



November 10th, 2019
32nd Sunday of
Ordinary Time

November 2019 When explaining the rationale for adopting the Restored Order of the Sacraments of Christian Initiation, I find that different explanations resonate with different audiences. After reading last week's theological explanation of the rationale, some of you may still be left feeling not totally convinced. This week I would like to look at the topic from the perspective of those who are to be confirmed, our children.

In my own pastoral experiences, and having heard from many parents, it has become very evident that our children face challenges that those my age and older did not have to face, or if we did, to less of a degree. They are exposed to a lot of negative things in their lives at an earlier age, things which can have a profound impact on their ability to enjoy their youth with freedom and which can affect their psychological and physical well-being for years to come. If we believe that one of the graces of Confirmation is to increase the gifts of the Holy Spirit within us, gifts which strengthen us in our Christian lives, why would we delay in making sure our children receive these gifts? If we wring our hands about how hard things can be for them, let's give them an increase in God's grace early so that they can have a greater hope of being victorious against the challenges they face.

That leads to a related point – the openness of younger children to benefit immediately from the graces of Confirmation. Anybody who has raised children knows there is a difference between a third grader and an eighth grader. With increasing age comes changes both physical and emotional. I am not saying that is a bad thing – it's a part of maturing. But, as one is in the process of maturing, there can be a time when adolescents turn in on themselves, become far more self-conscious and skeptical about others – both peers and those in authority. This affects how it is they approach religion, too. Again, this is not necessarily bad, it's a part of maturing. For those in third grade, a lot of the self-conscious attitudes are not as developed and there is much more openness, including with religion. In other words, a third grader is generally more open to receiving Confirmation with joy, thus providing rich soil in which to begin to work right away and bear fruit. Older children (in general, not always) tend to be less open and excited about this great gift, thus preventing the immediate fruitfulness of the sacrament in their lives.

In the Confirmations he has already celebrated for younger children, Bishop Paprocki has observed this to be the case. He even had one Confirmation where a third grader literally ran down the aisle in excitement to be confirmed! He's never seen that from older students.

- 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
- Yvonne Butcher**, mother of Barrie Blough
- Katherine Torricelli**, mother of Jeff Torricelli
- Aloysius Staff**, brother of Sylvia Thull
- Ken Cardoni**, cousin of Frances Tomashavich
- Mark 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
- David Brogdon**, friend of Don & Roberta Vanover
- Judy Conway**, friend of Maggie Patterson
- Carolyn Carmichael**, mother of Leanne Collings
- Stephanie Zimmerman**, friend of Sarah Clare



In Memory:

George Ginter, husband of Marie Ginter

HAPPENINGS THIS WEEK!!!

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

Saturday, November 9th

3:30 p

Confessions

4:30 p

Mass (Int: Kathy Smith†)

Sunday, November 10th

7:30 a

Confessions

8:00 a

Mass (Int: Kim Curry)

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, November 11th

5:00 p

Confessions

5:30 p

Mass(Int: Deceased Crusen family†)

Tuesday, November 12th

7:00 a

Morning Prayer

7:30 a

Mass (Int: Limper/Engeling Families)

8:00 a

Scriptural Rosary

9:00 a

Counting Team #2

7:00 p

RCIA

Wednesday, November 13th

7:00 a

Morning Prayer

7:30 a

Mass (Int: All Souls†)

8:00 a

Scriptural Rosary

1:00 p

Ladies Tea/Bunco

6:30 p

PSR

7:00 p

Youth Group

Thursday, November 14th

7:00 a

Morning Prayer

7:30 a

Mass (Int: Kathy Blasko†)

8:00 a

Scriptural Rosary

7:00 p

Men's Prayer Group

7:00 p

Choir Rehearsal

Friday, November 15th

7:00 a

Morning Prayer

7:30 a

Mass (Int: Rich Wolff†)

8:00 a

Scriptural Rosary

Saturday, November 16th

3:30 p

Confessions

4:30 p

Mass (Int: Barbara Reid†)

Sunday, November 17th

7:30 a

Confessions

8:00 a

Mass (Int: Bertha Wagener†)

9:30 a

Wyndcrest: Rendok

9:45 a

Confessions

9:45 a

Choir Rehearsal

10:00 a

Rosary

10:30 a

Mass (Int: For the Parish)

12:00 p

Harvest Feast

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

	Last Week	Year-To-Date
Collections (103)	\$ 6,143.00	\$ 96,913.82
Electronic Funds (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 18,642.40
Bldg. Dev. Fund (26)	\$ 725.00	\$ 5,257.00
EFT-Dev. Fund (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 2,717.00
Poor Fund	\$ 84.25	\$ 979.82
Children's Offering (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 10.60
Mission Sunday (1)	\$ 10.00	\$ 1,664.00
EFT-Mission Sunday (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 142.00
All Saints (42)	\$ 1,753.00	\$ 130.00
All Souls (12)	\$ 245.00	\$ 305.00
EFT- All Souls (0)	\$ 0.00	\$ 172.00
Justice & Hope (2)	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
Christmas Flowers (3)	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Calvary Cemetery (27)	\$ 571.00	\$ 586.00

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, Nov. 16th – 4:30 p.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, V. Walker, White,
Deacon Walker

Lectors: DeGroot

Servers: Torres, Trello, Zack

Hospitality: Foster, T & K Riedle

Sunday, Nov. 17th – 8:00 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, L & R Eifert
Deacon Walker

Lectors: J & H Hendrickson

Servers: A Deen, McClintock

Hospitality: Dahlkamp, Parnell, R & B Yong

Sunday, Nov. 17th – 10:30 a.m.

Euch. Min.: Fr. Alford, Crusen, Kuntzman,
Deacon Walker

Lectors: M & E Schudel

Servers: Henry, H & E Toliver

Minister of Care: Rendok

Hospitality: A & V Powell

CLOW: A & B Toliver

Volunteers for this week: Nov. 11th-Nov. 17th:

Church Duster: Mary & John Fox

Nov. Recycling Volunteer: Steve Jones

Nov. Food Volunteer: Susan & Victoria Arnish

Coffee & Donuts – Sunday, Nov. 17th:

Jan Pietras & Diana Rowden

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.

SCRIPTURE READINGS: Nov. 10th– Nov. 17th:

Sunday: 2MC 7:1-2, 9-14 2THES 2:16-3:5
LK 20:27-38
Monday: WIS 1:1-7 LK 17:1-6
Tuesday: WIS 2:23-3:9 LK 17:7-10
Wednesday: WIS 6:1-11 LK 17:11-19
Thursday: WIS 7:22B-8:1 LK 17:20-25
Friday: WIS 13:1-9 LK 17:26-37
Saturday: WIS 18:14-16; 19:6-9 LK 18:1-8
Sunday: MAL 3:19-20A 2THES 3:7-12
LK 21:5-19

Upcoming Parish Meetings/Events

Nov. 12, 19, 26 – 7:00 p.m. RCIA
Nov. 13, 20 – 6:30 p.m. – PSR
Nov. 13 – 1:00 p.m. Ladies Tea/Bunco
Nov. 14, 21 – 7:00 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal
Nov. 14, 21 – 7:00 p.m. - Men's Prayer Group
Nov. 17 – Noon – Harvest Feast
Nov. 19 – 7:00 p.m. – Knights of Columbus meeting

→PSR NEWS←

The PSR classes will continue their Annual Monthly Food Drive to benefit the Food Pantry. The November food item is Soup. Thank you in advance for your continued support.



SAVE THE DATE!!!

St. Jude Annual Harvest Feast will be held Sunday, November 17 at noon in the St. Jude Parish Center. Reservation forms are available in the Church and the Parish Office. Be sure to turn in your form and plan to attend!

BUTTERBRAIDS, Cookie Dough, and Pizzas for Thanksgiving/Christmas

Thank you for supporting the 2020 Youth Mission Trip Group Butterbraid Sale. The orders will be delivered Monday, November 18th in time for the holidays of Thanksgiving and/or Christmas. If you ordered after Mass, you can pick up your items after the masses the weekend of November 23/24, or during office hours during the week. **Please make checks payable to St. Jude Church.** Thank you.

Bank & Trust Company
196 W. Walnut, Rochester, IL
217-498-9009
www.banktr.com

ACTION ALERT iTunes Gift Cards Scam Alert -

It has been brought to the attention of the Diocesan IT office that a scam is again going around the country targeting Catholics with “Can you do a favor for a priest?” The way the scam works: someone makes up an email address that is approximate to a priest’s name and then contacts ministers, staff and parishioners. The email contains a fake request from the priest asking that iTunes gift cards be sent to another address so they may be given to someone in need. It is very clever, because they are targeting faithful people who are typically generous people and using a public figure in the way of their pastor. For more information, please go to www.patheos.com/blogs/deaconsbench/2018/06/action-alert-scam-from-priests-targeting-catholics/.

Father Alford will only send emails from balford@dio.org, and will never ask for a financial favor.



St. Jude Ladies Tea/Bunco

The Ladies Tea/Bunco will be held on Wednesday, November 13th from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. 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!**



Breadline Sunday – St. Jude Parish will be participating in Breadline Sunday, which is the weekend of November 23-24. Loaves of bread will be available for a donation of \$4.00 per loaf. All proceeds benefit St. John’s Breadline. Please be generous and help the Breadline continue to provide nutritious meals for those who are less fortunate.

Second Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services:

This week our parish will take a collection to benefit the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA, a triennial collection approved by the US Conference of Catholic Bishops. Please prayerfully consider a contribution to this special collection to support active-duty military men and women, and their families – *including those from our own parish.*

Running for Life – Bishop Thomas John Paprocki is seeking sponsors for his November 24, 2019 Tulsa Route 66 Marathon run. Proceeds are to benefit the Life Runners team. More information on the team is available at: www.liferunners.org. To pledge so to www.dio.org/marathon or call 217-698-8500 to have a pledge form mailed to you.

**Planning Study Update
Attend Focus Group Meeting or Respond Online!**

Many have already responded to the planning study survey. Bishop Thomas John Paprocki want to hear your feedback too. You can read about the proposed diocesan plans to support the education of our seminarians at www.dio.org/seminariancampaign and complete the online survey by clicking on the appropriate link and entering the password: study. If online surveys do not appeal to you, please attend one of these Focus Group meetings to learn more and share your thoughts:

Mon., Nov. 18, 7:00 p.m., Christ the King Church, 1930 Barberry Dr., Springfield 62704

Wed., Nov. 20, 7:00 p.m., Christ the King Church, 1930 Barberry Dr., Springfield 62704

The Theological and Canonical Aspects of the Sacrament of Marriage

In this four-part series, Father Rankin will explore the theological and scriptural foundations of marriage in the Church in sessions one and two. In sessions three and four, Father House will explore marriage in canon law and the Church's process for declaring a marriage null.

Mondays, November 11th, 18th, and 25th - 7:00PM, Cathedral Atrium

Novena in Honor of the Immaculate Conception

Beginning December 1st thru December 9th, the Cathedral will host the annual diocesan novena in honor of the Immaculate Conception, patroness of the United States, our diocese, and the Cathedral Parish. Each night a different preacher will offer a homily on a different aspect of Marian theology and devotion. The novena is moved one day this year because December 8th falls on the Second Sunday of Advent resulting in the transfer of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception to December 9th. December 1st thru 8th - 7:00PM; Last Night and Closing Mass, December 9th – 5:15PM

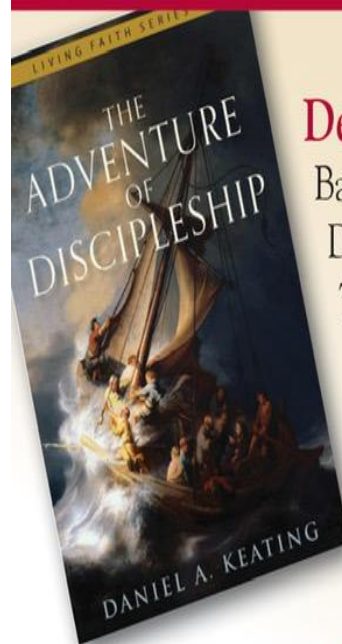
St. Aloysius Church in Springfield will be hosting a parish mission... Discipleship One Step at a Time December 1-4, 2019. Fr John Petrikovc will be our Spiritual Director. He is a wonderful, dynamic priest in the full-time Ministry of Preaching & Evangelization, offering retreats, workshops, formation seminars and parish missions on both the national and international levels.

Fr. John is a member of the St. Augustine Province of the Capuchin Franciscans (serving the Middle Atlantic States) and resides at his Province's St. Ambrose Friary in Baltimore, MD.

Fr. John will be preaching at the weekend masses November 30 and December 1. He will be giving presentations at 7:00 PM on the evenings of December 2, 3 and 4 (Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday). In addition, he will preach at the school mass at 8:20 Tuesday December 3. He will also be available for confession and private spiritual direction.

This is an event you won't want to miss! All are welcome.... tell your friends -even those of other faiths!

A free self-paced online course offered through Sacred Heart Major Seminary this Advent



December 1-28

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