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Rev. Stanley Szybka

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Cheryl Freewalt

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Angie Renner

Masses:

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Weekday: Tuesday 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:45 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. & Saturday, 3:00 - 3:30 pm. or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated during or after any weekend Mass. Instructions for parents having their first child baptized are held the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. Please contact Cherie Freewalt to schedule a date.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please contact Fr. Stan AT LEAST SIX MONTHS prior to your proposed wedding date to begin preparation for your marriage and to schedule a date.

New to the Parish?

We are glad to welcome you as a member of our Parish Family. Please stop by or call the Parish Office to register. Welcome!

Directory

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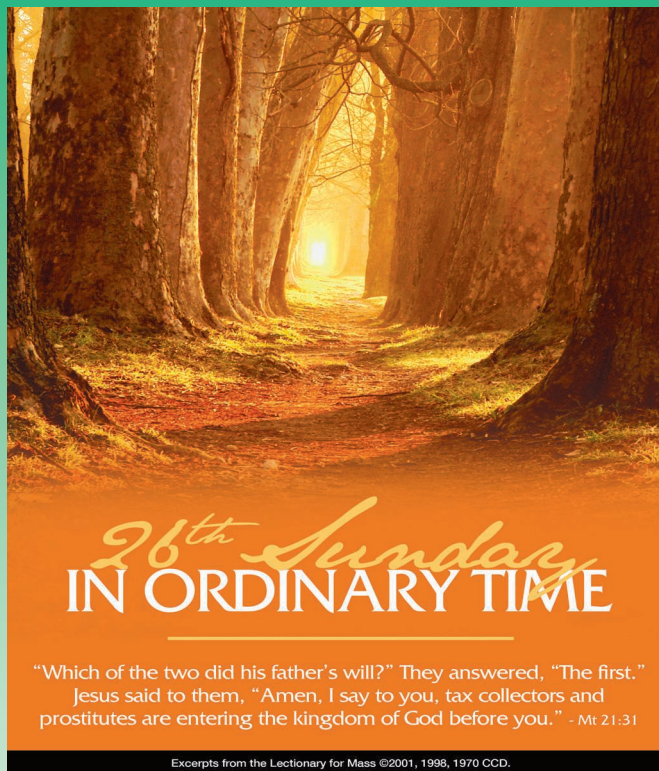
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Bulletin Deadline:

Monday at NOON, in writing

October 1, 2017

Respect Life Sunday



This Week in Our Parish

<u>Sun Oct 1:</u>	Coffee & Donuts	(after all Masses)
	Bible Study (HFR)	9:30 am
	Bible Study (HFR)	6:00 pm
	Bingo (K of C)	6:15 pm
<u>Tues Oct 3:</u>	School Council (Library)	7:00 pm
<u>Wed Oct 4:</u>	SOR	6:45—8:00 pm
<u>Thu Oct 5:</u>	Women of Grace (HFR)	9:30 am
	Pastoral Council (HFR)	6:00 pm
	Bingo (K of C)	6:15 pm
	Women of Grace (Library)	7:00 pm
<u>Fri Oct 6:</u>	First Friday	
	Van Crest	10:00 am
	Adoration (Chapel)	8:00 pm-8:00 am
<u>Sat Oct 7:</u>	First Saturday Mass	8:00 am

Liturgical Schedule

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

8:30 AM Gilbert & Agnes Herrick
10:30 AM Stanley Shondel

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2+ HOLY GUARDIAN ANGELS

No Service

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3

8:00 AM—5:30 PM Adoration
5:30 PM Benediction and Evening Prayer
6:00 PM Carmen Jacobs

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4 + ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

8:45 AM Doug & Teresita Heckler

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5 + BLESSED FRANCIS XAVIER SEELOS

8:45 AM Dan Gorman

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6 + ST BRUNO

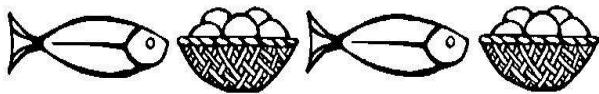
8:45 AM John Marshall
10:00 AM Mass at Van Crest
8:00 PM - 8:00 AM First Friday—Adoration in Chapel

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

8:00 AM First Saturday Mass
4:00 PM Donald Smith

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

8:30 AM St. Mary's Parish
10:30 AM John & Heather Metzger



Servers, Eucharistic Minister, Lector & Usher Schedules for Oct. 7 & 8, 2017

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 4:00 PM

Servers: Caroline, Kitty and Hank Kopack,
E. M.: T Heckler, G Hirzel, J Hoersten, D Mathew
C Mowry, T Reinhart, A Renner
Ushers: Terry Johnson, D Heckler, D Hohman, D Renner
Lector: Mary Yackey

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 8:30 AM

Servers: Alexa Gearhart, Kaitlyn & Ashley Motycka
E. M.: B Fuerst, D Fuerst, J Keipper, G Kulwicki,
A Laurent, S Laurent, L Say
Ushers: Jim Brickner, R Knueve, S Thomas, D Krizay,
B Wolke, E Fox
Lector: Diana Pollock

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8, 10:30 AM

Servers: Ryan & Connor Pratt, Erin Schaufelberger
E. M.: L Kill, B Laing, L Lawson, L Pratt, C Reindel,
A Schaufelberger, T Shultz
Ushers: Charles Brickner, M Keber, D Allmandinger,
D Keber, J Meyers, B Keber
Lector: Cherie Freewalt

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Please come forward immediately when the prayers for extending Peace are offered. This will help substitutes know they are needed and allow sufficient time to be ready at the altar. Also, please watch for a total of 8 with Father, Deacons and yourselves.

RESPECT LIFE!

The first Sunday of October is regarded as Respect Life Sunday. The theme this year is "Be Not Afraid" - - "Behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age." (Matt 28:20)

While the original purpose of this day was to provide a visible protest to the Supreme Court decision of Roe v. Wade that allowed abortion, it has since grown in a consideration not only of all life, but of the quality of that life.

St. Pope John II's "culture of life" has provided the basis for this valuing of all life while Pope Benedict XVI "theology of the body" has helped us to understand God's gifts to all of us.

Accordingly, matters such as conscience formation and the death penalty now enter the picture. While the Church continues to hold firm to the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception to the time of natural death, the consideration (as always) involves the quality of that life - - employment with a just wage, healthy and safe working and living conditions, access to health care, to name a few.

While the scope of this issue is too vast for one Sunday, we will re-visit various aspects of it at different times in the year. The Pregnancy Life Center's Walk for Life is a good example of one of those times when our actions are motivated by our faith.

Physical and spiritual life are also important. Next Sunday, after all the Masses, we will celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Anyone can be anointed, as we pray and ask for God's healing presence in our lives. As always, this sacrament can be celebrated at any time and any place, especially at the time of surgery or change in a chronic condition.

A consideration of life also calls us to an awareness of the world in which we live. On Wednesday, October 4, we will pause to remember St. Francis, patron saint of the environment, with the blessing of animals at 2:30 and 6:30 pm. Everyone is welcome to come, even if you have no pet!

Whether life is for a moment or for a hundred years, it is a precious gift of God - - may God bless us today and every day!

Fr. Stan

Religious Education Connection

The Rosary - Did You Know...?

1. The Rosary is a Biblical prayer. The first part is the salutation of the Angel Gabriel to Mary before the announcement that she had been chosen to be the mother of our Savior. The second part is the greeting of Mary's cousin, Elizabeth, as Mary arrived to help her cousin before the birth of John, who would become known as, the Baptist. The third part of the Hail Mary is our own pleading that Mary pray for us, especially at the time of our death.
2. There was actually a priest known as, "The Rosary Priest." His name was Fr. Patrick Peyton. He promoted the praying of the rosary and said such things as, "A world at prayer is a world at peace" and "the family that prays together, stays together." True today as ever.
3. The Battle of Lepanto was a famous naval victory in the 16th century, won against the Muslim fleet. The victory is attributed to the faithful, who prayed the rosary with fervor at the request of St. Pope Pius V. The victory changed the course of history and the pope designated October 7 as the Liturgical Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary in thanksgiving.
4. The rosary, prayed in its most simple form, takes 15-20 minutes to pray. So in the time it takes to watch a two-hour movie, we could pray the rosary eight times! Thinking of it that way, how can we say that we do not have time to pray?
5. The Mysteries of the rosary are often thought of as set in stone; however, St. Pope John Paul II encouraged us to reflect on other biblical events as Mysteries, too, even coming up with his own favorites we call the Luminous Mysteries. Why not choose five parables to meditate upon as Mysteries, the miracles as Mysteries, or stories of forgiveness, etc.
6. In his writing, "Blessed Virgin Mary and the Rosary" St. Pope John Paul II mentions several times a man named Bartolo Longo. This man fell into satanic practices. He even became a priest of Satan. However, he was changed his life by praying the rosary. Today he is Blessed Bartolo Longo. How's that for heavenly power?



SCHOOL NEWS

Help Wanted: Part-time Night Janitor

St. Mary's School is looking for a part-time night janitor for this school year. This position would work around 15 hours per week with fairly flexible hours. Duties would include, but are not limited to: Collecting trash and recycling; Dust mopping and wet mopping the classrooms, hallways, cafeteria, and restrooms; and Cleaning the restrooms. Qualified applicants will need to undergo several criminal background checks and complete an online protecting the youth program. If you are interested in applying for this position please stop by the school office between 8:30am and 3:30pm to pick up and application or you can get an application off of the school website at www.stmarysroyals.org.

St. Mary's Parish Fall Bash

The *St. Mary's Parish Fall Bash* is **Saturday, October 14, 2017** in the Parish Hall. Doors will open at 5pm. We hope that you will come join us to: "Shake, Rattle, & Roll" the night away. This night is now an **ADULT ONLY EVENT**. Doors open at 5pm, Dinner will start at 5:15pm, the Reverse Raffle will run from 6 - 7:30pm, and **NEW THIS YEAR: Dueling Pianos from 8pm - 11pm**. We are very excited to announce that one of the big format changes for the evening will include entertainment provided by Midwest Dueling Pianos. If you have ever been to a dueling piano show you know how much fun they are, and if you have never been to a show you are in for a foot tapping good time.

Please contact the Parish or School Offices for Ticket Information.

Third Grade Wins Class of the Week

Congratulations to Mrs. Arnold and her 3rd Grade class as they were recently named the Class of the Week by WLIO and the Hometown Stations in Lima. The 3rd Grade will receive a pizza party from Fat Jack's Pizza. The picture of them in the bucket of a frontend loader when they were on a field trip to StoneCo, was shown on a morning broadcast.





Oct 1 Neil Smith, ED FOX, Matt Krol, Linda Heitkamp,
Amber Adkins
Oct 5 Shirley Straley, ED FOX, School Staff
Oct 8 Sam Laurent, ED FOX, Kylee Moody,
Alice Laurent

KITCHEN WORKERS

Report By 4:30 PM

Oct 1 Tim & Stacy Dealey
Oct 5 Delane Hendricks, Josh Geib, Joyce Oechsle
Oct 8 Dawn Berryman, Michelle Rupert, Katie Drerup

**St. Mary's Bingo—K of C Hall
425 Woodland Ave.**

**Doors open at 4:00 PM for games-
Warm-Up Bingo at 6:15 PM**

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**If you are dropping off baked item(s) for
bingo, but you are not scheduled to bake,
please call or text Shirley Straley at 419-
605-3088 to be a scheduled baker. We are
ending up with too many baked items
when you randomly drop off items. WE
DO NEED more scheduled bakers.**

~Shirley

RESPONSE TO THE LORD FOR SEPT 24, 2017

ADULT OFFERING FROM 138 ENVELOPES	\$5,928.87
TOTAL ANONYMOUS	403.00
CHILDREN OFFERING FROM 14 ENVELOPES	24.51
TOTAL	<u>\$6,356.38</u>

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TRUNK OR TREAT

Parish Life continues sponsoring the
Trunk or Treat for the youth of the parish.
We will be in the hallway outside the gym.

School - Wednesday, October 26 at 2:45

SOR - Wednesday, October 26 at 7:45

Candy and help would be appreciated. Please
contact Carolyn Kesler at 419-238-2988.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY is October 22, 2017.
The theme for this year's Mission Sunday is
"Mission at the Heart of the Christian Faith" and is
truly a global effort for the entire Church. It is a
central moment each year to provide for the building
up of over one thousand local churches in Asia, Af-
rica, the Pacific Islands, part of Latin America and
Europe, an area that covers more than half of the
territory of the globe. Through this work the poor
experience God's love and mercy, His hope & peace



COME CELEBRATE 40 HOURS

October 22—24, 2016

October 22, Sunday, Evening Prayer at 4 pm

October 23, Monday, Mass at 7 pm

October 24, Tuesday, Benediction at 6:30 pm
Closing Mass at 7:00 pm

**Sign up sheets are in the vestibule*

FATIMA ROSARY CRUSADE

OCTOBER 14, 12:00 PM

Landeck-St. John's Church

Each year, America Need Fatima holds a Public
Square Rosary Crusade, with thousands of rosary
rallies in cities across the country. Pubic is invited.

**Matrimony: A calling to forgive! "Mercy
is the force that reawakens us to new life
and instills in us the courage to look to the
future new hope."**

Retrouvaille offers a welcoming and loving space to
couples who have been living with the misery of a
failing marriage. **Retrouvaille** offers hope: hope
that it is not too late, hope of a different and better
marriage. **Retrouvaille** helps couples to show each
other mercy through the opportunities it provides to
listen, to forgive and to be reconciled. For more
information about our **October 6-8th** Weekend
program for couples, contact Joe and Arlene 419-
841-1116 or HelpOurMarriage.com



John Basinger, Steve Dietrich, Pat Fellers, Rosemary Foreman, Jon Jarrett, Megan Klosterman, Kourtney Kohnen, Mariam Lamb, Mary Alice Louagie, Tom Metzger, Joan Miller, Tyler Priest, J R Reinhart, Bob Say, Mary Say, Jim Schneider, Tom Stachler, Luke Sung, Russ Waltmire, Anne Wells, Bobbie Whittenbarger, Dan Williamson, Bob Wolters

Angie is in the process of updating the Prayer List, please call the Parish Office to make any additions.

The sick person or a close relative are the only ones who should call to add or remove name(s) to this list.

GOD BLESS OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

Please pray for all those serving in our military: Lance Corp. Josh Bolenbaugh, Capt. Virginia Brickner, Sgt. William (Ed) Carter, Commander Christopher Cavanaugh, 1st Lt. Brian Easley, Lance Corp. Tyler Goodlin, Airman Andrew Hammond, Airman Leisal Hanf-Fleming, Sgt. Austin Kleman, MSG Andrew McMahon, CTN2 Quintin Mengerink, Corp. Joseph Moreland, SSgt. Nate Sinning, MSgt. Robert Stant, SRA Ashley Stant, Spec. Jeremy Stevenson, Pvt. R. J. Szymanski and Sgt. Brian Wilson. Please submit to the Parish Office names of parishioners who are currently serving in the armed forces.

Want a chance to win up to \$3,000?

NEW- 2nd Chance drawing for 1/4 beef

GET YOUR TICKET TODAY FOR THE

ST. MARY'S CHURCH AND SCHOOL

FALL BASH

REVERSE RAFFLE AND DINNER

Saturday, October 14

\$60 enters your number in the reverse raffle and two dinners!

Hors d'oeuvres at 5:00 pm

Dinner at 5:15 pm

Reverse Raffle at 6:00—7:30 pm

Duelling Pianos at 8:00—11:00 pm

Tickets available at the Parish or School offices or after Mass.



SOR CAKE SALE

The SOR Cake Sale will be held after all Masses the weekend of September 30 & October 1 and .

Each cake is designed and decorated by the SOR children themselves. These special cakes will be sold for \$15.00 each. Just for fun, there will be a chance after each Mass for one purchaser to win \$15.00 or \$30.00. There will be only one winner possible after each Mass. Be sure to check out these special cakes!

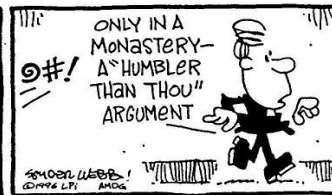
Blessing of Animals

On Wednesday, October 4, in honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, Fr. Stan will be blessing animals (pets and livestock alike!) at 2:30 p.m. in the back parking lot of St. Mary's for students and families.



ALL Parishioners and SOR students may bring their animals on Wednesday, October 4 at 6:30 pm at the Jennings Road parking lot .

26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Readings for the Week of October 1, 2017

Sunday: Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-9/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32
Monday: Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-23, 29/Mt 18:1-5, 10
Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-7/Lk 9:51-56
Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-6/Lk 9:57-62
Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Ps 19:8-11/Lk 10:1-12
Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9/Lk 10:13-16
Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-37/Lk 10:17-24
Next Sunday: Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20/Phil 4:6-9/ Mt 21:33-43



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