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29th 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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The Eucharist is at the center of our faith lives. At Mass, we recall how Jesus humbled himself to enter into the muck of our world. Along with the bread and wine, we offer ourselves together with Jesus as a living sacrifice to the Father. We pledge that we will give of ourselves in service to the needy, the lonely, and the desperate so that the blessings of eternal life may be extended throughout the world. When we come to Mass, we are not bystanders or spectators. Rather our lives are at stake. We are proclaiming that Christ has died to save us and that we are willing to sacrifice ourselves in service to others.

Jesus makes this very clear to his disciples in today's gospel reading. Though he was the most powerful man to ever walk the earth, Christ did not become human to

dominate others. He came to seek out the sick, the suffering, and the sinners. He came not only to instruct and heal us, but he suffered the cruelest death imaginable to open up heaven to those who would believe. Jesus was not in it for the glory.

As members of a faith community, we can relate to the bickering that went on among the disciples. We love our church, and many of us give long hours to support it. Many of us are generous when it comes time to give to special collections or help out with fundraisers. However, it happens more often than we would like to admit that generous people get overlooked and feel slighted. We can feel bitter that others get the recognition we believe we deserve. While it is natural to want recognition for our work, it is not what the follower of

Jesus is called to seek. All the great saints prayed that they would be overlooked. What they wanted more was to be recognized by God and give without counting the cost. Each of us who calls Jesus "Lord" must do the same.

At every Mass, we gather to recall the sacrifice that Jesus made to save us. Are we willing to give of ourselves for others? Are we willing to go without so that we can give more generously to the needy? Are we willing to go without being recognized because we set our hearts on the reward that only God can give? Above all, can we do all this with a spirit of joy and thankfulness because we are blessed to be able to know, love and serve our Lord?

Douglas Sousa



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| OCT. 16 | SATURDAY |
| 4:00 p.m. | Deceased members† Bishop Donahue Class of 1971 <i>BDHS Class of 1971</i> |
| OCT. 17 | SUNDAY |
| 8:00 a.m. | Thomas & Nora Abraham† <i>Lucille Hicks</i> |
| 10:00 a.m. | Tommy Silver† <i>Lucille Hicks</i> |
| OCT. 18 | MONDAY |
| 8:00 a.m. | Bill & Nancy Termin† <i>Termin Family</i> |
| OCT. 19 | TUESDAY |
| 8:00 a.m. | Bob & Bernadine Miller† <i>Miller/Porter families</i> |
| OCT. 20 | WEDNESDAY |
| 8:00 a.m. | Vince Scarbin† <i>Ellen McCormick</i> |
| OCT. 21 | THURSDAY |
| 8:00 a.m. | Richard McPeek† <i>Jane Klug</i> |
| OCT. 22 | FRIDAY |
| MASS | Sr. Mona Farthing† |
| 6:00 a.m. | <i>Jane Klug</i> |
| OCT. 23 | SATURDAY |
| 4:00 p.m. | World Peace <i>Lucille E. Hicks</i> |
| OCT. 24 | SUNDAY |
| 8:00 a.m. | Sebastian & Isabel Lewis Family† <i>Teresa & William Vermeulen</i> |
| 10:00 a.m. | Ludwig & Rose Rakoskie† <i>Teresa & William Vermeulen</i> |

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IS NOW OPEN**

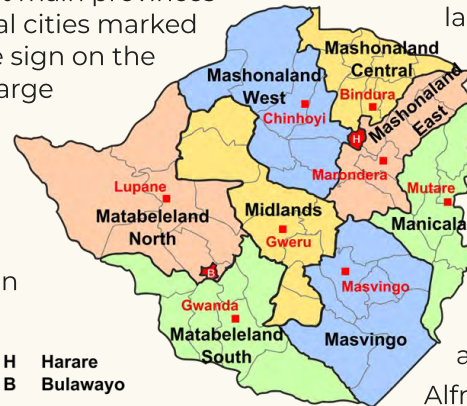
Visiting priest Fr. Eilen will be celebrating weekday Masses this week. Please note Friday's Mass is at 6 a.m. to aid Father's travel.

SJI Homeland Rich with Language

This is the fourth and final story offered by Sr. Agatha about her religious order located in Zimbabwe.

People of Zimbabwe

Zimbabwe is 150,872 square miles. It is a little more than the size of Montana. It is divided into provinces which are something equivalent to counties of a state. The map below shows the eight main provinces and their capital cities marked by a red square sign on the map. The two large metropolitan cities of Bulawayo in the west and Harare in the north have been given status of province because of their large population numbers. Harare is the capitol city of Zimbabwe.



H Harare
B Bulawayo

Languages of Zimbabwe

Provinces were created largely according to the languages/dialects people speak. There are 16 official languages in Zimbabwe, which has a population of about 13 million. Ndebele and

Shona are most prominent, and Shona language has many dialects. Shona is spoken by 10.8 million people of Zimbabwe (70 percent) and 20 percent speak Ndebele. The SJI Sisters now in the United States speak Karanga dialect.

Because of Zimbabwe's long-standing status as a British colony, English became the primary language of government and education system.

Location of the SJI Projects

The antenatal, orphanage, and schools' projects are in the Midlands responding to the needs of the urban and rural communities.

Alfred Walter Hostel for the mentally challenged children, and Bethany House of Prayer are in Masvingo Province. It is also good to know that Zimbabwe is home to one of the Seven Wonders of the World, the mighty Victoria Falls (Mosi-oa-Tunya--the smoke that thunders) in local languages. The falls are on the mighty Zambezi River.

Praying Pelicans Group Visiting SFX This Week

Please welcome Fr. Allan Paul Eilen to our parish, who will be staying from Oct 17-22 as part of the Praying Pelicans traveling mission. Fr. Eilen is bringing 32 people from his parish, St. Patrick Catholic Church in Oak

Grove, Minn., which is within the Archdiocese of St. Paul-Minneapolis. Fr. Eilen and his group will be working with Appalachian Outreach and Grow Ohio Valley during their stay.

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, Bob Balgo, Mary Stees, Judith Harbert, Megan Freeland Roskovensky, Annalyn Liette, Mike Gardill, Sandina Leonard, Deanne Ferraro, Celeste Evans, Ted Scarbin, Kelsey Miller, Annie Miller.

CALENDAR

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| Mondays until Nov. 8 | INFANT of PRAGUE NOVENA St. Joseph Cathedral 7 p.m. |
| Monday Oct. 25 DEADLINE to Order and Pay | THANKSGIVING FOOD SALE OUR LADY OF LEBANON CHURCH, WHEELING Call for MENU: 304-218-3028/ 304-281-7948/304-233-1688 |
| Oct. 16 @ Church Lot | COMMUNITY HALLOWEEN EVENT Noon- 3 p.m. |
| Oct. 17 @ Fellowship Hall | ST. JOHN CHURCH BENWOOD SPAGHETT DINNER Call 304-905-8036 for Info |
| Monday Oct. 18 @ Xavier Hall | K of C Council #1907 BLOOD DRIVE Schedule at 1-800-733-2767 or RedCrossBlood.org (Enter the word KNIGHTS) |
| DUE Oct. 25 | ALL SOULS' DAY MEMORIAL CANDLE ORDERS |

SCHEDULES OCT. 23 & 24

LECTORS/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

4:00 p.m. **A. Wise / L. Magnone**
8:00 a.m. **R. Hess / J. Hess**
10:00 a.m. **L. Niemiec / Volunteer**

ALTAR SERVERS

ALL MASSES - Please Step Up

SACRISTY - Please Volunteer

Suzanne Artimez / Ellen McCormick

OFFERING OCT. 3, 2021

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| Envelopes | \$2,647.00 |
| Loose Offering | \$416.00 |
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| Xavier Hall | \$475.00 |
| Diocesan Scholarship | \$10.00 |

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| Ida Aid | \$325.00 |
| Memorial | \$1,000.00 |
| Online Giving | \$15.15 |
| Attendance | 193 |

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Report suspected child sexual abuse to law enforcement or Child Protective Services at 800-352-6513. Report suspected cases by Diocese personnel at 888-434-6237.

'There Is No Hurry'

Parishioners and friends cruised the Ohio River on Columbus Day, departing from Sistersville and with A.A. Milne's river spirit—no hurry at all.



MEMORIAL CANDLES FOR ALL

Souls' Day can now be ordered through our [website](#). Just follow the link titled [Online Memorial Candle Request](#) in the FORMS menu. [Order forms](#) also are in the same menu and in the vestibule.

Candles are \$5 each, and the parish provides candles to those families who lost loved ones throughout this year.

Deadline to order is Oct. 25.

Your memorial candle with the name or names of those dearly departed whom you wish to remember will be available in the vestibule the weekend of Oct. 30.

Candles may be brought to the altar at the time of opening processions for All Souls Day Mass Nov. 2 or any other weekend Mass during November.

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.

PARISHIONERS AND OTHERS

who want to help the Knights of Columbus with the monthly fish fries need to come to a meeting Wednesday, Oct. 27, at 7 p.m. at the K of C Hall on Second Street. The first fish fry is upcoming, so it is important to attend. Contact Cork Potts if you cannot make it.

THE PHOTOGRAPHER SET TO

take directory photos was in a car crash Oct. 5 and badly injured his shoulder. Please pray for his recovery! We will reschedule photos. Stay tuned!

NEXT WEEKEND WE CELEBRATE

World Mission Sunday.

Pope Francis asks all to generously support this fund that aids mission dioceses where priests, religious, and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable.



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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