

**Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 18, 2020**

Thurs.	Oct. 22 nd	7:00pm	St. Columbkille
Fri.	Oct. 23 rd	9:00am	St. John
Sat.	Oct. 24 th	5:00pm	St. John
Sun.	Oct. 25 th	8:30am	St. Joseph
Sun.	Oct. 25 th	10:30am	St. Columbkille

Confession

Saturday 11:00am -12:00pm St. Columbkille

Readings for the Week

Monday, Oct. 19th

Ephesians 2:1-10 Luke 12:13-21

Tuesday, Oct. 20th

Ephesians 2:12-22 Luke 12:35-38

Wednesday, Oct. 21st

Ephesians 3:2-12 Luke 12:39-48

Thursday, Oct. 22nd

Ephesians 3:14-21 Luke 12:49-53

Friday, Oct. 23rd

Ephesians 4:1-6 Luke 12:54-59

Saturday, Oct. 24th

Ephesians 4:7-16 Luke 13:1-9

Sunday, Oct. 25th

Exodus 22:20-26 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10

Matthew 22:34--40



We will be having a rosary on Wednesday's at 7:00pm in St. John's parking lot, if weather is bad we will move into the gym.

Let Us Give Thanks!

Weekend Collection - \$4443.00

Loose - \$128.00

Building fund - \$410.00

650 Parish Families

(363 Family envelope holders)

106 Envelopes used

Mass Intentions for Weekend of Oct. 17 & 18

Saturday St. John: + Beatrice Micklash

Sunday St. Joseph: Good Shepherd Parishioners

Sunday St. Columbkille: + Maureen Brewster

Donations:

In memory of Shirley Mae Kroetsch by Rosalie Walsh

In memory of Thelma Murray by Beatrice Pichla

In memory of Rita Depcinski by Beatrice Pichla

In memory of Stanley Osantowski by Peter Osantowski

In loving memory of David Kroetsch by Aunt DeAnn

In this Sunday's Reading

"Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." - Matthew 22:21

Everything we are and everything we have belongs to God. We aren't "owners" of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has given each of us. All God is asking is that we give back a portion of what He gave us. This is the essence of stewardship.

God should be our first priority in everything.

All else comes second.

World Mission Sunday

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 supports the work and witness of the Mission Church, as it provides for 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.

Please remember your parish when planning your estate

Religious Education/Faith Formation

Please pray for all who come together for our programs. Wednesday & Sunday program includes:

Kindergarten through 6th grade

Uby 3-4:30pm Wednesday (Oct. 21)

Sheridan Corners: Wednesday (Oct. 21, 28)

Argyle: 6-7:30pm Sunday (Oct. 18)

Youth Group

Youth Group next meeting will be Sunday Oct. 25, 2020 from 5:00pm until 7:30pm at the Parish Center.

Youth group is for all 7th thru 12th graders. All are welcome and there is no charge.

Envelope Survey

Thank you all who returned their survey.

If you didn't return your survey and need another copy or call in your desire to receive or stop receiving envelopes, please contact the office 989-658-8824, this will help our parish save money. You are still a parishioner even if you choose to not use envelopes.



St John Cemetery; St. Columbkille;

St. Joseph/St. Ignatius

Fall clean-up and removal of summer flowers will begin November 1st. Anything left in the cemetery will be removed and discarded. Please do not place any winter decoration on graves until fall clean-up is completed.



Snow Removal

Looking for someone to do snow removal at our Argyle site for the winter season. If interested call the Parish office 989-658-8824.

VOLUNTEERS SCHEDULED:

Counters:

Please remember that we are counting on Tuesday until the end of the year! Thanks

Oct. 20: Olave Bukoski, Charlotte Baker, Carol Beaudin

Oct. 27: Kathy Beaver, Marge Briolat, Mary Jane Zurek

Nov. 3: Geraldine Peruski, Kay Peruski, Evelyn Peruski

5:00pm Saturday Mass Oct. 24th St John

Lector: Luci Kubacki

EMHC: Marin Kubacki

Ushers: John Guigar, Bob Brahmer

8:30am Sunday Mass Oct. 25th St Joseph

Lector: Suzanne Kroetsch

EMHC: Lori Uhl

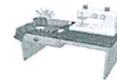
Ushers: Chuck Izydorek, Bruce Uhl

10:30am Sunday Mass Oct. 25th St Columbkille

Lector: Amy Sweeney

EMHC: Dana Irion

Ushers: Ronnie Irion



Sew What Day!!

Come learn to sew or bring to finish. Do something with new friends, starting up in Argyle, St. Joseph's Hall Nov. 7 @ 10:00 am. Bring a dish to pass, & your sewing stuff. Will be doing a Thanksgiving theme for the meal that day. Call Edie for more info (810)404-9887.



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Jesus Thirsts for You!

Will you quench His thirst?

Fr. Nate's Update- October 18, 2020

Good Shepherd Parish Office: open Mon.-Thurs.

8:30am-3:30pm

St. John Church open during office hours

989-658-8824 - goodshepherd48475@gmail.com

Daily Mass: Thursdays 7pm @ St. Columbkille; Fridays 9am
@ St. John

and Eucharistic Adoration until 11am

Reconciliation: Saturdays 11am @ St. Columbkille
[check BULLETIN & FACEBOOK page for cancellations]



(Above: pumpkins decorated by our St. Columbkille Faith Formation young disciples and flowers donated and watered by Jean and Beth Phillips; Right: crutches left behind after healings at the Basilica and National Shrine of Mary Help of Christians, aka "Holy Hill" in Hubertus, Wisconsin, that Fr. George Amos and I visited on the way to the Rural Life Conference)



Dear Reader, fellow Saint-in-the-Making, Happy 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time!

First, some humor: 1. A little boy in church for the first time watched as the ushers passed around the offering plates. When they came near his pew, the boy said loudly, "Don't pay for me, Daddy, I'm under five." 2. The young couple invited their aged pastor for Sunday dinner. While they were in the kitchen preparing the meal, the minister asked their son what they were having. "Goat," the little boy replied. "Goat?" replied the startled pastor. "Are you sure about that?" "Yes," said the boy. "On the drive back from church I heard Mom say to Dad, 'Remember, we're having the old goat for dinner tonight.'"

Saturday Mass Time Change: Saturday Mass time will change from 5:00pm to 4:00pm for Daylight Savings time (November 1 - March 14) So, beginning Sat. Oct. 31, Mass will be at 4:00pm

Pray the Rosary- October is the Month of the Rosary: Bishop Gruss asks us to pray it daily this month for the diocese, the Church, and the World!

MYTHS ABOUT PASTORS: Myth: Pastors are too busy with "more important things" than to be "bothered" by your concerns and problems...

Truth: I was ordained to be available to you, at your service, no matter how "small" your concern! Please let me know if I can help, even if only to be a listening ear!

Myth: Your pastor knows your giving patterns and giving history...

Truth: While I could look up your giving history, I have not, and don't necessarily plan to. Besides, I realize that some parishioners give only cash, and this is not recorded.

Myth: Your pastor notices every time you're not at Mass...

Truth: I do not notice every time a parishioner is absent, but if I do, I give them the benefit of the doubt; maybe they're away visiting family, maybe attending Mass at a local parish, etc.

Myth: Your pastor remembers every sin you confess and looks at you differently after the confession...

Truth: I do not look at people differently after they confess; God gives me the grace to forget what I hear!

Myth: Your pastor doesn't want to get to know you and your family; doesn't want to be invited over...

Truth: I want to get to know as many of my parish families as possible! I really enjoy being invited to dinner and/or a house blessing.

Myth: Your pastor finds writing and preaching homilies to be easy...

Truth: Writing homilies is one of the most challenging and time-consuming tasks of my week. Preaching is never easy for me.

Myth: Your pastor does not want feedback on homilies...

Truth: I do want constructive feedback! How can I improve my homilies without your feedback?

Myth: Your pastor is lonely and should be pitied...

Truth: Your pastor is blessed with 8 siblings and the ability to visit my parents a couple times a month and friends back home and in the area. Whenever I'm feeling lonely in the rectory, I can turn to Jesus and Mary in my heart, or go into the church and sit in front of the tabernacle, where I feel Jesus' Presence and love for me in the Blessed Sacrament

Myth: Your pastor works weekends, but the rest of the week he doesn't do much...

Truth: I work all week long, and obey God's 3rd Commandment by taking Mondays off, when I seek rest, recreation, and renewal.

Myth: Your pastor is offended when a family requests a different priest to preside at a funeral, etc...

Truth: I am not offended!

Myth: Your pastor wants everyone in our area to become Catholic...

Truth: This is not a myth! The Catholic Church offers the surest road to heaven, the most intimate relationship with Jesus and our heavenly Father through the Eucharist and the Scriptures, the JOY of forgiveness and healing through Confession, a life-giving relationship with Mary as our spiritual Mother, and the fullness of God's gifts and helps to salvation. The Catholic Church offers us the true meaning and purpose of our lives: to become saints in love with God. It is God's will for every person to enjoy these blessings in this life.

Pope's OCTOBER Intention: *We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church (Lord, hear our prayer!)*

God loves you, I love you, I pray for you, please pray for me! -Fr. Nate Harburg



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Is 45:1, 4-6 | 1 Thes 1:1-5B | Mt 22:15-21

Written by
THE
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DISCIPLE

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

I took up distance running some years ago, thanks largely to a group of friends who encouraged me along the way. We'd share the peaks and valleys of our lives as we tackled rolling hills. Those long runs come to mind when I hear Paul give thanks to the Thessalonians for having "endurance in hope of our Lord Jesus Christ." Paul here speaks of hope in Jesus – a hope that has the risen Christ as its foundation, and is central to the Christian life. When I think of what lies at the end of a long run, such as water and blissful rest, and how grateful I am for these simple pleasures, I cannot help but rejoice in the hope that St. Paul refers to today. Our catechism makes it clear: "We firmly believe, and hence we hope that, just as Christ is truly risen from the dead and lives forever, so after death the righteous will live forever with the risen Christ and he will raise them up on the last day." (989)

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

During a particularly challenging time, I confided in a close friend over the phone. She didn't just offer to pray for me, she actually prayed *with* me on that phone call. I don't recall her exact words, but she called on Jesus to help me trust that God would see me through. So often, it can be hard to find the words to encourage others in their faith. When that happens, why not bring Jesus into the conversation? It may seem awkward at first, but offering to pray with another person in real time can be a powerful witness and encouragement. As Christians, we don't rely on "hoping" that everything will work out in the end; instead, we know that our hope is in Christ Jesus. As the catechism says: "Hope is the theological virtue by which we desire the kingdom of heaven and eternal life as our happiness." (1817) It doesn't get much more direct than that. Reflect on what "hope" looks like for us as Christians. And then tell a friend about it.

DID YOU KNOW? The source of our second reading today, the First Letter from Paul to the Thessalonians, contains the earliest mention within Christian literature of the three theological virtues: "faith, hope and love." Reread today's passage, and then read 1 Thessalonians 5:5-8. In prayer, we can ask God to help us grow in all three virtues and show us ways to share them with others.