

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 12, 2014



Dear parishioners,

In this week's readings we are again reminded of how lavish God is in love and grace. "Let us rejoice and be glad that he has saved us!"

There's a good focus for meditation! How often am I truly grateful for the gift of salvation? What does it mean to me? Do I take God for granted and use God's gifts as if I have a right to them?

Paul tells us that he has learned how to live peacefully in times of abundance and times of need. For him this peace translates into complete trust in God to provide for all Paul needs. Abundance is about providing what we want. Paul trusts completely that he will get what he needs.

Finally in the gospel we hear the king inviting the guest to a feast. They didn't respond so he graciously sends out his servants to invite the guests a second time. (Was this his RSVP reminder call?) But this time the king is incited to anger. The guests show complete disrespect for his graciousness. They ignored the invitation. They went to their farms and their businesses. They beat up and killed his messengers! How does that compare to Jesus' invitation to come to the Eucharistic banquet? Do not some ignore the invitation to come to the Eucharist on Sunday? Do not some choose work over sharing the Eucharist? Do not some belittle the invitation?

Finally the king invites anyone at all. And still he finds one person without a wedding garment. This person did not even show enough appreciation and respect to his/her king to prepare for the feast?

There is a lot to think about here! May our reflection bring us to greater sincerity and faithfulness.

Sister Carol

Weekend Masses

Sat Oct 11	4:00 p.m.	For the parish
Sun Oct 12	10:00 a.m.	Teresa Rieman Mim Shepler
Sat Oct 18	4:00 p.m.	Jim Alt
Sun Oct 19	10:00 a.m.	Dorothy Herrmann

Communion Services

Tue Oct 15	10:30 a.m.	Richland
Fri Oct 17	8:00 a.m.	St. Mary's

SUNDAY COLLECTION

Adults	\$2,993.00	Loose	\$349.00
Children	\$ 36.78	Total	\$3,378.78
Food Pantry	\$469.55		

69 envelopes returned = 32%

Thank You for your generosity!

Thank you also to those who give electronically!!

Assignments for October 18 & 19, 2014

Money Counters: Chad Wolford, Janet Begg

4:00 p.m.

Greeter: Basil Meyer

Cantor: Steve McCullough

Ushers: John Parinello and Chuck Niese

Lector: Jim Kinn

Eucharistic Ministers: Diana Bucher, Jennifer Tschuur

Servers: Allyson and Abigail Kettels

10:00 a.m.

Greeter-East door: Steve and Toby Yarnell

Greeter-West door: Kelly and Grace Yarnell

Ushers: Jerry and Jeanne Wehri

Lectors: Judy Lester and Joe Herrmann

Eucharistic Ministers: Amy Marcum, Kim and Josh Garmatter, Tricia Herrmann

Servers: Joel Siefker, Anthony Kiser

Readings for October 18, 2014

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Isaiah 45:4-6

2nd Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b

Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:15-21

Join the Franciscan Friars at the Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, Carey, Ohio for a special Hope and Healing Mass on Friday, October 24 at 7 pm. This Mass is for those afflicted with cancer, survivors and their loved ones. All are welcome to come and pray on their journey to faith, hope and healing.

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Thank you to Cathy and Roy Hermiller, Betsy and Adam Schwab, and Julie Gerten for providing lunch for us last Sunday. It was so good to have such a nice lunch and such a nice crowd!

Alternative Orthodoxy The third presentation in the series will be "The Cosmic Christ." We will meet at the regular time of 7:00 o'clock.

Baptism prep class will be tonight, Sunday, October 12, at 6:30 in the evening. Please call the office if you are planning to attend.

RCIA classes meet on Thursday evenings at 7:00 o'clock. You are welcome to still come and join us. We are in the inquiry stage.



REMEMBER: Tuesday, October 14, "Voices of Experience" Death Penalty Panel

October is Respect Life month. As Catholics, we are called to respect life from the moment of conception to natural death. Come and learn about the use of the death penalty in Ohio when First Mennonite Church hosts "Voices of Experience," a town hall panel discussion on Tuesday, October 14, 2014, from 7 pm to 9 pm at the church.

Dr. Walter Brueggemann will speak at the Winebrenner Theological Seminary, UF campus in Findlay on October 17th at 7:30 p.m. Dr. Brueggemann, Columbia Theological Seminary, is the world's leading interpreter of the Old Testament and author of numerous books. The event is free and open to the public.

The Installation of The Most Reverend Daniel E. Thomas: The schedule of events for the installation of the Most Reverend Daniel E. Thomas as the Eighth Bishop of Toledo will begin with Evening Prayer on Tuesday, October 21, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. at Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral. The Installation and Mass will be celebrated at Rosary Cathedral the following day, 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 22, 2014. A very limited amount of open seating and parking will be available, beginning at 12:00 noon. The Installation and Mass will be broadcast live beginning at 2:00 p.m. on WTVG-ABC Channel 13, WTOL-CBS Channel 11, and EWTN on cable.

Please help to record our 150 acts of service—either write your service on the kiosk in the main entrance or send to #sm150.

St. Mary's Parish History

DID YOU KNOW?

James and Sarah Owens lost three of their twelve children to illness? Two little girls died of "milk fever." Some years later Paris, their third oldest, died of measles while he served as a soldier in the Civil War.

Reception with Bishop Daniel Thomas

for Junipero Serra Deanery:
Monday, November 3, at St. Gerard Parish, Lima.

Support Our Retired Priests: Please consider a donation to Perpetuate the Gift. Your gift benefits our retired diocesan priests and your Parish. Once a priest retires he is responsible for his own personal expenses: medical, housing, car, clothing and food. The collection will be taken up this weekend October 11 and 12.

A MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

WHAT IT IS: ● Refocusing on your sacramental vows ● Being open to God's grace working ● Listening to your spouse's affirmations ● Celebrating your love & commitment

Future Dates: October 17-19, 2014 at Howard Johnson - Lima OH / January 16-18, 2015 at Holiday Inn Express - Perrysburg OH / April 10-12, 2015 at Howard Johnson - Lima OH

To register go to www.wvme.org or contact Brian and Chris Schroeder at 419-523-7210 or bcschroeder@bright.net

P.R.E.P

Children's Liturgy is during the 10 o'clock Mass.

K-6: Class is Wed., October 15th, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Junior High & SNLY: Next class is Sun., Oct. 19th, 11:00-1:00 p.m.

Congratulations to the SNLY Team for their fine participation in the Battle for Youth!!

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