

A TOWER OF FAITH IN THE WEST END AND CUMMINSVILLE

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Deacon Dennis Edwards

Mrs. Shon Hubble, MM, Music Ministry

MASSES:

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

OUR MISSION IS OUR FAITH

*"You, however, are a
chosen race, a royal
priesthood, a holy
nation, a people He
claims for His Own
to proclaim the
glorious works.
(1 Peter 2:9)*

Liturgical Calendar, Mass Intentions and Readings

Sunday, October 13: *Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Wisdom 7:7-11; Psalms 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Hebrews 4:12-13; Matthew 5:3; Mark 10:17-30 or 10:17-27*

9 a.m. Mass St. Joseph Church
For: Joe Tucker (D)
By: Father Rey Taylor

11 a.m. Mass St. Joseph Church
For: Joe Tucker (D)
By: Father Joe Taylor

Monday, October 14: *Monday of the Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Galatians 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1; Psalms 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7; Psalms 95:8; Luke 11:29-32*

Tuesday, October 15: *Memorial of Saint Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church Galatians 5:1-6; Psalms 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48; Hebrews 4:12; Luke 11:37-41*

Wednesday, October 16: *Wednesday of the Twenty-eighth Week in Ordinary Time: Galatians 5:18-25; Psalms 1:1-2, 3-4 and 6; John 10:27; Luke 11:42-46*

Thursday, October 17: *Memorial of Saint Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr: Ephesians 1:1-10; Psalms 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6; John 14:6; Luke 11:47-54*

Friday, October 18: *Feast of Saint Luke, Evangelist: 2 Timothy 4:10-17b; Psalms 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18; John 15:16; Luke 10:1-9*

Saturday, October 19: *Memorial of Saints John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, Companions and Martyrs: Ephesians 1:15-23; Psalms *:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7; John 15:26b, 27a; Luke 12:8-12*

Sunday, October 20: *Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Is 53:10-11; Psalms 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22; Hebrews 4:14-16; Mark 10:45; Mark 10:35-45 or 10:42-45*

9 a.m. Mass St. Joseph Church
For: Dan Romano (D)
By: SJCC

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By: SJCC

Requesting a Mass Intention: *You may request a mass intention for a loved one or to commemorate an important occasion. A \$5 donation is offered along with the Mass intention request. To request a Mass, please call or stop by the parish office, or you may complete an envelope with your request and drop it in the collection box. A Mass intention is a lovely way to honor a friend, family member or an important event in one's life.*

**Check
out these
podcasts**



The National Black Catholic Congress offers several podcasts on its website.

**Your Questions Answered
Ask Father Josh**

Each week Father Josh answers questions submitted by listeners about life, faith, morality and relationships

**For the Voices Unheard
The Gloria Purvis
Podcast**

Discover opinions, stories and experiences of individuals who have been marginalized in the Catholic Church and in society.



Please help the Society of St. Vincent de Paul to bring the love and mercy of Jesus to those who feel left out and abandoned for we are only doing "what we are obliged to do". Have you considered answering the call to "help the poor find forgiveness and healing in their life" by joining the Society of St. Vincent DePaul? As a volunteer, you can help others in a way that will fit into your busy life. Vincentians are volunteers who are people just like you from all walks of life - those who want to help their community for giving their talent for the greater good. Gwen Dukes is SVDP Conference President. Contact Linda Knight 513-344-3907 for more information.

Twenty-eighth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
October 13, 2024



What Must I do to Inherit Eternal Life?

My Brothers and Sisters
in the Risen Lord

In 1979, during his first pastoral visit to the United States, St. Pope John Paul II addressed young people gathered in Madison Square Garden with a message that is the essence of our faith and one that should deeply resonate in our hearts. He urged those young people to seek the fullness of life, to aim high, and to set their hearts on the things that truly matter. He knew that deep within each of us lies a yearning to understand the meaning of life, a desire to find our purpose, and ultimately, to know how we might attain eternal life.

In today's Gospel, we encounter a man who shares this very yearning. He approaches Jesus with a question that echoes through the ages: "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" This man, often interpreted to be young and wealthy, represents each one of us in our quest for meaning and fulfillment. Despite his material success, he recognizes that something is still missing in his life, prompting him to seek answers from the one he believes has the key to eternal life.

Jesus' response is both compassionate and challenging. He first acknowledges the man's observance of the commandments, affirming the importance of living a moral life. Then, he looks at the man with love and invites him to take the next step — a radical step. "Go, sell what you have, and give

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Liturgical Ministries for Oct. 13 and Oct. 20

If you cannot make your scheduled date, please arrange a sub in your place or call the church office at 513-381-4526. All ministers -- Please arrive 10 minutes before Mass, check at the Sacristy for attendance and any further instructions from the Pastor. Thank you.

October 13:

9 a.m.

Doris Rockingham, Ron Hitzler

11 a.m.

Howard Tribble, Nate Powers,

October 20:

9 a.m.

Liz Berry, Ron Hitzler

11 a.m.

Howard Tribble, Nate Powers

Announcers

October 13:

9 a.m.

Deacon Dennis Edwards

11 a.m.

Mike McCoy

October 20:

9 a.m.

Deacon Dennis Edwards

11 a.m.

Bill Ware

Catechists

October 13

11 a.m.

Catechists: Joyce Edwards, Gayle Burton, Peggy Nachtrab, Patricia Charlton and Michael Townsend

October 20:

11 a.m.

Lead Catechists: Joyce Edwards, Peggy Nachtrab, Patricia Charlton

Eucharistic Ministers

October 13

9 a.m.

Willia Green, Anne Shaffer

11 a.m.

Reggie Lee, Sharon Sanker

October 20:

9 a.m.

Willia Green, Anne Shaffer

11 a.m.

Reggie Lee, Mark Patel

Lectors

October 13:

9 a.m.

Walt Connolly, Barbara Wright

11 a.m.

Edna McCoy, Chris Nachtrab

October 20:

9 a.m.

George Kinley, Dave Stein

11 a.m.

Bob Sanker, Bruce Seidel

Ushers' Roster

9 a.m.

Robert Johnson (lead usher) David Stein, Willa Green, Yolanda and James Roper, Stan Carlross

11 a.m.

Robin Walker (lead usher), Reggie Lee, Ron Garvin, Rob Harris, Marilyn Tribble, Bill Ware

If you have a special announcement to share, please call the Parish Office or send your news to church@stjosephcincinnati.org

to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me." Yes, this call to discipleship demands a complete reorientation of priorities. Jesus is not merely asking this man to give up his wealth; he is asking him to let go of anything that stands in the way of fully following God. It's a call to embrace life where love of God and love of neighbor take precedence over material possessions, social status, or personal ambitions. For many of us, this call can feel daunting because often we may find ourselves clinging to the things that give us a sense of security or identity. We might be hesitant to surrender our comforts, our plans, or our wealth, fearing the uncertainty that comes with letting go. But Jesus' message is clear: to inherit eternal life, we must be willing to let go of anything that holds us back from fully embracing the kingdom of God.

St. Pope John Paul II understood that true discipleship requires more than a superficial adherence to religious practices; it requires a profound transformation of the heart that allows us to find true freedom and joy, even in the midst of sacrifice. As we reflect on today's Gospel, let us ask ourselves: What are the things that we cling to, the things that prevent us from fully following Jesus? Are we willing to trust in God's promise, to let go of our earthly treasures, and to seek the eternal treasure that comes from a life lived in love and service? The young man in the Gospel went away sad because he couldn't make that leap of faith. But we have the opportunity today to choose differently. By reorienting our priorities and placing God at the center of our lives, we can find fullness of life—a life that leads us to the eternal joy of God's kingdom. Let us pray for the courage to seek and find this path.

Yours in Christ,
Father Rudy

Live Stream

Sunday Mass from our Website:
www.stjosephcincinnati.org
Every Sunday at 11 a.m. or watch the video at a later date.

Parish/Community News

Liturgy and Life -- Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus poses a revolutionary option to a rich man in today's Gospel: "Go, sell what you have and give to the poor...then come, follow me." Understandably, the rich man has a difficult time letting go of his possessions. He likes his stuff! Not only that, his society viewed material wealth as a sign of spiritual virtue. Jesus once again offers a new way. He advocates true communion in the kingdom of God, a communion where everyone has enough, and all power belongs to God. The kingdom of God stands in stark contrast to the trappings of capitalism. Reflect on your privileges and poverties. How can you more fully embrace Christ's call to follow him?

Popcorn Fund-raiser

Attention: St. Joseph Parishioners. If you wish to be a seller and/or wish to support this fundraiser or need additional information, please contact Dionne Partee Johnson at 513-240-0928 or someone from the SJCC Fundraising Committee. You do not have to be on the Fundraising Committee to participate in this fundraiser.

Catholic Veterans and Family Members

Did you know that there is a Veterans Service Organization just for YOU? The Catholic War Veterans & Auxiliary was founded in 1935. Membership is open to all honorably discharged Catholic veterans and their families (Active, Reserve, National Guard).

Wartime service is not required - just 90 days of active-duty service. We advocate for and support all veterans, regardless of faith, through our programs of Catholic Action, Americanism, Youth Activities and Veterans Welfare.

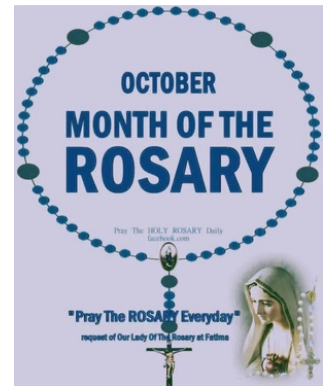
We would like you to join us and continue serving "For God, For Country, For Home." Ohio has 17 Posts and we are looking to grow our service to veterans, Church and communities in your parish/area. For more information, contact Department of Ohio, CWV, 614-221-7601 or ohiocwv@sbcglobal.net - www.cwvohio.org

Do You Need a Ride?

Do you Need a Ride to Vote Early or on Election Day?
Do you Need to drop off your Ballot at the Board of Elections?
Do you Need more info? Can you Volunteer?
Text ridecincy to 513 281-9955 or call 888-858-3421 or visit Cincyvotes.org.

The Greater Cincinnati Voter Collaborative is a Non-Partisan Voter Engagement Collaborative.

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- Rev. Samuel Yacob, MCCJ, Parochial Vicar
- Rev. Miguel Torres, MCCJ, Parochial Vicar
- Mr. Dennis Edwards, Deacon
- Mrs. Shon Hubble, Music Minister
- Ms. Mary Roberson, Business Manager (ext. 13)
- Mrs. Jean Brown, Receptionist (ext. 10)
- Ms. Lee Wilson, President of Parish Council
- Mrs. Gwen Dukes, President of St. Vincent dePaul
- Mrs. Vanessa Rozier, Grand Lady, KPC Ladies Auxiliary: 513-313-6900
- Mr. Reginald E. Lee, Grand Knight, Knights of Peter Claver, 513-652-7122
- SJCS Alumni Association: Mrs. Joan Smith Beason, 513-641-0763 or Mrs. Joyce Edwards, 513-281-0727

Sacraments

Baptisms: If you have an infant to be baptized, please call our parish office or use church website.

www.stjosephcincinnati.org

Marriages: Schedule through church website

Anointing of the Sick: If you or a loved one is in the hospital or expecting surgery, call the parish office or use church website

Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA): Please call the parish office or check church website for more information



Hear Our Prayer

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence. Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illnesses, make broken bodies whole and free downcast spirits. May these special people find lasting health and deliverances, and so join us in thanking you for all your gifts. We ask this through the Lord Jesus who healed those who believed. Amen.

Hospital/Nursing Home

Dysart, Richard: Covenant Village
 Hurst, Rev. Paul: Bayley Place
 Duffy, Rev. Patrick: Majestic Care of Fairfield
 Richards, Kathy: Chamberlain Healthcare
 Royston, Patty: Clovernook
 Schafer, Sandy: Brookwood Retirement
 Foster-Waller, Alberta: Mercy Health West Park
 Hogue, Susie: Hillebrand Nursing & Rehab center
 Rebeck, Joan, Twin Oaks Senior Living

Homebound/Sick; shut-ins

Blair, Diane
 Hill, Hestella
 Knight, Melda
 Mason, Pam
 Moye, Claudia
 Randolph, Mary Ann
 Lomax, Jennifer
 Cowherd, Diane
 Robinson, Shirley

Prayer List

Byndon-White, Shirley
 Checks, Newton
 Father Tom DiFalco
 Ford, Bernard
 Heatherman, Christine
 Irby, Frances
 Knight, Linda
 Menefield Family
 Reed, Margaret
 Walker, Shelly

Prayer for Vocations

Almighty Father: You have created for us some definite purpose. Grant us the grace to know the path You have planned for us in this life and to respond with a generous "Yes." Make our archdiocese, parishes, homes and hearts fruitful ground for Your gift of vocations. May our young people respond to Your call with courage and zeal. Stir among our men a desire and the strength to be good and holy priests. Bless us with consecrated religious and those called to a chaste single life, permanent deacons, and faithful husband and wives who are a sign of Christ's love for His Church. We commend our prayer for vocations to You, Father, through the intercessions of Mary our Mother, in the Holy Spirit, through Christ our Lord. Amen.



Prayer for Protection

St. Joseph, you are the faithful protector of and intercessor for all who love and venerate you. I have special confidence in you, for you are all-powerful with God and will never abandon your faithful servants.

I humbly invoke you and commend myself with all who are dear to me to your protection and intercession. Do not abandon me or them during life and assist me and them when we die.
 Amen.

Beacons of Light Information Sessions

Want to learn more about Beacons of Light and how this process will enable your parish to continue to fulfill the mission of the Church in the 21st century? Sessions will be offered in each of the six deaneries with a few online options as well. Go to www.pathway.catholicaoc.org/beacons-of-light-info-sessions.

Zoom Bible Study Mondays at 6:15 p.m.

Be a part of our Mondays evenings -- all are welcome to join us. Zoom can be used on your computer, your tablet or even your smartphone.

To get logged in:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/3386881613>. Meeting ID: 338 681 613. If only able to join by phone, call 312-626-6799. Meeting ID: 338 681 613. (Please log in about 5-10 minutes ahead of time.)

Sunday Collection for Oct. 6, 2024

Cash & Checks	5496.00
Online giving	403.04
Sunday Saints	480.00
Saving the Good	725.00
St. Vincent dePaul	750.00
Other	52.00
Total	7906.04

Sept. 2024 Offertory YTD 0701-9/30

Actual: 16,832 YTD actual: 46,210
 Budget: 18,103 YTD Actual: 54,309
 Difference (1,271) Difference (8,099)

My EOffering

Our electronic giving program is an easy way to send your offerings online. We are offering this service as a convenience, so you no longer have to write checks or remember to bring cash with you on Sunday. Simply log into myEOffering through the SJCC website www.stjosephcincinnati.org. Online giving has many benefits to our parish, especially during these difficult times. It is safe, secure and easy to manage.

From the Archdiocese

Multicultural World Mission Mass: All are welcome to come to the special Multicultural World Mission Sunday Mass on October 20 at Immaculate Heart of Mary, 7820 Beechmont Avenue, Cincinnati. Mass begins at 1:30 p.m. followed by dinner and entertainment.

Wedding Anniversary Certificates: Are you celebrating a significant wedding anniversary in 2024? 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70, or 75 years. Request a certificate signed by Archbishop Dennis M. Schnurr by visiting the Archdiocese of Cincinnati web page at: <https://bit.ly/3IgyXfv>. Questions? Please contact the Archdiocese of Cincinnati Marriage & Family Evangelization Office at cnc@catholicaoc.org.

2024 Caregiver Mass: The 20th Annual Caregiver Mass is scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 17, 11 a.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains. Caregiver Masses honor all those who work or volunteer as a caregiver - from nurses and physicians to dietary staff and lab workers, from those who care for a sick or elderly friend or relative, to those who volunteer at healthcare facilities, retirement communities or parishes. People from all faiths are welcome. For more information, contact Angie Homocelle, Caregiver Assistance Network Coordinator at Catholic Charities Southwestern Ohio, at ahomocelle@ccswoh.org or 513-672-3834.

Retrouvaille Program for Struggling Marriages: The Retrouvaille program is designed to help save marriages by offering hope and healing to married couples who are struggling with serious difficulties. It is structured in three phases, starting with a weekend led by married couples and a priest chaplain.

The techniques learned at the weekend are further developed during the second phase, which is a series of six successive Saturdays. The final phase includes ongoing monthly small group gatherings with other couples who have attended the Retrouvaille program. Interested couples should contact Mark & Nancy Kleespies at 513-382-5365 (Mark) or 513-706-2779 (Nancy).

Help Local Refugees: With a large influx of refugees coming to Cincinnati, Catholic Charities Southwestern Ohio Refugee Resettlement Services needs your help for the families we are receiving. We need donations of furniture and other household items. Volunteers are needed to pick up furniture and set up housing, as well as mentor refugee youth. For more information, visit www.ccswoh.org or call our office at 513-241-7745.

Project Rachel: A ministry of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati that serves anyone who has experienced the loss of a child due to abortion. Individuals can engage in this ministry for healing through one-on-one conversation with peers, consultation with a priest (including in Spanish), support groups, retreats for mothers who lost a child, and a day of reflection for anyone (father, grandparent, friend, etc.). Go to <https://projectrachelohio.org/> or call the Project Rachel Help Line at 513-784-0531 for information.

Interested in the Catholic Faith: Do you want to know more about the Christian Catholic faith? Are you thirsting for a good refresher review on the Christian Catholic faith? If so, we invite you to sign up for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. If you would like to join a group for this faith journey, baptized or not baptized, our series of weekly sessions will begin in the fall and run through spring. For more information, please contact Little Flower's Director of Faith Formation, Greg Niehaus at gniehaus@littleflower-church.org or at 513-541-5560 or 513-598-8880, or Deacon Dennis Edwards at dfirst@aol.com or at 513-741-3070.

Powerful Tools for Caregivers: Do you feel overwhelmed or overextended? Are you concerned about an aging parent or spouse? Powerful Tools for Caregivers self-care classes help families manage caregiving from an empowered place. Free 6-week class sessions are starting this fall. Call the Caregiver Assistance Network at 513-869-4483 or email can@ccswoh.org for more information or to register.

- Tuesdays, 1:30 - 3 p.m., October 1 - November 5 at St. Maximilian Kolbe, 5720 Hamilton- Mason Road, Liberty Township, 45011
- Mondays, 4:30 - 6 p.m., October 14 - November 18 at Inner Source Living, 7864 Camargo Rd, Madeira, 45243

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Creativity and sustainability step into the spotlight when University of Cincinnati DAAP students turn items from our thrift stores into runway-ready looks. Join us for this celebration of upcycled fashion that benefits the many programs of St. Vincent de Paul and proves that helping our neighbors never goes out of style.

\$130 VIP | \$80 General | \$50 Trendsetter (under 25)

Your Retrofittings ticket gains you red-carpet access beginning at 6 p.m. to a fabulous night of hors d'oeuvres, boutique shopping, silent and live auctions, and raffles...and that's all before the fashion show starts!