

**SUNDAY BULLETIN SEPTEMBER 29, 2024
TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for October

For A Shared Mission

Let us pray that the Church continues to sustain a synodal lifestyle in every way, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, communion and mission shared by priests, religious and laity.

**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS
CONFESSIONS HEARD 30 MINUTES BEFORE EACH MASS**

Tuesday, October 1—St. Therese of the Child Jesus

7:30 AM—Shirley Benson+

Wednesday, October 2—The Guardian Angels

8:15 AM—Kim Atwell+

Thursday, October 3—Votive Mass for the Laity

7:30 AM—Rick O'Halloran+

Friday, October 4—St. Francis of Assisi First Friday

8:15 AM—Kenny Fries+

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament following Mass and ending at 4:00 PM

Saturday, October 5—St. Faustina Kowalska

No Morning Mass

5:00 PM—Bill Hinkebein+ (Sunday Vigil Mass)

Sunday, October 6—Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM— Theresa Manning Matijaca+

10:00 AM—People of the Parish

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**Scripture Readings
Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary
Time**

Numbers 11:25-29

James 5:1-6

Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

DIOCESAN OFFICE OF CHILD AND YOUTH PROTECTION

THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS CITY-ST. JOSEPH IS COMMITTED TO COMBATING SEXUAL ABUSE IN THE CHURCH. IF YOU ARE A VICTIM OF SEXUAL ABUSE, OR IF YOU *OBSERVE OR SUSPECT* SEXUAL ABUSE:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1-800-392-3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18) and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911 and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult* to the Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, 816-812-2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of The Diocese of Kansas City - St. Joseph. The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Whitney True-Francis, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816-392-0011 or true.francis@diocesekcsj.org for more information.

“THE PRECEPTS OF THE LORD GIVE JOY TO THE HEART”

THIS WEEK’S SAINTS

October 1: St. Therese

“I prefer the monotony of obscure sacrifice to all ecstasies. To pick up a pin for love can convert a soul.”

These are the words of Thérèse of Lisieux, a Carmelite nun called the “Little Flower,” who lived a cloistered life of obscurity in the convent of Lisieux, France. And her preference for hidden sacrifice did indeed convert souls. Few saints of God are more popular than this young nun. Her autobiography, *The Story of a Soul*, is read and loved throughout the world. Thérèse Martin entered the convent at the age of 15 and died in 1897 at the age of 24.

Life in a Carmelite convent is indeed uneventful and consists mainly of prayer and hard domestic work. But Thérèse possessed that holy insight that redeems the time, however dull that time may be. She saw in quiet suffering a redemptive suffering, suffering that was indeed her apostolate. Thérèse said she came to the Carmel convent “to save souls and pray for priests.” And shortly before she died, she wrote: “I want to spend my heaven doing good on earth.”

Thérèse was canonized in 1925. On October 19, 1997, Pope John Paul II proclaimed her a Doctor of the Church, the third woman to be so recognized in light of her holiness and the influence of her teaching on spirituality in the Church.

October 2: Guardian Angels

Perhaps no aspect of Catholic piety is as comforting to parents as the belief that an angel protects their little ones from dangers real and imagined. Yet guardian angels are not only for children. Their role is to represent individuals before God, to watch over them always, to aid their prayer, and to present their souls to God at death.

The concept of an angel assigned to guide and nurture each human being is a development of Catholic doctrine and piety based on Scripture but not directly drawn from it. Jesus’ words in Matthew 18:10 best support the belief: “See that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that their angels in heaven always look upon the face of my heavenly Father.”

Devotion to the angels began to develop with the birth of the monastic tradition. Saint Benedict gave it impetus and Saint Bernard of Clairvaux, the great 12th-century reformer, was such an eloquent spokesman for the guardian angels that angelic devotion assumed its current form in his day.

October 4: St. Francis of Assisi

From the cross in the neglected field-chapel of San Damiano, Christ told him, “Francis, go out and build up my house, for it is nearly falling down.” Francis became the totally poor and humble workman. He must have suspected a deeper meaning to “build up my house.” But he would have been content to be for the rest of his life the poor “nothing” man actually putting brick on brick in abandoned chapels. He was, for a time, considered to be a religious fanatic, begging from door to door when he could not get money for his work, evoking sadness or disgust to the hearts of his former friends, ridicule from the unthinking.

Francis’ first rule for his followers was a collection of texts from the Gospels. He had no intention of founding an order, but once it began he protected it and accepted all the legal structures needed to support it. His devotion and loyalty to the Church were absolute and highly exemplary at a time when various movements of reform tended to break the Church’s unity.

During the last years of his relatively short life, he died at 44, Francis was half blind and seriously ill. Two years before his death he received the stigmata, the real and painful wounds of Christ in his hands, feet and side.



FALL FESTIVAL IS TODAY! 12-4pm.

We’re looking forward to a great day of parish fellowship!

Please drop off your items for the Country Store and Second Hand Treasures this morning. Also, you can take your cakes to the school gym and leave on the tables.

Be sure to join us this afternoon for great entertainment. Back by popular demand Backstreet Bread featuring Father Koster, Chad Hind, Willie Cobb, Mike Hibner and Jon Englert. The band will perform 2 sets beginning at 1:00 pm.

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KNIGHT RESPONSIBILITIES OCTOBER 5-6		
Mass Time	Position	Knight(s)
Sat. 5pm	Acolyte 1 Acolyte 2	Wyatt Dysart Shay Johnson
Sun. 8am	Acolyte 1 Acolyte 2	Joseph Lentz Gunner Brobst
Sun. 10am	M.C. Thurifer Acolyte 1 Acolyte 2 Cross Bearer Torch Torch	Jack Marshall AJ Warren Ivan Dickerson Jameson Marshall Burke Beetsma Jack Cooper Eli Gratton

LECTOR SCHEDULE OCTOBER 6	
Mass Time	Lector
Sun. 8am	Steve Palmer
Sun. 10am	Dorion Moore



Weekly Offering

*September 22
Offertory \$9,184
Property Maint \$50
Birthright \$100*

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ROSARY RALLY

Our Lady at Fatima asked for us to pray a rosary daily. This year, across the world, people on October 12 will pray a rosary to our Blessed Mother. Our country and the world is in turmoil. In this, I believe we all agree. Please consider giving up one hour to gather and pray to the Blessed Lady her rosary as she requested.

The Rosary Rally will be held at the Livingston County Courthouse steps on Saturday, October 12 at 12:00 noon.

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

October 4—Exposition following 8:15am Mass and ending at 4:00pm.



MARCH FOR LIFE FUND RAISER

St. Columban 8th graders will do chores or tasks for parishioners for donations to the Washington, D.C. trip fund. Call the school office to schedule a time they can help you. 660-646-0705

BISHOP HOGAN NEWS

We enjoyed walking uptown to watch the Homecoming Parade. Bishop Hogan's float with first and second graders looked great! We had dancers, football players, and alumni in the parade. It was fun to cheer them on! Congratulations to our alumna, Anna Pfaff, for being named Homecoming queen! We are so proud of her and all of the royalty court, especially former Bishop Hogan students!!

Father Koster divided the names of Seminarians from the KC-St. Joseph Diocese among the nine classrooms. Our students will pray for these men and encourage them, as they exchange letters. The students always look forward to getting letters back and finding out more about these men who have answered God's call to priesthood.

Sonja Daley, our cheerleading coach and parent, submitted a Casey's Donation Request Application and received the grant, in the amount of \$225! She will use these funds to help purchase cheerleading shirts and bags for the 16 cheerleaders we have! Thank you, Sonja!

May God bless you!

Pam Brobst, Principal

MARCH FOR LIFE

**THIS TRIP IS OPEN TO
ALL EIGHTH GRADERS
OF THE PARISH**

Eighth graders from St. Columban Church and Bishop Hogan School are making plans to attend the national March for Life in Washington, D.C. on January 24, 2025. If you are interested in attending the March and would like more information to join us, please contact Pam Brobst at the school office, 660-646-0705