

The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – October 24, 2021



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October : Respect for Life Month



Please join us in praying:
"Rosary for Life"

Sacred Heart Church

3:00 pm before 4:00 pm Saturday Mass

*"O Mary, bright dawn of the new world,
Mother of the living, to you do we
Entrust the cause of life." Amen.*

The Respect for Life Ministry



Year of the 
EUCHARIST

Did you know?

Why do we have to fast before receiving the most Holy Eucharist?

The practice of fasting before Mass is an ancient discipline, present as early as the 2nd century. It remained in place until Pope Pius XII reduced the fast to three hours in 1957. The fast was further shortened in 1964 when Pope Paul VI lowered it to one hour before reception of Communion.

The current *Code of Canon Law* reflects this change and states, "A person who is to receive the Most Holy Eucharist is to abstain for at least one hour before holy communion from any food and drink, except for only water and medicine" (Canon 919 §1).

There are exceptions, "The elderly, the infirm, and those who care for them can receive the Most Holy Eucharist even if they have eaten something within the preceding hour" (Canon 919 §3). But why? What does it matter if I ate something before church on a day that I intend to receive the Holy Eucharist?

Jesus knew the power of fasting and went into the desert without food for 40 days before setting out on his public ministry. Furthermore, he taught his disciples that, "This kind [of demon] cannot be driven out by anything but prayer and fasting" (Mark 9:29).

Fasting builds up our spiritual strength, and the Church asks us to complete this simple task every time we receive Holy Communion for our own benefit. We have to exercise to strengthen our muscles, discipline and fasting is great for building those spiritual muscles. Without fasting we can become weak and our passions can drive us.

Additionally, Pope Saint John Paul II lamented in *Dominicae Cenae* how modern Catholics possess a "lack of Eucharistic 'hunger' and 'thirst,' which is also a sign of lack of adequate sensitivity towards the great sacrament of love and a lack of understanding of its nature."

We need to "hunger" and yearn for the Eucharist before we can properly receive it. Our reception of Holy Communion needs to be a part of our inner hunger that thirsts for God's love. To fast before Holy Communion reminds us how important it is to prepare ourselves to receive the Body of Christ, that it is not just bread, but the Body, Blood Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ.

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This week on Symbolon we are on Session 3: The Bible: God's Love Letter to Humanity. Is the Bible more than just a collection of ancient writings, more than simply an important historical document to be appreciated but ultimately dismissed? Is it possible that God reveals his truth to us through Sacred Scripture? If so, what does that really mean for our faith?



This week let watch episode 4 from, Signs of Grace, called, "You are forgiven." Signs of Grace is the only comprehensive sacramental preparation program for children that includes a thorough family faith formation component.

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 23rd

4:00 p.m. Shawn Patrick Steele, Birthday Memorial

Sunday, October 24th

7:30 a.m. George Wooten, Memorial
 8:00 a.m. Thomas Gabriel Sr., Memorial
 9:30 a.m. Joseph Hojlo III, Birthday Memorial
 11:00 a.m. Vicincia “Vinnie” S. Andrade, Memorial

Monday, October 25th

8:00 a.m.

Tuesday, October 26th

8:00 a.m.

Wednesday, October 27th

8:00 a.m. Kathleen McLaughlin, 9th anniversary

Thursday, October 28th

8:00 a.m.

Friday, October 29th

6:00 p.m. Robert Poudrier, Memorial

Saturday, October 30th

4:00 p.m. Dawn Costa, Memorial

Sunday, October 31st

7:30 a.m. Ita Leonard & Thomas Wooten, Birthday Memorial
 8:00 a.m. Larry Parent, Memorial
 9:30 a.m.
 11:00 a.m. William C. MacLeod, 4th Anniversary

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Saints Martha & Mary	\$2208
Sacred Heart	\$5205
St. Rose of Lima	\$745
St. Isidore Total	\$8158

Remember in Our Prayers...

Bill Dow, Marie LaFrance, Cathleen Fibraio, Brian Martin, Claire Rousseau, James Medas

To be added to the prayer list please call the parish office. Names will remain on the list for one month and will only be listed as requested by family members please.



Coffee, Donuts, Hospitality and Socials!

The next coffee social at St. Rose will be held on Nov. 21st, 2021, immediately following the 8:00 a. m. Mass. Donuts and other assorted “goodies” will be served with coffee and cold refreshments. Join us in our moment of fellowship; warm smiles and easy conversation will be yours. All throughout St. Isidore parish and beyond are welcome. Hope to see you there!



Come and Celebrate the Life of Vicincia “Vinnie” Andrade!

October 24th

following the 11 a.m. Mass at the Elks Hall on High St. Middleboro

All are welcome!

Masking is encouraged!



St. Isidore Parish Thrift Shop (fka Sacred Heart Thrift Shop) Comes to a Successful Close for the 2021 Season!

St. Isidore Parish remains grateful to these dedicated Thrift Shop volunteers: Susan Black, Donna Brady, Pat Kavanaugh, Anne Leary, Louise Dominique, Beverly DaGrazia, Daly Spelbuda, Vinnie Furlong, Elaine Dyksinski, Mary Ann Cunningham and Sis Denison.

God bless them and our many donors and customers. See you all next season! - Fr. J. T.





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Local Food Pantry Talking Turkey

The Society of St. Vincent DePaul, the operator of the Sacred Heart Food Pantry, is now signing up qualified applicants to receive a complete Thanksgiving meal consisting of a frozen turkey, stuffing, cranberry sauce, potatoes, vegetables, gravy, a pie, and dinner rolls. **Sign-ups will begin at the food pantry on Saturday, October 23, from 8:30 am to 11:00 am** and continue any time the pantry is open. The Sacred Heart Food Pantry is open the first four Saturdays of the month from 8:30 am to 11:00 am. It is also open on the first and third Wednesdays of the month from 8:30 am to 11:00 am and on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month from 4:00 pm to 6:30 pm. **The last day to register will be Saturday, November 20, before 11:00 am.** The food pantry is located in the basement of the Sacred Heart Church parish hall located at 53 Oak Street in Middleboro. If you cannot make it to the food pantry because of health concerns, please call 508-947-1717, select option # 1, and leave a message. Someone from the pantry will contact you



Thanksgiving meals will be available to anyone in need, whether or not you are already a pantry recipient. *If you're not a pantry recipient, in order to qualify you must live in Middleboro, Lakeville, Rochester, or Carver and provide proof of residency, such as a utility bill, tax bill, lease agreement, or similar document dated within the last 60 days. You will also need to meet USDA income guidelines for food assistance set under TEFAP, which you already do if you are qualified for USDA SNAP benefits.*

The meals will be distributed from the food pantry on Tuesday, November 26 between 9:00 am and 6:00 pm. If you fail to pick up your meal, you will be ineligible to sign up for any holiday meal for the entire next year.

The food pantry is planning to provide close to 300 meals this year. If anyone wishes to donate toward this event, send your check to the Society of St. Vincent DePaul, P.O. Box 1381, Middleboro, MA, 02346. Please put "Holiday Meals" in the memo space.



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Interested in Being a Deacon?



Inquiry Session Two: Canonical Impediments and Issues

October 26, 2021 at 7:00 PM This session will be offered via "GoToWebinar". Please visit www.bostondiaconate.org or email Deacon Christopher Connelly at cconnelly@rcab.org to register.

Inquiry Session Three: Morning of Recollection and Discernment/Application Process

November 13, 2021 from 09:00 AM -NOON. This session will be offered via "ZOOM". Please visit www.bostondiaconate.org or email Deacon Christopher Connelly at cconnelly@rcab.org to register. More information is available through the diaconate website: www.bostondiaconate.org, or by contacting us directly: Deacon Christopher Connelly, Director Office of the Permanent Diaconate: cconnelly@rcab.org • 617-746-5649

Eucharistic Adoration with Mass & Divine Mercy Chaplet

Every Friday 6:00 p.m. -7:30 p.m.

Oct. 8: Our Lady of the Rosary: Universal victory over the COVID-19 Pandemic through the intercession of Our Blessed Mother

Oct. 15: For Doctors, Nurses, Medical Technicians, Hospital Administrators & Emergency Personnel

Oct. 22: For World Missions & for the Evangelization of Peoples

Oct. 29: For our Students who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday Nov. 6 & for their families



Weekly Bible Study With Father JT

Thursdays, except first Thursday of the month

Saints Martha & Mary Church Hall

11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

October 7th, 2021

October 14th, 2021

October 21nd., 2021

October 28th, 2021

Vocations Prayer Group

The St. Isidore Vocations Prayer Group has been re-established and will once again gather after the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Wednesdays at Saints Martha & Mary. Please join us in praying for religious men and women, priests, deacons and marriage.



Lakeville



News

Adult Choir:

The adult choir is off to a great start. When Fr. JT asked the music coordinators to resume choirs, I had my doubts that enough singers would be willing to come forth at Sts. Martha and Mary, but the church has been blessed with a fairly balanced group. As I am always looking for more singers, please consider sharing your voice. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings, 7:00 to 8:30, and we sing at the Sunday 9:30 A.M. Mass. A wide variety of Catholic music, even some Gregorian Chant, is part of the repertoire. You will be challenged, but you will have fun, too!



Musical



October

- **Sunday, Oct. 17: Mass: 9:30 a.m.**
- *Wednesday, Oct. 20: Rehearsal 7:00–8:30 p.m.*
- **Sunday, Oct. 24: Mass: 9:30 a.m.**
- *Wednesday, Oct. 27: Rehearsal: 7:00–8:30 p.m.*
- **Sunday, Oct. 31: Mass: 9:30 a.m.**
- *Wednesday, Nov. 3: Rehearsal: 7:00–8:30 p.m.*

Mass Settings:

During the summer months we used primarily the Mass settings of the Peoples Mass and the Danish Amen Mass. Many “older” parishioners might remember these as some of the most common settings after the Mass transitioned from Latin to English in the 1960s. These settings were revised to go along with the new translation of the Mass which occurred in the fall of 2011. It’s hard to believe that that is now ten years ago!

With the start up of the choir season we began using a variety of Mass settings rather than just one Mass composition as I thought it would be a nice variation. The Heritage Mass provides our Penitential Act, the Holy, Holy, and the Acclamation of Faith, while we continue using the simple, chantlike Gloria. The Gospel Acclamation is taken from the Mass of Christ the Savior, frequently used at Sacred Heart Church. The last two settings, the Great Amen and the Lamb of God, were used on Boston Common on October 1, 1979, when Pope John Paul II made his momentous visit to the United States and celebrated Mass there. (Did anyone from St. Isidore Parish attend this Mass?) The Great Amen is part of the Mass in Honor of Jesus Christ, written specially for the Pope’s Mass, and the Lamb of God is a composition by the late Lucien Deiss. We will continue using these settings through the fall to the great feast of Christ the King Sunday, this year on Nov. 21, that feast being the last Sunday of the Liturgical Year. On that Sunday at the choir Mass, we will use the festive Glory to God from the Heritage Mass.

Henry A. Rondelli, St. Isidore Music Director

Setting Our Hearts Aflame

What is Your Life?

You do not even know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes... James 4:14

Some time ago I was studying the Letter of James with a women’s prayer group and I recently came across some of my reflections. James is believed to be the actual brother of Jesus. The Letter of James is concerned with social justice, faith and works. There is much in James that is applicable to the world of today. As I read the Letter of James I found myself deeply moved by several passages.

The above verse was one that when I read it I had to stop reading and reflect for awhile on its meaning. We really do not know what tomorrow will bring and this was even more true over the past year in the pandemic. Tomorrow can be full of sorrow or full of joy. We can reflect upon our yesterdays and plan our tomorrows but “What is your life?”

James asks us. Are you happy with your life? Do you think



God is happy with your life?

Our lives are truly like the “mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes.” We are a mist... a real mist of nature, is a life-giving force. Moisture in the air drifts

along and lands on plants giving them water and life. The existence of mist is short but very life-giving. We, like mist, drift along giving life to one another.

Each of our lives is very brief in comparison to the age of the cosmos and it may be tempting to ask “What difference does my life, my existence, make in the universe?” Do we use the gift of life to help one another, as Jesus would, or do we squander each day getting caught up in the everyday tasks of life? I know my life may not make a difference in the long scheme of things but I know I can make a difference in one or two lives around me and they will make a difference to a few others and together we can change the world. --God Bless, Holly Clark



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Readings for the week of October 24, 2021

Sunday: Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

Monday: Rom 8:12-17/Ps 68:2 and 4, 6-7ab, 20-21 [21a]/Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3a]/Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday: Rom 8:26-30/Ps 13:4-5, 6 [6a]/Lk 13:22-30

Thursday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5a]/Lk 6:12-16

Friday: Rom 9:1-5/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 14:1-6

Saturday: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29/Ps 94:12-13a, 14-15, 17-18 [14a]/Lk 14:1, 7-11

Next Sunday: Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/Heb 7:23-28/Mk 12:28b-34

Observances for the week of October 24, 2021

Sunday: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday

Monday:

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Thursday: Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles

Friday:

Saturday: BVM

Next Sunday: 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday; All Hallow's Eve

Attention ALL Women: "Gratitude in the Attitude" will be the theme of our meeting on Thursday, October 28 at 6:30-8:00 pm. Come enjoy fellowship with other women of our parish, discuss how important gratitude is in our lives and learn of women in scripture who lived in gratitude. Discussions and activities to follow. There is no registration needed. Hope to see you all there. OCTOBER 28, 6:30-8pm at Sts. Martha & Mary.



The men's discussion group is forming once again within St. Isidore Parish. This is a group that will meet and have open discussions about the problems and the joys of being Catholic men in today's world. Together we can help each other and increase our faith while coming together to socialize as a community of three Churches. Every month we will have a different theme. Our first meeting is October 21, in Martha and Mary's Hall at 7 PM. We will start with a meet and greet and get ideas for future topics for the meetings. We hope that you will join us with your ideas, questions, and to confront any issues that you may have with your faith. We will walk together through our faith



A. A.


A. A. : Meets in Sacred Heart Parish Hall every Saturday evening 7:30 – 9 p.m.

Al-Anon

Al-Anon: Meets at Saints Martha & Mary downstairs in the Parish Hall every Tuesday morning at 10:30 a.m.

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