

THE KING SAID TO HIS SERVANTS, "THE FEAST IS READY,
BUT THOSE WHO WERE INVITED WERE NOT WORTHY TO COME.
GO, THEREFORE, INTO THE MAIN ROADS
AND INVITE TO THE FEAST WHOMEVER YOU FIND."

MATTHEW 22:8-9

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 11, 2020

Today's readings do nothing less than reveal the secret to happiness. To whet our appetite, Isaiah describes what paradise feels like: "a feast of rich food and choice wines, juicy, rich foods, and pure, choice wines." In this paradise, says Isaiah, God dries our tears and puts an end to death. The psalm response lures us with its own descriptive words for paradise: restful, refreshing, fearless, overflowing. Just when all of these extravagant images seem too good to be

true, Saint Paul's letter brings us down to earth. Paul is confident that he will one day be in heaven, but he knows just as certainly that he is not there yet. His "secret" to happiness is to trust in God's providence under every earthly circumstance. Echoing Isaiah's images of paradise, the Gospel promises that the Lord has invited us all to the heavenly feast. Like Paul, may we respond with trusting hearts.

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28th SUNDAY IN
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OCTOBER 11, 2020

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 10, 2020 – 5:45pm

+Mary Hornback req. by the Stauffenberg Family

Sunday, October 11, 2020 – 9:00 am

Parish Family of St. Patrick

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday

NO MASS

Thursday, October 15, 2020 - 9:00 am

+Gloria Konsack

Friday, October 16, 2020 - 9:00 am

NO MASS – Adoration from 9am until 10am

Saturday, October 17 – 5:45pm

+Loretta Tulley req. by Rick Gallagher & Dee

Sunday, October 18 – 9:00 am

Parish Family of St. Patrick

SATURDAY, October 17, 2020 – 5:45pm

USHER: Mike & Katie Horath

LECTOR: Jerry Kinsella

SUNDAY, October 18, 2020 – 9:00am

USHER/GREATER: Dan & Tricia Knowles

LECTOR Grace Niemiec

COUNTERS: Hoehn



Our Two Week Candle is
burning for
**A SPECIAL INTENTION OF
DAN & LYNNE PHELAN**

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

For the new fiscal year beginning July 1, 2019, the weekly Sunday collection goal is \$2,090.37

Sunday, September 27.....\$1,495.00

Thank you for your support of our Parish

St. Patrick Parish depends on offertory donations for ongoing expenses. Please visit our parish website to set up online giving, if you have not already done so. Our parish website can be found at: www.stpatrickwiltoncenter.org – Online Giving is simple, convenient, and secure. Thank you



Thank you to everyone for your support of our Parish. This has been an extremely strange time, but we are getting through it. We started the fiscal year with a lot of larger maintenances expenses that could not be avoided, which has left our maintenance fund with a deficit of \$2,630. We have wonderful volunteers who help with other tasks that needed to be addressed. Even with the limited restrictions, our parishioners are signing up and coming back to Mass. Our Religious Education Program is going strong using all safe practices. Please continue to pray for a rapid end to this pandemic.

Be a HERO for Life! St. Patrick Parish will be participating in a special campaign; the Waterleaf Virtual Baby Bottles for Life Team Challenge to benefit, support and educate pregnant women facing crisis or unintended pregnancies. The funds collected through the Bottles for Life campaign support the life-affirming programs and services of the Waterleaf Medical Clinic and their Aspire Education and Resource Center located in Aurora. Participation is as easy as 1...2...3



1. Visit www.onechoiceonelife.org
 2. Click on the events tab and the virtual baby bottle link.
 3. Find our church/team virtual "baby bottle" and donate in support of Waterleaf. Our team page link is: <http://www.fundeasy.com/m/5001662/>
- . Our church goal is \$1,000! To date St. Patrick has raised \$220.00 Thank You**

1 "bottle" holds \$30; 2 hold \$60; and 3 hold \$90.

How many "bottles" can you fill today?

The Virtual Campaign runs through November 15, 2020.



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

We celebrate World Mission Sunday on October 18th this year. This annual, worldwide Eucharistic celebration emphasizes our shared baptismal call to mission.

Pope Francis, in his message for World Mission Sunday, implores us, “In this year marked by the suffering and challenges created by the COVID-19 pandemic, the missionary journey of the whole Church continues in light of the words found in the account of the calling of the prophet Isaiah: ‘Here I am, send me’ (6:8). This is the ever-new response to the Lord’s question: ‘Whom shall I send?’ This invitation from God’s merciful heart challenges both the Church and humanity, in the current world crisis.”

During the Mission Month of October, Pope Francis reminds us that, as baptized Christians, we are called personally to mission – especially at this time – to bring Christ’s love to those most forgotten around the world. Jesus is God the Father’s own Missionary; He asks us to respond to this call to mission, this invitation to “step out of ourselves for love of God and neighbor.” What will your answer be? “Here I Am, Send Me” is the response we will all endeavor to live out this World Mission Sunday, through prayer, participation in the Eucharist, and generosity to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

Through the Pope’s own missionary society, you too can be sent out to all the ends of the earth – sent through your support of missionaries and those they serve. Even though we have not been able to actually go on mission because of the pandemic, our diocese of Joliet continues to support our missions to the Philippines, Bolivia, the Navajo Nation and Uganda. There our missionaries proclaim the Gospel, build the Church through our relationships with the poor. You, too, are a part of this with the gifts that you share. Your answer also is, “Here I Am, Send Me.”

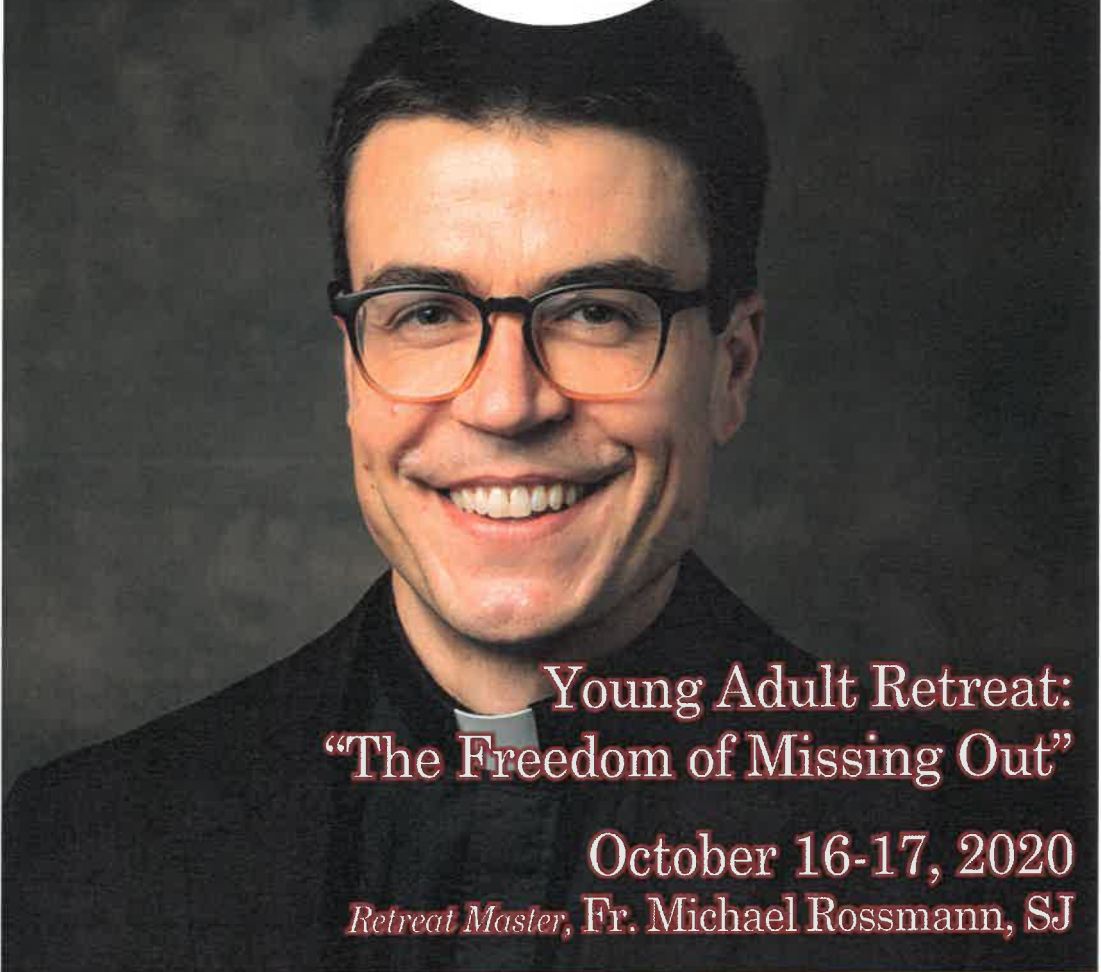
This year, in response to the challenges to the Mission Church from the pandemic, I invite all of us in this diocese to respond in the most generous way you are able. As you do, I offer my sincere personal gratitude for your kind missionary heart, reaching out in love throughout Mission Month.

Your brother in Christ,
Most Reverend Richard E. Pates
Apostolic Administrator
Diocese of Joliet

This collection will be collected next weekend,
October 17 & 18. Thank you.



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“The Freedom of Missing Out”**

October 16-17, 2020

Retreat Master, Fr. Michael Rossmann, SJ

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Undy Sunday: October 2020

Did you know that new underwear and socks are the most-requested, but least-donated items at Catholic Charities? These basic items (new underwear, warm socks, a fresh diaper) are truly treasures to those who are living in poverty.



St. Patrick Council of Catholic Women is supporting Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet and the individuals and families they serve by providing new underwear, undershirts, socks, diapers, and other basic need items for children and adults living in low-income households throughout the month of October. This year, due to COVID-19, Catholic Charities is requesting donations in either of the two following ways:

1. **Undy Sunday Amazon Wish List** – Choose from a list of most-needed items and your donation will be sent directly to Catholic Charities to help those in need.
2. **Monetary Donations to support Undy Sunday** – Donations made to Undy Sunday will be used to purchase the items needed by Catholic Charities' clients.

Please visit <https://catholiccharitiesjoliet.org/undy-sunday/> to make a donation or view the Amazon Wish List.

If you'd prefer to send a check directly to Catholic Charities, please mail it to:
Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet/Undy Sunday, 16555 Weber Road, Crest Hill, IL 60403

For more information on Undy Sunday, please email Maggie Snow at msnow@cc-doj.org. Thank you for making a difference in the lives of the poor and vulnerable in our community, particularly during this difficult time.

Catholic Charities Mission

are a faith-based organization providing service to people in need and calling others of good will to do the same.





PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Marge Flint; Nancee Long,
Shay Phelan, Lisa Bernhard, Cecelia Mundt;
Fr. Jim Lennon; Gary Ulman; Nicole Flint;
Brett Burkhalter ; Cathy Engler; Grace
Niemic; Russ McClellon; Bob Johnson ;
Steve Niemic; Noreen McAndrew; Mary Jo
Moran; Ron Gregory

PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE IF YOU
WOULD LIKE TO BE PUT ON THE
PRAYER LIST.

Intention of the Holy Father MONTH OF OCTOBER

- We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity faithful, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church

If you or a loved one would like to be put on the prayer list because of illness, rehab, or living at a health care center please let the office know. If there is an emergency and you need a priest, Fr. Sebastian will be available and can be reached at : 1(815) 478-3440 ex. 102 or 815-476-7491 and then press 1.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK October 11, 2020



Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27,
31 – 5:1; Ps 113:1b-5a, 6-7; Lk
11:29-32
Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6; Ps 119:41, 43-45, 47-
48; Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk
11:42-46
Thursday: Eph 1:1-10; Ps 98:1-6; Lk 11:47
-54
Friday: Eph 1:11-14; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-
13; Lk 12:1-7
Saturday: Eph 1:15-23; Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-7;
Lk 12:8-12
Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 7-10;
1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

Sunday: Twenty-eighth Sunday in
Ordinary Time;
Monday: Columbus Day
Wednesday: St. Callistus I
Thursday: St. Teresa of Jesus
Friday: St. Hedwig; St. Margaret
Mary Alacoque;
Saturday: St. Ignatius of Antioch

Sacred Heart Parish in Lombard is seeking to hire an office administrator/receptionist. This person will be responsible for staffing the front desk, answering phones and the main door, maintaining sacramental and parishioner records, gathering information for upcoming sacramentals, secretarial assistance for the pastor and parish ministries, managing the parish calendar, and preparing the parish bulletin. Candidates must have good communication and interpersonal skills, as well as the ability to work collaboratively as a member of a team in coordination with parish staff. This position requires the desire and ability to support the mission of the Catholic Church. Office experience is required, including knowledge of Microsoft Word, Excel, Publisher and Parish Data System. Fluency in Spanish is a plus. This is a full-time benefited position with 35 hours weekly (9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.) with the possibility of flexibility in schedule. Please email resume and cover letter including salary requirements to Dan Sledz via email to sacredheartchurchresume@gmail.com.



DESTROYING MURDERERS, BURNING CITIES

Jesus' parable of the king's wedding feast sounds extreme to our modern ears. After all, if a king—a beloved celebrity, say—were to invite us to his son's party, which one of us would refuse, much less murder the messenger? In Matthew's Gospel, the chief priests and elders obstinately refuse to acknowledge Jesus' mission as the anointed Son of God. Today's parable suggests that God will punish this stubbornness by burning their city. The extreme violence of this parable seems to be aimed at Jesus' stubborn first-century audience, but falls short of hitting us.

RESTORING RELATIONSHIPS, BUILDING BRIDGES

Instead of dismissing or quaintly smiling at today's parable, we can let the word of God work in our hearts. Jesus, who is the Word of God, exists in all time and knows each of us intimately. He speaks to us today through this very parable. The king's invitation applies to us. The Creator of the universe calls us, and we must respond. Eternal life is at stake.

Today's liturgy is a rich opportunity to identify the invitation extended by God. The liturgy itself is our collective glimpse into heaven. Perhaps the Lord is calling us to be more attentive to the liturgy, or to enter more deeply into a parish's weekend experience. Or perhaps our liturgical prayer time today will reveal a call to service, an invitation to care intentionally for strangers in need or for people we know. Perhaps, too, we might discern a call to repair brokenness. Most of us do not witness murder or burning cities on a daily basis, but we surely know of relationships in need of repair. Once we hear the invitation to reconcile with others, we can pray for the strength to respond. Instead of ignoring the summons by filling our time with busyness, we can ask the Lord to help us apologize, or forgive, or begin a difficult conversation. "Many are invited," Jesus tells us. He will help us respond.

Today's Readings: Is 25:6–10a; Ps 23:1–3a, 3b–4, 5, 6; Phil 4:12–14, 19–20; Mt 22:1–14 [1–10]

10/11/2020