

A TOWER OF FAITH IN THE WEST END AND CUMMINSVILLE

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH



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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 6: *Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time: Genesis 2:18-24; Psalms 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; Hebrews 2:9-11; 1 John 4:12; Mark 10:2-16 or 10:2-12*

9 a.m. Mass St. Joseph Church

For: Our Lady of Guadalupe Family of Parishes (SI)

By: SJCC

11 a.m. Mass St. Joseph Church

For: Jack McWilliams (AD)

By: Pat Spalding

For: Leona R. Sandler (AB)

By: Leona Richardson

Monday, October 7: *Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary: Galatians 1:6-12; Psalms 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c; John 13:34; Luke 10:25-37*

Tuesday, October 8: *Tuesday of the Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time: Galatians 1:13-24; Psalms 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15; Luke 11:28; Luke 10:38-42*

Wednesday, October 9: *Wednesday of the Twenty-seventh Week in Ordinary Time: Galatians 2:1-2, 7-14; Psalms 117:1bc, 2; Romans 8:15bc; Luke 11:1-4*

Thursday, October 10: *Thursday of the Twenty-seventh Week in Ordinary Time: Galatians 3:1-5; Luke 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75; Acts 16:14b; Luke 11:5-13*

Friday, October 11: *Friday of the Twenty-seventh Week in Ordinary Time: Galatians 3:7-14; Psalms 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; John 12:31b-32; Luke 11:15-26*

Saturday, October 12: *Saturday of the Twenty-seventh Week in Ordinary Time: Galatians 3:22-29; Psalms 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Luke 11:28; Luke 11:27-28*

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

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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-seventh Sunday
in Ordinary Time
October 6, 2024**



The Sacrament of Marriage: Symbol of Christ's Love for the Church

My Brothers and Sisters
in the Risen Lord

In our world today, we often hear stories of marriages that have faced significant challenges yet have persevered through thick and thin. Take, for example, a couple who has been married for over thirty years. Their marriage has seen its share of ups and downs – job losses, health scares, the challenges of raising children, and the inevitable misunderstandings that arise in any relationship. Yet, through it all, they have remained committed to one another, their love deepening with each passing year. Their relationship is not merely about surviving the storms of life but thriving through them, growing stronger and more united in purpose.

This couple's enduring love serves as a modern-day example of the profound truth that marriage, in its essence, is far more than just a partnership. As Catholics, we believe that marriage is a sacrament – a visible sign of God's invisible grace. In the relationship of a loving couple, marriage becomes an icon of the Trinity, mirroring to the world who God is and how much he loves us. Every interaction, every act of love and forgiveness between the couple reflects the divine love that flows within the Trinity and is poured out upon all creation.

St. Paul, in his letter to the
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Hebrews, writes that marriage has a precise Christian purpose: to symbolize Christ's love for the Church and the Church's love for Christ. Just as Christ's love for the Church is fruitful, giving life through grace, so too is marriage called to be fruitful.

But unlike Baptism, where the recipient receives the sacramental sign of water, the sacrament of marriage is not something received passively. Rather, the couple themselves, through their love and commitment, become the sacramental sign of God's loving presence in the Church.

In this sacred union, God asks married couples to partake in a higher level of spiritual commitment to one another – not merely a psychological or physiological relationship but a deep, spiritual connection. It is this spiritual bond that enables couples to not only enjoy the fruits of their association but also to bear the suffering and sorrow that will inevitably come, just as Christ bore sufferings on the Cross.

Marriage, therefore, is more than just a vocation or a commitment; it is a sacrament.

Those who are married in a church before God are surrendering themselves to God's divine purposes. They come together not just out of love for each other, but to do God's will here on earth. In this way, marriage is not just a secular relationship but a holy covenant meant to give birth, in love, to all the good things God provides to each of us, grounded in the strength of this sacred union.

"When a husband and wife are united in marriage, they no longer seem like something earthly, but rather like the image of God himself."
–St. John Chrysostom

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.

Liturgical Ministries for Oct. 6 and Oct. 13

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.

Acolytes

October 6:

9 a.m.

Doris Rockingham, Ron Hitzler

11 a.m.

Howard Tribble, Nate Powers,

October 13:

9 a.m.

Liz Berry, Ron Hitzler

11 a.m.

Howard Tribble, Nate Powers

Announcers

October 6:

9 a.m.

Deacon Dennis Edwards

11 a.m.

Bill Ware

October 13:

9 a.m.

Deacon Dennis Edwards

11 a.m.

Mike McCoy

Catechists

October 6

11 a.m.

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

October 13:

11 a.m.

Lead Catechists: Joyce Edwards, Peggy Nachtrab, Patricia Charlton

Eucharistic Ministers

October 6

9 a.m.

Willia Green, Anne Shaffer

11 a.m.

Reggie Lee, Denise Stockstill

October 13:

9 a.m.

Willia Green, Anne Shaffer

11 a.m.

Reggie Lee, Sharon Sanker

Lectors

October 6:

9 a.m.

George Kinley, Anne Shaffer

11 a.m.

Stephanie Edwards, Margo Aug

October 13:

9 a.m.

Walt Connolly, Barbara Wright

11 a.m.

Edna McCoy, Chris Nachtrab

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

Parish/Community News

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

Jesus teaches on a point of pain for many people across time: divorce. His words may sound legalistic at first glance, but with further reflection, we can recognize radical subversion at work. Jesus overthrows patriarchal norms and sides with the marginalized. He expands the norms for divorce as a push for greater justice for the oppressed. It should be acknowledged that this can be a painful reading to hear for many people who have experienced divorce. This text has been weaponized by too many preachers over the years to judge and condemn. Let us approach this text, as well as those in our community affected by divorce, with great compassion.

Ohio Voter Registration

Lee Wilson has Ohio Voter's Registration forms available. The form can also be used if you have moved and need to change your address, or have had a name change. Please remember your ID must match your registered name and address. She can also assist with checking your current registration status or finding your polling location. The registration deadline for the Nov. 5th election is Oct. 7. Please see Lee after each Mass for assistance.

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

Public Square Rosary

Join us for our 4th Annual Public Square Rosary Crusade.

What: The Holy Rosary

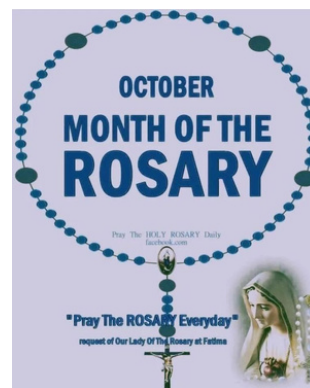
Where: St. Joseph Catholic Church

When: Noon Saturday, October 12th

Who: All are Welcome

Rosaries and Prayers will be provided.

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- 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

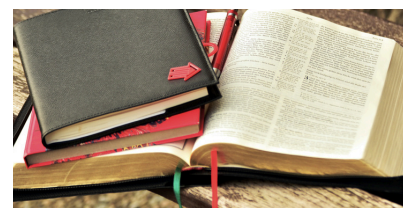
Almighty Father: You have created for us some definite purpose. Grant us the grace to know the path You have planned for us in this life and to respond with a generous "Yes." Make our archdiocese, parishes, homes and hearts fruitful ground for Your gift of vocations. May our young people respond to Your 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.



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.)

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.

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.

Sunday Collection for Sept. 29, 2024

<i>Sunday Collection</i>	3799.00
<i>myEOffering</i>	623.04
<i>Sunday Saints</i>	200.00
<i>Other</i>	1307.00
Total	5929.04

From the Archdiocese

Respect Life Fund: The 2024 Respect Life Fund collection will be held the weekend of Oct. 5-6. This fund supports the lifesaving and healing work of pro-life agencies (such as pregnancy care centers) across our archdiocese, as well as Project Rachel, our post-abortion ministry. If you miss the in-person collection or prefer to donate electronically, you can also donate online here: <https://www.givecentral.org/respectlifefund>.

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 defirst@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

Sunday October 20th
World Mission
Sunday 2024

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EVERYONE**
to the banquet
(MT 22:9)



What is World Mission Sunday?

World Mission Sunday, celebrated on the second-to-last Sunday of October, is a day set aside by the Catholic Church to remember and support the mission work being done around the world. This special day is mandated by the Code of Canon Law and is crucial for sustaining the Church's outreach in over 1,150 mission territories.

01 The impact of World Mission Sunday for the Church in the United States:

- The Church in the United States was once mission territory, heavily reliant on support from Catholics worldwide. Today, U.S. Catholics have the opportunity to return that generosity by supporting global missions.
- Run by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, one of four Pontifical Mission Societies, this day of giving has seen the Church come together on the Pope's request since 1926, when Pope Pius XI made this the only canonically mandatory universal collection.
- The World Mission Sunday collection is inspired in the efforts made by laywoman Blessed Pauline Jaricot, who founded the Society for the Propagation of the Faith back in 1822. She asked her friends to pray for the Church in mission territories daily, and donate a penny a week. Two-thirds of those first pennies raised were sent to the vast diocese of Louisiana, which then extended from the Florida Keys to Canada. In the United States, we benefited from the collection held by the Society until 1908. Throughout the years, we received \$7 million, the equivalent of over \$250 million today.

02 Supporting Mission Territories:

- We are here today, extending to you the Gospel's call to "Go and invite everyone to the banquet," that is the theme chosen by Pope Francis for this year's World Mission Sunday celebration.

03 Faith in Action:

- Participating in World Mission Sunday is a tangible way for Catholics to live out the Great Commission, bringing the message of Christ to the ends of the earth. It's an expression of solidarity with missionaries and a means to share Christ's love universally.

On October 20th, there will be a second collection. The money collected will be used to support the spread of the Gospel in mission territories.

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