

St. Paul Catholic Church

Oct. 26, 2025

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Next Eucharistic Adoration:
Friday, Nov. 7th at 8 am

Confession: By appointment. Please call the rectory to schedule.
Reconciliation is also available on Saturdays 4 - 4:45 pm at St. Mark in Eddyville.

Church website:
<https://stmarkeddyville.weconnect.com>



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Mission Statement: Let us experience a change in every moment of our lives for the better and touch the lives of other people whom we meet every day

Mass Scheduled Intentions + Deceased blank Living

Monday, Oct. 27

No Mass

Tuesday, Oct. 28

St. Mark 5 pm Sheenagh Tucker+

Wednesday, Oct. 29

St. Paul 6:30 pm Jessica Heuck Doerr and Kimmie Christianson + CCD

Thursday, Oct. 30

St. Mark 9 am Dottie Thomas+

Friday, Oct. 31

St. Paul 9 am Vicki Gaylord

Saturday, Nov. 1

St. Paul 9 am Kathy Wurtman+ **All Saints Day**

St. Mark 5 pm For the People of our Parishes

Sunday, Nov. 2

St. Mark 8 am Frank Swierczynski +

St. Paul 10 am Johnny Son+

Next Sunday's Readings: Wisdom 3:1-9; Romans 5:5-11; John 6:37-40

Reflection: By all signs, the Pharisee is a laudable person. He fasts, gives alms, visits the temple, and prays. In other words, he practices the three traditional works of the faith. But his self-righteous attitude puts him in the wrong relationship with God. He has no sense of needing God for anything. He doesn't thank God for the grace to be a good person, but with disdain for people who sin. That the Pharisee "spoke this prayer to himself" could merely mean he is not speaking it aloud, but it's also the case that he's addressing himself more than God (Luke 18:11). He seems to be patting himself on the back more than thanking God with sincere gratitude. When we become too full of ourselves, too convinced that we are the reason for our own goodness, we forget our own humanity. We forget that we are flawed creatures in need of forgiveness and mercy.

In general, tax collectors at this time were regarded as collaborators and thieves. They collected taxes imposed by the Roman government and generally padded their income by extorting more than what their neighbors really owed. No wonder they were despised, especially by pious people like the Pharisee.

But at least the tax collector in the parable is self-aware. He recognizes his sinfulness. He trusts that God's mercy is stronger than his sin. We are not told what he did once he returned home. Perhaps he stopped extorting his fellow citizens. Perhaps he paid back his ill-gotten gains. Perhaps he resigned his position. But Jesus tells us that just by virtue of his simple, honest plea to God, he became justified and would be exalted.

Ironically, the Pharisee contrasted himself to "the rest of humanity" (Luke 18:11), for this is exactly whom Jesus came to save. In fact, it is for the sake of sinners that Jesus became poor, humbling himself to share in our humanity. The Pharisee's attitude leads him to place himself above God, unable to "pierce the clouds" with his prayer (Sirach 35:17).

Question of the Week In what senses am I poor, in need of God's grace? Do I recognize this poverty when I pray?

Prayer Requests

St. Paul: Donna Holmes, Jansen Hubbard, Rachel Smotherman, Lee Weidner, Shirley Carney, Ronald Harper, Carol Adams, Tracy Hadlock, Michael Gray, Liam Stevenson, Lee Weidner, Pam Childress, Emily Stolz, Robert Peek, Jason Goodwin, Iris Brandon, Sandy Haberlock, Laura Jean Basso, Christa Strong, Teresa Boyd, Rodger Rush, Norm and Millie Thomas, Max Reil, David Cansler, Margot Shirley, Kendra Redd, Teresa Angelilli, Rick Bennett, Mary Reil, Beth Berton, Lewis Wurtman, Ronald Weidner, Mary Cheeseman

Both Parishes: People of Western KY, Theresa Weidner Griffith ***Please remember our shut-ins and nursing home residents in your prayers:*** Barb Adams, William Moertl, **and all those living in nursing homes. *Pray for our military and their families***, especially Monica Dukes, Tucker Pittmann, and Jack Rooyakkers.

St. Mark: Bent, Janet Terry, Luca Carlson, Pete Arriola, Margie Hibbard, Makenna Finnegan, McBroom Family, Peggy and Tim Brown Logan Thomas, Steven Dahl, Marie Berger, Chris and Bernadette Bode, David Russell, Barbara Hughes, Joe and Wanda Loftus, Karen Finnegan, Mary McTiernan, Will Jones, Tom Johnson, Chris Davies, Mary Huhnke, Gail Biskupich, Terry O'Neill, Curtis Fritz, Kathleen and Alan Dale, Zane Pierson, Matt (in MI), Chuck Thomas, Rose Oliver, Sr. Mary Christine Taylor, Ann Munn, Roy Maynard, Pat Merimee, Wendy Welter Teller, Kevin Stuckner, Jim Dunning, Teresa Fuhman, James I. Hosey, Mawn Family, David Harkins, Austin Benthem, Diane Edelbrock Nelson, Gerry Maynard, Jan Piche, Jim Eich, Karen Reibel, Kenny Pierson, Lonnie O'Neill, Maggie Pierson, Marie Berger, Reese McCartney, Richard Berger, Ron Eich, Shannon Doney, Sr. Joan Claire, Terence Carlin.

Happy Birthday!

Kaylee McEnaney Oct. 26
Theresa Griffith Nov. 1
Mary Schalk Nov. 9
Stephanie Weston Nov. 20

Daniel Adams Oct. 29
William Wurtz Nov. 3
Misty Turmero Nov. 16
Natalie Adams Nov. 30

Cesar Turmero Oct. 30
Camden McEnaney Nov. 6
Martha Stewart Nov. 18
Lewis Wurtman Nov 30

Happy Anniversary!

Dan and Maureen Adams Nov. 8 16 years
Robert and Marie Markham Nov. 17 53 years



Save the Date!

Saturday, Nov. 1st – All Saints Day Mass St. Paul 9 am



Time Change



Sunday, Nov. 2nd – St. Mark First Sunday Breakfast after 8 am Mass

Sunday, Nov. 9th – St. Paul Harvest Dinner after the 10 am Mass

Sunday, Nov. 16th – St Mark Thanksgiving Lunch 12-3

St. Paul Harvest Dinner

Please join us with family and friends for our annual Thanksgiving dinner after the 10 am Mass, at the Center. We will have traditional turkey, cornbread dressing and ham prepared for the dinner. Please bring your favorite side dishes, casseroles, or desserts to share with others for the dinner. Special guests are the residents of Bright Life Farm to share our dinner & provide entertainment. Please join us with abundant side dishes & desserts to welcome and show hospitality to our guests.

Sacraments:

Baptism: Please contact the Pastor to schedule a Baptism. One-month notice is required.

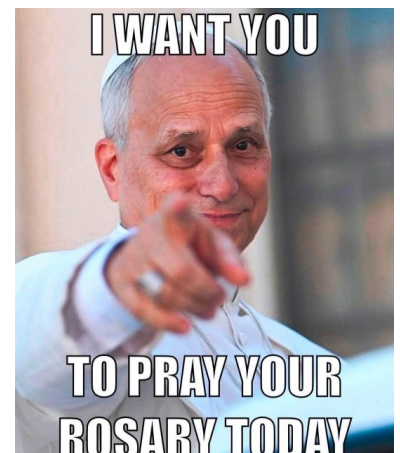
Matrimony: To schedule a wedding, please make an appointment with the Pastor. At least six months is needed for preparation.

Please contact Fr. Brad at **(270) 365-6786** for **Anointing of the Sick, Holy Communion or Pastoral calls** to the sick, shut-in, or hospitalized.

DIOCESAN POLICY: A full explanation of the diocese's response to sexual abuse concerns can be found in the revised sexual abuse policy, effective July 1, 2014, which is available on the bookshelf in the back of St. Paul, and online at <https://owensborodiocese.org/safe>.

WELCOME! Please see Fr. Brad or Kathy Talley to register. If you are a current parishioner with a change in contact information, please notify Kathy Talley kfct@umich.edu or **(270) 625-3433**.

Bulletin Announcements should be sent directly to Regina Hosey text (931)801-6514 or reg8926@gmail.com or **by Tuesday evening**.



Nov. 2	Altar Server	Lector	Greeters/ Ushers	*Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMC)	Counters Financial Rep.*
10am	Colin	Ken Negray	Weston Family	Dan Adams Cesar Turmero Susan Brinkley	Bob Hayes* Mike Wasielewski

Oct. 12 th	Week 16	Stewardship	Thanks for your support
Total Deposit:	\$6,232.91	Weekly Budget Expense	\$ 2,750.00
World Mission Sunday	\$ 155.00	Year to Date Collections	\$60,803.13
From St. Mark	\$3,538.91	Year to Date Budget	\$44,000.00

Pickin' Life and Kof C Update: Bluegrass on Beshear on Oct 11 was a well-attended, beautiful day. To date, we have received more than \$55,000! If donations reach \$60,000, we will be able to give \$15,000 to each of our supported pregnancy resource centers in Eddyville, Hopkinsville, Madisonville, Benton, and Greenville. If you would like to donate but haven't done so yet, it's not too late. Donations received by early November will be applied to this year's total.



How can you donate to the Pickin' Life Project?

- Online at bluegrassonbeshear.com
- Contact the organizers at 270-399-5063 or email jlamsmith@aol.com
- Hand your donation to Sonny Finnegan or George Barber, and they will get it to the right people.

All donations are tax-deductible.

The Knights congratulate **Lewis Wurtman**, whose Football Frenzy ticket tied for 6th place in the second week, earning him \$35.00.

Litany of Humility

O Jesus! meek and humble of heart, hear me.

After each intention, say *Deliver me, O Jesus.*

From the desire of being esteemed,
 From the desire of being loved,
 From the desire of being extolled,
 From the desire of being honored,
 From the desire of being praised,
 From the desire of being preferred to others,
 From the desire of being consulted,
 From the desire of being approved,
 From the fear of being humiliated,
 From the fear of being despised,
 From the fear of suffering rebukes,
 From the fear of being calumniated,
 From the fear of being forgotten,
 From the fear of being ridiculed,
 From the fear of being wronged,
 From the fear of being suspected,

After each say, *Jesus grant me the grace to desire it.*

That others may be loved more than I,
 That others may be esteemed more than I,
 That, in the opinion of the world,
 others may increase and I may decrease,
 That others may be chosen and I set aside,
 That others may be praised and I unnoticed,
 That others may be preferred to me in everything, That
 others may become holier than I,
 provided that I may become as holy as I should,
 Amen

