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St. Mary Our Mother is a Catholic community committed to the spiritual growth of all people as we share our faith and serve our community.



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October 16, 2022

CHOSEN



“Will not God then secure
the rights of his chosen
ones who call out to him
day and night?”

LUKE 18:7

WEEKLY CALENDAR:

Saturday, October 22, 2022

3:30 p.m. Sacrament of Penance— Church

Tuesday, October 18, 2022

3:45—5:00 Faith Formation—School

FLOWER MEMORIALS:

The main altar arrangement for the week of October 16-October 22, 2022 has been donated in loving memory of Martyn and Les Reimsnyder— daughter, Nancy

IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Donald Deats
Susan Carberry

**MASS OF REMEMBRANCE**

The annual **Mass of Remembrance** will be celebrated on **Sunday, November 6th, at the 10:30 a.m. Mass.** During this liturgy, we remember all those who died from our parish since November, 2021 and will remember each of our departed brothers and sisters by name. If you have a family member or friend who has died during the past twelve months whose funeral was not from St. Mary Our Mother and you would like to have their name included during this Mass, please contact the parish office and we will include their names on the remembrance list. All are invited to come and share in this special time of remembering our faithful departed loved ones, and offer support for their families and friends.

SAINT FRANCIS: a Stewardship Saint for Our Time

Scientists say that most of us will never experience the full wonder of the star-filled nighttime sky because of the “light pollution” which keeps our modern world too bright to see true night. No doubt, this would have saddened St. Francis of Assisi, whose feast we celebrate October 4th.

The saint who embraced the glory of creation, Francis is the patron saint of ecology and model steward for our present age. Always one of our most popular saints, you need only visit a garden shop to find that, even in the midst of secular commerce, you can find a lawn statue of the 12th century native of an Umbrian hill town. Yet like many famous folk, Francis has become somewhat stereotyped, those statues always adorned sweetly with little birds.

In reality, Francis was a bold and inspired man, a good steward of creation, who embraced it as bountifully good, emphasizing the original outpouring of God’s love into the world (at a time when the emphasis was often placed heavily on the stain of original sin.) Francis was a good steward of his neighbor. He famously embraced a leper he met on the roadway, even though he deeply feared the disease. When the man appeared to vanish, Francis felt he had encountered Christ himself which

WEEKLY READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 16, 2022

Sunday: Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/2
Tm 3:14:2/Lk 18:1-8

Monday: Eph 2:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5/
Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/
Lk 10:1-9

Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Lk 12:39-48

Thursday: Eph 3:14-21/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19/
Lk 12:49-53

Friday: Eph 4:1-6/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 12:54-59

Saturday: Eph 4:7-16/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 13:1-9

Next Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23
7a/2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/Lk 18:9-14

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 16, 2022

Sunday: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Hedwig, Religious; St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin

Monday: St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

Tuesday: St. Luke, Evangelist

Wednesday: Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs

Thursday: St. Paul of the Cross, Priest

Friday: Weekday

Saturday: St. John Paul II, Pope

Next Sunday: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Mission Sunday; St. John of Capistrano, Priest

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

If we want to know what Jesus’ parable is about in today’s Gospel, it seems that we don’t need to work too hard because Saint Luke tells us right at the beginning: “Jesus told His disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart.” This parable has often been used to bring comfort to us about our prayer life. But could there be a more challenging message for those who take stewardship seriously? Widows were the poorest and most vulnerable of people in Jesus’ time. Oppressive legal and economic structures were the norm. Jesus embraced with great compassion the poor and the marginalized. Could it be that we are also encouraged to pray persistently for the poor, the weak and the vulnerable as we hear their cry for justice? And that we must not lose heart that we can effect change in their lives?

St. Francis continued:

strengthened his belief that God is found in all of creation

October offers Christian stewards an opportunity to pray outdoors in the beauty of autumn, the changing leaves, the early dusk. Be a good steward of your prayer life: Take a prayer walk, as St. Francis would. Ask the saints to help you recommit to a simpler lifestyle, recycling, reusing,, honoring resources, to seeing the earth and its poor as holy. Perhaps we might even venture out to the garden late at night, to see as many stars as we can.

:PASTOR'S PERSPECTIVE

Due to an early bulletin deadline for this bulletin, I am writing this column on Tuesday, October 4th, in anticipation of the Columbus Day holiday weekend. We also are anticipating the first update of our support of the Catholic Ministries Appeal.

One of the most frequently asked questions concerning the Catholic Ministries Appeal is how the monies raised by the appeal are allocated. The following is a list of the Catholic Ministries Appeal allocations:

10% Serving people through Catholic Charities:

The CMA provides a subsidy to Catholic Charities to support its regional offices/agencies throughout 12 counties serving the poor, elderly, infirm, and the most vulnerable in our communities.

35% Providing diocesan-wide services to our parishes and institutions:

The CMA provides funding and resources to assist parishes, pastors, staff, Pastoral Councils, Finance Councils, ministers and chaplains in serving the faithful through Liturgical, Urban, Rural, and Multicultural programs and ministries; Hospitals and Jail Chaplaincy; Finance, Human Resources, Building/Property Management, Information Technology, Tribunal, Archives, Communications, Stewardship and Pastoral Planning Services.

7% Supporting Seminarians, Deacons, and Pastoral Leaders:

Your donations to the CMA support the education and professional development of our seminarians, deacons, and pastoral leaders.

4% Educating our Youth in the Catholic Faith:

The CMA helps prepare our youth for fulfilling and faith-centered lives through parish religious education programs, Catholic schools, Campus Ministry, sacramental preparation, young adult and youth ministry programs.

29% Funding Operations and Support Services:

The CMA helps to fund operation of all diocesan offices/ ministries in the Pastoral Center, including maintenance and capital improvements.

10% Funding the Ministries of our Pope and Bishop:

The CMA gives Catholics the opportunity to extend their reach beyond their parish boundaries to support Vatican ministries, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, New York State Catholic Conference, the work and efforts of Bishop Matano and the lay advisory councils that guide diocesan-wide decisions.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK:

Monday, 6:45 AM	October 17, Weekday Mary Young—Raymond Wawrzusin
Tuesday, 6:45 AM	October 18, Weekday Les Reimsnyder—daughter, Nancy
Wednesday, 6:45 AM	October 19, Weekday Deceased of the Curtin family —family
Thursday, 6:45 AM	October 20, Weekday Tony Dandrea— wife, Ida
Friday, 6:45 AM	October 21, Weekday Paul and Charlotte Campbell—Lisa and Mike Burns
Saturday, 5:00 PM	October 22, Weekday Courtney Tighe Bola—Jackie and Warren Conklin
Sunday, 8:30 AM	October 23, 2022, The 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Laura Merritt—The Alsworths
10:30 AM	Francis Kajiru—Van Keuren family

PASTORS PERSPECTIVE CONTINUED:**5% Support the Catholic Ministries Campaign:**

It costs five cents to raise one dollar for the CMA, well below the nonprofit industry average. A portion of funds raised through the CMA is used to develop and execute fundraising efforts associated with the Appeal, including professional expertise, staffing, gift and data processing, promotional materials and postage.

I hope you find this information helpful as you consider your gift to this year's appeal.

Have a great week. Please continue to take care of yourself and each other.

Fr. L

OUR CMA CAMPAIGN PRAYER

O God, our loving Creator and giver of all good gifts, bless our parish, strengthen our faith and grant us the spirit of Christian Stewardship so that we may give generously of our time, talent, and treasure to the building of Your Kingdom here in our church and throughout the world.

We pray for your help in achieving success in this campaign, so that we can help others throughout our diocese.

This we ask through Jesus Christ, our lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



Next weekend, we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world’s most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope’s missions in your prayers and be generous in next week’s collection for the Society of the Propagation of the Faith.



BIBLE TRIVIA FOR THE FAMILY:

(Find the answers on page 5)

- Q: Who was Jesus’ mother?
- Q: Who was Jesus’ birth father?
- Q: Where was Jesus born?
- Q: What is the name of Jesus’ hometown?
- Q: Who baptized Jesus?
- Q: Who spoke from the heavens when Jesus was baptized?
- Q: What did God say when he spoke from the heavens at Jesus’ baptism?
- Q: What was the first miracle Jesus performed?
- Q: True or False: Jesus stayed away from people with bad reputations?
- Q: True or False: Because Jesus was God, he didn’t obey his parents’ rules.
- Q: While Jesus was a young boy what kind of work did he help his earthly father do?
- Q: Who appeared to Jesus when He went into the wilder ness to pray before he was arrested and crucified?

CIVILIZE IT: A Better Kind of Politics...Elections 2022 and Beyond (Part 4)

“We must commit to approaching others with love”, teaches Pope Francis in his encyclical, Fratelli Tutti. Even those with whom we disagree are children of God. Sadly, such an approach has become counter-cultural. We have become used to efforts aimed more to “discredit and insult opponents than to open a respectful dialogue aimed at achieving agreement on a deeper level.” (FT #201) This is a situation in which we must be prophetic, modeling by example a respectful approach that honors others as made in God’s image.....stepping outside ourselves, listening with empathy, and seeking to truly understand another person’s experience.

REFLECT: *How might I understand another’s perspective while rooting my own perspectives in Catholic social teaching principles of love for others, common good, option for the poor and vulnerable, and dignity of the human person?*

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IN OUR PARISH

HORSEHEADS FOOD PANTRY



Non-perishable food and grocery items are being collected for the Horseheads Food Pantry. Following is a list of canned items requested for the months of October – December.

- canned vegetables, especially:
 - creamed corn, spinach, asparagus, beets,
 - Canned potatoes, pork and beans, creamed soups of all kinds.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.



All spring and summer decorations must be removed by November 1, 2022. All items remaining beyond Nov. 1, will be removed and discarded. Holiday decorations are allowed from November 15, 2022 through March 1, 2023.

IN OUR REGION

Notre Dame High School is honoring Rev. John DeSocio 66 and Sister Arlene Semesky, RSM'61 for our McAuley Award this year. The dinner will be held at the Elmira Country Club on October 18th, 2022. Cocktails are at 5:30pm and dinner is at 7:00pm. The cost is \$75.00 per person which includes the dinner. Anyone is interested in attending, please go to notredamehighschool.com, and under events, click on McAuley Award Dinner or call Theresa Tobey at 607-734-2267.

BIBLE TRIVIA ANSWERS

- Mary our Mother -Acts 1:14
- The Holy Spirit –Luke 1:30,35
- Bethlehem– Matthew 2:1-2
- Nazareth– Mark 1:9
- John the Baptist, Jesus’ cousin—Matthew 3:13
- God– Mark1:8-11
- “This is my son in whom I am well pleased-Mark 1:8-11”
- Turned water into wine – John 2:1-11
- False: He often ate with sinners.– Mark 2:15
- False: He was always obedient.– Luke 2:51-52
- Carpenter– Matthew 13:55
- He was tempted by Satan, but did not do what Satan tempting him to do. He stayed faithful to God.- Matthew 4:1

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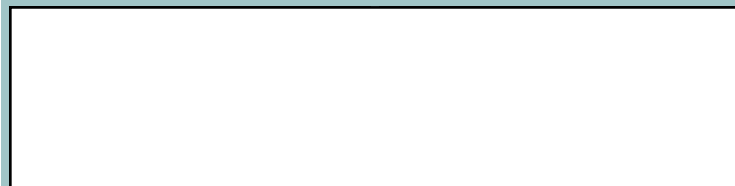
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