



**October 6, 2019
27th Sunday of
Ordinary Time**

Last week, I shared some thoughts on the spiritual epidemic of consumerism that has afflicted many in our culture. I proposed tithing and sacrificial giving as a form of spiritual prevention and/or healing against this dangerous disease. As I said, it was not my intention to make anybody feel guilty or to try to pressure anybody into thinking I was using that as a way of getting people to contribute more to the Church and other charitable causes. I found the idea very thought provoking when it was presented to me, and I felt it would be valuable to pass it along to you.

With that said, I am hesitant to bring up a financial topic lest it look like I am trying to do what I just claimed that I was not trying to do – ask for money! As you are likely familiar with by now, our diocese has an annual campaign to raise funds for the many works it undertakes. The campaign is called the Annual Catholic Services Appeal (ACSA). Each parish is assessed a goal that the parishioners are asked to meet. We have paid that amount every year, but with an important caveat.

For the past several years, the parishioners of our parish have contributed well under half of the assessed amount. The remainder has been paid to the diocese from our savings. While we are certainly have the ability to do the same again this year, I would like to issue the challenge that we meet our goal without having to pull from our savings. This is an appeal not from financial desperation, but from the sense of the spiritual benefits we gain from practicing generosity with the gifts He has entrusted to us as His stewards. Contributing to ACSA is not the only way, but it is one way, and I'll elaborate more on that next week.

Just to give you an idea of the pledges for last year's campaign, I have provided some numbers:

Goal:	\$42,745.00
Pledges:	\$13,175.00 (roughly 30% of our goal)
Average Pledge:	\$168.91 (with only 17 pledges above \$250)
Parish Families:	517
Pledges:	78 (roughly 15% of the parish)

This year's assessment for our parish is set at \$42,995.00.

- Fr. Alford

Anointing of the Sick

If you are going to the hospital for surgery or have a serious illness, receive the Sacrament of the Sick. Please call the parish office to receive the Sacrament, administered privately or during daily Mass. Call Barb Scoggins at 217-498-9197 to have a family member placed on the prayer list.

Prayer List:

- Steven Long**, parishioner
- Gary Dumonceaux**, parishioner
- Jillian Kohlrus**, parishioner
- Shirley Crawford**, parishioner
- Rene Runions**, parishioner
- Ray Roland**, parishioner
- Lynn F. Leach**, parishioner
- JoAnn Camille**, parishioner
- Betty Rowden**, parishioner
- JoAnn Barber**, parishioner
- Glen Butcher**, parishioner
- Katherine Torricelli**, mother of Jeff Torricelli
- Aloysious Staff**, brother of Sylvia Thull
- Ken Cardoni**, cousin of Frances Tomashavich
- John Rentschler**, son of Ginger Rentschler
- Glen Limper**, son of Al & Betty Limper
- Hope Power**, daughter of Yvonne Brandis
- Donna Meyers**, mother of Kellie Brewer
- Julie Sinkus**, daughter of Barb Sinkus
- Jim Felts**, husband of Dianne Felts
- Jerry McCormick**, brother of Tom Walker
- Margie Lammert**, mother of Sarah Clare
- Steven Butts**, brother of Michelle Bullock
- Reba Cloyd**, mother of Anita Schwab
- Jennifer Harbeck**, cousin of Brad Zack
- Joanna Laabs**, wife of Deacon Al Laabs
- John Vercautern**, cousin of Laurie White
- Bob Etherton**, friend of Mary Bruno
- Cherie Peterson**, niece of Peggy Parnell
- Mike Geist**, brother-in-law of Ray & Sue Roth
- Craig Martin**, nephew of Debbie Decker
- David Brogdon**, friend of Don & Roberta Vanover
- Judy Conway**, friend of Maggie Patterson
- Carolyn Carmichael**, mother of Leanne Collings
- Joseph Adams**, father of Christina Rollins



SCRIPTURE READINGS: Oct. 6th- Oct. 13th:

Sunday:	HB 1:2-3; 2:2-4	2TM 1:6-8, 13-14 LK 17:5-10
Monday:	JON 1:1-2:2, 11	LK 10:25-37
Tuesday:	JON 3:1-10	LK 10:38-42
Wednesday:	JON 4:1-11	LK 11:1-4
Thursday:	MAL 3:13-20B	LK 11:5-13
Friday:	JL 1:13-15; 2:1-2	LK 11:15-26
Saturday:	JL 4:12-21	LK 11:27-28
Sunday:	2KGS 5:14-17	2TM 2:8-13 LK 17:11-19

**Parish Sacrificial Giving
Fiscal Year 7/1/2019-6/30/2020**

	Last Week	Year-To-Date
Collections (103)	\$ 5,404.22	\$ 71,586.04
Electronic Funds (15)	\$ 1,760.00	\$ 14,544.30
Bldg. Dev. Fund (3)	\$ 90.00	\$ 3,364.00
EFT-Dev. Fund (3)	\$ 185.00	\$ 2,084.00
Poor Fund	\$ 49.97	\$ 650.57
Children's Offering (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 9.60

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, October 12th – 4:30 p.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, DeGroot, Egizio,
Deacon Walker
Lectors: V. Walker
Servers: J & O Heiple, Western
Hospitality: H & M Bruno, J & D Kratz

Sunday, October 13th – 8:00 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, G & C Leach,
Deacon Roth
Lectors: Blumhorst, Nelson
Servers: Brown, Delgado, Lauwerens
Hospitality: Brandis, McClintock Family

Sunday, October 13th – 10:30 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Crusen, Kohlrus,
S. Warren
Lectors: A. Toliver, L. Warren
Servers: Henry, Martyn, Zucco
Minister of Care: Deacon Roth
Hospitality: M & J Larson, M & C Zucco
CLOW: Martyn Family

Volunteers for this week: Oct. 7-Oct. 13

Church Duster: John & Mary Fox
Oct. Recycling Volunteer: Scott Settles
Oct. Food Volunteer: Jeannette Waters
Coffee & Donuts – Sunday, October 13:
Don & Roberta Vanover

St. Jude Parish Weekly Confession Times

Monday – 5:00-5:20 p.m.

Saturday – 3:30-4:15 p.m.

Sunday – 7:30-7:50 a.m. & 9:45-10:15 a.m.

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HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK!!!

The † symbolizes the Mass is for someone
who is deceased.

Saturday, October 5th

1:00 p Alewelt/Groff Wedding
3:30 p Confessions
4:30 p Mass (Int: Weier/Barrett Families)

Sunday, October 6th

7:30 a Confessions
8:00 a Mass (Int: Bertha Wagener†)
9:30 a Wyndcrest: Nelson
9:45 a Confessions
9:45 a Choir Rehearsal
10:00 a Rosary
10:30 a Mass (Int: For the Parish)

Monday, October 7th

9:00 a Counting Team #1
5:00 p Confessions
5:30 p Mass (Int: James & Mary Kates†)
7:00 p Pastoral Council meeting

Tuesday, October 8th

7:00 a Morning Prayer
7:30 a Mass (Int: Limper/Engeling Families)
8:00 a Scriptural Rosary
6:30 p Protecting God's Children

Wednesday, October 9th

7:00 a Morning Prayer
7:30 a Mass (Int: Harold Sheppard†)
8:00 a Scriptural Rosary
1:00 p Ladies Tea/Bunco
6:30 p PSR

Thursday, October 10th

7:00 a Morning Prayer
7:30 a Mass (Int: All Souls†)
8:00 a Scriptural Rosary
7:00 p Men's Prayer Group
7:00 p Choir Rehearsal

Friday, October 11th

7:00 a Morning Prayer
7:30 a Mass (Int: Chris Flood†)
8:00 a Scriptural Rosary

Saturday, October 12th

9 a.m.-3:00 p Sew-n-Sews
3:30 p Confessions
4:30 p Mass (Int: Lorraine Blasko†)

Sunday, October 13th

7:30 a Confessions
8:00 a Mass (Int: Mary Kates†)
9:30 a Wyndcrest: Deacon Roth
9:45 a Confessions
9:45 a Choir Rehearsal
10:00 a Rosary
10:30 a Mass (Int: For the Parish)

Upcoming Parish Meetings/Events

Oct. 7 – 7:00 p.m. – Pastoral Council meeting
Oct. 8 – 6:30 p.m. – Protecting God's Children
Oct. 8 – 6:30 p.m. – Pre-Jordan
Oct. 9 – 1:00 p.m. – Ladies Tea/Bunco
Oct. 9, 16, 23, 30 – 6:30 p.m. – PSR
Oct. 10, 17, 24, 31 – 7:00 p.m. Men's Prayer Group
Oct. 10, 17, 24 – 7:00 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal
Oct. 12 – 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. – Sew-n-Sews
Oct. 14 – 7:00 p.m. – Mission trip meeting
Oct. 15 – 7:00 p.m. K of C meeting
Oct. 16, 30 – 7:00 p.m. – Youth Group
Oct. 19 – 9:30 a.m.-4:15 p.m. – Eucharistic Adoration
Oct. 27 – 11:30 a.m. – Chili & Hot Dog lunch
Oct. 28 – 7:00 p.m. – Finance Council meeting

→PSR NEWS←

The 2019-20 Wednesday classes have begun.

The PSR classes will continue their Annual Monthly Food Drive to benefit the Food Pantry. The October food item is Peanut Butter and Jelly. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

Feeling the call to become more active within the Parish?

A **Protecting God's Children** session has been scheduled at St. Jude Parish Center, **Tuesday, October 8, 6:30 p.m.** Please contact the Parish Office (498-9197) to register for this session. Please assist the parish in providing various services for our youth and children by fulfilling the requirement for all parish volunteers. **The Protecting God's Children Adult Training Session is a requirement for anyone age 18 or older who is volunteering within the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois.**



St. Jude Ladies Tea/Bunco

The Ladies Tea/Bunco will be held on **Wednesday, October 9, 2019 from 1:00pm to 3:00 pm** in the parish center. Come share fellowship, delicious refreshments and Bunco (or learn how to play). All women of the parish and community are invited to attend. **Bring a friend!**



Pre-Jordan Class.

Your child's baptism is a time for celebration and joy. And, naturally, you want the best for your child. We want to help you plan and prepare for the baptism in the best possible way.

Therefore, our next Pre-Jordan Class will be on Tuesday, October 8 at 6:30 p.m. in the parish center. If you plan to attend, please call or e-mail Deacon Tom at 498-8651 or twalker@dio.org.

The **St. Jude Sew-n-Sews** will be having a full day session, Saturday, **October 12th from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.** We invite anyone interested in joining us to bring their projects (sewing, knitting, crocheting, crafting, whatever your interests are). Come and join us for all or part of the day!



The Sew-n-Sews are again making hat, scarf and mitten sets for the homeless. If you would like to make sets, or even donate ready-made items, please bring your donations to the parish office. We will forward them to the organizations who need them. Many blessings for your generosity!



The Parish Picnic was a great success! Great food and fellowship were enjoyed by all. A special thanks to Jan Pietras for once again organizing the Picnic. Thank you to Springfield Pepsi for donating the Pepsi Wagon, as they have for many years.

BUTTERBRAIDS, Cookie Dough, and Pizzas for Thanksgiving/Christmas

The 2020 Youth Mission Trip Group is will begin taking orders for Butter-braids, Cookie Dough, and Pizzas before/after masses Oct. 19-Nov. 3. The orders will be delivered Monday, November 18th in time for the holidays of Thanksgiving and/or Christmas. You can order by contacting a Mission Trip participant or by calling the Parish office at 498-9197.

Mission Trip 2019

Mission Trip 2020 is scheduled for Philadelphia, PA, June 7-13, 2020. If you have not turned in your registration form and fee, **please do so as soon as possible.** Forms are available on the bulletin board in the church, in the parish office, or contact Barb Scoggins to have one emailed to you.

Bishop Paprocki Wants Your Feedback! The Diocese of Springfield in Illinois will be conducting a campaign planning study throughout October and November, and Bishop Paprocki would like to hear from you. The study will gather feedback on a potential diocesan-wide capital campaign to support the education of our seminarians. A high level of participation is needed to aid the bishop in making an informed decision about whether to move forward with a campaign. The Steier Group, a Catholic development fundraising firm, has been hired to conduct the study. A final recommendation on the viability of the campaign will be made in the early December. The study will provide everyone with an opportunity to share their thoughts through a combination of personal interviews, mail/online surveys, and town halls to be held at locations throughout the diocese. There will be regular updates in our bulletin in the weeks to come with more details on how you can participate. Stay tuned!

AREA EVENTS

The **9th Annual Prayer in the Public Square Rosary Rally** will be held on Saturday, October 12, 2019. Please join us to pray for America and honor Our Lady of Fatima and the Miracle of the Sun. We will meet outside at the Lincoln statue at the Springfield Capitol Building on 2nd and Capitol streets from 12-1:00pm. Free parking at the Capitol Building employee parking on Saturday. Contact Donna Berte 217-622-8576 with any questions or if you would like to lead a prayer.

As a married couple, why not give yourselves a weekend away? You deserve time away from the pressures of work, family and everyday responsibilities. How about a chance to talk and listen to that special someone who loves you the most? If that sounds good, just pick up the phone to find out more about a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend. The next weekend is Dec. 6-8, 2019 at the Courtyard Marriott in St. Peters, MO. If you would like to apply or get more information, go to <https://stl-wwme.org/schedule.php> or call 1-314-649-7317.



Models and Intercessors: The Canonization of Saints

Join Father Chris House for an evening exploring the Church's process for the beatification and canonization of saints.

Monday, October 7th - 7:00PM, Cathedral Atrium

The Wild Goose - Discovering a Deeper Relationship with the Holy Spirit

The Wild Goose is a 14 part video series featuring Fr. Dave Pivonka, TOR, speaking on an attribute of the Holy Spirit, offering a practical application on how to respond, and testimonies of people from across the country whose lives have been impacted by the Spirit of God. Study guide resources will be provided. Join us for the entire series or just come when you can. FREE and open to all. For more information contact Vicki Compton at 522-3342 or vcompton@cathedral.dio.org **Series begins on Tuesday, October 15 at 10:00am in the Cathedral school basement**

The Life and Theology of Blessed John Henry Newman

Pope Francis is set to canonize John Henry Cardinal Newman on October 13th. Join Father Dominic Rankin for two sessions on the life and theology of Cardinal Newman, who was a key player in 19th century England's Oxford Movement that eventually led to Newman's conversion to Catholicism. **Mondays, October 21st and 28th - 7:00PM, Cathedral Atrium**

Bereavement Ministry

Cathedral parish will begin hosting Grief Share, a weekly grief support group. If you, or someone you know, would like help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member, or friend, please join us beginning Thursday, November 7, 1:00-3:00pm in the Cathedral School Library. (Enter through the atrium doors) Grief Share runs for 14 weeks, but guests may join the series at any point and can pick up content they missed during the next cycle. For more information contact Berni Ely @ 899-6637 or jackandberni96@yahoo.com

National Life Chain Sunday

The Life Chain Prayer Witness is October 6, 2019 from 2:00-3:30 p.m. Please mark your calendar, come out and pray on the streets of Springfield to end abortion. Meeting locations include MacArthur Blvd. between South Grand Ave. and Laurel Street; Stevenson Drive near Little Flower Church; Sangamon Ave. near St. Aloysius Church; and Planned Parenthood at 610 Bruns Lane in Springfield.