



Weekly Mass Schedule

Tuesday, October 16 8:15 AM
(Saint Hedwig, Religious; Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin)
 In Thanksgiving ~
 35th Wedding Anniversary of
 Bill & Eileen Dushek-Manthe

Wednesday, October 17 8:15 AM
(Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr)
 † Holy Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, October 18 8:15 AM
(Saint Luke, Evangelist)
 Members of the Baus Family

Friday, October 19 8:15 AM
(Saints John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests and Companions, Martyrs)
 † Betty Schurman

Saturday, October 20 8:15 AM
(Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest; Blessed Virgin Mary)
 Judy Ficek and Family
5:00 PM
 † Kate Ley and Mike Ley

Sunday, October 21 7:30 AM
Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 People of Our Parish
9:30 AM
 † Mike Miles

RECONCILIATION

Before Daily & Sunday Masses
Saturday at 4:00 PM

Face-to-face reconciliation by appointment only.

OFFICE HOURS:

Mondays, Tuesdays & Wednesdays:
 9 am to 5 pm

Thursdays & Fridays:
 9 am to 2 pm

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

October 6 & 7

Church Support Envelopes \$4,794.00
 Offertory Cash \$530.00
 Children's Offertory \$68.00
 Weekly Electronic Giving \$988.00
Total \$6,380.00

Budgeted Offertory for October \$40,047.00
 Offertory Received in October . \$12,724.00
Budgeted Amount Still Needed . \$27,323.00

Monthly Offertory Comparison
September 2018 (4 weeks) \$29,068.00
September 2017 (4 weeks) \$29,973.00

From Our Pastor:

Why is God so demanding of us? The short answer is that God is demanding because He wants what is best for His children, *because He loves us*. This Sunday, Saint Mark describes the encounter between Jesus Christ and a rich young man (Mark 10:17-30). After the man explains that he has followed all of God's Commandments since his youth, Saint Mark states that: "Jesus, looking at him, *loved him...*" That "looking" was the look of the Creator directed towards His beloved creature; the look of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit on His beloved children, sons and daughters, who are striving to do all the right things.

After giving him this look of love, it might be surprising that Jesus then tells the man to go off and sell all his possessions – the very *things* to which the young man is most attached. Now, someone might say that if Jesus really loved this man, why would He ask him to give up the things he valued most? If Jesus really loved him, why would He be so demanding and make him so uncomfortable? We know the answer: it's because *love seeks what is best for the beloved*. As Saint John tells us: "We have come to know and to believe in the love God has for us. God is love, and whoever remains in love remains in God and God in him" (1 John 4:16). Love by its very nature is demanding; it will never settle for mediocrity. And the young man, because he was so attached to money, possessions, and worldly success, was in danger of falling into a mediocre, stifling, and frustrated life. And so Jesus, *out of love*, invites the young man to choose the path of wisdom instead of comfort, the path of following God's will instead of self-will. In this same Gospel passage, Jesus also "looked" at His disciples, teaching them about the gift of Faith. Our Lord teaches us that He wants us to have things, to be good stewards of His gifts, while also teaching us to not become so attached to them that we risk losing sight of Him.

The Lord Jesus, as He did for the man in the Gospel, constantly looks at us with infinite, personal love, and invites us to respond to His love, to follow Him more closely, in a selfless, self-giving love. Yes, God is demanding because He loves us. He wants us to be rich in spiritual matters first and foremost – so He gives us the richness of faith, hope and love, the richness of His Church, Word, Teachings, Sacraments, Communion of Saints and prayer. He wants the young man and each of us to have the wealth of friendship with Him, the treasure of eternal life in Heaven. To have such treasured friendship with Jesus, we need to be humble and obedient disciples, for He is more than a good friend – Jesus Christ is Lord and God, the Only Savior of the world!

With peace and prayers in Christ,
Fr. William

\$10 GRAND IN YOUR HAND!

Family Promise of Grant County's major fundraiser, \$10 GRAND IN YOUR HAND, will be held in our dining hall on Thursday, November 15 from 5:30 – 8:30 PM. Tickets are \$100, giving two people a delicious, catered meal, drinks and a chance to win \$10,000! Every ticket will be pulled, and every 10th ticket will win a gift prize worth at least \$100. One does not need to be present to win. Only 250 tickets will be sold. Get yours at the Family Promise Day Center from Hannah Campbell Gustafson, Bill Manthe at the parish office, or one of the Family Promise Board members. Those from our parish are: Bev Doll, Roshini Mendis, Carol Schwartz, Stacy Martin and Lynn Knutson.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR BINGO

Volunteers wanted to assist residents who enjoy playing bingo on the second Monday of every month at 2:30 pm for an hour at Atrium Post Acute Care. Contact Jan Block at 608-723-7978 to volunteer.



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE: OCTOBER 20 & 21



5 PM Lectors: Tom Hughey & Peg Jonas

5 PM Servers: Haley, Caden & Tyler Timmerman

7:30 AM Lector: Rita Schmitz

7:30 AM Servers: Sam & Grace Schaffer

9:30 AM Lectors: Sam Jonas & Kitty Mumm

9:30 AM Servers: Jenna, Cole & Connor Raisbeck

Servers: Your new schedules are available in the sacristy.

GROW IN YOUR FAITH AT FORMED!

The feast day of St. Ignatius of Antioch is this week on Wednesday, October 17. St. Ignatius, an early Bishop and martyr, plays an important role in handing on the Tradition of the Church. Learn more about him, our own St. Clement and others who helped hand on the faith of Jesus and the Apostles in the series, "In the Footprints of God." Once there, choose the segment titled "Apostolic Fathers." To register on FORMED, go to www.FORMED.org. Click on "Enter Code" and enter our parish code: **DHYNXC**. Enter your name and email address, as well as a password. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

There are two opportunities for adult faith formation that have recently begun. "True Reformers: Saints of the Catholic Reformation" meets on Wednesdays in the parish office meeting room following the 8:15 a.m. Mass, with sessions ending about 10:30. You can also view this study on FORMED.org.

"The Wild Goose: Discovering a Deeper Relationship with the Holy Spirit," study meets on Mondays in the parish office meeting room at 6:30 p.m. Please Note: use the Elevator to get to the meeting room. This study can also be found at FORMED. If you have any questions, please contact Bill Manthe at the parish office.

OUR ST. CLEMENT FALL FESTIVAL NEWS

THANK YOU to everyone for participating in any way to make our parish festival a success! Here's a couple items to note: **DISHES** from the Fall festival are at the entrance of the church, closest to the Cherry St. entrance.

WINNERS OF THE RAFFLE WERE:

\$5,000 Cash: Cameron Krantz

\$3,000 Cash: Bev Sprague

\$1,000 Cash: Jan Breuer

\$500 Cash: Robert Smith

**\$100 Cash: Chuck Addison, Caleigh Krantz,
Stan Miles, Vincent Tennesen**

\$50 Cash: Jason Pace, Fr. William Vernon

Quilt Raffle: Sharon Bahl

THIS WEEK AT ST. CLEMENT

Sunday, October 14 7 pm, Social; 7:15 pm, Presentation,
St. Clement Men's Group

Wednesday, October 17... 9:30 am, Mass at Orchard Manor
. 10:30 am, Mass at Atrium Post Acute Care
. Noon, Finance Council Meeting
. RE classes; Grades K-6 (6-7 pm); Grades 7-9 (7-8:30 pm)

Friday, October 19 8:15 am, All School Mass
. 11:15 am, Mass at Morningside Assisted Living

Saturday, October 20 2 pm, Wedding Mass of Molly Mau
and Scott Snyder

40-DAYS-FOR-LIFE CAMPAIGN

On Sunday, Oct. 21, 8 am to 8 pm, our St. Clement Parish family will be peacefully demonstrating and praying on the sidewalk outside Planned Parenthood's abortion clinic in Madison (3706 Orin Rd) in 1-hour shifts. We also will pray the Rosary at the top of the hour at St. Clement Church from 12:00 to 6:00pm on Oct. 21. Please call Bill and Judy Seyer at 608-723-4842 to sign up for a 1-hour shift or to lead the Rosary.

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED! The Lancaster United Methodist Church will once again be hosting the Community Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, November 22. If you can help with a donation of food, assist in the meal preparation or help in serving that day, please sign up on the sheets at the entrance of the church. Call Bill Manthe if you have any questions. We have so much to be thankful for. Let us return God's blessings to us by reaching out to others in care and compassion.

RESPECT LIFE COLLECTION

October is Respect Life Month. Please send in your donation soon, through the offertory basket or at the parish office. Your donation will support God's gift of life here in our Diocese and beyond. Thank you.

SAINT CLEMENT SCHOOL

THE PIZZA SALE IS HERE!!!

Back by popular demand...Saint Clement School's Fall Pizza Sale is going on right now and will run through Wednesday, October 24th. During this time, students will be selling as many delicious, homemade pizzas as they can to support our parish school and earn incentive prizes. In fact, if we reach our goal of 2,600 pizzas, all students will earn an entire week of "NO HOMEWORK!!!" These 14" pizzas will be made fresh for pick-up on the morning of Saturday, November 3rd and are great for take-and-bake or freezing for later use. We would like to thank you very much for your continued support of our pizza sale, our amazing students, and our wonderful parish school!!!