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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Altar Servers
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Genia Vanderkruk
10:00AM Choir
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Rehearsal: Thursday 7:30 PM
12:00 Noon Choir

Greeters/Ushers: Call the office

CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST

Monday - Saturday

5:30 PM

Sunday

10:00 AM

12:00 PM

CELEBRATION OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM
or by appointment.

BAPTISMS

Arrangements are made through the
Religious Education office. Couples
expecting a child are encouraged to
contact the office before the child is
born. Please contact ext 1003, for
more information.

MARRIAGE

Please contact Fr. Anish at least one
year prior to the planned wedding date.

Pastoral Visitation of the Sick:

To arrange for a visit
Call the office ext 1007

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday, Friday
10:00am to 3:30pm
Wednesdays - Closed

ORGANIZATIONS & ACTIVITIES

Catholic Women's League
4th Monday of the Month

Children's Liturgy
10:00 AM Mass

Creation Care Ministry
2nd Tuesday of each month 7pm.

Development and Peace
www.devp.org
3rd Monday of the month 7:00 PM

Merrymakers
3rd Thursday of the month 12:00 PM

Knights of Columbus
1st Thursday of the Month

Parish Council
Every two months

St. Vincent de Paul Society
2nd Saturday of the Month 4:00 PM



MASS
INTENTIONS

Monday, October 20

5:30pm For the Deceased of our
Parish Community

Tuesday, October 21

5:30pm Veronica & John Blok †

Wednesday, October 22

5:30pm For the Parish Community

Thursday, October 23

5:30pm For the Sick of our Parish

Friday, October 24

5:30pm For the Ministry Leaders

Saturday, October 25

5:30pm All Souls Novena

Sunday, October 26

10am Rosamund & Eric Ficker †
12pm All Souls Novena

SANCTUARY LAMP

(October 26- November 1)

This week's Sanctuary Lamp
burns for
Dacanay & Duque Family
Please keep them in your prayer.

WE PRAY FOR:

The Sick

Maryann Chard,
Mark Szuba, Anne Szuba
Ted Daniel, Laura Gill,
Cecilia Salazar

The Deceased

Mary Kelly
Martin Rodrigues



The Pastor's Nook

**World Mission Sunday:
"Pray Always Without Losing Heart"
(Luke 18:1)**

This Sunday's liturgy invites us into the sacred rhythm of unceasing prayer and mission. Like Moses, whose raised hands brought victory to Israel (Exodus 17:8–13), we are reminded that our strength and success in life's battles come not from our own power, but from steadfast prayer and reliance on God.

When Moses' arms grew weary, Aaron and Hur supported him. What a powerful image of the Church. We are never alone in prayer. The community upholds us, and together, we uphold the world in intercession. As long as our hearts and hands are lifted toward heaven, God works His wonders among us.

St. John Chrysostom once said, "Prayer is the root, the fountain, the mother of a thousand blessings." Prayer is not a one-time act, it is a way of life, the lifeblood of our Christian mission. In today's Gospel, Jesus reminds us to "pray always and never lose heart." Persistent prayer transforms not only our circumstances but our hearts. It keeps us rooted in faith even when the answers seem delayed.

World Mission Sunday brings this truth to the forefront. The mission of the Church flows directly from prayer. As Pope Francis reminds us: "Every Christian is called to be a missionary and witness of the Gospel. Prayer is the first missionary work of every believer."

Our world thirsts for the presence of God, for compassion, peace, and justice. Each one of us, through our prayer and action, is called to bring Christ to the world beginning right where we are. When we pray, give, and serve, we participate in Christ's mission of salvation.

The Word of God, as St. Paul tells Timothy (2 Tim 3:14–4:2), must guide and sustain this mission. Through the prayerful reading of Scripture—Lectio Divina—we allow God's voice to shape our thoughts, our prayers, and our deeds.

"Ignorance of Scripture," said St. Jerome, "is ignorance of Christ." When we immerse ourselves in the Word, our hearts catch fire with divine zeal, and our prayers become one with the heartbeat of God for the world.

Let us remember: Mission begins on our knees. We cannot bring Christ to others unless we have first encountered Him in prayer. We cannot proclaim the Good News unless we have allowed it to transform us from within.

Ordinary Time Sunday

So today, let us renew our commitment to unceasing prayer and active mission. Let us lift our hearts like Moses trusting that God will bring victory. Let us persevere like the widow in the Gospel believing that God will answer in His time. And let us go forth like the apostles carrying Christ's love to every corner of our world.

"To be a missionary is to be a contemplative in action." - St. Teresa of Calcutta
"Prayer and sacrifice are the invisible power that sustain the Church's mission." - St. Thérèse of Lisieux, Patroness of the Missions

May our prayers this Mission Sunday strengthen the arms of all who labor for the Gospel, near and far. And may our faith never fail as we join Christ in His unceasing intercession for the world.

Lord, teach us to pray without ceasing and to serve without counting the cost. Amen.

JESUS I TRUST IN YOU

Fr. Anish Alex



FAIR TRADE WEEKEND – OCTOBER 25/26

Development and Peace welcomes you to our October **Fair Trade Weekend** next weekend – **October 25/26** – after the 5:30 and 10:00 Masses.

Our call to **stewardship** includes a call to hear *'the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor'*. Fair Trade expresses that.

Stewardship Weekend is Coming!

Mark your calendars for **October 25–26, 2025!**

If you're passionate about our parish community and want to share your gifts and talents, come learn about our ministries and sign up to get involved.

More details in next week's bulletin—**save the date!**

The All Souls Day at St. Joan of Arc

All Souls Mass: Saturday Nov. 1st at 7:30pm & All Souls Novena: October 25-November 2. Please note: Roses for the All Souls Mass (\$10) and Novena intentions (\$5) are separate services. Donation Deadlines: All Souls Mass roses: October 27, Novena: October 24.

Euchre is Back!

Join us for the first game of the season on Tuesdays from 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM in the Meeting Room. Come for the cards, stay for the laughs, tea, and good company!

Your Gifts to God (\$)

...for Oct 11 & 12

Expenses	7,288
Envelopes	1,545
Loose	782
PAG (wk)	1,547
Online	53
TipTap	115
**Received	4,042
Short	3,246

** We require \$7288 a week (\$31,500 a month) to cover our basic parish expenses.

Your generosity helps us to make our community alive through various liturgies and many outreach initiatives.

Thank you for your support.

NEXT WEEK'S AT A GLANCE

October 20

D&P Monthly Meeting
(7:00pm)

October 21

Euchre Game (1:30pm)

October 23

10am Choir Rehearsal
(7pm)

October 25 & 26

Fair Trade Weekend

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