

St. John Vianney Church

October 16, 2022

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



This week's Gospel is found in the book of Luke 18:1-8

Catholic Diocese of Peoria

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Mass: Sunday 8:00 AM All Are Welcome

Reconciliation: 7:30 AM to 7:50 AM

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Mass Saturday 4 PM | Sunday 10:00 AM

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Date	Mass Intentions	Given By
Oct 16 8:00 AM	For: Fred DeSplinter For: Fr. John Burns	By: Theresa DeSplinter Family By: Connie Collier
Oct 23 8:00 AM	For: Orville Ossian For: Robert Johnson	By: Carolyn Ossian By: George & Mary Bowman
Oct 30 8:00 AM	For: Special Intention For: Poor Souls in Purgatory	By: George & Mary Bowman By: Bill and Rita Taylor
Nov 01 5:30 AM All Saints Day	For: Maxine Swanson For:	By: Randy & Terri Borkgren By:

Serving at Our Lord's Altar

Lay Ministry Schedule for October 16—November 1, 2022	
Oct 16 8:00 AM	Extra Min: Chris DeKezel & Mary Kay Newman Lector: Dave Dobbels
Oct 23 8:00 AM	Extra Min: Don & Sharon Hulin Lector: Ron Koenigs
Oct 30 8:00 AM	Extra Min: Joe Borkgren & Barb Montgomery Lector: Lorrie Stiles
Nov 01 5:30 PM All Saints Day	Extra Min: Brian & Julie Dwyer Lector: Bill Taylor
USHERS	
8:00 AM	Oct: Bob Olson & Dwaine VanMeenen Nov: Joe Borkgren & Dave DeKezel
COUNTERS	
8:00 AM	Oct: George & Mary Bowman Nov: Bill Taylor & Richard Nichols
<i>Week Day Masses:</i>	
Woodhull: 8:00 AM Tuesday Galva: 8:00 AM Wednesday	

For Prayer Chain requests contact:

Terri Borkgren: 309-945-2628 or Julie Dwyer: 309-507-1627

Dates to Remember:

Oct 16: Coffee hour after Mass

Oct 23: Pennies for Life Collection
World Mission Sunday Collection
KC Vocation Raffle after Mass

Nov 01: Solemnity/All Saints Mass 5:30pm

God's Word:

"Pray without ceasing." Thessalonians 5:17

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Xander Carlson, Donna Dobbels, Jim Dobbels, Tom Montgomery, Carolyn Ossian, Ryan Thrasher and Mary Lou Robinson. Please pray for the sick, their loved ones, and caregivers. May they never lose sight of the love of God.



ANNOINTING OF THE SICK

Before going into the hospital, please call Fr. John Zilimu at 309-852-4549 Ext 106. If you are admitted to the hospital or nursing home prior to Fr. John anointing you, please tell admittance that you are Catholic. They will arrange for the designated chaplain to anoint you and will notify Fr. John.

The **ROSARY** will be recited
20 minutes before Mass in October

Rosary Leaders

Oct 23 **Lorna Brown**

Oct 30 **Ron Koenigs**



Thoughtful Prayers

Let us remember to pray for all members of our parish family including our priests, keeping their well being in our hearts and prayers throughout the day.



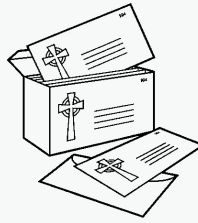
Mystery Dinner

Sunday, November 6th
4 PM in Church Hall
Food—Fun—Fellowship!

Trivia Question (answer on last page)

Who wrote the most words of the New Testament?

a) Matthew b) Mark c) Luke d) John



Last Week's Gifts to God

\$952.00 Sunday Total
*\$435.00 Building Fund is
included in above amount.*

BUILDING FUND: To make a donation towards the upcoming project to repair or replace the parking lot, please mark your weekly envelope "Building Fund".

Coffee Hour Today!

in the Church Hall after Mass
Come join us for food
and fellowship.



World Mission Sunday is next Sunday, October 23rd. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. Envelopes are in pews.

October is Right to Life Month

The Confirmation class will be collecting money after Mass on Sunday, Oct 23rd for **Pennies for Life**. It is suggested you give a penny for each year of your life. The students will be at the doors.



The Knights of Columbus

in IL are sponsoring a Vocation Raffle
\$20,000 in Cash Awards 20 Prizes in all
It is well known that there is a serious shortage of priests in our diocese. Please help those men discerning a vocation to the priesthood by supporting this KC effort. Raffle tickets will be for sale after Mass Sunday, Oct 23rd. \$15 per book of 15 chances.
GIVE TO SUPPORT OUR PRIESTS OF TOMORROW.



The Value of Prayer



The four pillars of parish stewardship are hospitality, prayer, formation, and service. They are intentionally presented in this order with the idea that we cannot expect people to respond to calls to increase their prayer life, their formation, and their service within and outside the parish, if they do not first feel welcomed and valued through warmth of hospitality. However, we also know well that stewardship cannot succeed unless it is steeped in prayer. Today's readings show us the immense value of prayer and the privileged place it must have in our individual lives and in our parish community.

In our first reading, from Exodus, we find Moses interceding for the Israelites as they engage in a fierce battle against Amalek. As long as Moses keeps his hands raised, the Israelites succeed. But when his hands grow tired and droop, the Israelites begin to lose ground. In his wisdom, Moses anticipated that he would need support from his community as he engaged in this spiritual battle. He brought Aaron and Hur along with him to support him (quite literally) as he began to grow weary. Moses relied on his friends to hold his hands up so that they remained steady until the battle was won. We would do well to follow the example of Moses and gather together in our families and as a faith community to support each other in our own spiritual battles, great or small.

In our second reading, from St. Paul's letter to Timothy, Paul gives wise counsel on a particularly efficacious source of prayer — the Holy Scriptures. He reminds us that "All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for refutation, for correction and for training in righteousness" so that when we truly study it and pray with it, we may be "competent, equipped for every good work" the Lord has for us to do. Paul says that it is not enough to simply study and pray over the Scripture, however. He exhorts us to proclaim it! "Since we cannot give what we do not possess, it is vital that we develop a relationship with God and in a special way through praying over His living Word to us.

Our Lord Himself continues this call to prayer and persistence in the Gospel passage from Luke. He tells the parable of the nagging widow who finally wears down the judge with her unrelenting persistence in her pursuit of a just ruling from him on her behalf. Jesus goes to great length to describe this judge, saying he "neither feared God nor respected any human." Yet even this corrupt judge responds with a just judgment because of the widow's persistence. Jesus uses this outlandish example to draw a vivid contrast between a reluctant, dishonest judge and our loving, all-merciful Father. If even a bad judge will give a good result in response to a persistent request, how much more (infinitely more) eagerly and perfectly will our good Father respond to our persistent prayers to Him. If he delays in responding, if he provides a different response than the one we were expecting, we can remain confident and trusting in His goodness, knowing that His response whenever it comes and in whatever form, will be the very best one for us.

Our job then, as Christian stewards, is simply to remain faithful to our relationship with God through prayer. We should prioritize the Scriptures as a source of prayer, and we must lean on each other in our communities — family and parish — as we support each other in prayer.

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