

October 18, 2020

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Scripture Readings for October 26, 2020

The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Exodus 22:20-26 (148A): The faithful and gracious Lord said, "You shall not wrong any widow or orphan...If you take your neighbor's cloak,...return it to him before sunset. If he cries out to me, I will hear him; for I am compassionate."

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51: "I love you, Lord, my strength."

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10: Paul commended the Christians of Thessalonica: "You became imitators of us and of the Lord, receiving the word in great affliction, with joy from the Holy Spirit, so that you became a model for all believers...the word of the Lord has sounded forth."

Gospel: Matthew 22:14-23: In response to a question from some Pharisees who wanted to trip him up, Jesus said, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart...soul...and mind. You shall love your neighbor as yourself." These are the two great commandments.

October 11th Offertory ~ \$1,864.25

~ THROUGH THE WATERS OF BAPTISM ~

Our parish family welcomes through baptism this morning Knox William Smith, son of Sam and Talley Smith. His godparents are David and Julie Hays. May his life in Christ be filled with all blessings.

~ PARISH NEWS ~

- **Swinkey Days for Kids** T-shirts are for sale in the gym. All children's and adult sizes are available.
- **Stewardship forms:** Thanks to all who have returned the Stewardship forms. There are extra forms on the bulletin table for any who may be in need of one.
- **Email addresses:** It's come to my attention that a parishioner's email address was dropped from the parish list. If you have an email address and have not been receiving the weekly bulletin or prayer requests, please call 735-2541.
- **A note to our Ushers:** Because it's difficult to find available space in Church, we are asking if our ushers could help parishioners find available pew spaces before Mass each Sunday.
- **Saturday and Sunday's Masses:** The Saturday, 5:30 PM Mass at Holy Rosary may be viewed at "Greg Oligschlaeger" Live Facebook page. The 8:00 AM Mass at St. Stephen is being streamed to over-flow seating in the gym or can be viewed at "Greg Oligschlaeger" Live Facebook page. The 9:30 Mass at Holy Rosary can be viewed on YouTube Livestreamed <http://shorturl.at/zNQ57>

~ SCHOOL NEWS ~

- **Report Card Conferences** will be held on Thursday, October 22nd, from 1:00 until 6:00 at the KC Hall. All students will be dismissed at 12:30. Bus service will not be available.
- **Classes will NOT be held** on Friday, October 23rd.
- **The second quarter** of the school year begins October 19th.
- **Box Tops for education** is going digital! Please download the Box Tops app on your phone and mark Holy Rosary as your school. Any time you purchase an item that has a digital box top, simply use the app to take a picture of your receipt and our school will automatically receive 10 cents for every box top you enter! If you purchase products that have a physical box top, please clip those out and send them to school; we also earn 10 cents for each box top.

NEXT WEEK'S MASS SCHEDULE AT ST. STEPHEN & HOLY ROSARY

Day	Time	Intention
Sunday 10/18	*St. Stephen ***Holy Rosary **Holy Rosary	8:00 AM Gerry Spalding 9:30 AM Families of St. Stephen & Holy Rosary 5:30 PM Youth Of Our Parishes
Monday		No Scripture Service
Tuesday		7:30 AM Joe Ralph Buckman
Wednesday		7:30 AM Purgatorial Society
Thursday		7:30 AM Billy Morkin
Friday	Student Liturgy	8:20 AM Mark Saunders Mary Jean Lehenbauer
Saturday	**Holy Rosary	5:30 PM Becky Labuary Underwood
Sunday 10/25	*St. Stephen ***Holy Rosary	8:00 AM Joe & Mary Hagan 9:30 AM Families of St. Stephen & Holy Rosary

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RECONCILIATION

4:00-5:00 PM Saturdays at Holy Rosary
7:15-7:45 AM Sundays at St. Stephen
Or by appointment, 735-4718

~ PASTOR'S NOTES ~



Dear Parishioners,

This weekend begins the Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA) in our diocese. **Please contribute.** The CSA supports the work of our diocesan offices and the diocesan services to our parish. As we go about our business and ministry in the parish most parishioners do not realize how often our parishes utilize the diocesan offices. In one way or another, our parish is in contact with the diocese at least three times in a week.

The Diocesan Communications Office has been a big help with getting out the information needed regarding live streaming Masses, and diocesan Covid 19 protocols and policies. We will be launching a new website for our parishes on November 1, 2020 and the communication office has been instrumental in helping Donna Long get it up and running. Pat and Melody often call the Finance Office for guidance with bookkeeping, reports and hiring of employees. It was the quick work of our Finance Office that helped our parishes receive the much needed funds from the National Payroll Protection Plan which helped us to continue to pay our employees during the springtime quarantine.

Our Diocese is one of only two dioceses in the country that the Office of the Marriage Tribunal does not charge to process an annulment (the cost to others is \$500 or more per case.) In our parishes, Deacon Mike Long's on-going training and retreats are sponsored by the Office for the Diaconate. The Office of Vocations supports the tuition of our seven seminarians who are studying for the priesthood as well as funds the work of Fr. Paul Clark as he promotes vocations throughout our diocese. Sr. Sue and Mrs. Albus are often working with the Diocesan School Office. The Office of Stewardship guides us on how to use our gifts and talents wisely as well as helping our parishioners support their parish financially through tithing and estate planning. This office sends you the material for CSA.

Please contribute to this appeal. In 2018, we made our goal and in 2019 we did not. This year's goal is the same as last year: \$9,000. You do not have to contribute a lot and you can pay your contribution over 10 months. One percent of your income is a practical suggestion. It will be beneficial to our parish if we meet our parish goal. Ten percent of the money we collect will be given back to our parish which I intend to put toward capital improvements. Any amount that is collected over our goal, the parish will receive 90% back to the parish. Please support the mission of our parish by supporting the Catholic Stewardship Appeal. Thank you for your tithing contributions during this Covid 19 pandemic. You have done well in supporting our parish and helping us to continue our mission. God bless you for all you continually do.

Prayers & Blessings.

~ D OF I NEWS ~

The next meeting will be November 12th at 5:30 PM in the Knights of Columbus Hall. All members are encouraged to attend

~ PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER ~

Trent Zeiger, Jackie Ryan, Rose Shinn, Hazel Smith,
Jim Schnitzler, Sue Gilbert, Natalee Amos,
Rosemary Evans, Deanna Buckman, Nick Hays,
Kenny Ryan, Bonnie Ess, John Kendrick, Fr. Michael Penn,
Charlotte Schneider, Logan Maher, Glenda Staton,
Troy Ritter, Michael Kellerman, Terry Kendrick,
Dc. Mike Long, Barbara Kendrick, Mark Leake,
William P. Smith, Connie Kendrick, Nick Mudd,
P. A. Turnbull, Teresa Ritter Toland, Tim Quinn,
Daniel Patrick Mudd, Bonnie Werner

For all who are ill, especially those who are awaiting surgery or seriously ill, and for their caregivers and for those who have died, we pray to the Lord.

~ DIOCESAN CATHOLIC STEWARDSHIP APPEAL ~

This Sunday we begin our Catholic Stewardship Appeal at St. Stephen. This annual appeal is the primary source of funding for sustaining ministry and assistance for the 104 Catholic churches in the 38 counties that make up the Diocese of Jefferson City. The CSA theme, "For I know well the plans I have in mind for you, plans for your welfare and not for woe, so as to give you a future of hope" (Jeremiah 29:11), encourages each of us to give back to God for what we have received. The St. Stephen parish goal for 2021 is \$9,000 and the diocese goal is \$2,450,000. After the diocesan goal has been met, any parish meeting their individual goal is eligible to receive a rebate of 10% of the goal, plus 90% of any funds raised above the goal. Parish goals must be met with cash and/or pledges received by March 15, 2021 and fulfilled by the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. Please pray and give consideration on how you can help with this year's Catholic Stewardship Appeal.

~ FOLLOWING GOD'S LEAD ALONG WITH DONNA ~

- **Make a Difference Day** is October 24th 8:00 am to Noon; if you know someone in our community that needs help with yardwork, cleaning gutters, etc., please contact Deacon Mike or Donna Long. If you would like to volunteer to help, please contact Donna Long.
- **FORMED:** October is the Month of Mary - Lectio: Mary with Dr. Brant Pitre, "The Bible and the Mother of God". Why is Mary so important to Catholics, and why have so many people been devoted to her over the centuries? In this 8-part series, Dr. Brant Pitre examines what the Old and New Testaments, the life of Christ, and the early Church fathers reveal about the life and identity of Mary." From *Formed*. If you are new to Formed, go to Formed.org, choose SIGN UP and select "I belong to a Parish or Organization" then enter Holy Rosary and select our parish from the drop down and begin watching.
- **To inquire about faith formation/religious education**, contact Donna Long anytime at donnalong.hrss@gmail.com or call me at the rectory, 735-4718. My office hours are 8:00 AM to Noon, Monday through Friday

~ K OF C NEWS ~

- **Congratulations** to St. Stephen Council #1971 who received "Star Council", the Knight's top award.
- **The November KC meeting** will be held Thursday, November 5th with the rosary at 7:00 PM, followed by the meeting. All are welcome to join with the Knights praying the rosary.
- **The Family Fully Alive booklets:** The St. Stephen KC's have purchased these booklets for families in our parish, designed to help families place God and the Catholic faith at the center of their lives, year around. The books are on the literature table in the vestibule. *The theme for October is "Together On Mission".*

~ WEEKLY MONDAY NOON ROSARY AT ST. STEPHEN ~

The rosary will be prayed each Monday at 12:00 noon at St. Stephen for both parishes to petition for an end to the pandemic, its victims, and any other intention requested. Social distancing will be maintained.

~ HOLY ROSARY'S FALL DINNER RAFFLE ~

The Holy Rosary Altar Society committee members have decided to cancel the Fall Dinner for 2020. We will, however, hold the Fall Raffle. Raffle tickets will be mailed soon. The items to be raffled are: 1st ticket drawn, \$1000; 2nd ticket, \$500; 3rd ticket, beautiful hand quilted quilt; 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th tickets, \$50 C&R gift certificates each. The raffle tickets will sell for \$5 per ticket or 3 for \$10. Please return your tickets and money by dropping off or mailing to Holy Rosary Parish Office at 405 South Main Street, Monroe City, MO 63456. The winners will be announced at the close of the livestreamed 9:30 AM Mass on Sunday, November 15th. We plan to see you next year!

~ 40 DAYS FOR LIFE PRAYER & FASTING ~

September 23rd until November 1st, you're invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life; 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. Visit www.40daysforlife.com.

~ POPE FRANCIS AND BISHOP MCKNIGHT'S OCTOBER PRAYER INTENTIONS ~

You are invited and encouraged to unite your prayer intentions with those of Pope Francis and Bishop McKnight's October intentions:

Intention of Pope Francis

"We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church."

Intention of Bishop McKnight

"For all citizens in our country, that our participation in the upcoming elections may lead to a world which places a preeminence on the dignity of all human life."

~ PERPETUAL ADORATION CHAPEL ~

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be on Tuesdays and Fridays from 8 a.m. - 8 p.m. until further notice. Everyone is welcome to come at any time during those 12 hours for prayer and adoration. Adoration contacts - Phyllis Campbell, 573-795-2290 or Howard & Linda Willard, 573-735-4552.

Liturgy Appointments

October 18 – Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacristan	Doug & Julie Orf
Rosary	Kaye Spalding
Music	Sr. Sue Walker
Song Leader	Judy Irons
Servers	Kyle Hays & Cole Hays
Lector	Desiree Mudd
Communion Ministers	Amanda Spalding, Kaye Spalding
Counters	Lee Anderson, Joe & Marie Puro

October 25 – Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacristan	Kathy Anderson
Rosary	Katie Underhill
Music	Debby Quinn & Jan Adam
Song Leader	Chloe Puro & Beth Whelan
Servers	Natalie Shively & Taitym Foltz
Lector	Nancy Shively
Communion Ministers	Kay Turnbull, Phil Whelan
Counters	Lee Anderson, Norma Rubison

November 1 – All Saints Day – Daylight Savings Time Ends

Sacristan	Danny Adam
Rosary	Glenn Bichsel
Music	Debby Quinn & Jan Adam
Song Leader	Julienne Burns
Servers	Ella Hays & Bradi Keller
Lector	Amanda Spalding
Communion Ministers	Beth Whelan, Deanna Buckman
Counters	Eric Keller, Joe Shively

Ushers for October

Bill Gill, Mark Hagan

Ushers for November

Tom Hagan, David Hays

* All Liturgy appointees for the Mass, please check with the Sacristan 15 minutes before Mass so all Eucharistic ministries are covered.

Pastoral Council Members: Chair., Amanda Spalding; V. Chair., Doug Orf; Sec'y, Carol Hagan; Members: Lee Anderson, Eric Keller and Danny Sims.

Finance Committee: Monica Otto-Lloyd, Chair.; Tom Hagan, Sec'y; Phil Whelan

K of C's: Grand Knight: Ed Born; Deputy Grand Knight, Kevin Long; Recording Secretary, Michael Maher; Financial Secretary, Shane Spalding

Altar Society Officers: Pres., Lynn Ogle, Treas., Julie Hays

Picnic Committee: Coordinators, David & Julie Hays; Treas., Shane Spalding

Cemetery Committee: Pres., Joe Puro; V. Pres., Bill Smith, Treas., Marie Puro, Dwayne Williams, Matt Hays, Shane Spalding.