

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, September 29: *Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Numbers 11:25-29; Psalms 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14; James 5:1-6; Cf 2 John 17:17b, 17a; Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48*

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: Rue M. Rancifer (D)
By: SJCC

Monday, September 30: *Memorial of Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church: Jb 1:6-22; Psalms 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7; Mark 10:45; Luke 9:46-50*

Tuesday, October 1: *Memorial of Saint Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Psalms 88:2-3, 4-5, 6, 7-8; Mark 10:45; Luke 9:51-56*

Wednesday, October 2: *Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Psalms 10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15; Psalms 103:21; Matthew 18:1-5, 10*

Thursday, October 3: *Thursday of the Twenty-sixth Week in Ordinary Time: Jb 19:21-27; Psalms 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14; Mark 1:15; Luke 10:1-12*

Friday, October 4: *Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Psalms 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14ab; Psalms 95:8; Luke 10:13-16*

Saturday, October 5: *Saturday of the Twenty-sixth Week in Ordinary Time: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Psalms 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130; Matthew 11:25; Luke 10:17-24*

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

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-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 29, 2024



Lessons on Golerance

My Brothers and Sisters
in the Risen Lord

Imagine a modern-day workplace where a small team is developing an innovative project. The group has its methods, routines, and a sense of pride in their work. Suddenly, they learn of an outsider — someone not part of their team — is making similar progress on the same project.

Instead of rejoicing that their goal is closer to being realized, they feel threatened, defensive, and even dismissive of the outsider's efforts. Their frustration stems from the idea that someone not following their rules or methods could achieve the same success.

This scenario is reminiscent of an event in the Gospel of Mark, where Jesus' disciples express concern over a man performing miracles in Jesus' name, even though he is not one of their group. They are uneasy, perhaps even jealous, that someone outside their circle is capable of such work. But Jesus, in his wisdom, responds with a profound lesson on tolerance: "Anyone who is not against us is for us."

This theme of tolerance is echoed throughout all three readings today, from the Book of Numbers, the letter of James, and Mark's Gospel. The common thread is the call to openness and the recognition that God's grace and goodness are not confined to one group, one method, or one path.

Religious exclusion is a
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Liturgical Ministries for Sept. 29 and Oct. 6

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.

dangerous road that can lead to intolerance, judgment, and even violence.

We see this throughout history and, sadly, even in our world today. It is easy for any group — whether religious, social, or professional — to become elitist, to believe that their way is the only way.

Yet, as Jesus teaches, God's grace can flow through many channels, often in ways that surprise us.

There is great value in the order, structure, and sacraments of the Catholic faith.

The Mass and the Eucharist are profound, guaranteed encounters with Christ.

But we must also acknowledge that God is not limited by our understanding. His grace is active in all corners of the world, often in unexpected places and through unexpected people.

Consider the wisdom of Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli, who would become Pope John XXIII. On the eve of the conclave that would elect him pope, he remarked, "We are not here to guard a museum, but to cultivate a flourishing garden of life."

This sentiment beautifully captures the essence of today's readings. We are not called to protect our faith as if it were a relic of the past but to nurture it, allowing it to grow and blossom in ways we might not anticipate.

In a world where divisions often seem to define us, let us take Jesus' words to heart.

Let us be open to the ways God is working through others, even those who are different from us.

Where there is love, goodness, and truth, there is God.

Let us celebrate this, recognizing that God's grace knows no bounds and is at work in all people of goodwill.

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.

Acolytes

September 29:

9 a.m. Liz Berry, Ron Hitzler
11 a.m. Howard Tribble, Nate Powers,

October 6:

9 a.m. Doris Rockingham, Ron Hitzler
11 a.m. Howard Tribble, Nate Powers

Announcers

September 29:

9 a.m. Deacon Dennis Edwards
11 a.m. Mike McCoy

October 6:

9 a.m. Deacon Dennis Edwards
11 a.m. Bill Ware

Catechists

September 29:

11 a.m. Catechists: Joyce Edwards, Gayle Burton, Peggy Nachtrab, Patricia Charlton and Michael Townsend

October 6:

11 a.m. Lead Catechists: Joyce Edwards, Peggy Nachtrab, Patricia Charlton

Eucharistic Ministers

September 29

9 a.m. Willia Green, Anne Shaffer
11 a.m. Reggie Lee, Sharon Sanker

October 6:

9 a.m. Willia Green, Anne Shaffer
11 a.m. Reggie Lee, Denise Stockstill

Lectors

September 29:

9 a.m. Mary Roberson, Dave Stein
11 a.m. Gail Smith, Lester Freeman

October 6:

9 a.m. George Kinley, Anne Shaffer
11 a.m. Stephanie Edwards, Margo Aug

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-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus lifts up the importance of sharing drink with others. He recognizes how essential water is to human life. Significant portions of the world's population, including people from Flint, Michigan and other places in the United States, do not have consistent access to clean safe water.

Advocate for the strengthening of clean water acts in our community.

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 November 5th election is October 7th. 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

First Holy Communion classes

First Holy Communion Spring 2025 Should you wish to have your child make his/her First Holy Communion we are taking registrations now. This is for children who are in the second grade, are at least seven years old, who have been baptized, and who regularly attend Mass. Also, children should be able to understand and be able to receive the Body of Christ with faith and devotion. Registration forms are available at the usher's table.

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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
 Menfield Family
 Reed, Margaret
 Walker, Shelly

Prayer for Vocations

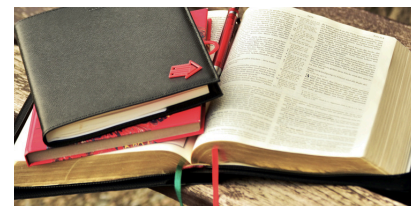
Almighty Father: You have created for us some definite purpose. Grant us the grace to know the path You have planned for us in this life and to respond with a generous "Yes." Make our archdiocese, parishes, homes and hearts fruitful ground for Your gift of vocations. May our young people respond to Your 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. 22, 2024

Sunday Collection	2404.00
myEOffering	313.04
Sunday Saints	200.00
Saving the Good	100.00
Other	452.00
St. Vincent DePaul	23.00
Total	3492.04

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 - 3:00 p.m., October 1 - November 5 at St. Maximilian Kolbe, 5720 Hamilton- Mason Road, Liberty Township, 45011
- Mondays, 4:30 - 6:00 p.m., October 14 - November 18 at Inner Source Living, 7864 Camargo Rd, Madeira, 45243



Join us for our 4th Annual PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE

America is at a historic crossroad. God is more offended than ever as people ignore Our Lady's maternal request to "stop offending God." As a result, America is suffering a societal collapse. It is urgent that we heed Our Lady's request and stop sinning if we hope to enjoy God's blessings and to avert His wrath. He will hear us if we pray through the intercession of his Blessed Mother. That's why we're doing the Public Square Rosary Crusade.

In *The Secret of the Rosary*, Saint Louis de Monfort said: **Public prayer is far more powerful** than private prayer to appease the anger of God and call down His mercy, and Holy Mother Church, guided by the Holy Ghost, has always advocated public prayer in times of public tragedy and suffering.

What: The Holy Rosary

Where: St. Joseph Catholic Church

When: Noon Saturday, October 12th

Who: All are Welcome

Rosaries and prayers will be provided



For more information contact: The parish office (513) 381-4526