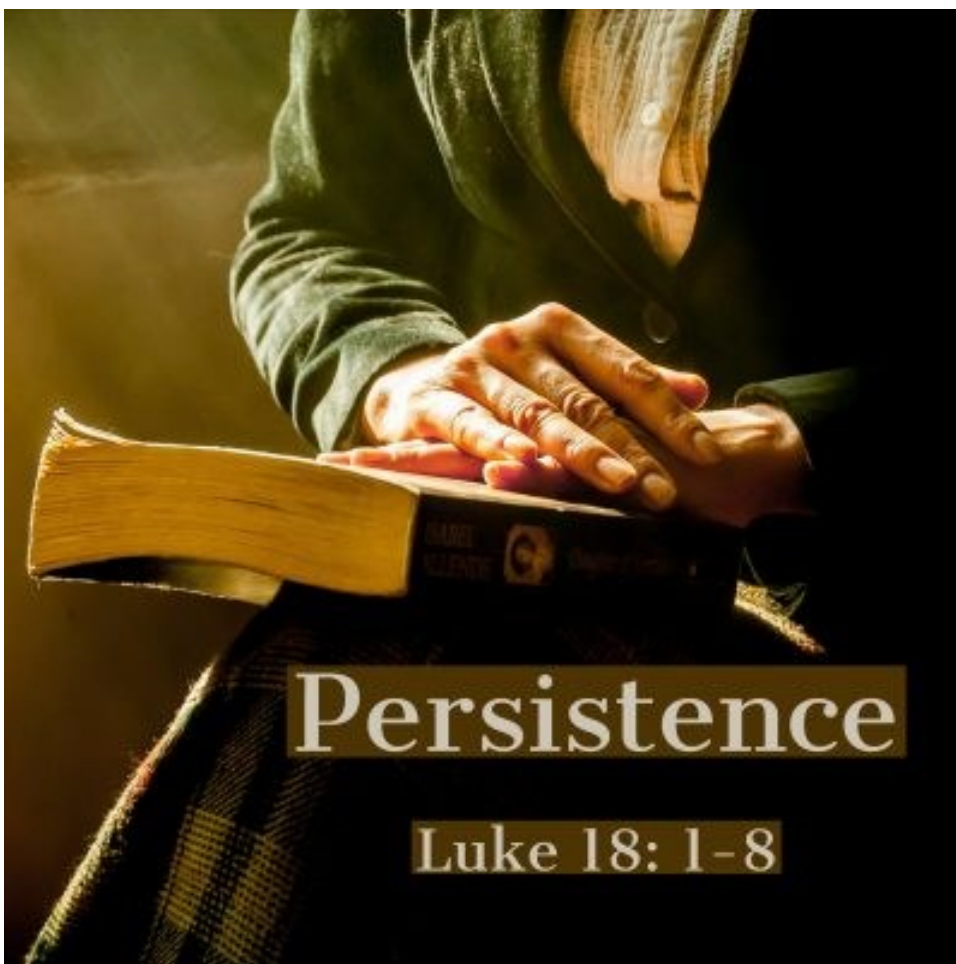
Queen of Heaven Solitude

(417) 744-2011

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Meets Wednesday mornings after 8 am Mass

Mrs. Joanne Verfurth (417) 744-2911



- * **Parish Registration:** Are you new to our parish or have never registered? We welcome you and invite you to formally join our parish by registering. Forms available in the church vestibule or call the parish office.
- * **Baptism & Marriage:** Contact the Parish Office to schedule. For marriages, contact Father at least nine months prior to the wedding date.
- * **Anointing of the Sick/Hospital Visits:** Contact the Parish Office prior to entering the hospital when you or a family member wish to be anointed prior to surgery or to request Father visit during hospitalization.
- * **Bulletin Submission Deadline:** Wednesday, 12:00 pm

Parish Office Staff: Nicole Dotson, Kelly Harter

Office Assistant: Janice Fabro

Custodian: Paula Foster, 417-849-4418

Music Director: Anneleise Reeves, 417-761-0231

Flower Ministry: Heidi Carpenter, 417-466-3633, & Virginia Taylor

Read the bulletin online at www.parishesonline.com



From the Pastor on the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Theme: One Sunday to Help the World

Every year, something special happens on the next-to-last Sunday of October. World Mission Sunday joins all Catholics of the world into one community of faith. At mass this Sunday, we recommit ourselves to our common vocation, through Baptism, to be missionaries, through *prayer, participation in the Eucharist, and by giving generously* to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

This year, Pope Francis addresses his World Mission Sunday message to us as we live out our baptismal call to be sent forth to evangelize the world. This is the mission that all Christians have received, and God gives us the grace to live it out wherever we may be.

As we pray and respond on World Mission Sunday here at home, we share in those celebrations taking place in every parish, seminary, school and convent all over the world. Together with the Church of Christ on mission in the world, we are baptized and sent, providing the prayerful and financial support necessary to bring the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions.

**"MAY THE LOVE FOR THE CHURCH'S MISSION WHICH IS
A PASSION FOR JESUS AND A PASSION FOR HIS
PEOPLE GROW EVER STRONGER!"**

In a world where so much divides us, World Mission Sunday rejoices in our unity as missionaries by our Baptism. And it provides an opportunity to support the life-giving presence of the Church among the poor and marginalized in more than 1,111 mission dioceses.



Father Augustine's final weekend celebrating Sunday Mass with us will be October 26 & 27. His final weekday Mass will be Tuesday, October 29, at 8:00 am.

As of October 29, weekday Mass will be celebrated at 8:00 am on Tuesdays only until further notice. The weekend Mass schedule will remain unchanged.

Father Fergus Monaghan (retired) will be our weekend celebrant until a pastor is officially appointed at St. Joseph's.



PRIEST APPRECIATION DAY PARISH POTLUCK

Join us next Sunday, October 27, at 12:00 pm as we honor and celebrate Father Augustine's ministry and friendship and take this opportunity to once again say a fond farewell one last time before his departure for Tanzania.

Please bring your favorite dish to share. The parish will provide fried chicken.



Matt Schneider, Linda Porterfield, Mark Brown, Rita Hickman, Keith Glouse, Barry Goulet, Mike Day, Ruth Clark, Joel Mendoza, Kelsea Taylor, Cody Browning, Ken Buster, Terry Carr, Annette Lasson, Steven Letts, Sarah Mahaffey, Mike Higgins, Steven Zoller, Jerry Langley, Tony Vesci, Jr., Wally Wetzel, Martha Peters, Mary Perry, Sarah Villareal, Patricia Caviness, James Mohler, Curtis Whitlow, Harper Brashears, Regina Giles, Raymond Mehl, Trey Hart, Eva Conyer, Ryan Blankenship, Joseph Lawrence, Donice Barrett, Janice Gill, Meghan Foster, Teresa Harter, Sarah Golubski, Nancy & Wayne Clemmons, Leasha Bear, Barbara Davis, Pat Hutton, Anneleise Reeves, Brad Harber, Dan Chilton, Ed & Barbara Zahner, Mark Black, Laura Medley, Karen Ward, Elizabeth Shelburn, Ron Cafourek, Mason Manegold, Colston Henderson, Julie Kisse, Michelle Lynch, Raymond Garbee, Heather Nicholson, Agnes Hayward, Susanna Pinkley, Heidi & Don Carpenter, Travis Sanders, Dale Lear, Emily Rose Turner, Juanita Steinbaugh, Virginia Reichert, Ann Stever, Halbert Family, Frank & David Luebbert, Coleman Family, Kay Rill, Steve Netzer, Ted & Alice Verfurth, Miles Emerson, Emilia Austin, Jean Hendricks, Joe Elwood, Patty White, Floyd Burger, end to infanticide, all caregivers, all intentions—We also remember in prayer those of our parish family who are battling chronic illnesses and those who are homebound and are no longer able to attend Mass due to present health concerns.

PRAYER LIST UPDATES Please call the Parish Office (744-2490) when you, or someone you know, would like to be added to the bulletin Prayer List. We are happy to add names as needed, and only ask that you keep us updated when those names should be removed. We try to leave them on for three months only, but will certainly continue to list them as needed.

Prayer Intercessors: Gail 417/493-5052, Mary 417/619-1611, Juanita 417/744-2045, Judy 417/744-4430, Sharon 417/695-2207



**PRAY FOR OUR COUNTRY,
OUR MILITARY, AND
THEIR FAMILIES**

Deployed: Robert Alsup, Elaina Wetz **Stateside:** Shelby Andrus, Chris Batchman, Jason Boyer, Vaughn Brown, Kirsten Davis, Chelsey Eudy, Tyler Eudy, Dakota Harter, Alexandria Stimpson, Clayton Taylor, Austin Williams



Oct 20	All Masses	Second Collection-World Mission Sunday
Oct 21-25	8:00 am	Annual Clergy Institute— No Weekday Masses
Oct 26	9:30 am	PCCW Meeting
Oct 27	12:00 pm 6:00 pm	Priest's Appreciation Day Potluck Men's Club Meeting
Oct 31	5:00-7:00 pm	Trunk or Treat in the Parking Lot
Nov 1	8:00 am Mass TBA	First Friday Devotions Holy Day of Obligation—Solemnity of all Saints Parish Office Closed
Nov 2	10:00 am	First Saturday Rosary
Nov 3 & 4	All Masses	Second Collection-St. Vincent de Paul
Nov 9	7:30 am	St. Vincent de Paul Pantry Day
Nov 10	All Masses	Second Collection-Maintenance
Nov 16	After 4:00 Mass	PCCW Soup Fundraiser & "Life of St. Francis" PSR Program



	4:00 pm	8:00 am	10:30 am
LECTOR	Chuck Hubbert	Gary Stepp	Sandra Crockett
EUCARIST MINISTERS	Chuck Hubbert Teresa Hanafin Danny Garbee	Gary Stepp Chad Griffin Dustin Bobbitt	Sandra Crockett Bryan Crockett Bonnie King Barbara Glouse
SERVERS	Jimmy Farmer Alice Farmer	Hayden Mitchell	Jack Hedgpeth
GIFTS	Volunteers	Dustin Bobbitt	Bryan Crockett Family
USHERS	Jerry Vermule Volunteer	Tim Potthoff Gerald Griffin	Mike King Jason Hedgpeth
COUNTERS	Tom & Stacy Vehige		



Tue — 8:00 am	No Mass
Wed — 8:00 am	No Mass
Thu — 8:00 am	No Mass
Fri — 8:00 am	No Mass
Sat — 4:00 pm	✠ Donald & Frances Everett
Sun — 8:00 am	✠ All Souls in Purgatory
Sun — 10:30 am	✠ Joe Mehl, Sr.



OCTOBER 13, 2019

Regular Envelopes	\$1,782	Loose	\$371
Candles	\$36.75	Maintenance	\$983.36
St. Vincent de Paul	\$220	World Mission	\$50



St. Joseph's PCCW invites all ladies to join us! We meet the last Saturday of the month at 9:30 a.m. in the parish hall. Our next meeting is October 26.

Support a Soldier Wish List

Treats: Beef jerky, gum, mints, trail mix, nuts, Skittles (no chocolate), instant soup, microwave popcorn, drink mix (Snapple, Kool-Aid), energy bars, Ramen noodles, instant coffee & cocoa, tea bags, powdered creamer.

Toiletries: Toothpaste, soap, hand sanitizer, lotion floss, deodorant, Kleenex (small packs), fingernail clippers, nail files, lip gloss, sunscreen, body wash, cotton swabs, toothbrushes, shaving cream, eye drops, aspirin, moleskin, medicated foot powder

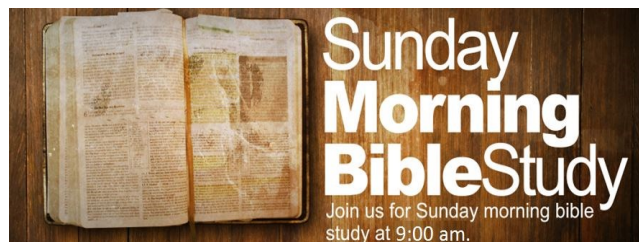
Gift cards: Amazon, iTunes, phone cards

Clothing: cotton socks, underwear

Entertainment: Sudoku, puzzle books, comic books, magazines, disposable cameras, writing materials (paper, pens, pencils, stamps, envelopes), paperback books.

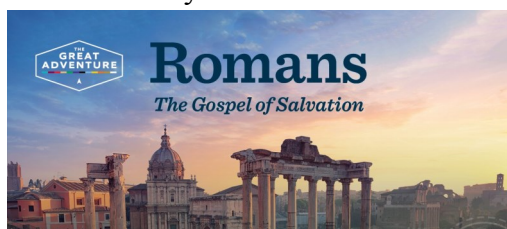
Note: Do not send anything that would offend people of the Islamic faith, including pork or pork by-products, obscene material, religious materials contrary to Islam, anything depicting nude or semi-nude persons, pornographic or sexual items, alcohol, or nonauthorized political materials.

Join us for coffee, donuts & fellowship after the 8:00 Sunday morning Mass. Your donation helps make this possible.



Adult education classes are in session and are held each Sunday morning in the adult classroom in the Parish Hall during PSR time.

This year's theme is:



New students are welcome anytime! Simply join us in the classroom or contact Paula Foster by phone at 417-744-8523 or email at fostersr8@att.net.

Join us as we grow in faith together!

St. Joseph's MEN'S CLUB

FAITH, FELLOWSHIP AND SERVICE

Next Meeting:

Sunday, October 27, 6:00 pm



PSR CLASS SCHEDULE

October 20 (Family Gathered Session)

October 27

November 3

November 10

November 17 — Confirmation Class Only

November 24

Special Dates of Note:

- November 2, 10:00-1:00, First Reconciliation Retreat at Holy Trinity in Aurora
- November 16, 5:00 pm, "Life of St. Francis" PSR Program



**KNOW SOMEONE WHO WOULD
BE A WONDERFUL
YOUTH LEADER?**

**WE'D LOVE TO TALK WITH THEM!
SHARE THEIR CONTACT INFO &
WE'LL REACH OUT!**



The Rosary Prayer Group meets each Thursday at 10:00 am at 304 SE Madison Avenue, Unit 7, Billings.

Rosary followed by coffee time. For more information, call Frank Urban, 417-365-2364





The evolution of our parish communities and of society in general has brought us to a critical juncture. The need for strong Catholic parishes and the ministries they offer, grows larger each day. At the same time, many parishes struggle to maintain the status quo, hoping that ministries and services will not have to be down-sized or eliminated altogether. As a parish community, it is up to us to live stewardship as a way of life to determine the success, perhaps even survival, of this parish.

- **THE LANDSCAPE IN CATHOLIC PARISHES IS CHANGING**

Only about 30% of Americans raised as Catholics are still practicing, with about half of them attending Mass on a given weekend.

Parishioner engagement, when examined as a factor of total parish households, is low, with approximately 20% of parishioners actively volunteering their time and 30% offering financial support.

Unlike decades ago when priests and nuns staffed our parishes and schools, increasingly our parishes are staffed by lay people who need to be paid just wages.

Parishioners feeling that their participation won't be missed since there are so many "others" who will contribute talent and financial resources.

Organizations that strengthened the bonds of community among parishioners are dwindling, with parish Holy Name Societies, Christian Women's groups and other parish groups disappearing.

- **SOCIETY FOSTERS THE CULTURE OF "ME"**

Active involvement in civic and community organizations has fallen by more than 50% over the last few decades.

Membership in PTAs, fraternal organizations and civic clubs is becoming a thing of the past. By the late 1990s, studies showed that

nearly two-thirds of all Americans said that they never attend a club meeting of any kind.

Studies show that the average adult is exposed to 300-400 commercial messages per day from sources including Twitter, pop-up web banners, e-mail solicitations, automated cell/phone calls, mail, radio, and television; each one reinforcing the message that what we own defines who we are.

Our per capita consumption continues to increase, from \$19,996 in 1998 to \$40,878 in 2017.

1 in 10 American households use a self-storage facility to store the overflow of their possessions.

There are now 2.3 billion square feet of self-storage space in the United States; 7.3 square feet for every man, woman, and child.

- **CATHOLIC FINANCIAL GIVING: WE DON'T MEASURE UP.**

The average American Catholic contributes 1% of gross income to his or her parish. This percentage has remained unchanged since the 1970s.

In dollars, 1% equates to approximately \$6 per week contributed by the average Catholic to his/her parish.

Main-line protestant (Lutheran, Episcopal, etc.) parishioners contribute 2%-3% of their gross income to their parishes.

A study of giving by active parishioners, defined as those who attend services weekly and participate in one or more parish committee or ministries, listed Catholics as last among all denominations with annual giving among their group of \$1,300 per year.

How is this relevant to the parishioners of St. Joseph's Parish?

Looking at the financial and ministry needs of our parish, it becomes clear that what we have done in the past to keep our parish healthy and strong is no longer enough. The answer to many of the challenges our parish faces today lies in an age-old concept that Jesus began teaching over 2,000 years ago. The answer is faithful stewardship. In their Pastoral Letter on *Stewardship, a Disciple's Response*, the U.S. bishops state:

"Parishioners must accept responsibility for their parishes and contribute generously – both money and service – to their programs and projects. The success or failure of parish programs, the vitality of parish life, or its absence, the ability or inability of a parish to render needed services to its members and the community, depend on us all."

MOCAN

The Missouri Catholic Advocacy Network



Do you want to be more involved in public policy, or to cast a more informed vote at the polls? Do you want your Catholic voice to be heard in the halls of the Capitol? You can make this happen by becoming a member of the Missouri Catholic Advocacy Network (MOCAN) of the Missouri Catholic Conference (MCC), the official public policy agency of the Catholic Church in Missouri. At all Masses next weekend, our parish will conduct a registration drive for MOCAN, during which you may register by text message or by filling out a MOCAN Enrollment Form. Through the involvement of Missouri Catholics, the MCC has won many legislative victories including enacting a ban on partial birth abortions, expanding the A+ scholarship program to include private school students, and raising the age of juvenile jurisdiction for young offenders. Please join MOCAN at Mass next weekend.

TOGETHER



WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

20TH OCTOBER 2019

Today is World Mission Sunday. We celebrate this day by remembering our baptismal call to bring the Gospel to all! The collection today for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith ensures the work and service of the Mission Church, as it supports priests, religious and lay leaders who offer the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. Thank you for your generosity.

2019 WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT

November 7-10, 2019

St. Mary's Catholic Church, West Plains, Missouri

"Direct your hearts to the love of God."

St. Mary's of West Plains is hosting an ACTS retreat: An ACTS retreat is a three-day/three-night Catholic Lay retreat presented by fellow parishioners. The weekend begins on Thursday, November 7, at 5 pm at St. Mary's Catholic Church. We will return to St. Mary's Catholic Church for mass on Sunday, November 10, at 10:30 am. Transportation to and from the retreat center will be provided.

The purpose of the ACTS weekend is to provide an opportunity for women to develop a deeper relationship with the Lord and fellow parishioners. Talks and activities during the retreat focus on Adoration, Community, Theology and Service, from which the ACTS acronym is derived. Holy Scripture and the teachings of the Roman Catholic Church are guides for the retreat.

Adoration—the call by, acceptance of, and response to God.

Community—the love and caring of each other.

Theology—the study of God through scripture & the Catholic faith.

Service – to God and his people.



Questions about the ACTS retreat experience? Contact: Lisa Phelan (580-763-7384) or Tracy Grigsby (417-257-8586)

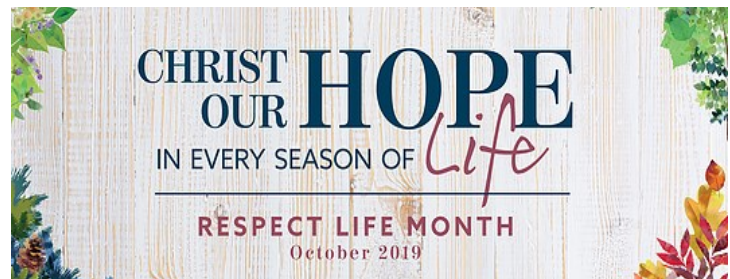


October 31st
5:00-7:00 PM

HERE AT ST. JOSEPH'S PARKING LOT
SIGN UP YOUR CAR TODAY!

KIDS, COME TRUNK OR TREAT WITH
US HALLOWEEN NIGHT!

(A PART OF HALLOWEEN ON ELM ST—
A BILLINGS COMMUNITY-WIDE EVENT)

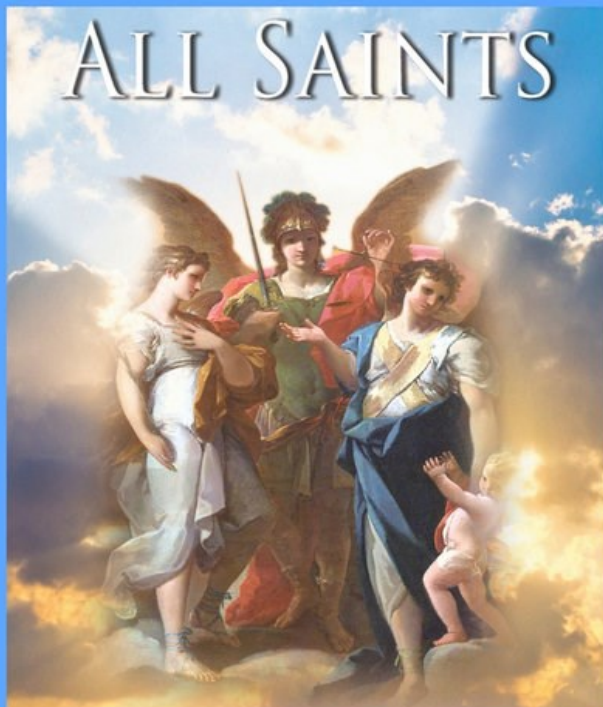


10 Ways to Support Her When She's Unexpectedly Expecting

*Read the full version at
respectlife.org/support-her.*

As a mom who had my first baby in college, I know that an unexpected pregnancy can sometimes bring fear, shame, and doubt. Perhaps one of your friends has become pregnant unexpectedly. I encourage you to support her in her new journey of being a mother. It's okay if you don't know the perfect words to say. Let her know you are there for her, and ask how you can support her. Assist her in lining up practical help. She may not feel she "deserves" to show happiness; reassure her it's okay (*and good*) to be happy. Your support might be the only support she receives. You can make a difference in her life. Will you?

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ALL SAINTS DAY

Is A Holy Day of Obligation
Friday, November 1

Mass Time at St. Joseph
to be announced

Parish Office is closed November 1

FREE Safe Trick or Treat Event for All Ages
Halloween 5-7pm
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On Elm Street

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