

# THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## OCTOBER 29, 2017

### LIVING GOD'S WORD

It is difficult to love, especially when we have been hurt by others. Ask the Holy Spirit to bring you the "fire of God's love." Call on the Spirit to deepen your awareness of God's love for you, shown by giving us life and the gifts of faith, hope, and love.

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OCTOBER 30, 2017

Monday, October 30  
8:15AM Pat O'Toole by Family  
Tuesday, October 31  
6PM Elaine Gaertner by Family  
Wednesday, November 1  
8:15AM Jim Prost by Roger & Ruth Petrowske  
Thursday, November 2  
NO MASS  
Friday, November 3  
8:15AM NO MASS  
Saturday, November 4  
5PM Margaret Fadler by Mike & Anita Bievenue  
Sunday, November 5  
9AM For the Parish

#### CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OCT. 29 THRU NOV. 5

Sunday	9AM Mass
Monday	8:15AM Mass 11AM-1PM K of C Luncheon Vegetable Soup/ Sloppy Joes/ Chicken
Tuesday	6PM Mass Vigil of All Saints Day HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION
Wednesday	8:15AM Mass Feast of All Saints HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION
Thursday	NO MASS
Friday	Fr. Gene on Vacation 2:50PM Dismissal – NO BUS 6PM Wedding Rehearsal
Saturday	2PM Wedding - Maribeth Lawrence & Caleb Golding 5PM Mass
Sunday	9AM Mass

**NOTE FROM THE PASTOR:** Loving is a contagious activity. If you are loved, you tend to be loving. St. Paul is sounding this note when he writes to the Thessalonians about how they became imitators of him and his fellow evangelizers, Timothy and Silvanus, and of the Lord himself, receiving the word and living in faith, joy, and love for each other, because they believed in God's love for them, revealed in Christ. Our love must flow outward in compassionate generosity. The Lord called on Israel to show its love by not oppressing aliens, not wronging weak orphans and defenseless widows, and not extorting the poor by demanding interest on loans. No less is asked of those who have received the Holy Spirit and live in community with the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. That's us. Love one another.

**SERVERS SCHEDULE** for Nov. 4 & 5: 5PM, Jack Heffernan, Nate Maes; 9AM, Grace Welborn, Madison Kribs, Luke Miller

#### TITHE WEEK OF OCTOBER 22, 2017

Mary Help of Christians: \$5,958.00  
\$517.00 Improvement Fund; \$354.00 World Mission;  
\$40.00 Cemetery; \$16.00 Votives; \$1.00 Child Env.; \$25.00  
Donation

WEEKLY Budget Need: \$7,000.00

YTD Average Weekly Tithe: \$5,958.00

Fiscal Year Week: 17

YTD Actual Giving: \$106,308.50

YTD Budget Need: \$119,000.00

YTD Budget Difference: (\$12,691.50)

YTD Weekly: (\$746.56)

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:** There are so many beautiful ways to live; and so many ways to love God.

**WORLD MISSION SUNDAY:** Thank you for your support on World Mission Sunday. Our parish raised \$354.00. All of us are called, by our Baptism, to support the Church's missionary work by our prayers and financial help.

**THANKSGIVING BAGS:** The Food Pantry is requesting monetary donations to purchase food staples for the Thanksgiving bags. Drop your envelope, marked Food Pantry Thanksgiving, in the collection. St. Mary's will deliver the envelopes to the Pantry and the Pantry staff will assemble the bags and add perishable items. Please remember the less fortunate during this coming holiday season and thank our Lord for the many gifts that you have been given.

**MEMORIAL HOSPITAL'S AUXILIARY** will hold a Christmas Preview and Clearance Sale on Thursday, Nov. 2 and Friday, Nov. 3, in the Conference Room on the lower level of the hospital from 7AM till 5PM. Preview items will be 30% off for the two days of the sale. Clearance items will be 75% off.

**A FISH BUFFET** will be held at the Evansville K of C Hall on Friday, Nov. 3, from 4:30-8PM. They will serve four kinds of fish, chicken strips, and seven sides. Adults are \$12 and children 5-12 are \$5. Buffet is dine-in only. Carry outs are available.

**BISHOP EDWARD K. BRAXTON** will celebrate a special ALL SOULS DAY MASS on Saturday, Nov. 4, at 9AM in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel of the Cathedral of St. Peter. He is remembering all the priest, deacons and bishops of the Diocese of Belleville who have died this year and all those who have died in the past ten years. Please pray for the generous priests, deacons and bishops who have served the Church in southern Illinois.

**FAMILY FUN NIGHT** will be held on Saturday, Nov. 11. In addition to the food stand (serving chili and hotdogs), silent auction, and games, there will be a 1 Mile Fun Run at 4PM in the Cohen Complex. Also, there will be a chili cook-off in the school library. To register to participate in the cook-off please contact the school office (826-3120). The rules and guidelines flyer can be found in the back of church. Come support the school and enjoy a fun family evening!

**SAVING LIVES ONE BABY AT A TIME:** Each year pro-life pregnancy centers save thousands of lives. Women in their most desperate time of need, searching for answers and a simple helping hand, have been supported and consoled. Countless future doctors, nurses, engineers, inventors, and moms and dads of the next generation have been saved because their moms made the choice to let them live. Those unborn children were given a chance because someone gave their mom a chance, a chance for hope, a chance for success. Find the pro-life pregnancy center in your area. Make contact with the center to see how you might be of assistance. Pray for those women facing a crisis pregnancy and for those agencies and pro-life caregivers who are committed to helping these women.

**THREE 'DO-NOTS' AND TWO "DOS":** The Old Law says: Do not oppress the alien. Do not wrong the widow or orphan. Do not keep the poor in poverty. That is, care for the most vulnerable . . . with dignity, with justice, and with compassion. Jesus puts it in the positive. Love God. Love neighbor as yourself. How will I be compassionate in ways that God is compassionate? What will I stop thinking, saying, or doing? How will I love? Who will I love-beyond those who already love me?