



Whoever
RECEIVES
ONE child
in my name
receives me

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September 23, 2018 • Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

One can always be amazed by the prophets and the wisdom books of the Old Testament. A hundred years or so before Christ, the Book of Wisdom points to the kind of teachings a just person such as Jesus would produce and the death that would result at the hands of the wicked. "Let us beset the just one, because he is obnoxious to us" and "Let us condemn him to a shameful death; for according to his own words, God will take care of him."

When we are feeling set upon, we can cry out with Psalm 54, "O God, by your name save me, and by your might defend my cause." With Jesus, we often suffer from the contempt of others, and here we have assurance of God's help in our need. "Behold, God is my helper; the Lord sustains my life." When the situation in our country and the world seems difficult or even hopeless, we cry out to God for help and salvation for ourselves, for others in need, and for the Earth itself.

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TWENTY-FIFTH
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, 5:00 pm †Jim & Rita Phelan req. by Ed & Judy Phelan
Sunday, 9:00 am The Parish Family of St. Patrick
Monday, 9:00 am September 24, 2018
Intention of the Celebrant
Tuesday, 6:00 pm September 25, 2018—NO MASS
No Adoration
Wednesday, 9:00 am September 26, 2018—NO MASS
Thursday, 9:00 am September 27, 2018
†Mary Hornback req. by Alan & Roberta Stauffenberg
Friday, 9:00 am September 28, 2018—NO MASS
Adoration until 11 am
Saturday, 5:00 pm September 29, 2018
†Dave & Theresa Klimson req. by Alan & Roberta Stauffenberg
Sunday, 9:00 am September 30, 2018
The Parish Family of St. Patrick

Altar Servers:

Saturday, September 29 - 5:00 pm
Nick & Ella Phelps
Sunday, September 30 - 9:00 am
Alexander Lawson, Anne Marie Smith

Lector

Saturday, September 29 - 5:00 pm
Sarah Hoehn
Sunday, September 30 - 9:00 am
Steve Hoehn

Extraordinary Minister:

Saturday, September 29 - 5:00 pm
Roberta Stauffenberg, Jim Kreske
Sunday, September 30 - 9:00 am
Paul Engler

Usher:

Saturday, September 29 - 5:00 pm
Bill Phelan, John Meyer
Sunday, September 30 - 9:00 am
Bruce Boyle, Dennis Skolasinski

Music: Cathy Engler

Collection Counters: Horath & Price

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

For the new fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, the weekly Sunday collection goal is \$2,584.62

Sunday, September 16\$2,137.00

Thank you for your support of our Parish



Our Two Week Candle is burning for a Special Intention Req. by the Donor

***Please Participate!
Your Gift Makes a Difference!***

Parish Goal:	\$ 10,600.00
Amount Pledged:	\$ 10,910.00
Amount Paid:	\$ 9,974.00
2017 Rebate	\$ 0



Diocese of Joliet

Thank you for your generous response.



St. Vincent de Paul

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Mass intentions can be requested through the office, or dropped in any weekend collection, please mark in a separate envelope. Think about having a Mass for a loved one. Weekday and weekend Masses are available. We are also accepting requests for our 2-week Sacred Heart Candle.



This month St. Patrick Parish will conduct its Baby Bottles for Life campaign to benefit, support and educate pregnant women facing crisis or unintended pregnancies.

The funds collected through the Bottles for Life campaign support the programs and services of

the Waterleaf Medical Clinic and Education and Resource Center located in Aurora.

Waterleaf provides practical help; pregnancy testing, ultrasounds, STD testing and treatment as well as continuing education and support for women in our community who would otherwise be at risk for choosing abortion.

Last year with the support of churches like St. Patrick, Waterleaf served 846 clients, performed 540 pregnancy tests, 404 ultrasounds and rescued 83 babies.

Baby bottles are available to parishioners this weekend to take home and fill with loose change, dollar bills and checks. Bottles will then be returned to the parish by the weekend of Saturday, October 20th and Sunday, October 21st. Please pick up a Baby Bottle after Mass and fill it with your heartfelt financial donation. Please make checks payable to Waterleaf. Your support is greatly appreciated. For more information call us at 630-701-6270 or visit us on the web at www.onechoiceonelife.org.



*Solemn Exposition of
the Blessed Sacrament*



24 Eucharistic Adoration

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 5

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION WILL BEGIN
AT 9AM UNTIL SATURDAY MORNING**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 6 IS THE
FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED AT**

9:00 AM IN CHURCH

PLEASE SIGN UP TO SPEND 1 HOUR WITH OUR LORD

SIGN UP SHEET IS ON THE TABLE IN THE VESTIBULE

**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR PHONE NUMBER IS
CORRECT IF WE NEED TO CONTACT YOU.**



NEEDED: YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM Are you interested in helping our youth grow in their faith? Do you enjoy working with high school and early college age youth? If so join the Youth Ministry Team.

We are looking for several individuals that can utilize their gifts and talents by serving our youth. Help plan social activities, relationship building activities and youth bible study. If you are interested in learning more, contact Katrina Plese at: kpaddick2@gmail.com or 815-476-4459. You may also contact the Parish Offices at strose603@aol.com (Wilmington) or stpatrickwilton.@aol.com (Wilton Center)



Undy Sunday 2018

ST. Patrick's is helping Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet and the individuals and families they serve by collecting **NEW** underwear, undershirts, socks, and diapers for children and adults from low-income households. Collection will be held in the narthex on Sunday, **Oct. 13 & 14** after all masses. All sizes are needed.



For more information on Undy Sunday or how you can help with a donation, please call Claudia Rodriguez at 815-724-1140 or email crodriguez@cc-doj.org.

**Undy
SUNDAY**

Sponsored by Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet

Catholic Charities Mission Statement

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

Pints & Pork CHALLENGE

Presented by St. Joe's Parish Manhattan

Saturday, September 29

5-9pm

Chicago area's most cutting-edge craft breweries join forces with partnering restaurants, first responder groups and parent cooks to create the best pint and pork pairings.

Attendees act as judges as they enjoy sampling food and drink, which are included in the ticket price. At the end, attendees cast votes for best dish, best brew and best pairing.

Spend the evening listening to the acoustic talents of Casey Moss.

Meet interesting people. Sample innovative pork dishes from locally-raised hogs. Enjoy Chicagoland's best brews.

Tickets are \$40 in advance or \$45 at the door

Contact: Steve Smolinske at 815-509-5099 for tickets or more information

THE 48TH ANNUAL TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE to help the Intellectual Disabled is one of the most recognizable activities that the Knights of Columbus do. The funds generated from this drive are used to support local programs which help people with special learning needs. St. Patrick's Knights of Columbus will sponsor the Drive this weekend Sept . 22 & 23 after both Masses.



MOUNT ST. PATRICK CEMETERY : Please clean up and remove any spring decorations by Oct.6 & 7 .

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

There will be an altar server training on Saturday, October 6, after First Saturday Mass, at 9:45 am. For students third grade and older wanting to participate as altar servers. This is also a good time for our experienced servers to get a little brush up and perhaps lend a hand and guide our new servers.



Christ is our Hope

Christ is our Hope arrives in your mailbox each month, filled with educational stories about our faith, personal journeys, and news in our parishes. This magazine keeps the seven counties of our Diocese connected by sharing the Good News with each other.

On behalf of Bishop Conlon, please prayerfully consider making a generous donation to this year's *Christ is our Hope* Magazine appeal. To make a gift online, visit our website: dioceseofjoliet.org. Or simply write a check to *Christ is our Hope* Magazine Appeal and mail to : Diocese of Joliet– Development Office, 16555 Weber Road, Crest Hill, IL. 60403.

There will be a second collection on Sept. 29 & 30 .

Thank you for helping everyone in our Diocese to stay connected!

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FURTHER WORDS FROM BISHOP CONLON REGARDING THE CHILD ABUSE SCANDAL

I am aware that the child abuse scandal continues, understandably, to upset people. There are some signs of hope. The recent meeting of officers of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops with the Pope and his calling for a general meeting of the presidents of all the bishops' conferences to deal with the issue indicate a high level of concern.

People are looking for accountability. Sometimes it is hard to provide accountability for events that occurred years ago. The Illinois Attorney General's recently announced inquiry into diocesan records, with which we have agreed to assist, may help. Meanwhile, we need to keep focused on our highest priorities of trying to bring healing to those who have been hurt and preventing future abuse.

As the chief shepherd of the Diocese of Joliet I am firmly committed to the "Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People" and its "Essential Norms", most especially the reporting of all allegations of child sexual abuse to the proper civil authorities, along with the observance of other pertinent state laws, and the removal of all perpetrators from ministry. Sometimes people have their own expectations, but we have to work with objective standards.

I admit that I am discouraged that we are at this sad moment in our history. I worry about those who have been abused and those whose faith has been shaken. I rely on the Lord, through prayer, to help me and to heal our Church. I invite you to do the same.



Most Reverend R. Daniel Conlon
Bishop of Joliet



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Marge Flint; Grace Niemiec; Cathy Engler, Loretta Long, Nancee Long, Shay Phelan, Jeanne Kuzmicz, Bonnie Hack; Ron Bzdil; Adrian Wilkerson, Michelle Schneider; Joyce Heffern, Lisa Bernhard, Jim McGrath, Sister Anne Ellen Quirk; Torie Jasinski; Judith Wright; Frank Wahlen; Cecelia Mundt; Don Tures; Kyle Cassidy; Derek Knauer; Marilyn Cieply; Norma Boyle; Gehrman family; Judith Wright; Lorenzo Rossi; Joyce Albers

Anyone wishing to be on the prayer list should contact the office.

Intention of the Holy Father MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

- That young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.

ARCHANGELS



Ss. Michael, Gabriel, Raphael

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK September 23, 2018



- Monday: Prv 3:27-34; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 8:16-18
- Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44; Lk 8:19-21
- Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9; Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163; Lk 9:1-6
- Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17bc; Lk 9:7-9
- Friday: Eccl 3:1-11; Ps 144:1b, 2abc, 3-4; Lk 9:18-22
- Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51
- Sunday: Nm 11:25-19; Ps 19:8, 10, 12-14; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE

- Sunday: Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Autumn begins
- Wednesday: Ss. Cosmas and Damian
- Thursday: St. Vincent de Paul
- Friday: St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions; St. Wenceslaus
- Saturday: Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael

The fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace.

-- James 3:18



WHERE DO THE WARS COME FROM?

The letter from Saint James is quite explicit about the problem of war and peace. “The fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace.” So then, “Where do the wars and where do the conflicts among you come from? . . . You kill and envy but you cannot obtain; you fight and wage war.” War is an evil and never to be the first resort in settling conflicts.

SIMPLICITY AND LOVE

As Jesus walks along with his disciples, they are talking and arguing. Jesus asks them what they are discussing, but he knows. They are arguing about which of them will be greatest in the reign of God. He tells them that whoever wishes to be first must take the last place and be the servant of all.

Then he takes a little child and places it in their midst. “Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me.” Sometimes it is assumed that small children are incapable of understanding the teachings of the Gospels and the sacraments of the Church. The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, which has its roots in the Montessori method of pedagogy, allows even very small children as young as three to experience the life of Jesus and the liturgy of the Church through materials such as the altar, small vestments in seasonal colors, and wooden maps of the Holy Land where Jesus lived and traveled, as well as other materials related to the Gospels and the liturgy. People who observe the children at their work using this method of catechesis are amazed at their understanding of the Gospels and especially the parables. Most importantly, the children develop a genuine love for Jesus that is deep and touching.

There is a lesson here for all of us, as Jesus pointed out. We must have the same simplicity and love for Jesus as these little children in order to enter the reign of God.

Today's Readings: Wis 2:12, 17–20; Ps 54:3–4, 5, 6–8; Jas 3:16 — 4:3; Mk 9:30–37

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