

# St. Mary's Catholic Church

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 8, 2017



Dear parishioners,

Isn't God amazing that God doesn't lose patience with us more often?

In today's readings we hear twice about the vineyard. The vineyard represents God's chosen people. The owner of the vineyard (God) expects to find good grapes in his vineyard. Instead he finds only wild grapes. Such a disappointment! In the Old Testament reading the results is to let the vineyard to its own fate, to let it be destroyed.

In the gospel the owner of the vineyard put a lot of effort into having the vineyard be more productive. God sent prophets to warn the people. God even sent his own Son whom they killed. Jesus says—"What would you do with those people?" We have enough anger and vengeance in our hearts to want, like the Pharisees, to get even. Jesus tells them that instead, God will choose a new chosen people and see if they do better.

So how are we doing? Are we producing good fruit in abundance in the kingdom of God? St. Paul tells us to think about what is true, honorable, just, pure, lovely gracious, excellent, and worthy of praise. And don't just think about them! Do them.

Positive thinking and positive doing—building the kingdom of God!

Sister Carol

## Weekend Masses

Sat Oct 7	4:00 p.m.	Jim Badertscher Dick Kiser
Sun Oct 8	10:00 a.m.	Fr. Dave Beck
Sat Oct 14	4:00 p.m.	Jim Alt
Sun Oct 15	10:00 a.m.	Fr. Cleo Schmenk

## Communion Services

Fri Oct 13 8:00 a.m. St. Mary's

## SUNDAY COLLECTION

Adults	\$3,518.00	Loose	\$609.00
Children	\$19.85	Total	\$4,146.85

80 envelopes returned = 38%

*Thank you for your generosity!*

*Thank you also to those who give electronically!!*

## Assignments for Oct. 14 & 15, 2017

**Money Counters:** Barb Galvan, Deb Goldenetz

### 4:00 p.m.

**Greeter:** Jan and Diana Emmert

**Cantor:** Jenny Roby

**Ushers:** Dave and Shirley Siefker

**Lector:** Jason Swartzlander

**E.M.:** Jerry Wehri, Jeanne Parinello,  
Amanda Woolley

**Servers:** Derek Swartzlander and Shylee Kaufman

### 10:00 a.m.

**Greeter-East door:** Steve and Kelly Yarnell

**Greeter-West Door:**

**Cantor:** Kevin Vance

**Ushers:** Greg and Gabe Denecker

**Lectors:** Chris Denecker and Joe Herrmann

**E.M.:** Amy Marcum, Mark Zwiebel,  
Tricia Herrmann, and Hank Schroeder

**Servers:** Luke Denecker, Issabella Stechschulte,  
Kendal Giesige

## **Readings for October 15, 2017**

### **28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 25:6-10a

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

Gospel Reading: Matthew 22:1-14

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**Community Market receipts** Please remember to bring in your Community Market receipts. We redeem 1%. We are this year directing the proceeds to the Summer Camp Fund since these young men and women are working so hard to raise money for next summer. They'd be grateful for your help.



**Thank you** to Lisa Welch and Deb Hohenbrink for cleaning and reorganizing the "church closet." **Thank you** to Jerry Wehri for scrubbing the eaves around the building. **Thank you** to Beth Yarger and all who helped with the blood drive. **Thank you** to Lisa Welch for preparing the refreshment for our parish meetings this weekend. **Thank you** in advance to Nancy Benroth for coordinating our Family Promise week and to all who helped with dinners, hosting, staying over, donations of food, and washing linens.

**Mass of Resurrection** Saturday morning, October 14, at 11:00 o'clock, we will celebrate a memorial Mass for Sally Parish who died recently. Sally was a parishioner at St. Mary's some time ago before she moved to Michigan. If you remember Sally, please do come and join in the Mass of Resurrection.

**World Mission Sunday** is a special moment of encounter with the Pope's mission throughout the world. Meeting the priests, religious and lay leaders who, day in and day out, witness to the Gospel and serve the poor, will, as Pope Francis says, "enable the missionary heart of Christian communities to join in prayer, testimony of life and communion of goods, in responding to the vast pressing needs of evangelization."

**Everyone is welcome** to attend the **Delphos St. John's 105<sup>th</sup> Fall Festival** on October 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> in the St. John's Cafeteria and Gymnasium. Enjoy food, games of chance and have some family fun. Home-cooked chicken and beef dinners with all the trimmings and even homemade cakes for dessert are available for \$8.50 for adults and \$6.50 for children (5<sup>th</sup> grade and younger). Carry-outs will be available from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday and from 3:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Sunday. The event is open to the public! You will be helping to support the mission at St. John's School. We look forward to seeing you on October 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>!

**This weekend, October 7 & 8**, we will take up a second collection to support victims in one of the most devastated areas affected by Hurricanes **Irma and Maria** – the Diocese of St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands. These islands have been almost completely wiped out, left with virtually no infrastructure and few surviving services. Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo is collecting and forwarding donations dollar for dollar to the Diocese of St. Thomas. Checks should be made out to Catholic Charities Diocese of Toledo, with a **Diocese of St. Thomas Recovery** notation and sent to 1933 Spielbusch Ave., Toledo, OH 43604.

**Support Our Retired Priests' Retirement:** Clergy vocations are the cornerstone of our Catholic Church and we are grateful for the service that our priests have given to their local parishes. In the United States, half of all the diocesan priests are expected to retire by 2019.

Express your appreciation for those who have faithfully served in the Diocese of Toledo by making a gift to **Perpetuate the Gift** Appeal. Your gift benefits our diocesan priests, retired diocesan priests, and your Parish. Once a priest retires, he is responsible for his own personal expenses: medical, housing, clothing, and food. All funds contributed between October 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017, help reduce the amount the parish contributes to the fund. A gift of cash or check can be sent to Perpetuate the Gift, PO Box 954, Toledo, OH 43697 or placed in the parish collection. A gift may also be made online at [www.toledodiocese.org](http://www.toledodiocese.org)

## P.R.E.P

**We are still in need** of an aide for third grade. Speak to Kelly if you are willing to help.

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

**K-6:** There is no class on Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>. Next class is Wed., October 18, at 6:30.

**Jr. High and God Squad:** Next class is October 15th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.