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Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 11, 2022



May You Find Christ Here...May You Bring 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.

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Bulletin Deadline:

Wednesday, 12 noon

Sunday Reflection: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Luke in his Gospel account tells us that "tax collectors and sinners were all drawing near to hear Jesus speak" (Luke 15:1). Wealthy tax collectors were despised by the Jews because they often forced the people to pay much more than was due. And sinners, like prostitutes and adulterers, were a scandal to public decency. The scribes and Pharisees took great offense at Jesus because he went out of his way to meet with tax collectors and public sinners and he treated them like they were his friends. The Pharisees had strict regulations to avoid all contact with them, lest they incur ritual defilement. They were quite shocked to see Jesus speaking with sinners and even going to their homes to eat with them.

Why were many tax collectors and sinners drawn to Jesus? Jesus offered them forgiveness, mercy, and healing and the promise of full restoration with God the Father and the whole community of heaven: God's kingdom of righteousness, peace, and joy. When the Pharisees began to question Jesus' motive and practice of associating with sinners of ill-repute, Jesus responds by giving them a three-fold lesson in the parables of the lost sheep, the lost coin, and the lost son (Luke 15:4-32). God the Father always rejoices in searching out those who have strayed and he welcomes them home with open arms. Do we know the joy of our heavenly Father who welcomes us home to His kingdom of everlasting righteousness, peace, and joy?

Readings for Next Sunday, September 18, 2022

Amos 8:4-7
1 Timothy 2:1-8
Luke 16:1-13

† The Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows

The Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows focuses on our Blessed Mother's intense suffering and grief during the passion and death of our Lord. Traditionally, this suffering was not limited to the passion and death event; rather it comprised the seven dolors (or seven sorrows) of Mary, which were foretold by the Priest Simeon who proclaimed to Mary, "This child [Jesus] is destined to be the downfall and the rise of many in Israel, a sign that will be opposed and you yourself shall be pierced with a sword so that the thoughts of many hearts may be laid bare (Luke 2:34-35)."

These seven sorrows of our Blessed Mother included the flight of the Holy Family into Egypt; the loss and finding of the child Jesus in the Temple; Mary's meeting of Jesus on His way to Calvary; Mary's standing at the foot of the cross when our Lord was crucified; her holding of Jesus when He was taken down from the cross; and then our Lord's burial. In all, the prophecy of Simeon that a sword would pierce our Blessed Mother's heart was fulfilled in these events. For this reason, Mary is sometimes depicted with her heart exposed and with seven swords piercing it. More importantly, each new suffering was received with the courage, love, and trust that echoed her fiat, "let it be done unto me according to thy word," first uttered at the Annunciation.

We honor Mary as the faithful disciple and exemplar of faith. Let us pray: Father, as your Son was raised on the cross, His Mother Mary stood by Him, sharing His sufferings. May your Church be united with Christ in His suffering and death and so come to share in His rising to new life. Looking to the example of Mary, may we too unite our sufferings to our Lord, facing them with courage, love, and trust.

Source: catholiceducation.org



Feast Day: September 15



Patricia Ansel, Tina Blank, Jennifer Boling, Mickey Brooks, Judy Davis*, Scott Furey, Barbara Gratto, Beth Grayson, Sue Greco, Barbara Grubbs*, Larry Hinkle, Kathy Jenkins, Sueann Keller-Schwille, Wanda Kinnie, Joanne Knott*, Pam Launi, Craig Leibig, Amber Linkswiler, Debbie Pappas, Eileen Passauer*, Caroline Reeves, Esther Shockey, Fran Sommers, Sue Ann Spotts*, Bill Stine, Maleigha Taylor and Courtney Whiteman.

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Record Attendance at Donut Sunday!

Our recent monthly Donut Sunday held August 28 brought record attendance: over 50 people were there!



Thank you, Fr. Giles, for reminding us how important it is to spend time with our church family and the many gifts we receive from this fellowship!

Mark your calendars for the next Donut Sunday on September 25, hosted by the Parish Council.

**For where two or three are gathered
together in my name,
there am I in the midst of them.**

MATTHEW 18:20



J. Donald Seibel

Born into Life
August 11, 1929

Born into Eternal Life
September 6, 2022

Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon him. May Don's soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

A Memorial Service will be held Saturday, September 17, at 11 a.m. at Markwood Funeral Home.



In light of Pope Francis' exhortation that the universal Church focus on

the Eucharist beginning now and continuing through 2023, Fr. Giles will be offering a series of presentations on the Eucharist in general and the celebration of the Eucharist within the Mass.

The first session will be held next Sunday, September 18, at Our Lady of Grace Church in Romney shortly after their 11 a.m. Mass. The session will conclude by 1:00 and coffee and light refreshments will be available. The series will continue on the third Sunday of each month.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Date	Time	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, September 10	4:00 p.m.	Members of the Harber Family.....	Sue Harber
		Intentions of Mary Shannon.....	Joanne & Mike Stickley
Sunday, September 11	8:30 a.m.	Souls of Paul, Goldie & Ellis Trezise.....	Rene Trezise
Monday, September 12	No Mass		
Tuesday, September 13	No Mass		
Wednesday, September 14	5:00 p.m.	The Hoover & Dickel Families.....	St. Thomas Cemetery
		Soul of Helen Holder.....	Mary Shannon
Thursday, September 15	12 noon	Soul of James DeMasi.....	Mary Shannon
		Soul of Bob Melody.....	Jeff & Kelley Kuhn
Friday, September 16	9:00 a.m.	Deceased Members of the Calemine & Circosta families.....	Carole Rhodes
		Soul of Angela Dorsey.....	Marion Dorsey
Saturday, September 17	4:00 p.m.	Soul of Harry Barrick.....	Howard & Karen Barrick
		The Alt, Cobb & Kuh families.....	Dean Alt
Sunday, September 18	8:30 a.m.	Soul of Joseph W. Willis.....	Mary Alexander



A Prayer for Patriot Day

Gracious God, our world changed with the 9/11 attacks. We have seen how easily buildings can fall and how quickly lives can end.

As we remember 9/11, may it remind us that you are our only true security. Give us your strength to face the memory of this attack and the changes it made in our lives.

Give us your compassion to help each other and recognize need around the world.

Give us your hope as we face an uncertain future.

Give us your peace.

In the strong name of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit, Amen.



SEPTEMBER 11

Liturgical Minister Schedule

Saturday, September 17

Lector: Anita Tetreault
 Servers: Celia & Evelyn Cole
 EM: Sue Harber
 Cantor: Anita Tetreault
 Greeters: Bob & Karen Yowler

Sunday, September 18

Lector: Sally Maybury
 Servers: Tina & Derek Stephen
 EM: Pam Williams
 Cantor: Julie Alt
 Greeters: Denny Dolechek & Marvin Whetzel

Saturday, September 24

Lector: Karen Yowler
 Servers: James & Tess Maybury
 EM: Jean Harber
 Cantor: Linda Marsh
 Greeters: Sue & Jean Harber

Sunday, September 25

Lector: Kelley Kuhn
 Servers: Abby & Libby Del Signore
 EM: Tina Stephen
 Cantor: Nancy Starcher
 Greeters: Tony & Marie Del Signore

Collections & Attendance

September 3-4, 2022

Offertory

Offertory Envelopes	\$2,625
Loose Donations.....	\$454
Repairs & Maintenance	\$384
Total	\$3,463

Attendance

Saturday, 9/3.....	47
Sunday, 9/4.....	69
Total	116

August Balance Sheet

Income.....	\$20,589
Expenses	\$12,333
Balance	\$8,256



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