

MEETINGS AND EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF 10/07/2018

St. Vincent de Paul will meet on Tuesday, October 9 at 7 p.m. in the St. Francis Room

Parish Council will meet on Tuesday, October 9 at 7 p.m. in the Club Room

Girl Scouts meet on Friday, October 12 in the Club Room – Please call the Parish Office to Register!

PSR classes begin on Saturday, October 13 at 10 a.m. – Please call the Parish Office to Register!

Patricia Rodgers and Jeffery Ping will wed on Saturday, October 13 at 2 p.m. Congratulations!

Every Day: Say one prayer in thanksgiving, one prayer for someone other than yourself, and one prayer for the Church

PRO-LIFE CORNER: MARRIAGE & GIFT OF LIFE

“A certain sharing by man in God's lordship is also evident in the specific responsibility which he is given for human life as such. It is a responsibility which reaches its highest point in the giving of life through procreation by man and woman in marriage. As the Second Vatican Council teaches: "God himself who said, 'It is not good for man to be alone' (Gen 2:18) and 'who made man from the beginning male and female' (Mt 19:4), wished to share with man a certain special participation in his own creative work. Thus he blessed male and female saying: 'Increase and multiply' (Gen 1:28)” (Pope John Paul II, *The Gospel of Life*, n. 43) www.priestfolife.com

REFLECTION: Both the first reading and the gospel this weekend strongly call us to reflect and meditate on the sanctity of marriage. Marriage is a vocation, a gift from God that must be cherished and protected. However, it is important to point out that it has its challenges which require the grace of God to overcome at times. For a true Catholic or Christian it would be unfair to stand at the pulpit and speak in a condemning way about divorce, given that it is a traumatic experience for people (including children) who have to deal with it. Sometimes it is not even their own fault that individuals find themselves in such situations. We reach out to them in compassion. Marital problems should be resolved mutually with godly intent and the readiness to forgive and change for good. It is important to point out that it is not the will of God for any marriage to be broken! Let each one of us offer a special prayer for those who are struggling to restore their broken marriages. – Rev. Caroli Shao, AJ

50/50 Tickets are available through the Parish Office and through our Fundraising Committee Members - \$10 Each or 3/\$25, or 6/\$50. Drawing for One Very Lucky Grand Prize Winner around Christmas – it might just be you! (2nd and 3rd Prizes will also be drawn including our St. Stephen Custom Made Rosaries and St. Stephen Heavy Weight Winter Hoodies) (All Net Proceeds benefit St. Stephen Church)

The fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace. — *James 3:18*

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

One of our great treasures is the way the Church has frequently flourished under unfavorable conditions, like the grape ivy on the mantel that refuses to die no matter how infrequently you water it or open the drapes. Like the apartheid laws in South Africa in the last century, the penal laws of Ireland were aimed at depriving the majority population of basic human rights. The Protestant parliament of Ireland enacted laws limiting the practice of Catholicism. The goal was to force conversion from “popery” to the Church of Ireland, and additional laws took aim at Jews, non-Anglicans, and Quakers.

There were laws against intermarriage, laws against Catholics being lawyers (there was a one-hundred-pound fine), a law granting lifelong income to priests who became Protestant, and a ban on weapons. In fact, until 1793, a Catholic man had to recruit and pay a Protestant man to serve in the local militia in his place! As if family life is not complicated enough in any age, the sons of a deceased father could divide his land equally, unless one became Protestant. In that case all would go to him! When allowed, new Catholic churches had to be built of wood, not stone, be off a main road or city square, have no steeple or bell, and be called a “chapel.” Catholic “Emancipation” was largely secured by 1829, but even up to the founding of the Irish State in the 1920s, some effects of the laws endured. No wonder that poor Irish immigrants to the United States frequently built gloriously beautiful churches as their first act on free soil! —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

CLAM BAKE - Great News! Our 4th Annual St. Stephen Community Clam Bake will be on Saturday, November 3rd, complete with three different meal options, dine-in or carry-out, door prizes, a 50/50 raffle, and with Tim Barrett providing our historical and architectural church tour beginning at 6pm. Please join us and participate in this annual community event for the entire family. Order forms are on the back tables. Just fill them out and place them, with payment attached, into the weekly collection basket. Please contact the parish office with any questions.

MEN'S PROGRAM - Just 5 minutes a day delivered to your email. MenRiseUp.org See website for information.

CELEBRANT SCHEDULE

MASS TIME:	5:00 PM	8:00 AM	11:00 AM
Sept. 29 & 20	Rev. B. Koka	Rev. C. Shao	Rev. Franz
Oct. 6 & 7	Rev. C. Shao	Rev. Franz	Rev. C. Shao
All Sundays & Holy Days at 9:30 AM: Rev. Bede Kotlinski			

September 29 & 30 Offertory Contributions

General Collection: \$2,495.12 Children: \$1.57 (8)

Issued: 181 Returned: 80

Catholic Communication Campaign: \$57.00

Utilities: \$40.00

Thank you for each and every contribution!

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 7, 2018

Please pray for the following:

Robert Johnson	Jim Cables	Burley Blankenship
Michalyn Blasius	Wayne Daubert	Karin Whyde
Patricia Burfield	Wanda Eland	Jean Gandee
Leo Bevelacqua	Judith Kenny	Fr. Lawrence Tosca
Inis Lustris	Lawrence Blasius	Sharon Sneed
Susan Hatta	René Kolecki	Rebecca Rollins

Our brave First Responders who worked tirelessly to keep us safe. If you would like someone added to this prayer list, please call the Parish Secretary at 216-631-5633. Thank you.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES		October 6 & 7		
	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 8 AM	Sunday 11 AM	
Lector	Diana Lipfird	Barb Rieth	Dr. A Juhasz & Tina Waters	
Euch.Min	Dr. Jim Lisis	John Rieth	Paul & Diane Beargie	
Acolytes:	Kevin Kroesen	Kevin Kroesen		

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES		October 13 & 14		
	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 8 AM	Sunday 11 AM	
Lector	Doris Durica	Barb Rieth	Glenn Sneed	
Euch.Min	Dr. Jim Lisi	John Rieth	Paul & Diane Beargie	
Acolytes	Evelyn Trucks	Kevin Kroesen		

SAINTS/OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF 10/07 (o) = Optional

Sunday: Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Respect Life Sunday

Monday: Columbus Day;
Canadian Thanksgiving Day

Tuesday: St. Denis and Companions;
St. John Leonardi

Thursday: St. John XXIII
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

READ THE BIBLE WITH THE CHURCH (Daily Mass Readings)

Monday: Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c;
Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15;
Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-6; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 11:27-28

Sunday: Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90:12-17; Heb 4:12-13;
Mk 10:17-30 [17-27]

TOUR OF GOOD CHEER – For the past two years this nonprofit has partnered with St. Stephen Church to bring the love of Christmas to the needy. We are once again asking for your help. Here's what we can use. A new or used toy. Cleaning out the kids toy box before Christmas? We can redistribute those gently used toys. Do you have an extra hat, scarf or mittens in your closet? How about a new pair of socks? These are all things the residents in the shelters can enjoy. We are starting our collection now and will continue until Christmas. We thank you for helping us to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ!

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION CLASSES

will be starting on Saturday, October 13. You must register to participate. Please call Jean Gandee at 216-961-1447 to register. If you worship in the Tridentine Latin Rite we still need to have an official registration form filled out. Call the parish office at 216-631-5633. Thank you.

THIS WEEK'S CHURCH SERVICES

Saturday, October 6 Church

9:30 AM Latin Mass (St. Bruno, Confessor)

†† John and Rita Krock

4:15 - 4:45 PM Reconciliation (Confessions Heard)

Pray the Holy Rosary

5:00 PM Vigil Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

† Helen Ujvari

Sunday, October 7 Church

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM † Gloria Ann Pissos

9:00 AM Reconciliation (Confessions Heard)

Pray the Holy Rosary

9:30 AM Tridentine Latin Mass

20th Sunday after Pentecost

† Thomas Madden

11:00 AM German Sunday Mass

† Horst Kinscher

†† Max and Sophie Juran

Monday, October 8 Chapel

6:30 PM † Jack Foley

Tuesday, October 9 Church

6:45 AM Latin Mass (St. John Leonardi, Confessor)

† Seth Cronin

6:30 PM (Chapel) Special Intentions of

Robert A. Setele

Wednesday, October 10 Church

6:30 PM Latin Mass (St. Francis Borgia, Confessor)

†† Madeline T. and Roland M. Sittley

Thursday, October 11 Church

6:30 PM Latin Mass (Maternity of Blessed Virgin Mary)

† James Sefchick

Friday, October 12 Chapel

6:30 PM Deceased Members of this Parish

Saturday, October 13 Church

4:15 - 4:45 PM Reconciliation (Confessions Heard)

Pray the Holy Rosary

5:00 PM Vigil Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

† Tony Chresos

Sunday, October 14 Church

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM Members of the Parish

9:00 AM Reconciliation (Confessions Heard)

Pray the Holy Rosary

9:30 AM Tridentine Latin Mass

21st Sunday after Pentecost

† Coletta Spuhler

11:00 AM Alumni Sunday Mass

Living & Deceased Members of the Alumni Assoc.

†† Dawn & Russell Sutherland

Call the office at 216.631.5633 to schedule a Mass.
The customary stipend is \$10.00