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SEPTEMBER 25, 2022

26th Sunday in 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.

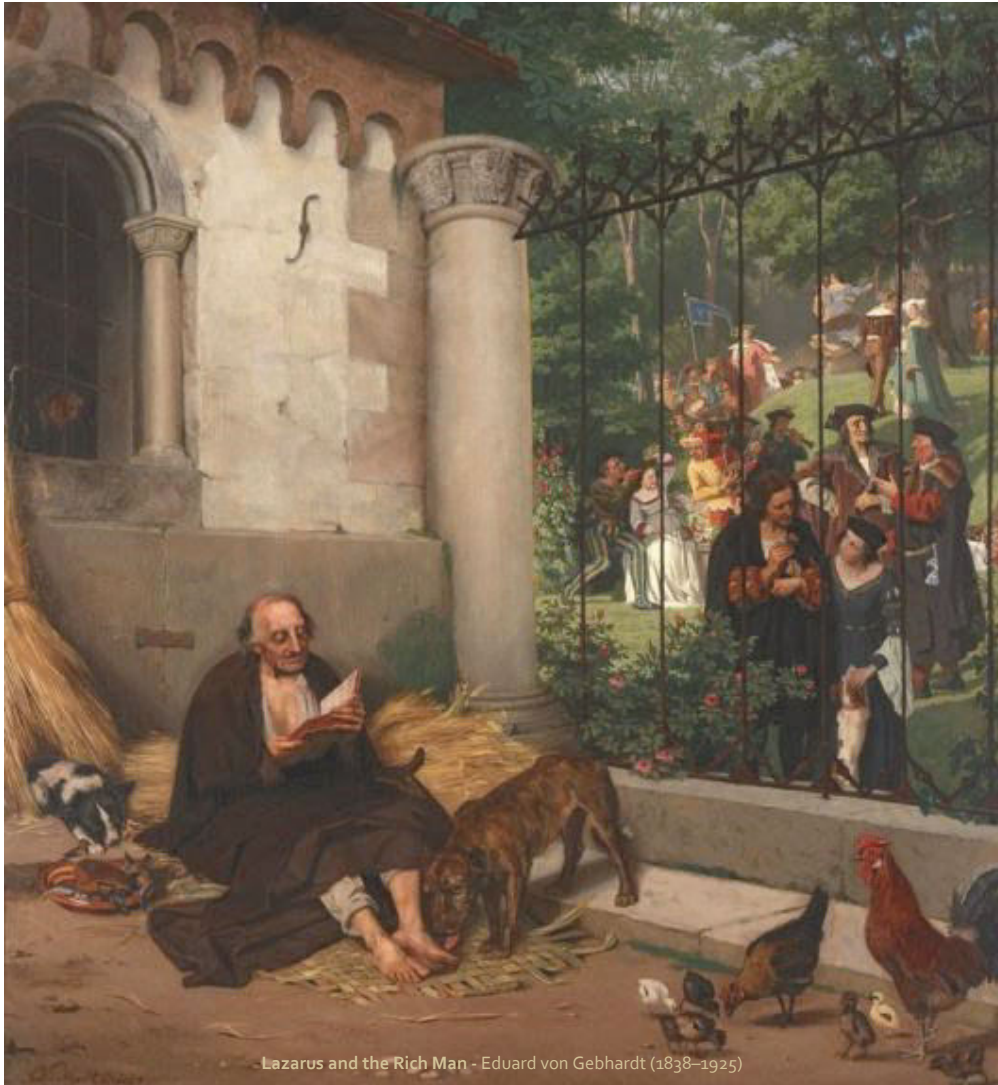
Holy Days: 8 a.m., 7 p.m.

Confessions: Saturdays at 3:30 p.m. or upon request.

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

Baptism: By appointment. The diocese requires instructions for parents or guardians.

Religious Education (PSR): Sundays during school term 9 - 9:50 a.m. Grades 1-12.



Lazarus and the Rich Man - Eduard von Gebhardt (1838-1925)

MEDITATION: WHAT GOD INTENDS

Merriam-Webster defines entitlement as “the belief that one is deserving of certain privileges.” In a world that pretends to offer us so many necessities, this is perhaps the greatest contemporary sin. When we feel “entitled” to something, even if it is perceived necessary, our relationships can get skewed. We risk becoming extremely self-focused and selfish, caring only about our rights and our turf. This impulse can be so strong that some pursue it at the expense of

another. It is not what God intends for his children.

Holding on to this myopic vision, the plight and station of others are off our radar and of no real concern to us. Relying on our own merits and becoming resilient to life’s challenges, we replace the true and real God with the one we created ourselves. Jesus and the prophets before him have consistently reminded us of the dangers of wealth, ignoring the poor and the

needy, and becoming too fiercely independent and arrogant. Yet, we must strive to conduct our lives apart from these impulses.

“The things that we love tell us what we are (attributed to St. Thomas Aquinas).” Ponder those words a bit and remember that when we leave this world and go to the next one, what we loved here is what we will look for there. Be sure what you love is something that can be found.



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

4:00 p.m. Semon Prado†
Cindy Gunto

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

8:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m. Phillip "Flip" Patrello†
Kathleen Patrello

**MONDAY - FRIDAY
SEPT 26 to SEPT 30
NO 8:00 A.M. MASSES**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

4:00 p.m. Robert Shutlert†
Roger & Kathy
Rine Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

8:00 a.m. Frank & Regina Halley†
Mary Ann Henderson
10:00 a.m. Hess Family, living
and deceased
Rose & John Hess

USUAL MASS STIPENDS
Weekdays - \$10 per Mass
Weekends - \$20 per Mass
Sanctuary Candle - \$10 a week

The 2023 Mass Book opens Oct. 15.
Updated forms will be in the
church and on the website soon.

*The Sanctuary Candle
Beside the Tabernacle
burns this week for
Vince Scarbin*



*To the family
and loved ones of
Mildred
Kielbasa Mysliwiec,
our heartfelt
condolences.*

Feast Celebration Features SJI Missions

Around the corner is our Oct. 1 celebration on the Feast of St. Theresa of the Child Jesus. We are excited to hear



Pre-school children and teachers.

from Sister Agatha and Sister Maria during the Saturday 4 p.m. Mass about their religious order as well as the pre-school and orphanage it runs in Gweru, Zimbabwe. The SJI Sisters are making a difference now and for the future with their missions. The pre-school is for children of low-income families who cannot

afford schools in Gweru and is located in a high-density suburb so mothers can go to work. Also, children living in the orphanage attend. A Sister trained and qualified to manage pre-school runs the school along with sisters who are retired from teaching in elementary schools. The Sisters also are finishing work on a



Children and house mothers together at the orphanage.

convent near the school for teachers. All it needs is interior finishing and furnishings. The SJI Sisters also are excited to add two more housing units to land donated to them to build the orphanage. So far, there are two units housing six children each. This way of providing homes for orphaned children creates a family setting. It is remarkable what the SJI Sisters are providing despite little government funding or allowances through the social welfare system.

A reminder that there is a free, catered dinner hosted by the parish after the Mass, but you must sign up by Monday to reserve a seat. Please contact the parish office or sign up on the board in the back of church. We hope to see you there.



SPIRIT OF LOVE

Few things are as special as children's blessings! PSR students and teachers exchanged blessings on Catechetical Sunday to open the start of their school year.

Prayer REQUESTS

Homebound: Rachel Kerekes,
Doris Murphy, Phyllis Prado.

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

Recently Sick: Anna Mae Veronis Holliday, Kathryn Ferrera, Mary Stees, Judith Harbert, Sandina Leonard, Deanne Ferraro, Georgia Pettit, Lida Schellhase, Carmina Oakland, Joe Church, Joseph Grampa, Bobby Kleinedler, Suzy Lunau, Jim Barker, Kathryn Helfer, Loretta Saporito, Phil Remke, Catherine Pellerin, Chester Sobutka, Earl Richards, Lewis Bee.

SCHEDULES

OCT 1 & 2

4:00 p.m. Saturday

Lector: Alice Wise

Eucharistic: Please Volunteer

Servers: Please Volunteer

8:00 a.m. Sunday

Lector: Cathy Frame

Eucharistic: Sherrie Kent

Servers: Please Volunteer

10:00 a.m. Sunday

Lector: Larry Freeland

Eucharistic: Lisa Yoho

Servers: Please Volunteer

Sacristy

Suzanne Artimez

Ellen McCormick

REMEMBER YOUR DEAR PETS:

Fr. That Son will offer the blessing of animals at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 4, which is the feast day of St. Francis Assisi, patron saint of animals and ecology.

ELEVATOR SAFETY ALERT!

Wait for the elevator to come to a complete stop before opening the gate. Opening the gate before the lift system levels the elevator disengages the lift and leaves a gap that could be a hazard.

OFFERING

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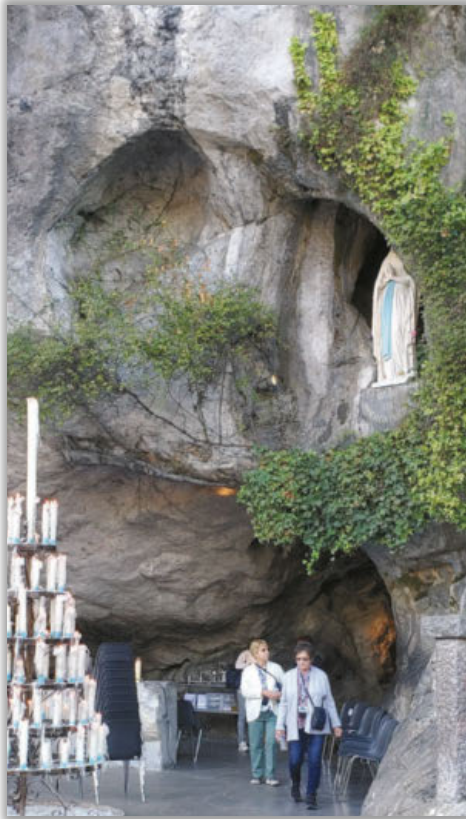
Envelopes	\$2,773.00
Loose Offering	\$342.00
Church Repair	\$733.00
Xavier Hall	\$15.00
Pennies for God	\$6.80
Memorial	\$215.00
Online Giving	\$215.15
Attendance	213

Report suspected child sexual abuse to local law enforcement and at 800-352-6513.

WE WELCOME TO OUR PARISH this weekend Father Cyprian Osuegbu and Father Michael Nwokocha. Please thank them for being with us at our Masses while Father That Son is away. In case of an emergency, contact Father Doney at 681-404-2033.



THIS WEEKEND'S SECOND collection is for Catholic University of America in Washington D.C.



THE MIRACLE AT LOURDES Parishioners from St. Francis, St. Jude, and Sts. James and John are together now in France as part of a pilgrimage of Marian shrines, and Father and our own Susan Board are sharing the journey. Here SFX parishioners Linda Miller and Bridget Scarbin take in the beauty of the Grotto where Mary appeared to Bernadette. This same day, Father concelebrated a Mass at the Grotto with four bishops and 24 priests. Father's intentions were for parishioners of the parishes represented on the trip. Check back for more pictures, which later will include Belgium.



NAMI GREATER WHEELING'S 7th Annual Walk for Mental Health Awareness

Health Awareness is set for Wheeling Park's Schwertfeger Shelter Saturday, Oct. 15, at 11 a.m. Same-day registration opens at 10 a.m. General admission is \$20 and students pay \$10. Get a free t-shirt by registering before Sept. 30 at namiwheeling.org/get-involved/walk-for-awareness/.

One in five people live with a mental illness, but stigma keeps 60 percent from treatment or revealing to loved ones they are struggling. Help fight the stigma.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1
PARISH CELEBRATION - FEAST OF ST. THERESA OF CHILD JESUS
 4:00 p.m. Mass. Dinner afterward in the Church Hall | Sign up by Monday.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 4
BLESSING OF ANIMALS
 5:00 p.m. | This is Assisi's Feast day.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15
MASS BOOK OPENS
 | Forms will be in the vestibule and on the church's website soon.

ONGOING EVENTS

MONDAYS UNTIL OCT. 31
NOVENA TO THE INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE
 7:00 p.m. | Cathedral of St. Joseph, Wheeling. Reflections are based on the Holy Eucharist.

FALL BIBLE STUDY - CONVERSION
 First three weeks in September - first three weeks in November. Wednesdays at 9 a.m. OR Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. Church Hall | 304-810-4380 reaches Mary.

FOURTH MONDAY EACH MONTH
 6 p.m. | Bereavement Group. St. John's Church, Benwood. Fellowship Hall. Next meeting Sept. 26

WEDNESDAYS
 11:30 a.m. — 1:30 p.m. | Line Dancing With Lottie at the Moundsville VFW.



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