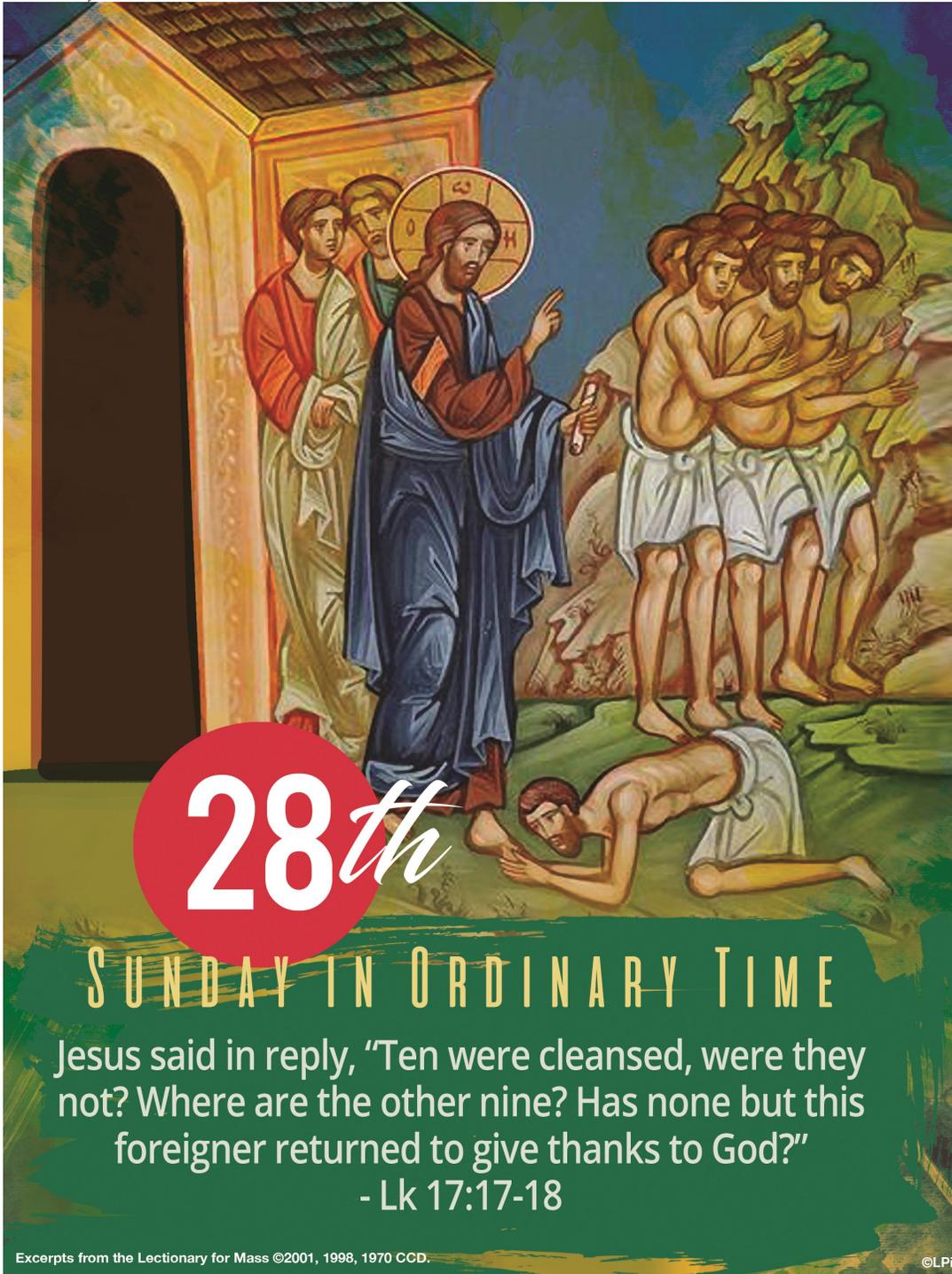


ST. MICHAEL'S



28th

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said in reply, "Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?"

- Lk 17:17-18

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Mission Statement

Compelled by the love of Christ,
we love others,
deepen our faith,
and **transform our world.**

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FR. MARK'S NOTES

Faith Formation

Wow!! We are coming into our 4th weekend of Faith Formation for adults. It has been a good start, but we still have a lot of work to do. But, so far, the best thing has been for me to hear people coming from these various classes saying stuff like, "Wow! I never knew that before!" And, when that happens, it helps them embrace this faith of ours all the more.

Also, we are planning a 7th class for young mothers with little children in tow. I had a young mom approach me and ask if there could be a class for them. She didn't particularly feel good about going to the other classes with a little one and wondered if we might have a class for young moms with little ones. And, yes, absolutely!! Now, a quick question: Do we want to try to open the nursery for the little ones between Masses or have the class with the children? I'll let the mothers decide, and we will provide whatever we can. I hope we can start the class on October 16, and the book we will use to facilitate the discussion is "Ultimate Makeover: The Transforming Power of Motherhood" by Carrie Gress. This class is for all moms – of all ages, especially those with little ones.

Now, given the other classes, I pray that all participating are happy with their choice of classes; and that many more will join us in the coming weeks. We are already working on the next set of classes for next semester when these classes are over. There's a ton of stuff out there to keep us busy for a long time. I'm going to try to teach something soon. We were thinking of showing the "Chosen" videos at some point for those who have never seen them.

Can I, in a very special way today, invite especially the parents of our young people in Faith Formation? Of course, it would be an awesome example for the children, but just as important, it would help you engage this faith of ours in whole new ways.

So, each room has seats available, and one of those seats has your name on it – and it is there, especially for you!!

Facebook Live!!! Follow Your Faith

This Sunday, October 9, we hope to dig a little deeper into the many different aspects of Catholic Spirituality. And, I think we will feature the work of Fr. Ronald Rolheiser, especially his book "The Holy Longing, which I think is a great book. So, join us at 7:00 on Sunday evening. I'll mention more this week, and I hope many can join us!!



Parish Office Closed Monday, October 10
for Columbus Day



FALL INTO FAITH FORMATION!

Fall is the perfect season to join a small group. Here are three reasons to join!

- 1. Make new friends
- 2. Get Scripture Smart
- 3. Get to know Jesus

Groups are just getting pulled together again for the fall. So if you are interested in joining a small group, sign up online, and we will place you into a group.

ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITY

We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book & Directory for OMOS & St. Michael's. This book will contain everything pertinent to our church, including a staff directory, ministries, and a complete directory of all members. This book is being provided and direct-mailed to each family at no cost to our parishes, and it is again being subsidized by local businesses that advertise. If you own or manage a business and want to find out about advertising in our book, please call the OMOS Church Office by October 14.

Recent survey results by Guide Book Publishing show that 92.1% of families would rather patronize a Guide Book & Directory advertiser over a non-advertiser. So it "will pay" to advertise in our new Guide Book & Directory.

Join us for the OMOS
Fall Women's Retreat

Saturday, October 29
Optional Friday Overnight
Antiochian Village, Bolivar, PA

Jesus, ignite me!

Let's spend some time away from our routines. Let's better understand who we are and what we are called to do. Let's experience how the love of Jesus ignites us to live out our Vision and Mission statements as individuals and as a community of believers.

Sign-up at omostoday.com by Oct. 9



Mary Martin
Retreat Facilitator

Adult Faith Formation

Sundays at 9:45 AM—10:30 AM

Catholic Q & A (formerly Decaf-Catholic) -A no -pressure gathering where all are welcome. In this Adult Faith formation group, we will discuss various topics based on the group's interests. Each week will have a different topic to explore. So bring your curiosity and interest, and we'll answer your questions about our Catholic faith and practices. Facilitated by Karen and Mike Blaisdell. 1st Floor School, Room 14.

Mom's Group—This is a children-friendly environment for moms to discuss the challenges a woman faces when she becomes a mother. Motherhood can be exhausting and frustrating, but it is also rewarding. Join us on the 2nd floor of the school for this fun class.

The Search by Chris Stefanick – A 7-episode series that explores the deepest questions of the human heart and guides you through the meaning of life. A powerful series for those searching and those who wish to help others with the journey. Facilitated by Jerry Clark & Ken St. Clair. 2nd Floor School, Room 19.

Answer the Faith –This is a safe place to bring your questions! Join a group seeking answers for some of the many topics of being a Catholic. We guarantee we don't have all the answers, but we are willing to search for the best explanation. Facilitated by Norman Ed and Sean O'Dowd. Rectory living room

Dad's Group – A place for all dads to come together to understand the Sunday Gospel readings better so that you can help explain them to others. Bring your Bible and be ready to dive into the scriptures. Facilitated by Brian Koch and Matt DiFrancesco. Holy Grounds, First Floor, Green Room.

What we Believe by Ascension Press – A 10-week video series where we will try to answer, "What does it mean to be Catholic?" Wherever you are on your journey, you will be touched by the beauty and richness of the Catholic Church. Facilitated by Marty Radovanic. 1st Floor, School, Room 18.

Women in the Bible by Anne Spangler & Jean Syswerda– We will be reading about a new, amazing woman of the Bible each week. Attend one, some, or all the classes. Everyone is welcome! Facilitated by Michelle Lowes & Chris Cosgrove. 2nd Floor School, Room 13

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

St. Vincent de Paul offers hot meals to folks in our community every Saturday. We (OMOS & St. Michael's) provide the workforce to serve these meals and desserts twice a year. We are currently scheduling for next year. If you want to be placed on the volunteer list to help at St. Vincent de Paul, please sign up online or call Julie in the Parish Office. Once we have the definite dates, we will contact you.

Family Dinners, formerly known as "Broken Dinners", is restarting and looking for help. The meals are assembled and served at the Franklin Street United Methodist Church. If you are interested in volunteering to serve these meals, please sign up online and we will be in touch.

OCTOBER OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

- ◆ Serve Others Saturday—October 15, 9 a.m.—noon
- ◆ Stuff the Truck for Victim Services —October 22/23
- ◆ Assistance Ministry 2nd Collection—October 29/30—Help others in our church and community.
- ◆ St. Vincent de Paul—food donations and serving food for Saturday's Kitchen.
- ◆ Family Dinners—Franklin Street United Methodist Church
- ◆ Fall-Tastic Fest—October 29, 2-4 pm. Fill your car trunk with candy for the little ones. Candy donations are accepted at the Parish Office.
- ◆ OMOS Trick or Treat—hand out warm drinks & treats at OMOS 6-8 pm. Candy donations are accepted in Parish Office.

ALL ARE INVITED!



Our Mother of Sorrows Parish
Mass of Remembrance
Wednesday, November 1, 2022
6:00 p.m.

Our Mother of Sorrows Parish Family will gather on this evening to pray, remember, and find hope. Everyone is welcome. We will remember all our deceased loved ones.

During the Mass of Remembrance, there will be a special commemoration for those who have died since last November, and we will light a candle in their honor.

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO THIS VERY INSPIRATIONAL EVENING.

If you wish to have someone remembered who has died in this past year, please complete the following form and return it to the parish office or place it in the collection basket no later than Sunday, October 23.

NAME OF DECEASED _____

Date of death _____

PARISH MEMBER (requesting memorial)

I WILL _____ WILL NOT _____ BE PRESENT

WEEKLY & MINISTRY SCHEDULES

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, October 10

6 a.m.—Eucharistic Adoration
8 a.m.—Mass at OMOS

Server: Tim Burgess

Tuesday, October 11

6 a.m.—Eucharistic Adoration
7:30 a.m.—Confession

8 a.m.—Mass

Server: Meara Gleason

Wednesday, October 12

7 a.m.—Praise & Worship
4:30 p.m.—Eucharistic Adoration
6 pm - —Mass

Server: Tim Burgess

Thursday, October 13

6 a.m.—Eucharistic Adoration
9 a.m.—School Mass

Servers: Divine Mercy Students

Friday, October 14

6 a.m.—Eucharistic Adoration
8 a.m. - Mass

Server: Arianna Manalang

Saturday, October 15

3 p.m.—Confession
4 p.m.—Mass at OMOS

Servers: Adriel & Arianna Manalang

Lector: Darlene Marsh

Euch. Min: Mary Kay (2) & Jerry Clark, Michelle Petrell

Hosp: Val Deater, Allie Zoldos, Elsie Kukura, Pattie Porter, Theresa Pfaller, Rich & Deb Cowan, Gerri Isban

Saturday, October 15

6 pm Mass at St. Michael's

Servers: Tim Burgess & Stanley Smith

Lector: Mary Ann Burgess

Sunday, October 16

8:30 a.m.—Mass at OMOS

Servers: Rachael Cameron & Isabella Segeard

Lector: Rick Wess

Euch. Min: John Fontana (2), Janet Bowser, Kim Belskey

Hosp: Kevin Evans, Jim & Joan Frischauf, Ken & Michelle St. Clair, John Shima, Matt & Anne DiFrancesco

Sunday, October 16

11:00—Mass at OMOS

Servers: Domenick & Mason Lokesak

Lector: John Skelley

Euch. Min: Tom Polacek (2), Christa Curtis, Mike Thomas

Hosp: John Onufro, Tami Buchan, Don & Patty Falcone, Denny & Diane Thomas, Tim DiGiuseppe, Bill Ingram

MASS FOR THOSE GRIEVING THE LOSS OF CHILD

Bishop Mark will celebrate a Mass for those who are grieving the loss of a child. This is for parents who may have lost their child to miscarriage, or when their child was young, as well as having lost adult children. The Mass is open to parents, grandparents, and grieving relatives and friends. The Mass will be held at St. Matthew Parish in Tyrone, PA, on Sunday, November 6, at 10:30 am, with light refreshments to follow. Registration is not necessary. If you have any questions, please contact the Family Life Office at the Diocesan Pastoral Center by calling 814-695-5579 or emailing familylife@dioceseaj.org.

Saturday, October 8— Vigil

4:00 p.m. Anna, Anthony, & Damian Falcho (Tom & Toni Ramos)

6:00 p.m. Hilary & Lucille Schrum & Karen Pinkas (Spack & Hicks Family)
Sanctuary Candle Oct. 2-Oct. 8 Spacks & Hicks Families)

Sunday, October 9—28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. Sam DiFrancesco (wife, Mary)

11:00 a.m. George Cassanese (wife, Ruby)

Monday, October 10

8:00 a.m. Pete Omodio (wife, Lena)

Tuesday, October 11

8:00 a.m. Albert Hromulak (Karen Stramanak)

Wednesday, October 12

6:00 p.m. Frank Zack (Family)

Thursday, October 13

9:00 a.m. Shirley Vien (Lois Deibert)

Friday, October 14

8:00 a.m. Betty Pokropski (Pattie Poole)

Saturday, October 15— Vigil

4:00 p.m. Francis & Mary Elizabeth Ray (Bill & Terrie Ray)

6:00 p.m. Andrew Puniak (wife, Stephany) *Sanctuary Candle Oct. 9-Oct. 15 Puniak Family)*

Sunday, October 16—28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. Deceased Members of Galliker & O'Connor Families (Polly O'Connor)

11:00 a.m. Charles & Josephine Freidhoff (Family)

WEEKLY READINGS

Monday: Gal 4:22-24,26-27,31—5:1/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a & 6-7/Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6/Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48/Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 11:42-46

Thursday: Eph 1:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 11:47-54

Friday: Eph 1:11-14/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13/Lk 12:1-7

Saturday: Eph 1:15-23/Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 12:8-12

Next Sunday: Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/2 Tm 3:14—4:2/Lk 18:1-8

SUNDAY COLLECTION

October 2, 2022

Envelopes\$ 9,735

Loose1,282

Online10,439

Total\$ 21,456

Budget to Sustain Mission \$17,000/wk

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