

# ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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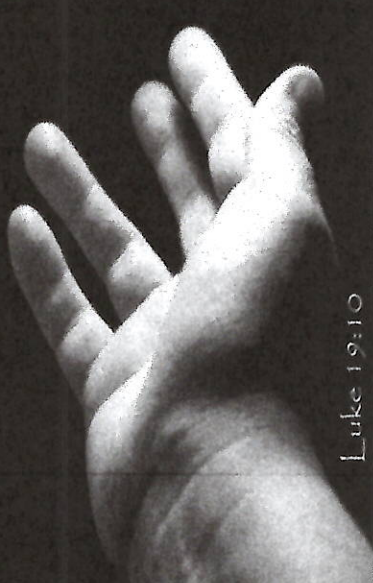
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## 31ST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME October 30, 2022

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For the  
Son of Man  
came to seek  
and to  
save the lost



**Faith - Tradition - Family**

## Good News!

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Wis 11:22—12:2; 2 Thes 1:11—2:2; Lk 19:1—10

When we hear this phrase from John 3:16, we think of God's love for human beings—and rightly so. However, today's first reading reminds us that God's love is much broader. This reading offers us a glimpse into God's love of all natural creation. The Greek word translated "world," the word found in the passage from John as well as today's reading, is *kósmos*, a word we think of today as universe." So we could say: "God so loved the cosmos."

The author of the Book of Wisdom insists that God loves whatever God has made; that the power of the Creator is matched by the Creator's love; and that this love is manifested through mercy to all. We are accustomed to hearing how God cares for us with holy abandon. This reading expands that love to include a tiny grain of sand or the morning dew. An even more daring statement claims that God's imperishable spirit is in all things. How else could anything exist? This fact is the basis of what is referred to as "the intrinsic value of the entire natural world," which means that everything has unique value simply because it was created by God—not because we can use it to enhance ourselves.

This kind of thinking might be new to many. However, it calls us to revere elements of nature like trees, flowers, wolves, and even mosquitos, because they are creatures of God. Our faith insists that "God so loved the cosmos."

## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	OLM	10/29	4:00	P.M.	+Deanna Lang (Raymond Lang)
	SJB	10/29	6:00	P.M.	+Mary Canterbury (Marilyn Kern and Family)
Sunday	SJB	10/30	7:30	A.M.	+Dave Pottmeyer (Dave Schaad Family)
	OLM	10/30	9:30	A.M.	+Kelton and +Helen Fliehm (Tom and Martha Fliehm)
	SJB	10/30	11:00	A.M.	+Gladys Schilling (Patti Finkel)
Monday	SJB	10/31	8:00	A.M.	+Patricia Gaydosik (Ed and Lois Arnold)
Tuesday	SJB	11/01	8:20	A.M.	+Cheryl Brooker (Mary Brooker and Family) School Mass <b>ALL SAINTS DAY</b>
	OLM	11/01	5:00	P.M.	+John Karol Morris (6th Years) (Jason and Jennifer Morris)
	SJB	11/01	6:00	P.M.	+Eunice Walter (Anniv.) (Edith Brooker and Family)
Wednesday	SJB	11/02	8:20	A.M.	+Richard Pottmeyer (Bertha Pottmeyer and Family) <b>ALL SOULS DAY</b>
	OLM	11/02	5:00	P.M.	+Cheryl Brooker (Brian Brooker)
	SJB	11/02	8:00	P.M.	+Roger and +Carolyn Saffell (Mary Brooker and Family)
Thursday	SJB	11/03			No Mass Today
	OLM	11/03	5:00	P. M.	+Kelton and +Helen Fliehm (Dan and Elanda Fliehm)
First Friday	SJB	11/04	6:00	P.M.	Living and Deceased of +John and +Virginia Arnold Family (Family) Holy Hour will be held 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Saturday	OLM	11/05	4:00	P.M.	+Dorothy Huck (Nancy Huck)
	SJB	11/05	6:00	P.M.	+Ralph E. Stollar (Vince and Shelly Stollar)
Sunday	SJB	11/06	7:30	A.M.	+Kelton and +Helen Fliehm (Ferris and Susan Arnold Family)
	OLM	11/06	9:30	A.M.	+Howard and Patricia Huck (The Huck Family)
	SJB	11/06	11:00	A.M.	+Gary Rauch (Rauch Siblings)

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

<u>MASS</u>	<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>EUCH. MINISTER</u>
<b><u>SATURDAY 6:00 P.M.</u></b>	Gwen and Marcus Lang	Becky Hilverding	Theresa Sauer
<b><u>SUNDAY 7:30 A.M.</u></b>	Henry Huffman, Sophia Huffman	Zandra Francis	Veronica Bosner
<b><u>SUNDAY 11:00 A.M.</u></b>	Maycee Lang, Taryn Kern	Janelle Sprague	Roxanne Heiss

<u>COLLECTION</u>	<u>DPSC</u>	<u>BINGO</u>
Total Collection \$2,361 Needed to meet parish needs \$4,750  Thank you for your generosity!	2022 Goal \$26,332 2022 Collected \$69,516  Thank you!	October 16 - Group 2 \$2,290  If you are unable to attend, please find a replacement.
<b><u>ST. JOHN BINGO WORK SCHEDULE</u></b> Oct 30 Group 4 with Derrick Pottmeyer Nov 6 Group 5 with Kenley Schwendeman Nov 13 Group 6 with Jeff Canterbury Nov 20 Group 7 with Russ Lang Nov 27 Group 8 with BJ Davis	<b><u>C.W.C. WORK GROUPS</u></b> November and December Group C-Veronica Bosner  January and February Group D-Elaine Wells	<b><u>PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY</u></b>  Please pray for all of the men and women who are serving our country in the military. May God watch over them and keep them safe.



### **EUCHRE**

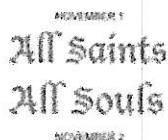
Euchre will be held at the Sr. Center on November 9 and 23, at 1:00 p.m. Chips and drinks will be provided.

### **SENIOR CITIZEN MEETING**

Monthly Senior Citizen Meeting will be held on Thursday, November 3, 11:00 a.m. in the Sr. Center. A turkey dinner will be provided. Please bring a covered dish to share.

### **ALL SAINTS DAY/ALL SOULS DAY**

Mass for All Saints Day (a Holy Day of Obligation) will be held on Tuesday, November 1 at 8:20 a.m. (School Mass), and 6:00 p.m. here at St. Johns. Mass at Our Lady of Mercy will be held at 5:00 p.m. Mass for All Souls Day on Wednesday, November 2, will be held at 8:20 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. at St. Johns, and 5:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Mercy.



### **VOLUNTEER LITURGICAL MINISTERS NEEDED**

Volunteer Lector, Altar Servers, and a Eucharistic Minister will be needed to help with Mass on All Saints Day at 6:00 p.m., November 1, and All Souls Day at 8:00 p.m. on November 2.

### **ST. VINCENT DEPAUL GIVING TREE**

St. Vincent DePaul Giving Tree will be put up soon. If you know of anyone needing assistance this Christmas please call Alberta Wesel at 740-374-4428.

### **CWC MONTHLY MEETING**

CWC monthly meeting will be held on Monday, November 14, 6:30 p.m. in the Sr. Center. The Rosary will be prayed before the meeting begins.

### **ST. JOHN CENTRAL SCHOOL GALA**

You are invited to attend St. John Central School "A Night at the Gala" on November 19 at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Churchtown. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. which will include a cocktail hour, silent auction, and live music. Dinner will be served at 7:00 p.m. and at this time there will be a cash drawing, games and a live auction. Over \$3,500 in prizes with the grand prize being \$2,000. Ticket cost is \$100 (which admits two) and may be purchased by contacting Roxanne Heiss 740-350-6896 or Kristin Pottmeyer 740-989-0729.

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 4TH DEGREE**

Bishop Hartley Assembly 840 will be meeting at the K of C Hall, Marietta on October 30 at 2 PM. This will be the first meeting since 2019; therefore, there will be several items on the agenda to discuss. ALL 4th Degree members are encouraged to attend.

**K OF C MEMORIAL MASS** will be held on Monday, November 21, 7:00 p.m. at St. John's Church. There will be refreshments after the Mass at the K of C Hall in Churchtown.

### **K OF C CHRISTMAS TREE BLESSING**

The K of C will hold a Christmas Tree Blessing and Lighting ceremony at the K of C Hall on December 5, 6:30 p.m. This is open to everyone. Light refreshments will be served.

### **STEUBENVILLE DIOCESE NEWS**

The Most Rev. Jeffrey M. Monforton, Bishop of our diocese, has announced at a meeting recently with all the priests, deacons, and chancery staff that we will begin to look at the merging of the Diocese of Steubenville back into the Columbus diocese. This will be a process over time, which will include making inquiry into the thoughts of the faithful of the diocese, for which a survey will soon be available. We encourage you to take the survey in order to make your thoughts known. Please also read the relevant article in the recent edition of the Steubenville Register, as well as any forthcoming articles. Bishop Monforton especially asks your faithful and diligent prayer as we engage in this process. Please complete it and return no later than October 30. Thank you.

Daylight Savings Time ends next weekend.  
Remember to set your clocks back and change the  
batteries in your smoke detector.



## **MASS FOR THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

**ALL SOULS DAY** celebrated by Most Rev. Jeffrey M. Monforton  
**WEDNESDAY, November 2, 2022 - 10:00 AM**

**LOCATION:** Mt. Calvary Cemetery, Coronation Mausoleum.

### **INDULGENCES-NOVEMBER 1 THROUGH NOVEMBER 8**

An indulgence is granted the Christian faithful who devoutly visit a cemetery and pray, if only mentally, for the dead. This indulgence is applicable only to the souls in purgatory.

A plenary indulgence can be gained on each one of these days. On other days of the year this indulgence is a partial one. (Handbook of Indulgences- Norms and Grants #13)

**PRAYER AND FASTING** for the souls in Purgatory is one of the greatest acts of mercy we can perform on a daily basis especially in November seeking the intercession of All the Saints for our deceased loved ones, friends and those who were our enemies while they were on earth.

**IDSTORY** - Rooted in Ancient Christian Tradition, St. Odilo, abbot of Cluny, in 988 established in all the monasteries of his order the Feast of the Faithful Departed and ordered that the office be recited for them all. This devotion was approved by the popes and became the Feast of All Souls celebrated on November 2.

### **PRAYER BY ST. ODILO, patron saint of souls in purgatory.**

O holy souls, I promise never to forget you and to pray to the Most High for your release. I beseech you to respond to this offering which I make to you. Obtain for us peace of heart, assist us in all our actions, console and defend us in our dangers, that we may one day all rejoice together in paradise. O God the Creator and Redeemer of all the faithful give to the souls of your departed servants the remission of their sins, that they may obtain the joys of heaven.

We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen. St. Odilo, patron of souls in purgatory, pray for us.

### **CHURCHYARD PRAYER by St. John XXIII**

Hail, all you faithful souls whose bodies rest here and elsewhere in dust; may Our Lord Jesus Christ, who redeemed you and us with His most precious Blood, vouchsafe to release you from your pains to unite you to the hosts of the angels; and there do you be mindful of us and suppliantly pray for us that we may join your company and be crowned along with you in heaven. Amen.

### **PRAYER OF ST. GERTRUDE**

Eternal Father, I offer Thee the most precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus in union with all the Mass said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in purgatory for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the Universal Church, those in my own home, and within my family.