



Assumption Catholic Church

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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 27, 2024



May you find Christ here...may you take Christ to the world!

Mass Schedule:

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, 12 noon

Friday, 9:00 a.m.

Confessions:

Saturdays, 3:00-3:45 p.m.

Weekdays, 30 mins. prior to Mass

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Bulletin Deadline:

Wednesday, 12 noon

Sunday Reflection: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Have you ever encountered once in a life-time opportunity you knew you could not pass up? Such a moment came for a blind and destitute man, named Bartimaeus in today's gospel. He was determined to get near the one person who could meet his need. He knew who Jesus was and had heard of his fame for healing, but until now had no means of making contact with Him. It took a lot of courage and persistence for Bartimaeus to get the attention of Jesus over the din of a noisy throng who crowded around Jesus as he made his way out of town. It was common for a Rabbi to teach as he walked with others. When the crowd tried to silence the blind man, he overpowered them with his emotional outburst and thus caught the attention of Jesus.

This incident reveals something important about how God interacts with us. The blind man was determined to get Jesus' attention and he was persistent in the face of opposition. Jesus could have ignored or rebuffed him because he was disturbing his talk and his audience. But Jesus showed that acting was important than talking. This man was in desperate need and Jesus was ready, not only to empathize with his suffering, but to relieve it as well. Why did Jesus put a question to Bartimaeus - "What do you want me to do for you? Jesus wanted to draw out of him a personal response of faith and trust in his power to heal and make whole. Jesus commends Bartimaeus for recognizing who he is with the eyes of faith and grants him physical sight as well. Do we recognize the Lord Jesus with "eyes of faith" as our merciful Lord and healer? Ask the Lord Jesus to strengthen our faith that we may draw near to him and receive his grace and mercy.

Readings for Next Sunday,

November 3, 2024

Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Hebrews 7:23-28

Mark 12:28b-34

Saint of the Week... St. Simon and St. Jude

The togetherness of St. Simon the Zealot and St. Jude Thaddeus was destined to be: both apostles preached the words of God in Persia. Perhaps they listened to the teachings of Jesus side by side. In the New Testament list of apostles, their names always follow each other.

Simon, who was born in Cana, Galilee, is mentioned on all four lists of the apostles. On two of them he is called "the Zealot." The Zealots were a Jewish sect that represented an extreme of Jewish nationalism. In their desire for an independent Jewish state, Zealots refused to pay taxes.

Jude is named by Luke and Acts. Matthew and Mark call him Thaddeus. He is not mentioned elsewhere in the Gospels except where all the apostles are mentioned. Jude actually had the same name as Judas Iscariot. Evidently because of the disgrace of that name, it was shortened to "Jude" in English. Jude, which means "God be praised," was the son of Alphaeus and Clopas, the cousin of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Jude's brother was James the Less, also an apostle.

St. Simon is the patron saint of couriers, tanners and sawyers. St. Jude is the patron saint of impossible cases.

Sources: franciscanmedia.org and businessmirror.com



Feast Day: October 28



Tina Blank, Jennifer Boling, Leslie Bosley, Angela Bowers, Mickey Brooks, Darlene "Bitsy" Brown, Sue Burns, Raymond Clark, Linda Davis-Kyle, Palma Devic, Bill Fazzalore*, Scott Furey, Barbara Gratto, Sue Greco, Donna Hanlin, Shawn

Hartman, Kathy Jenkins, Sarah Jones, Margie Keister, Sueann Keller-Schwille, Wanda Kinnie, Joanne Knott*, Jeffrey Labonte, Jim Lambert, Pam Launi, Lance Lupis, Betty McAvoy, Paul & Connie Murray, Randy Nairn, Debbie Pappas, Crystal Pollet, Susie Radcliffe, Charles Ravenscroft, Katherine Revell, Carla Riggelman, Jeff Roth, Margie Roy, Graydon Shade, Helen Shallis, Sparrow Shannon, Esther Shockey, Fran Sommers, Barbara Stanislawczyk, Melissa Stanislawczyk, John Stephen Jr., Michaela Stickley, Bill Stine, Patsy Summers, Stefanie Swanger, Jeremy Taylor, Maleigha Taylor, Doris Tetrick, Courtney Whiteman.

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This year you can build your Operation Christmas Child shoebox online! This method allows for easier passage through customs in hard-to-reach nations. Use the link or QR code below to get started. Questions? Contact Michael Stanislawczyk at 304-813-3426.



<https://sampur.se/45Supad>

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy!

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Pastor Appreciation

Join us for our third annual Pastor Appreciation Dinner as we celebrate and honor Fr. Thomas for his loving service to our parish and all of us!

Sponsored by the Ladies Guild, the dinner will be held Wednesday, October 30 at St. Mary's Hall, catered by Flying W Farms. Following the 5 p.m. Mass we will gather for some social time. Dinner will be served between 6:00-6:15 p.m.

Please sign up in the Vestibule by this Sunday, October 27. Price is \$24 per person which includes tax and tip. Payment can be made at the door the night of the dinner. Checks can be made payable to Assumption Ladies Guild.



Holy Day of Obligation

Friday, November 1, 6:00 p.m.

If you are unable to attend Mass here, Mass for the Holy Day will be celebrated at Our Lady of Grace in Romney on Friday at 11 a.m.

Reminders for All Souls Day

The deadline to submit photos of deceased loved ones and to purchase personalized memorial candles is this Sunday, October 27. Photos can be emailed to or dropped off at the parish office; envelopes for the memorial candles are available in the vestibule.

Remembrance forms are also available in the vestibule and can be dropped in the offertory baskets anytime.



A special program entitled, **"Serving the People of God as ministers and catechists; what is your role in the liturgy?"** will be presented at our church on Sunday, November 24 from 6-7:30 p.m. The presenter will be Dr.

Rodica Stoicoiu from the University of Dayton's Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation. While the primary audience for the program are liturgical ministers and catechists, all members of the parish are invited to attend. More details will be shared soon.



Being a Christian is like being a pumpkin...

God lifts you up from the patch, takes you in, and washes off all the dirt. Then He cuts the top and scoops out all the yucky stuff. He removes the seeds of doubt, hate and greed. Last, He carves you a new smiling face and puts His light inside you to shine for all the world to see!

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Date	Time	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, October 26	4:00 pm	Souls of Gwen & Gina DeMasi	Their Loving Family
		The Calemine & Wise Families	Jean Harber
Sunday, October 27	8:30 am	Intentions of Fr. Thomas & his family	Sue & Jean Harber
Monday, October 28	No Mass		
Tuesday, October 29	No Mass		
Wednesday, October 30	5:00 pm	Living & Deceased Members of the Demasi & Turner Families	Sue & Jean Harber
		Soul of Mildred Willis.....	Mary Alexander
Thursday, October 31	12 noon	The Barrick & Travis Families	Howard & Karen Barrick
		Intentions of the Daily Mass Prayer Warriors of Assumption Parish	God Bless You
<i>All Saints Day, Holy Day of Obligation</i>			
Friday, November 1	6:00 pm	People of Assumption Parish.....	Assumption Parish
Saturday, November 2	4:30 pm	Souls of Bill & Helen Semenuk	Cathy Pardee
Sunday, November 3	8:30 am	Soul of Helen House	Rene & Kevin Trezise

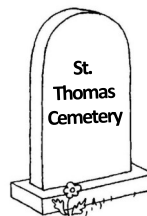
Join us to pray the Rosary 30 minutes prior to each weekday Mass.

Scenes from the CCD Picnic!



Election Day is November 5

As Americans, we have a civic responsibility to vote in our upcoming election. As Catholics, we are called to form our conscience based on the Gospel teachings before visiting the voting booth. In order to assist us in this discernment, The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops have created a document, to remind us of Catholic social teachings on the issues of war, abortion, racism, immoral lifestyles, immigration, unemployment, healthcare, homelessness and the environment. We encourage everyone to read the document and spend time in prayer before exercising your right to vote on November 5. To view the document, visit usccb.org/offices/justice-and-peace/forming-consciences-faithful-citizenship.



Cemetery Flowers

If you have summer or fall flowers at St. Thomas Cemetery that you would like to keep, please remove them by November 15. Thank you!

Your Faithful Stewardship

October 19-20, 2024

Offertory

Offertory Envelopes.....	\$2,600
Loose Donations.....	\$1,187
Total	\$3,787

Attendance

Saturday, October 19.....	73
Sunday, October 20.....	97
Total	170

10/20 Diocesan Collection

World Mission Sunday	\$472
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Today's Diocesan Collection

A special collection to assist in humanitarian relief for those impacted by the recent hurricanes is being taken today. A separate basket is available for this appeal.

Liturgical Minister Schedule

Saturday, November 2

Lector: Bill Lupis
 Servers: Mike & Rosie Landis, Morgan Gustafson
 EMs: Mere Barrick, Bob Yowler (c) & Karen Yowler (c)
 Cantor: Anita Tetreault
 Greeters: Tom & Kathy Finnell

Sunday, November 3

Lector: Derek Stephen
 Servers: Jeff & Remy Kuhn, Abby Del Signore
 EMs: Tina Stephen, Pam Williams (c), Dave Minnich (c)
 Cantor: Julie Alt
 Greeters: Tony & Marie Del Signore

Saturday, November 9

Lector: Sue Harber
 Servers: Martin & Micah Alt
 EMs: Janet Corley, Alan Taylor (c), Jean Harber (c)
 Cantor: Julie Alt
 Greeters: Bob & Karen Yowler

Sunday, November 10

Lector: Kelley Kuhn
 Servers: Jane Placka, Beverley Iser, Nick McKenzie
 EMs: Rosie Landis, Nancy Starcher (c), Charlotte Delilo (c)
 Cantor: Patrick George
 Greeters: Kenny & Karen Brant

Keyser Healthcare Center EM

October 31 Pam Williams
 November 7 Joanne Stickley