



**Faith Formation**  
 Faith Formation Classes will begin on October 17th, 2021 from 9 am to 10:15 am in the Parish Hall.

Informational letters are being sent to Parents and Students.

Registration forms are available now in the Parish Hall.



**RCIA – WHAT IS IT?**  
 Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Church?

Are you married to a Catholic and attend Mass but just don't know what the next step is to become one of the Catholic faithful?

Are you unbaptized, or baptized in another religion and considering Catholicism as an answer to your spiritual needs?

Are you Catholic but would like to become more familiar with Catholic teaching and practices?

Are you a baptized Catholic but never confirmed?  
 If the answer is "yes", then our RCIA program may be right for you!

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is a journey of faith, a way to explore the Catholic Church and grow in knowledge of Christ.

Our program here at St. Joseph begins in the fall and culminates when candidates are welcomed into the church at the Easter Vigil Mass.

Weekly one-hour meetings are casual, comfortable, and enlightening. The schedule is flexible.

For more information, call the rectory or call Becky Bartels at 716-537-2646, or email BeckyB618@roadrunner.com



"Rosebud" Bouquets,  
 Bill Gray, Russ Arcara,  
 Stacy Wisenburg,  
 Gloria Porco, Fr. Leo Schlosser,  
 Ed Stemper, Greg Gleason

**Today's Scripture Readings**  
**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 Numbers 11:25-29 Psalm 19  
 James 5:1-6 Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

**Scripture Passage for Next Weekend**  
**27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
 Genesis 2:18-24 Psalm 128  
 Hebrews 2:9-11 Mark 10:2-16

**ROAD TO RENEWAL**  
**INFORMATION FOR OUR PARISH**

At the diocesan celebration, Bishop Mike offered the following prayer as we began our reflections on the Knots that bind us as a Church:

"The need for Renewal means that we must acknowledge the challenges and knots of imperfection that plague our Diocese. As we admit our most grievous faults, we ask the Blessed Mary ever virgin, all the angels and saints, and you, our brothers and sisters throughout our Diocese, to pray for us to the Lord our God."

Once we can identify and admit these faults we can begin together as a Family of Parishes to discover ways to renew and inspire our faith using the talents of all parishioners!

**Knot of Indifference**

In the book of Revelation we hear, "I know your works: you are neither cold nor hot. Would that you were either cold or hot! So, because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth."

The indifference and complacency found in our church, the lack of fire and zeal for the Gospel, the lack of interest in what young people can offer or are concerned about has caused many young people to walk away from their faith. Our response to this has been minimal, inadequate, at times critical, and we often times show disinterest in the real concerns of the young church. The knot of indifference represents a lukewarm church that is timid in its mission and proclamation of the Gospel.

Mary, Undoer of Knots, pray for us!



**Collection week of: 9/19/2021**

Regular Collection \$2623.00  
 Religious Ed. \$558.00  
 Total \$3181.00

**Attendance Week of: 9/19/2021**

Saturday Mass 5pm—30  
 Sunday Mass 8 am—65  
 Sunday Mass 10:30 am—43  
 Total—138

**Counters for October 3rd—Team Z**

August YTD Collections \$133,025  
 YTD Budget—\$145,000  
 YTD Variance—(\$ 11,975)



**Many thanks to all who contributed to this year's Catholic Charities appeal. Our parish donated \$16,921 and that helped 148 individuals and family members in our community, 77 of those helped were under 18 years of age. Your generosity made a huge difference to our community outreach. THANK YOU ALL!!**

*God will never permit anything to happen to us, that is not for our greater good.*



The storms that are raging around you, will turn out to be for God's glory, your own merit and the good of many souls.

**September 25 & 26, 2021**  
**26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Mass Schedule and Intentions for the Week*  
 M – Memorial A – Anniversary L –Living

**Monday, September 27th**  
 8am The Parishioners of St. Philips

**Tuesday, September 28th**  
 8am The Betz Family—M \*

**Wednesday, September 29th**  
 8am Fathers Day

**Thursday, September 30th**  
 8am All Souls

**Friday, October 1st**  
 8 am All Parishioners

**Saturday, October 2nd**  
 12 Noon Memorial Mass for Theresa M. Jens (The Jens Family)

5 pm Elaine & Jim Cavaretta—M (Rosemary & Donald Cavaretta)

**Sunday, October 3rd**  
 8am Kathleen Keefe & Kathleen Rossi—M (Mary Kelliher)

10:30am Edmund Sullivan—M (Mary Kelliher)

**LECTOR SCHEDULE**

Saturday October 2nd  
 5 pm Angie Howes

Sunday October 3rd  
 8 am Bill Franczak  
 10:30 am Nancy Palumbo

**SACRISTAN SCHEDULE**

Saturday October 2nd  
 5 pm A. Howes

Sunday October 3rd  
 8 am A. Antholzner  
 10:30 am M. Posluszny



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