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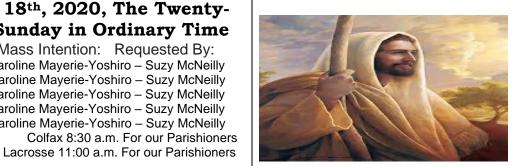
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## October 18th, 2020, The Twenty-Nineth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intention: Requested By:

20 Oct: Tue: Caroline Mayerie-Yoshiro – Suzy McNeilly 21 Oct: Wed: Caroline Mayerie-Yoshiro - Suzy McNeilly 22 Oct: Thu: Caroline Mayerie-Yoshiro - Suzy McNeilly Caroline Mayerie-Yoshiro - Suzy McNeilly 23 Oct: Fri: 24 Oct: Sat: Caroline Mayerie-Yoshiro – Suzy McNeilly 25 Oct: Sunday: Colfax 8:30 a.m. For our Parishioners



Lector: Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> 5:30p.m. Cheryl Lothspeich

Lector: Sunday  $25^{th}$  8:30 a.m. Linda Marler

There will be no Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers due to the Coronavirus. Thank you for your understanding and pray for all impacted by the virus.

Stewardship Quote: "Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's." - 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, especially our money.

21 October: No Women's Bible Study at the Courtyard till the fall. Eucharistic Adoration after 8:00 a.m. Mass to 6:00 p.m. 22 October:

Tray with Pope Francis in his Monthly intention for October - The Laity's **Mission in the Church:** We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

Masks at Mass: Due to the continued COVID Crisis, the Bishop requests as an act of charity to our fellow Parishioners, everyone wear a mask during Mass. We request that you bring your own mask, however, a mask will be available in the vestibule if you forget yours. Thank you for your support. Let us all take time to pray that we and those around us are blessed with good health.

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The importance things of this world: In today's Gospel Jesus and the religious leaders in Jerusalem continue their tense exchange of questions and challenges. At this point the disciples of the Pharisees, together with the Herodians, try to entrap Jesus by their question about the payment of taxes. The Herodians were supporters of Herod Antipas, a Jewish political leader who collaborated with the Romans. Such collaboration would have required a compromised observance of the Mosaic Law. The Pharisees, on the other hand, taught scrupulous observance of the Mosaic Law and opposed Roman occupation. Herodians favored the payment of taxes; the Pharisees opposed it. The Herodians and the Pharisees approach Jesus, asking that he take sides in their dispute. If Jesus answers with the Pharisees, he shows himself to be an enemy of Rome. If he answers with the Herodians, he offends popular Jewish religious sensibilities. Jesus' response to this attempt to trap him exposes the guile of his questioners. From his first words to them, Jesus shows that he is very much aware of what they are trying to do. He asks to see a Roman coin, which is readily provided to him. Jesus takes his response one step further. He asks that his questioners examine the coin. Agreeing that it is Caesar's image on the coin, Jesus tells them that it must belong to Caesar. Avoiding the question of lawfulness altogether, Jesus answers their question with simple logic. Jesus' response to the Herodians and Pharisees suggests the ethic that Christians ought to adopt. It reminds us of the importance of keeping things in their proper perspective. Do we attach ourselves to worldly things at the expense of the love and honor that we owe to God?

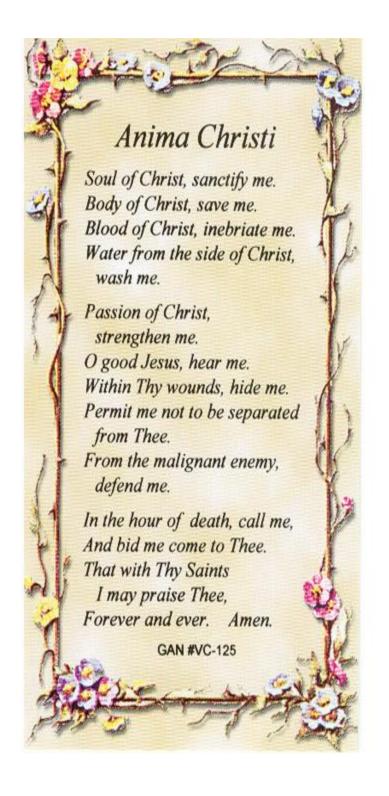
Faith Formation: We at St. Patrick recognize that the formation of faith in our young Parishioners is one of our most important missions in our Church. It is essential that we continue during these challenging times, with health concerns taking priority in our Parish, by using a program that is respectful of all our families and their efforts to educate our blessed youth. As our farming community is involved with planting seeds to sustain us physically, we need to plant the seeds of faith and facilitate their growth in our youth. We also need to continue providing these activities with the safe environment protocols in place. Stay tuned in the next few weeks as more information and planning are presented to the Parish. Fr. Sean

Annual Catholic Appeal 2020 – One Body in Christ: As of October 9, St. Patrick's Colfax has pledged \$5,120 towards our goal of \$17,031, and St. Joseph's Lacrosse has pledged \$0 towards the goal of \$2,682 for the Annual Catholic Appeal. By supporting the Annual Catholic Appeal, you are showing your support for the diocese and you are strengthening our faith as one body. Give generously.

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