

October 4, 2020
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Weekly Mass Schedule

Saturday	Oct 03	5:00 pm	R. Edward Crain
Sunday	Oct 04	9:00 am	Msgr. Ken Schaefer
Monday	Oct 05	-----	
Tuesday	Oct 06	12:10 am	Mary Beth Pierce
Wednesday	Oct 07	8:20 am	Jim Roenicke
Thursday	Oct 08	7:00 pm	Cecelia Helfrich
Friday	Oct 09	<u>8:00 am</u>	Jim Linder and Diane Forbeck
Saturday	Oct 10	5:00 pm	Agnes Friedrich
Sunday	Oct 11	9:00 am	Robert Huckle

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

"I tell you there is a power that goes forth from that sacrament "(Eucharist) "a power of light and truth." *Thomas Merton in Seven Storey Mountain*

Wednesday, October 7. 7-9pm. Rosary 7:30 pm.

THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Sunday	2-3 pm	Pro Life Chain
Monday	7:00 pm	Perpetual Help CCW
Tuesday	4:30 pm	Quilting
Wednesday	9:00 am	Quilting
	7-9 pm	Adoration

CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS
September 26-27, 2020

		Sept. Online
Loose	47.00	
Envelopes	2207.00	7775.00
Assumption	10.00	
Sister Parish	50.00	
Retired Priests	115.00	200.83
Debt Reduction	165.00	195.00
Building Fund		25.00
School Endowment	30.00	
SVDP	10.00	175.00
Votive Candles	22.00	

Belonging in the Kingdom of God. Although the parable today is about who properly oversees the work of the Kingdom of God, we can easily shift the focus to who belongs within it and how must those who belong behave. This includes every one of us. St. Paul provides this helpful list of suitable actions. Do what is truthful, honorable, just, pure, lovely and gracious. He ends with, "Keep on doing what you have learned and received and heard."

*What truth that needs telling will I speak this week?

*How will I be gracious to those I meet, with those I work, with those with whom I live?

PARISH NEWS

Friday, October 9, since there is no school (Teachers' Convention) so Mass will be celebrated at 8:00 a.m. in church.

The Summer Festival Solicitation is still growing with a total as of September 28, \$60,893.00.

October 7 is the Feast of the Holy Rosary and October is Pro-Life month. Bishop McGovern will pray the Rosary on Wednesday, October 7 at 3:00 PM in the Cathedral of St. Peter. It will be live-streamed. Please join and pray at: www.cathedralbelle.org.

Liturgical Ministers' Schedules are available on the table near the exit to the gym. Thank you to all who are willing to be liturgical ministers during the pandemic.

BDCCW ANNUAL CONVENTION-To all CCW Members and ladies of the parish who are interested in attending the BDCCW Annual Convention this year; the theme is "Connecting with God in a Virtual World." Mass will be celebrated by the Most Reverend Michael McGovern, Bishop of Belleville and be live streamed to virtually at <https://dps.diobelle.org/offices/bdccw/home>.

Watch for insert in bulletin next weekend (Oct. 10-11) giving more details.

The 2020 CCW Noon Luncheon raffle chances are available in the parish center, rectory and from any CCW member. The drawing will take place on Sunday, October 18. Thank you for your support.

One Hour for Life- Join us this Sunday on E. Washington St. for the 13th Millstadt Life Chain from 2-3pm. We will peacefully and prayerfully proclaim that life is precious and should be protected. We stand quietly praying and holding special Life Chain Signs. Please gather at the Central Bank of St. Louis to pick up your sign from 1:45-1:55 p.m. We will all wear masks and stand at least 20 feet apart and turn toward oncoming traffic. This makes it easier for passing cars to read the signs. Bring your family and stand together. If you are unable to stand for an hour, bring a lawn chair. Hope you can join the Life Chain. You'll be glad you did.

Prayer for the Unborn by Pope Benedict XVI

Reawaken in us respect for every unborn life. Make us capable of seeing in the fruit of the maternal womb the miraculous work of the Creator. Open our hearts to generously welcoming every child that comes into life.

The CCW Ladies will be collecting NEW socks and underwear for men, women, boys and girls-all sizes during the month of October. A drop off bin will be available in the parish center. All donations will benefit the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Are you a Catholic woman over the age of 18? Are you being called to join a service organization that can make a difference and still have fun? Consider joining St. James Council of Catholic Women. For more information, please contact Madonna Stapf gmstapf@gmail.com or call 618-791-3675.

STEWARDSHIP/DISCIPLESHIP

WANTED!!! Your experience of Stewardship and Discipleship!!! As we all continue to walk our personal paths of Stewardship/Discipleship, the past few months of social distancing and staying at home to combat the pandemic have provided both opportunities and challenges. Limitations on where we go and how many of us can be together have meant more time for personal/family reflection, prayer and spiritual growth. Thanks to technology and parishioners we've been able to watch weekly Mass. But it has also meant far fewer group and collective Stewardship/Discipleship activities. What are ways that you have either experienced the Stewardship/Discipleship of others or have you done things to practice your own Stewardship and Discipleship over the past months? WE WANT YOUR STORIES!! They remind us that even with the restrictions that have been in place and continue, we can still take care of and lift each other up in these tough times and follow in the foot step of our Lord, together. Please send your opportunities or experiences to rectory@stjamesmillstadt.com, and we will share them in future bulletins or you may prefer to reflect alone or share them with family and friends.

PERPETUAL HELP CCW

The St. James Perpetual Help CCW will meet in the parish center on Monday, October 5 at 7:00 p.m.

Face masks required, there will be social distancing and we will NOT be serving refreshments.



The 8th grade auction quilt is in the frame. Mothers, grandmothers, relatives and friends are invited to help quilt this memorable quilt. Quilting is Tuesday evening 4:30 -9:30 p.m. and on Wednesday 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Arrangements can be made if other times suit you better. Call the rectory 476-3515 to state your time. Thank you.

PSR NEWS

The 8th Grade Confirmation class met after the 9 a.m. Mass in the parish center on Sunday, Sept. 27th and will meet every other week until 2021.

AUCTION NEWS

Are you thinking about how you can participate in the 34th Annual Fr. Freund Dinner Auction scheduled for Saturday, November 7? Please read all the information you have received and register online to get updates. Consider donating an auction item, making a cash donation or placing an ad. A raffle form was included in the mailing, so don't miss a chance to win a Golf Cart, delicious decorated cookies or tote/wallet and flat shoulder bag/wallet. Raffle tickets and donations may be brought to the rectory. The auction will be here before you know it. Thank you to all who have donated to the auction. More is needed.

Althoff Catholic High School Open House-Sunday October 18 from 12 pm to 5pm. Learn more and sign up at www.althoffcatholic.org.

SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT

*Virtual Fall Retreat sponsored by the Victorious Missionaries-"Cultivating a Spiritual Life in Turbulent Times." Oct. 17 via Zoom 10:30-5 pm. Presented by Geri Boyer. Register on line at snows.org/retreat. or call 618-394-6281.

SOCIALS, PICNICS AND MORE

*BBQ. St. Patrick, Ruma at Red Bud IGA. Oct. 18. 10:30-? Pork Steaks, Brats. \$10 plate which includes 2 sides. \$7 sandwich.