

Holy Spirit Parish Family

October 24, 2021 — Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Attr. Master of the Antiphonary of San Giovanni Fuorcivitas,
Initial A: Christ Wiping the Tears from the Eyes of the Saved, Florence or Pisa, Italy, c.1330-1340

The blind man said,
"Master, I want to see."
Jesus told him, "Go your way;
your faith has saved you."

MARK 10:51-52

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 24, 2021



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OUR MISSION:

We, the community of Holy Spirit Parish, centered in the Eucharist, and guided by the Holy Spirit, will use our shared wisdom to be a joyful, accepting and forgiving community. We encourage all to grow in the Catholic faith by teaching and proclaiming the Gospel, serving others and praising God.

**Masses are LIVE-STREAMED at 6:30 am Mon/Tues/Wed;
8:00 am Thur/Fri; and 9:00 am on Sundays
(YOU TUBE Holy Spirit Church Maryland Heights)**

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PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

Monday to Friday
8:30am to 4:30pm

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Maryland Heights, MO 63043
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PARISH ANNEX

3111 Parkwood Lane,
Maryland Heights, MO 63043,
Pre-School, Pre-K.....314-739-5020

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday thru Wednesday.....6:30am
Thursday and Friday.....8:00am
Holy Days Consult bulletin
Saturday:8:00am and 5:00pm (Vigil)
Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, and 11:00am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00 to 4:45pm or by appointment

EUCCHARISTIC CHAPEL HOURS

Weekdays: 12am to 6am and 9am to 12 midnight.
Saturdays: 12am to 7am
Chapel will close at 7am Saturday until 9am Monday.
Holy Days: Please consult the bulletin.

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION

Suspended until Further Notice

BAPTISMS

Baptism Class for parents/godparents is normally held on the first Monday of the month at 7 PM in the Church. To register for the meeting and/or to arrange for a baptism, call the Parish Office.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning marriage contact the pastor at least six months in advance.

COMMUNION CALLS

Please call the Parish Office to request Communion if someone is unable to attend Church.

HOSPITAL VISITS

Please notify the Parish Office concerning hospitalization.

REGISTRATION

New parishioners may register at Parish Office or download a registration form, www.holyspiritstl.org. New information e.g. address, phone numbers or moving from the parish, please call Parish Office.

BULLETIN INFORMATION

Please submit information for the bulletin by Noon TWO Fridays before publication. Include name, daytime phone number of person submitting information, and group name. Items can be e-mailed to mwelsh@holyspiritstl.org.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Stewardship for October 4-10, 2021

Sunday Envelopes	\$12,382.00
Loose Collection	\$ 378.00
Online Donations	\$ 7,779.00
Holy Days	\$ 7.00
Total	\$ 20,546.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 20,190.38
Weekly Surplus (shortfall)	\$ 355.62

Mission Sunday	HandS	Parish Improvements
\$601.00	\$ 255.00	\$ 388.00



WHAT'S HAPPENING

Sunday, October 24

Blanket and Coat Drive Collection, Vestibule
8:00 am—St. Patrick Ctr. Salad Sun., Parish Hall
7:00 pm—Al Anon, Rigali Rm.

Monday, October 25

6:00 pm—Quilting, Annex

Tuesday, October 26

9:00 am—Quilting, Annex

Wednesday, October 27

6:30 am—St. Patrick Center Casseroles
9:00 am—Senior Exercise, Rigali Rm.
7:00 pm—Prayer Shawl; Resource Center
7:00 pm—RCIA; Parish Hall

Thursday, October 28

9:00 am—Senior Exercise, Rigali Rm.
6:00 pm—Bells, Church
7:00 pm—Choir Rehearsal, Church
6:00 pm—Men's ACTS Send-off; Rigali Rm.

Saturday, October 29

6:30 pm —Mouse Races; Gym

Sunday, October 30

Blanket and Coat Drive Collection, Vestibule
12:00—Men's ACTS Return Reception; Gym
7:00 pm—Al Anon, Rigali, Rm

HOLY SPIRIT ACTS

**The Men's Retreat: starts this Thursday,
October 28-31, 2021**

Please join us Thursday evening for Send-Off at
6:00 pm in the Rigali Room, and Candlelight Oct. 30,
7pm at Pallottine Retreat Ctr., Florissant

2022 WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT!

Upcoming Women's Retreat: is January 6-9, 2022

Anne Kinealy, Director: 330-7752

or anne.kinealy@gmail.com

Questions? Want to help?

Please contact Alli Kleitz, Core Team Communications,
344-9034 (H), 239-3015 (C),
or kleitzfamily@gmail.com.

GLUTEN FREE HOSTS AVAILABLE

Gluten allergy? Would you like a gluten-free host?
Please contact the Parish Office, 739-0230.

A Note From Fr. Bob

Dear Friends,

Grace and peace to you!

Last Sunday I mentioned at two Masses that I have good news; I have an earlier surgery date than originally expected. The date is this coming Friday, October 29th. The surgery is not expected to be as extensive as originally thought. Recovery will be slightly less as well, 3 weeks. While I am recuperating, Fr. Chris Martin, will help with Sunday Masses on October 31st and November 7th. Thank you for your prayers and concern. I will keep you informed as to my progress.

All Saints Day

Since All Saints Day, November 1st falls on a Monday it is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year. Mass for the day will be celebrated at the usual time of 6:30 am. Even though it is not a day of Obligation, it is a good reminder for us all to remember all those people who have gone before us. "They stand in God's holy place and sing of the love the Father has bestowed upon them through the blood of the Lamb." They are people just like you and me who have lived their lives trying to follow God's will. They are our guides today and every day. They help us along in our journey to sainthood. As we honor them, may we rely on their prayers.

All Souls Day

November 2nd, is the Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed, All Souls Day. During the month of November, we are called to remember our brothers and sisters who have gone to their rest in a special way. In addition to Mass on All Souls Day, we will do this in two special ways. First, we will have our Memorial Shrine in the front of church where we can place pictures of our deceased loved ones. Second, we will have our Memorial Book placed at the shrine. This book will be available for all to inscribe the names of our beloved dead. We will remember all those in this book throughout the month. As in last year, if you are unable to come in person to record the names of your loved ones, please call the office or send me an email, revans@holyspiritstl.org, with their names and I will record them for you. Our Memorial Shrine will be set up next Sunday for those who wish to bring their pictures then. Masses for All Souls Day will be at 6:30 am and 7:00 pm.

Let's pray for each other this week.

Peace,

Father Bob

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, October 24

7:30am Dan Callier
9:00am People of the Parish
11:00am Cecelia Goebel

Monday, October 25

6:30 am Craig Meyer Family

Tuesday, October 26

6:30am Shirley Guempel

Wednesday, October 27

6:30am Brad meyers

Thursday, October 28

8:00am Judy Sheets

Friday, October 29

8:00am Jerry Lawler

Saturday, October 30

8:00am Carmen Notaro
5:00pm Eileen Markham

Sunday, October 31

7:30am Dennis Eise
9:00am People of the Parish
11:00am Noreen Kelly

PRO-LIFE NEWS



All are welcome to join Holy Spirit parishioners on **Thursday, October 28th** to peacefully pray and participate in the vigil in front of the St. Louis Planned Parenthood: 4251 Forest Park Ave. St Louis, MO 63108.

Coalition for Life's mission "is to end abortion peacefully and prayerfully. We must bear witness for those who cannot speak for themselves by creating a public image that is peaceful in order to demonstrate our Christian values and our faithful commitment to help the unborn. The vigil of 40 days is a powerful witness to the dignity of every human life."

We will attend 8am Mass at Holy Spirit and then proceed to Planned Parenthood (approx. 10am-noon).

Stop by or spend the morning with us.

Can't make it on the 28th? Go to coalitionforlifestl.com/40-days-for-life/ to find a day/time that suits your schedule.

Email holyspiritprolife@gmail.com if you would like to arrange carpooling.

Anyone interested in bringing up the Gifts during the Offertory, please see an Usher before any Mass!

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

In your prayers, please remember all the sick and home-bound parishioners and those who care for them.

Don Abramovitz	Till Fehrenbacher	Bob & Tootie-
Janet Allan	Ray & Betty Garvels	Poder
Renee Armon	Jim Gerdes	Brian Ponder
Kathryn Arnold	Karl Gill	Carolyn Putnam
Jane Audrain	Eric Hill	John Rath
Greg Bamert	Betty Hirschmugl	John Rizzello
Sonny & Donna Bolm	Suzanne Holzum	John Roberson
Carol Bonner	Bill Hughes	Pat Romano
Becky Bonner	Brenda Jaeger	Mike Sampson
Nancy Brand	Diane Javaux	Jean Schepers
Jim Brockmeyer	Kathy Johnson	Anita Schiermeyer
Connie Buenemann	Kenneth Jordan	Norma Schwaninger
Linda Buttry	Sharon Knoppe	Jimmy Smith
Maisy Grace Casey	Mike Lemp	Jan Telthorst
Nicole Chapman	Joan Mason	Rebecca Tobar
Margaret Cima	Jerry McGuire	Rudy/Brenda
Ed Cody	Susie Meyer	Torricelli
Matthew Cody	Karen Newcomb	Ron Unterreiner
Peggy Cody	Matt Niedringhaus	Nanci Van Amburgh
Leon Deimeke	Jacob Null	Joe & Jean Wangler
Charles Dent	Bob/Donna Pedrotti	Angeline Weber
Tom DuBois	Maisy Grace Pina	Gene Weckherlin
Martha Elmore		

Sick Relatives and Friends:

Judy Bauman	Kim Fortier	Nancy Rofkahr
Kendell & Tina	Michael Gill	Sheryl Sanfilippo
Bedell	Chris Gooch	Albert Schiermeyer
Jeri Burch	Richard Hahl	Robert Schneider
Chris Burns	Diane Hermann	Ken Schutz
Debra Cates	David Kasprzyk	Ruby Smith
Wayne Cates	Jenny Lemkemann	Alford Snowden
Nancy Chik	Trish Merklin	Grace Solimando
Diane Chorzal	Betty Merritt	Jerry Sutterer
Beau Dempewolf	Lou Merritt	Judy Taylor & Family
Margaret Dickinson	Mary Mudd	Msgr. Jim Telthorst
Debbie Ditch	Melinda Oeth	Jim Wamhoff
Fran Ebers	Shirley Pankey	John Wamhoff
Kayla Emerson	Shirley Petrosky	Chris Wells
Chris Essner	Liz Prange	Paul Williams
Sandi Essner	Mike & Cindy Prinzi	Michelle Wilson
Colleen Evans	Paul Provost	Bonnie Wittman
Harold Feltmann	Dianne Rellergert	Joe Wolf
	Sr. Pat Rodemann	



FROM DEATH TO NEW LIFE

We express our deep sympathy and assurance of our prayers to the family of **Beatrice Smugala**,

Mother of Jeff Whittemore/Grandmother of Justin & JulieAnn/Great Grandmother of Alina Kay.

May their souls rest in the Peace of Christ.

DO GOOD WITH BURRITOS



Join us at our restaurant for a fundraiser to support Holy Spirit Catholic School. Just come in to the Chipotle at **3533 McKelvey Rd** in Bridgeton on **Tuesday, November 9th** from **4:00pm to 8:00pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to Holy Spirit Catholic School.

NEW! ORDER ONLINE FOR PICKUP

Use code CBHLETG before checkout in 'promo' field. Orders placed on Chipotle.com or through the Chipotle app for pickup using this unique code will be counted towards the fundraiser.



All online orders must be placed for pickup at the same time/location of the fundraiser. Delivery cannot be counted at this time. Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count. \$150 minimum event sales required to receive any donation.

*"Faith is the ear of the soul."
—St. Clement of Alexandria*

CELEBRATE THE SAINTS!

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30
& MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1**

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Visit Pauline Books & Media
dressed as your favorite saint,
and choose a free coloring book!

For kids 12 and under.



9804 Watson Road
Saint Louis, MO 63126

(314) 965-3512
stlouis@paulinemedia.com

SCHOOL NEWS

Congratulations to our Oct 18 Red & Blue winner of \$25; Christy Hayes

Thank you for supporting our school!

Tues., Oct 26 Last day to purchase student photos

Wed., Oct 27: Scholastic Book Fair Begins

Thur., Oct 28 8:00 am All School Mass
Prepared by Grade 2
Scholastic Book Fair
1:50-2:45pm, Harvest Parties

Fri., Oct. 29: NO SCHOOL
8:00 am-8:00 pm Teacher Parent
Conferences
Scholastic Book Fair

Mon., Nov 1: NO SCHOOL-Feast of All Saints



PSR NEWS

PSR Catechists - Important Dates

**Fri. Nov. 5 - "Share the Spirit" work-
shop 6:30-8:30 at ICD**

Please Note:

Tues Nov 2: No PSR class—All Souls Mass

~ Live the Spirit

Mouse Races

Sponsored by the USAFA Parents' Club of Metro St. Louis,
a 501(c)(3) organization supporting Metro St. Louis
students attending the US Air Force Academy
Saturday, October 30th*

Holy Spirit Catholic Church — school gym
3120 Parkwood Lane, Maryland Heights, MO 63043

Ready... Set...

About the fun:

- 8 mouse races
- Mouse Roulette
- Booze wagon raffle
- 50/50 raffle
- Silent Auction

About the night:

- Doors open at 6:15pm
- Races begin at 7pm
- Bring your own snacks & drinks
- \$25/person at the door
- \$20/person in advance

Go!

About you:

- RSVP at AFA.STL.Treasurer@charter.net

*Run in accordance with latest St. Louis County COVID guidelines



Vitaefoundation is hosting their Annual Pro-life Event on Thursday, **October 28, 2021**, at the St. Charles Convention Center, 1 Convention Center Plaza, in St. Charles, Missouri. The featured speaker is Jason Chaffetz, a Fox News Contributor and former Congressman! Dinner and Program begin at 7 PM.

Reservations are \$75 per person (\$45 is tax-deductible) and may be made online at vitaefoundation.org or by calling 573-634-4316.

For questions, or to become a sponsor, please contact Nick Johnson by calling 314-660-8872 or emailing him at Nick.Johnson@vitaefoundation.org.

THE GARDEN OF FEEDEN IS STILL HERE!

Currently we have collard greens, spinach, lettuce, arugula, green beans, eggplant, bell peppers, and kale.



STOP BY!
Sat. 9-11 AM & Sun. 8:30-10:30

If you have a home garden, and would like to share any of your produce, we are still delivering to the food pantries and would be glad to add your surplus.



Knights of Columbus —
Bishop John N. Wurm Council
1376

& Ladies Auxiliary
Presents a Fun Evening!

Saturday, Nov. 6, 2021 7-10 pm

9200 Lackland Rd. Overland, MO

Team up and battle to answer questions from surveys!

Prizes for best table and worst table!

Loads of FUN! Cash and prizes

Bring your own snacks/goodies/drinks for your table!!

Cash Bar Available

Doors open at 6:00. Tickets: \$15.00 per person

Tables of 8, Mulligans for sale!

Basket Raffles! 50/50 Raffle!

Proceeds go to local charities!

To reserve a table: Call Mary Beirne @ 636-253-6721



Save-The-Date

Holy Spirit Parish
Advent by Candlelight

Sunday, December 5, 2021

6:30pm in the Holy Spirit Church
Doors open at 6:00 pm



“There is a higher court than the courts of justice
and that is the court of conscience.”

Mahatma Gandhi

The 41st Annual All Saints Craft Bazaar

will be held **Nov. 6** at All Saints Parish in St. Peters, MO. Beautiful Holiday Décor and Handmade Gifts! AND Our Famous Turkey Sandwiches have made their return!

Hope to see you there!

ST. PATRICK'S CASSEROLES

We will be collecting casseroles for St. Patrick Center this **Wed., Oct. 27** in the white bin at the curb outside the entrance to church, from 6:30 -9:00 AM.

(In case of inclement weather, the bin will be in the small vestibule of the Parish Hall) Pans and lids will also be available for you to pick up.

As always, thank you to our current volunteers for your generosity.. For more info, please call or email Mary Beth Schulte, 314-229-8067 or SpecRelEdu@aol.com.

The Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting is this

Wednesday, October 27 at 7pm in the
Resource Center.

Prayer Shawls are available for men, women, and children, in all shapes and colors. They are all hand made by parishioners and are available upon request in the Parish Office at no cost.

If you'd like to participate in making these shawls and would like to attend a daytime meeting, please call, text or email me and let me know which days and times are good for you.

If you have any questions, or want a shawl, don't hesitate to call or text Mary Bannister at 314-497-5048. You can also email at dalebannister@sbcglobal.net.



It's That Time of Year Again!

HandS is once again asking for Food or Monetary Donations for our Thanksgiving Food Baskets. We have 16 families on our list and, no doubt, will continue to grow! If you prefer to contribute money, make your check payable to 'Holy Spirit HandS'; Please mark your envelope as 'HandS Thanksgiving Baskets' and place in the Weekend Collection basket.

PLEASE MAKE YOUR DONATIONS NO LATER THAN SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 14

GROCERY ITEMS NEEDED:

- **TURKEYS or TURKEY BREASTS -**
(PLEASE CALL NORMA (739-3159) BEFORE PURCHASING AS WE ONLY NEED A LIMITED NUMBER OF THESE)
- LARGE FOIL ROASTING PANS
- BOXED STUFFING MIX
- INSTANT MASHED POTATOES
- CANNED SWEET POTATOES
- CANNED CRANBERRY SAUCE
- CANNED CHICKEN BROTH
- CANNED CHICKEN GRAVY OR GRAVY PACKETS
- CANNED FRUIT
- BROWN AND SERVE ROLLS
- JELLO
- **For FROZEN PIES or BUTTER, please contact Norma (739-3159), Or Cheri (753-4528 to arrange delivery time)**

THANK YOU IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR KINDNESS AND GENEROSITY.

BIRTHRIGHT CARD and GAME PARTY

The **Friends of Birthright** will be hosting their annual Fall Card and Game Party on **Wednesday, October 27th** at Missouri Athletic Club-West. Play bridge, mah-jongg, a game of your choice, or just come for lunch. Enjoy a fun day with friends and help save a baby's life. You may even win one of the fabulous raffle prizes! The cost for the event is \$50. Contact Wendy Boveri at 314-706-5210 for ticket information or to make a donation.

**"Your talent is God's gift to you.
What you do with it is your gift back to God."**

Leo Buscaglia



THIS IS THE LAST WEEKEND FOR ITEM COLLECTION!

October 23/24.

HandS Blanket and Coat Drive.

We accept new and gently used hats, coats, scarves, gloves and blankets.

For more information please contact
Lois Frein at 314-739-6239.

The Knights of Columbus Duchesne Council 2951

Meat Shoots

12:00 pm: October 24, 31, & November 7

Duchesne Home Association Grounds
(Formerly Known as Knights of Columbus Grounds)

**50 Rue St. Francois St.
Florissant, Mo 63031**

Proceeds help provide Food Baskets to Families in need on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter

Come out and join us
for Free Bean Soup plus Food and Drinks!

Thank You for Your Support!



MISSOURI RIGHT TO LIFE

INVITES YOU TO

~ Celebrate America ~
Celebrate Life!

Cost: Complimentary;
Guests have an opportunity to support our pro-life efforts
Thursday, November 18, 2021

Cocktails 5:00 p.m.

Dinner 6:00 p.m.

Orlando's Event Center
2050 Dorsett Village Plaza
Maryland Heights, Missouri 63043

YOUTH MINISTRY

FIND HOLY SPIRIT YOUTH MINISTRY ON FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM www.facebook.com/hsyouth
AND as hs_youth_stl (HS Youth STL) on Instagram

NEED SERVICE HOURS?

Upcoming opportunities – November Drive By Rakings and C2B (Called to Be) Retreat Team (high school students) will be forming in **January**.

GOT COLLEGE STUDENTS?

If you have a child who has graduated high school, and is away at college, I'd like to send them some mail from time to time. Email deisenbath@holyspiritstl.org with their address, and I'll add them to the list. If you have a graduated, young adult who is not away but would enjoy an occasional piece of mail, please send me their address and I will include them as well.

HIGH SCHOOL:

EAT.PRAY.DISCUSS. Join us in October as we talk about the issues you are facing, and find ways to see how God is active within those times. Be there in the Resource Center basement (Holy Spirit Room) from 7-9 p.m. every Thurs. for food, fun and discussions. Bring a friend. All are welcome! Upcoming meeting date: **Oct. 28**

NCYC - The National Federation for Catholic Youth Ministry is offering a virtual option for the National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC) **November 18-20** at the parish as a small gathered event. This event features some of the best Catholic speakers for youth in the country. It's a fun event with lots of good music and speakers.

Please contact Donna Eisenbath if you are interested.

8TH GRADE CONFIRMATION FORMATION

Session 9: The Church– will be 3rd & 4th Wednesdays and Sundays in October. Check your calendar. Upcoming dates are **TODAY, Oct. 24 at 10:10am & 1:15pm**, and **Wed. Oct. 27 at 6:30pm**.

Projects Due: Service reflection—Oct.

Saint report—Nov 7 (at Retreat*)

**(We need helpers to prepare and serve lunch to our Confirmation Candidates and their sponsors for this retreat. Please contact Donna Eisenbath if you are able to help.)*

Upcoming dates to remember:

Wednesday, Nov. 3 - Parents Only (no young people) 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 7 - Rite of Enrollment at 9:00 a.m. Mass, ALL ATTEND. Retreat immediately following for young people and sponsors. Retreat will end at 3:30.

MORE HELP WANTED:

~PGC Adults who are willing to chaperone for high school (Eat. Pray. Discuss.), &/or 7th & 8th grade (MSM—Middle School Madness).

~PGC Adults willing to chaperone large events like retreats or March for Life, or service projects.
(Upcoming projects: Nov—Leaf Raking; Jan—Christmas Party; April—Retreat)

Adults & Young Adults who are interested in planning new opportunities around Pro-Life issues, Justice and Service!



We're selling Butter Braid pastries, cookie dough and pizzas!

If you would like to place an order, please contact Jenni Dickinson at dickinsonjenni@gmail.com or Scan the QR code here.

All orders are due by October 25.

(Delivery will be Friday Nov 5 at 2:00 pm)



OPEN HOUSE AT VIANNEY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7 11:30 AM – 4 PM

Come to Vianney's beautiful 37-acre campus in Kirkwood for a tour with one of our student ambassadors! Meet students, teachers, parents, alumni and learn about all the incredible programs we offer. You can even check out our new Athletic Wing and Esports Center on your tour.

For more information, call us at 314-965-4853

Find out what it's like to be a Griffin!



St. Joseph's Academy welcomes young women in grades 6-8 to tour our school, meet our teachers, and learn more about our academic programs. Families will be paired with a St. Joe Angel Ambassador who will serve as your tour guide.

Mark your calendar and plan to join us for Open House on Sunday, November 7, 2021 from 11:00 until 4:00 p.m.

Please call 314-394-4300 to pre-register!

RCIA

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS

Are you interested in finding out more about the Catholic Church? Is a spouse, fiancé, neighbor, friend, or co-worker interested?

The RCIA process enables those who are interested in the Catholic faith to “come and see”—to explore Catholic teaching and to discover what it means to be a Catholic Christian. Most people come because they are invited.

Be the voice of Christ & offer the first invitation. RCIA is for anyone unbaptized or baptized in another Christian tradition, as well as Catholic who are baptized but have never received First Communion or celebrated Confirmation.

There is no commitment placed on any one who may be interested or who has questions.

Please contact Fr. Bob Evans at the Parish Office: 314-739-0230, or email revans@holyspiritstl.org.



A Great Way You Can Help a Hurting Friend

Do you have a friend, neighbor, coworker, or relative who has suffered a loss or is going through a difficult time? Here's a great way you can help them—tell them about

our Stephen Ministry!

Stephen Ministers are members of Holy Spirit who have received special training to provide high-quality, confidential, one-to-one, Christian care to hurting people. They meet weekly with their care receivers to listen, care, encourage, and provide emotional and spiritual support. The caring relationship lasts for as long as the person needs care. It's free, and a powerful way you can help a hurting friend.

To learn how to connect someone you know with a Stephen Minister, call the Stephen Ministry confidential Hotline today: (314) 739-0230 ext.130.

Our Stephen Ministers are there to care!

PLEASE NOTE:!

There will be NO Knights of Columbus Fifth Sunday celebration on Oct. 31st due the Men's ACTS Retreat that weekend.

The Grief Ministry Support Group

will resume weekly from **Oct 29—Dec 17**. (No meeting on Nov. 26)

The Ministry is based on Fr Joe Kempf's book, “No One Cries the Wrong Way: Seeing God Through Tears”. Meetings are at 2:30 PM in the Resource Center, St. Lawrence room.

This program is designed to provide a faith-based, confidential setting for anyone suffering grief; including the loss of a loved one through death, divorce or termination of employment.

If you are interested in attending the program, please call Linda at the Parish Office to register at 314.739.0230 ext. 108.

Dynamic Catholic, *Alive!* – Amazing Grace

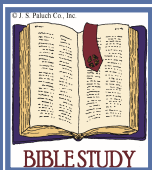
“Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me. I once was lost but now am found, was blind, but now I see.”

In today's Gospel Jesus asks the blind man, “What do you want me to do for you?” He replies, “I want to see.” And, he saw. This is truly amazing!

Each of us is “blind” in our own way and Jesus is just waiting to be invited into our lives to pour His grace on us. The first step, like the blind man, is to humble ourselves before the Lord and recognize that we are broken and need His help (i.e. “have pity on me.”)

What do you want from the Lord? He is waiting.
What are you waiting for?

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POSSIBILITIES

All things are possible for one who believes, more to one who hopes, even more to one who loves.
—St. Lawrence

30th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 31:7-9
Ps 126:1-6
Hebrews 5:1-6
Mark 10:46-52

Monday October 25
Ephesians 4:32-5:8
Ps 1:1-4,6
Luke 13:10-17

Tuesday October 26
Ephesians 5:21-33
Ps 128:1-5
Luke 13:18-21

Wednesday October 27
Ephesians 6:1-9
Ps 145:10-14
Luke 13:22-30

Thursday October 28
Revelations 7:2-4,9-14
Ps 24:1b-6
1 John 3:1-3
Matthew 5:1-12a

Friday October 29
Wisdom 3:1-9
Romans 5:5-11 or 6:3-9
John 6:37-40

Saturday October 30
Philippians 1:18b-26
Ps 42:2,3,5
Luke 14:1,7-11

After Jesus touches our lives – answers a prayer, gives us a healing, provides a life-changing insight, or makes any other kind of difference – what do we do next? Our life has been changed by divine grace. Do we make the most of this new opportunity?

God never forces us to take a new direction or follow a certain path, not even if we've made a bargain with him, such as: "Lord, if you heal me, I will go to Mass every day."

Jesus says to us what he said to Bartimaeus, the man he healed in this Sunday's Gospel reading: "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Go where?

Sometimes his instructions are a little more informative than that. When he cures someone from sin, he adds: "Go and sin no more". Okay, but go where?

Every step we take is important. Where we go and what we do next makes a difference that ripples off into the future with ramifications (blessings and/or woes) that are impossible for us to predict. Jesus isn't down-playing the significance of this. Rather, what happens next is so important that he wants us to have full control over it.

Jesus told Bartimaeus "Go your way." And what did Bartimaeus do with that freedom? He "followed *him* on the way." He opted for the best possible direction. His life changed dramatically, not only because he had



been blind and now he had good eyesight, but because he wanted to learn from Jesus and become one of his followers.

How many times have we returned to an old familiar path after an encounter with Christ? If following him means taking a new direction, getting involved in a new ministry, or changing careers or friends, we too often settle back into old routines. Comfort zones are hard to leave. But following Jesus is a life-changing adventure if we're sincere about it.

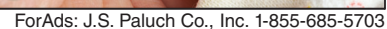
Following Jesus and learning from him should be our top priority. Every encounter with Christ should change us – even at Mass when we reunite ourselves to him in the Eucharist.

Reflect & Discuss:

1. Think of the last time Jesus responded to your need for help. What changed afterward?
2. How long did the change last?
3. Describe a time when you changed directions in your life because of an encounter with Christ. What did Jesus do for you?
4. How did you figure out which way to go afterward?

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — (OCTOBER 31 2021)

Dt 6:2-6; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Heb 7:23-28; Mk 12:28b-34





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