

MEETINGS AND EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF 10/15/2017

Ryan Neal's Concert is today, October 15 @ 3 PM at St. Stephen's.

First Holy Communion Class meets on Saturday, October 21 at 10 AM in the St. Francis Room

Danielle LaGreca and Bob Becka are getting married on Saturday, October 21 @ 1 PM

Please say one prayer for the Pope, one for Bishop Perez and a prayer for someone other than yourself

PRO-LIFE CORNER: LIFE IS PRIMARY A major Vatican document reminds us that the right to life is primary: "The teachings of Pope John XXIII, the Second Vatican Council, and Pope Paul VI have given abundant indication of the concept of human rights as articulated by the Magisterium. Pope John Paul II has drawn up a list of them in the Encyclical *Centesimus Annus*...The first right presented in this list is the right to life, from conception to its natural end, which is the condition for the exercise of all other rights and, in particular, implies the illicitness of every form of procured abortion and euthanasia"

(Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church, Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace, Vatican City, 2004). <http://www.priestsforlife.org>

REFLECTION: In one of the parables, Jesus revealed to the people that a big banquet is prepared in the Kingdom of God. It was very unfortunate that not all accepted the invitation of the King. There were some who put their own interests before the will of the King. But the plan of the King could not fail because of human sinfulness. The King decided to open the invitation to all people and directed his servants to fill the wedding hall with the people on the streets; the crippled, the blind, the lamed, the prostitutes, the marginalized, the homeless, and the pagans of all races and languages. This signifies the image of the Church which is made up of all people of different backgrounds. Those who received the invitation for the heavenly banquet through Baptism are to put on new wedding garments. They are to live a life of love, peace, joy, care for others, respect for human life and so forth. It is a warning from Christ that those who try to enter the wedding hall in different garments with old behaviors, marked with immorality, selfishness, theft, fear, hatred or pride will be thrown out by the King. Salvation is free and opened to all but it requires change of garments from old fashions to the one of Christ. – Rev. Benjamin Koka, AJ

LAST AND FINAL CALL - ANNUAL CLAM BAKE – All Clam Bake payments **MUST** be in by tomorrow. This event is catered by Smith's Catering of Avon. For all you clam lovers we will have extra bags of clams available. For those not liking clams we will be offering chicken dinners only. Registration forms are on the tables at the back of the Church. Our own parishioner, Tim Barrett, noted author and church historian, will be providing his annual informative Church tour. Questions? Please call the Parish Secretary at 216-631-5633.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In 1971, the Vatican Congregation for Divine Worship completed a survey of the presidents of the national liturgical commissions around the world. How were children doing in the liturgical reform? Probably to their surprise, the cardinals learned of special weekday Masses for children designed to teach them how to participate on Sunday, Masses with separate components for children. The decision was made quickly to develop adaptations for Masses where children were a majority of the assembly. Changes would include a simpler structure, understandable texts, a simplified Lectionary, more active participation, and most surprisingly, new Eucharistic Prayers. By 1973 the work was done, and with very specific advice from Pope Paul VI, including the need for two new Eucharistic Prayers, the *Directory for Masses with Children* was published on December 20, a timely Christmas gift for the children of the world.

The prayers are the first to be written fresh in a modern language—not Latin, but French and German—then translated into English, Italian, and Spanish. With a sense of caution, these new prayers were approved for three years, until 1977, but it soon became apparent that they had truly been embraced.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING BLANKET SUNDAY!

In case you missed it - your donation to our St. Vincent de Paul Society here at St. Stephen's is always welcome! Simply write 'St. Vincent de Paul' in the memo line. Your donation will help the underprivileged and less fortunate amongst us. In today's Gospel we hear Jesus say: "Many are invited, but few are chosen." To give thanks for all that God has given to you, have you considered answering the call to help serve the poor by supporting the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?

RYAN NEAL – "How Great Thou Art" Benefit Concert for St. Stephen Catholic Church is this Sunday, October 15 at 3:00 PM. This concert is FREE but there will be a freewill collection taken. In case you missed Ryan's last concert he is fabulous! Ryan will also have his CD available for purchase. It was recorded here at historic St. Stephen Catholic Church. Don't miss this concert!

"Faith is the torch that guides the steps of the spiritually desolate." – St. Padre Pio

CELEBRANT SCHEDULE			
MASS TIME:	5:00 PM	8:00 AM	11:00 AM
Oct. 14 & 15	Rev. B. Koka	Rev. C. Shao	Rev. C. Shao
Oct. 21 & 22	Rev. Bede	Rev. C. Shao	Rev. C. Shao
All Sundays & Holy Days at 9:30 AM: Rev. Bede Kotlinski			

October 7 & 8 Offertory Contributions	
General Collection:	\$2,346.12 Children: \$3.35 (7)
Issued:	213 Returned: 79
Food Pantry:	\$308.90
SVdP Blanket Sunday:	\$39.00
Thank you for each and every contribution!	

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 15, 2017

Please pray for the following:

Patricia Burfield Laurel Miller Burley Blankenship
Chris Rose Sidonia & Hans Speier Roger Gregory
Colin Hogan Ann Miller Kufner Agnes Hogan
Sharon Sneed Theresa Dailey Victoria Bailey
Michalyn Blasius Lawrence Blasius Judith Kenny

The brave men and women who serve in Law Enforcement, Fire Personnel and as EMT's who work every day to protect us. If you would like someone added to this prayer list, please call the Parish Secretary at 216-631-5633. Thank you.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES		October 14 & 15	
	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 8 AM	Sunday 11 AM
Lector	Doris Durica	Barb Rieth	Martin Joyce
Euch.Min	Candra Krisch	John Rieth	Diane Beargie – Glenn Sneed
Acolytes:	Terry Shannon	Kevin Kroesen	Colin & Lucas Joyce

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SAINTS/OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF 10/15 (o) = Optional

Sunday: Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Hedwig; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque;
National Boss's Day
Tuesday: St. Ignatius of Antioch
Wednesday: St. Luke
Thursday: Ss. John de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues,
and Companions
Friday: St. Paul of the Cross
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary
READ THE BIBLE WITH THE CHURCH (Daily Mass Readings)
Monday: Rom 1:1-7; Ps 98:1-4; Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25; Ps 19:2-5; Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18;
Lk 10:1-9
Thursday: Rom 3:21-30; Ps 130:1b-6ab; Lk 11:47-54
Friday: Rom 4:1-8; Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11; Lk 12:1-7
Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18; Ps 105:6-9, 42-43;
Lk 12:8-12
Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 7-10;
1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY Next week, we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Each year, the entire Church is invited to support the young mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the poorest of the poor. This year, we are invited to "Chat With The Pope" to learn more about his missions. Learn more at www.ChatWithThePope.org

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES have started. The classes will run every Saturday from 10:00 to 11:30 AM in the St. Francis Room here at St. Stephen's. It's not too late to join. If you attend the Traditional Latin Mass or are a homeschooler please register your child by calling the parish secretary at (216) 631-5633. RCIA classes have started, call to register!

THIS WEEK'S CHURCH SERVICES

Saturday, October 14 Church

4:15 - 4:45 PM Reconciliation (Confessions Heard)
Pray the Holy Rosary

5:00 PM Vigil of the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
† Eleanor Fischbach

Sunday, October 15 Church

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM The Members of the Parish

9:00 AM Reconciliation (Confessions Heard)
Pray the Holy Rosary

9:30 AM Tridentine Latin Mass

19th Sunday after Pentecost

† Coletta Spuhler

11:00 AM Sunday Mass

† Chrisann Blankenship † Dawn Tucker

The Deceased Members of the Smith Family
The Living and Deceased Members of the Bewley Family

Monday, October 16 Chapel

6:30 PM † Chrisann Blankenship † Dawn Tucker
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Tuesday, October 17

7:00 AM Latin (Church) (St. Margaret Mary Alacoque)
† William Keppler, Sr.

6:30 PM (Chapel)

† Robert NiCastro

Wednesday, October 18 Church

6:30 PM Latin Mass (St. Luke the Evangelist)

The Living and Deceased Members of This Parish

7:00 - 8:00 PM Holy Hour

Thursday, October 19 Church

6:30 PM Latin Mass (St. Peter of Alcantara, confessor)
† Jeffrey Owen

Friday, October 20 Chapel

6:30 PM The Deceased Members of This Parish

Saturday, October 21 Church

4:15 - 4:45 PM Reconciliation (Confessions Heard)
Pray the Holy Rosary

5:00 PM Vigil of the 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
† Tony Chresos

Sunday, October 22 Church

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM † Bill Vita

9:00 AM Reconciliation (Confessions Heard)
Pray the Holy Rosary

9:30 AM Tridentine Latin Mass

20th Sunday after Pentecost

Intentions of the Thomas O'Donnell Family

11:00 AM Sunday Mass

†† Madeline T. and Roland M. Sittley

Call the office at 216.631.5633 to schedule a Mass.