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Eustache Le Sueur (1617-1655)

**OCTOBER 24, 2021**

30th Sunday Ordinary Time

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## MASS SCHEDULE

**Weekends:**

Saturday - 4 p.m.

Sunday - 8 a.m., 10 a.m.

**Weekdays:**

Monday - Friday 8 a.m.

Holy Days: 8 a.m., 7 p.m.

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## GOSPEL MEDITATION: HOLD BACK NO MORE

It's easy to understand the discomfort that Jesus' followers seemed to have felt in this Sunday's passage from the Gospel of Mark. After all, the blind man, Bartimaeus, was causing a spectacle, shouting at Jesus. But even after the people in the crowd told him to be quiet, he kept calling out "all the more, 'Son of David, have pity on me.'"

To really get a sense of the importance of this story, we have to think about where it falls in the Gospel of Mark. The healing of the blind Bartimaeus is, in fact, linked to the healing of another blind man, recounted only a few chapters earlier (8:22-26). These two stories form "bookends" for one of the most important sections of Mark's Gospel in which Jesus

tries to help his followers understand who he is and what his mission really is. But, as we've discovered over the past several Sundays, the Apostles and the other disciples don't seem to be able to comprehend Jesus' message or to understand the true cost and meaning of discipleship. But then, this Sunday we are given the story of this blind beggar who seems to be able to see what the Apostles cannot. In fact, the physical healing of Bartimaeus is a powerful reminder that we can be healed of the blindness of spirit that sometimes keeps us from following Jesus with freedom and joy.

Saint Mark beautifully describes Bartimaeus' excitement when Jesus finally calls for him, "He threw aside his cloak,

sprang up, and came to Jesus." There is an energy in his response that wonderfully exemplifies the enthusiasm that should be a hallmark of our discipleship. When the Lord calls, we must be ready to respond. And because of his faith and willingness to act, Jesus rewards the blind man by not only restoring his physical sight but by empowering him to live out his faith in the community of disciples.

The invitation for us this Sunday is to humbly reflect on the ways we might be spiritually blind by asking ourselves what habits, attitudes, and ideologies hold us back from becoming the disciples that Jesus is calling us to be.

Bro. Silas Henderson, S.D.S./LPi Edited



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| <b>OCT. 23</b>    | <b>SATURDAY</b>  |
| <b>4:00 p.m.</b>  | <b>World Peace</b><br><i>Lucille E. Hicks</i>                                  |
| <b>OCT. 24</b>    | <b>SUNDAY</b>  |
| <b>8:00 a.m.</b>  | <b>Sebastian &amp; Isabel Lewis†</b><br><i>Teresa &amp; William Vermeulen</i>  |
| <b>10:00 a.m.</b> | <b>Ludwig &amp; Rose Rakoskie†</b><br><i>Teresa &amp; William Vermeulen</i>    |
| <b>OCT. 25</b>    | <b>MONDAY</b>  |
| <b>8:00 a.m.</b>  | <b>Agnes Pucharich†</b><br><i>Francis Pucharich</i>                            |
| <b>OCT. 26</b>    | <b>TUESDAY</b>   |
| <b>8:00 a.m.</b>  | <b>Mary Jane Wade Galler</b><br><i>Jane Klug</i>                               |
| <b>OCT. 27</b>    | <b>WEDNESDAY</b>   |
| <b>8:00 a.m.</b>  | <b>Souls in Purgatory</b><br><i>Lucille E. Hicks</i>                           |
| <b>OCT. 28</b>    | <b>THURSDAY</b>  |
| <b>8:00 a.m.</b>  | <b>Special Intention</b><br><i>Lucille E. Hicks</i>                            |
| <b>OCT. 29</b>    | <b>FRIDAY</b>  |
| <b>8:00 a.m.</b>  | <b>William "Bill" Remke†</b><br><i>Loretta Remke</i>                           |
| <b>OCT. 30</b>    | <b>SATURDAY</b>  |
| <b>4:00 p.m.</b>  | <b>Lewis Richard &amp; Lee Lewis†</b><br><i>William &amp; Teresa Vermeulen</i> |
| <b>OCT. 31</b>    | <b>SUNDAY</b>  |
| <b>8:00 a.m.</b>  | <b>Louise Berry†</b><br><i>William &amp; Teresa Vermeulen</i>                  |
| <b>10:00 a.m.</b> | <b>Ann Lewis†</b><br><i>William &amp; Teresa Vermeulen</i>                     |

**THE 2022  
MASS BOOK  
IS OPEN**

## All Souls' Day Remembrance Upcoming

Our annual memorial for parishioners who have passed away during the past year will be at our evening All Souls' Day Mass Tuesday, Nov. 2, at 6:30 p.m. Candles may also be brought at the 8 a.m. Mass and all Masses during November. Candles for these families are provided by the parish. Family and friends are invited to process to the altar with the commemorative candles for the following dearly departed parishioners:

Harry Lee Sneigle  
Thomas Paul Sullivan  
Ann Louise Hudson  
Carl E. Baum  
Richard L. Blum Sr.  
Ron R. Jaworski  
Mary Alice Jura  
Helen Irene Remke  
Diana Gillingham Pond  
Huemy Hughes  
Patricia Schmidt

Lewis G. Melchiori  
William Clifford Tennant Jr.  
Bertie Marie Gaughenbaugh  
Earnest Vince Scarbin Jr.  
Betty Lou Dellget Kerns  
Barbara Ann Hittt Myers  
Mary E. Callahan Kirchner  
Patricia Ann Kurelac  
Sara Jane Walters  
Philip Flip E. Patrello Sr.



## World Mission Sunday Unites Catholics

Every year, something special happens on the next-to-last Sunday of October. World Mission Sunday joins all Catholics of the world into one community of faith. We recommit ourselves to our common vocation, through baptism, to be missionaries through prayer, participation in the Eucharist, and by giving generously to the collection. Pope Francis' message for World Mission Sunday this year reflects on the theme: "We cannot but speak about what we have seen and heard" (Acts 4:20). He reminds us that, "as Christians, we cannot keep the Lord to ourselves," as we "recall with gratitude all

**THIS WEEKEND'S SPECIAL COLLECTION IS FOR WORLD MISSIONS.**

those men and women who by their testimony of life help us to renew our baptismal commitment to be generous and joyful apostles of the Gospel." On World Mission Sunday, we join our Holy Father in supporting his missions. Together, through our prayers and financial support, we bring the Lord's mercy and concrete help to the most vulnerable communities in the Pope's missions. In a world where so much divides us, this day rejoices in our unity as missionaries by our Baptism, as it offers an opportunity to support the life-giving presence of the Church among the poor and marginalized in more than a thousand mission dioceses.

## Prayer REQUESTS

**Homebound:** Rachel Kerekes, Doris Murphy, Semon & Phyllis Prado.

**Nursing Homes:** Hazel Markey, Katie Renshaw, Joan Weekly, Alma VanSyoc, Ron Flading, Barb Meyer, Raymond Pennybacker.

**Recently Sick:** Joseph Grampa, Bobby Kleinedler, Anna Mae Veronis Holliday, Sami Wilson, Kathryn Ferrera, Danielle Wilson, Loretta Saporito, Mary Stees, Judith Harbert, Megan Freeland Roskovensky, Annalyn Liette, Mike Gardill, Sandina Leonard, Deanne Ferraro, Celeste Evans, Ted Scarbin, Kelsey Miller, Annie Miller.

## NEWS & COMMUNITY

### CALENDAR

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| Mondays until Nov. 8                                  | <b>INFANT of PRAGUE NOVENA</b><br>St. Joseph Cathedral<br>7 p.m.  |
| Monday Oct. 25<br><b>DEADLINE</b><br>to Order and Pay | <b>THANKSGIVING FOOD SALE</b><br><b>OUR LADY OF LEBANON CHURCH, WHEELING</b><br>Call for MENU: 304-218-3028/<br>304-281-7948/304-233-1688                 |
| <b>DUE</b><br>Oct. 25                                 | <b>ALL SOULS' DAY MEMORIAL CANDLE ORDERS</b><br><b>REMINDER: You can order online through our website: <a href="#">Online Memorial Candle Request</a></b> |
| Oct. 27<br>7 p.m.                                     | <b>FISH FRY PLANNING MEETING</b><br>Knights of Columbus Hall<br>Second Street, Mdsv.  |
| Nov. 2<br>6:30 p.m.                                   | <b>ALL SOULS' DAY MEMORIAL MASS</b>   |

### SCHEDULES OCT. 30 & 31

#### LECTORS/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 p.m. **D. Prado / M. Taskalines**  
8:00 a.m. **C. Frame / S. Kent**  
10:00 a.m. **C. McDonald / L. Remke**

#### ALTAR SERVERS

**ALL MASSES - Please Step Up**

**SACRISTY - Please Volunteer**  
Jenny Ingram / Daunell Gump

### OFFERING OCT. 10, 2021

|                           |            |
|---------------------------|------------|
| Envelopes                 | \$2,778.00 |
| Loose Offering            | \$189.00   |
| Church Repair             | \$760.00   |
| Xavier Hall               | \$15.00    |
| <b>OTHER COLLECTIONS:</b> |            |
| Ida Aid                   | \$5.00     |
| Online Giving             | \$430.40   |
| Attendance                | 190        |

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### OUR ALTAR OF REMEMBRANCE

for All Souls Day, Saturday, Nov. 2, is an opportunity to share a photograph of your deceased loved one during a time when we pray for all dearly departed members of our parish family.

Please bring a framed picture of your loved one beginning Monday, Oct. 25, and place it on the main altar. Please do not bring photographs larger than 5x7 to ensure there is enough room for everyone's photographs.

Photographs will remain on the altar for two weeks from Monday, Oct. 25, until Sunday, Nov. 7. Please be sure to put your name and phone number on the back of the frame.



### IT'S A GIRL - AND A BOY!

Congratulations to parishioners A.J. and Michelle Fitzsimmons on the birth of their daughter Charlee on Oct. 7. (Charlee is named for her grandfather!)

Longtime parishioners Phil and Loretta Remke also welcome a new arrival—grandson Luca Christopher Vinci, who was born Oct. 12. Best wishes everyone!

**FISH FRY VOLUNTEERS: PLEASE** remember to call Cork Potts if you can't attend the planning meeting Wednesday at 7 p.m. at the Knight's hall on Second Street. It is an important meeting. Fish fries begin soon!

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS):

Sat. 3:30 p.m. or upon request.

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

By appointment. Contact the parish office at least six months before the date of the marriage. Pre-Cana is required.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (PSR):

Sundays during the school term at 9:00 a.m. - 9:50 a.m. Grades 1-12.



From left: Julie, Briana, and Ruth

### HALLOWEEN EVENT A SUCCESS

A huge thank you to Julie Anderson, Ruth Bertrand, and Briana Crow for organizing and staging last weekend's community Halloween event at our church. More than a hundred children and families turned out to get a head start on Halloween celebrating, despite rain forcing the fun into the gymnasium.

Many thanks also to the many of you who donated and volunteered to help make the event such a grand success for our community's children!

DIOCESE OF WHEELING-CHARLESTON

**Rosary Rally for Life!**

October is the month of the Holy Rosary. It is also Respect Life Month.

**Use the QR code below to PLEDGE YOUR COMMITMENT to say the USCCB's Pro-Life Rosary every day in October!**

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born, I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." – Jeremiah 1:5

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

By appointment. The diocese requires instructions beforehand for parents or guardians. Contact the parish office.

### REGISTRATION, CHURCH SUPPORT:

Parishioners should be properly registered at the parish office. Please be sure to update your information when you move or change phone numbers.



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