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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 11:15 a.m. Weekdays: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS: Monday—Thursday 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. or by appointment.

MARRIAGES:

Must be scheduled with the Priest at least 6 months in advance.

MORNING ROSARY:

8:30 a.m. before Mass.

MONDAYS:

Miraculous Medal Novena following Mass.

EVERY FIRST FRIDAY:

Novena To The Sacred Heart of Jesus - before 9 a.m. Mass. Eucharistic Adoration 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

HOLY HOUR OF ADORATION:

Third Sunday of every month at 7:00 p.m. Second Wednesday of every month—7:30 p.m. Exposición del Santísimo el segundo Miércoles de cada mes @ 7:30 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

August through May. Ages 3 yrs. through High School.

Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church

Saturday, October 22, 2022 Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday, October 23, 2022 Masses 8:30 am & 11:15 am



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 23, 2022

The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds; it does not rest until it reaches its goal, or will it withdraw till the Most High responds.

—Sírach 35:17-18a



October 24 - October 30

Monday: John Nicholson by James & Gloria Raynor †

Tuesday: Pruitt Smith by Walton Smith †

Wednesday: Patti Benson by Jerry & Brenda Kern †

Thursday: Lance Stella by KOC 12270 †

Friday: Paul Boyle Sr. by Diane & Trudie Naso †

Saturday: Helen Zielinksi by the Zielinskis †

Sunday: Deceased KOC 12270 Members †

For the People

Please pray for the ill and shut-ins:

Ron & Diana Markevich, Walton Smith, Juanita Crowson, Toni James, Bob Walsh, Sarah Svetlay, Fred Brown, Silvia Moten, Wayne Adams, Herb & Sherry Kuntz, Bill & Loretta Frost, David & Audrey Springer, Christine Jaks, Jeanie Reid, Ruth Stanley, Jackie Thoma, Janice Stella, Frank Troncalli, Angela Ledlow, Michael Brayman, Shannon Ray, Lee Walser, Geri Bunt, Jay Benson, Charles & Libby La Fleur, Marcia Mortek, Paula Hereford, Benny Goodman, Margaret Banks, Jose Riveria, Helen Turner, George Sobolowski, Teresa Reeser, Corey Funderburg, Nancy Ross

Please pray for all our loved ones who are ill and our shut-ins. To add a name, call the church office; or to add to the Prayer Hot Line please email Sharon Stice at sharonstice46@gmail.com or call 205-613-1053.

Weekly Readings October 24—October 30

Monday: Eph 4:32—5:8; Ps 1:1-4,

6; Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33, 25-33; Ps

128:1-5; Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday: Eph 6:1-9; Ps 145:10-

14; Lk 13:22-30

Thursday: Eph 6:10-20; Ps

144:1b, 2, 9-10; Lk

13:31-35

Friday: Eph 2:19-22; Ps 19:2-5;

Lk 6:12-16

Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26; Ps 42:2,

3, 5cdef; Lk 14:1, 7-11

Sunday: Wis 11:22—12:2; Ps

145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14; 2

Thes 1:11—2:2; Lk 19:1

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Today's Readings



First Reading — The LORD is God of justice who hears the cry of the oppressed, the orphan, the widow, the lowly (Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18).

Psalm — The Lord hears the cry of the poor (Psalm 34).

Second Reading — The crown of righteousness awaits me (2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18).

Gospel — The tax collector stood at a distance, beat his breast and prayed, "O God be merciful to me, a sinner" (Luke 18:9-14).

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Father Bill's Weekly Message

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!?!

There is a lot of confusion nowadays about Halloween. The term means, "All Hallows Eve", in Old English. It is the eve of All Hallows, or All Saints Day.

Pope Gregory III (731-741) transferred the Feast of All Saints from May 13th to November 1st to coincide with the dedication of a new chapel in St. Peter's Cathedral in Rome dedicated to all the saints. Pope Gregory IV (827-844) extended the Feast of All Saints to the universal Church. It was then that All Saints Day was celebrated on November 1st wherever Christians were found. October 31st became the vigil for All Saints Day. None of these medieval popes knew anything about pagan traditions concerning October 31st.

The commercialization of the holiday (from the term "holy day") brought about the phenomenon of taking God out of the observance of Halloween. Just as Christmas and Easter, it is possible to celebrate Halloween in a secular way. That's when ghosts, skeletons, witches, and demons begin to appear. Whether intended or not, it is a glorification of evil. The film industry has capitalized on the secularization of the holiday to saturate us with the occult.

What are we to do? We can go back to the original purpose of "All Hallows Eve" as a preparation for the Solemnity of All Saints. Here in our parish the children dress up as saints on October 30th. There are other benign, if not overtly religious costumes people can wear. There is nothing evil with giving children sweets at a time of celebration in our religion.

Halloween, All Saints Day, and All Souls Day (November 2nd) are a single celebration in the Church. They speak of our faith that death does not have the last word. Through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, God has conquered sin and death. The saints are proof that the love of God is stronger than death. Halloween is then a celebration of the victory of God over the forces of evil.

In Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed -All Souls

Forms are in the foyers to list the dearly departed loved ones you wish to be remembered in November. Please place in the basket or email names to the parish office at parish@ollpellcity.com.





Sunday, October 23, 2022 Church Grounds- 4:00-7:00 pm

Trunk or Treat, Cake Walk, Bouncy House, Games, Pumpkin Painting, Hamburgers and Hot dogs

See sign up sheets in the foyers.

RELIEF COLLECTION FROM HURRICANES FIONA AND IAN

The Diocese of Birmingham has asked for a special collection to be taken up to help those effected by hurricanes Fiona and Ian. We will take up a special collection in our parish for this purpose on the weekend of **October 29th and 30th**. You may also send contributions directly to the Diocese. Designate your donation for the Bishop's Disaster Relief Fund-Hurricanes Fiona and Ian. Thank you for your compassion!

Offertory Collection

July 2022 — June 2023

	Actual	Needed weekly
October 16 Offertory	\$7,292	\$6,774
Year to Date	\$108,967	\$108,384



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Council meetings are open to all parishioners, and are typically on the third Wed. of the month after Mass.



THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE PROJECT

Our Annual Thanksgiving Drive begins this week and ends on November 13th.

Food will be distributed on November 20th from 12:30-2:00 pm.

Canned Meat of all types
Dry Beans and Canned Beans
Rice, Peanut Butter
Canned Vegetables: Corn, Peas, etc.
Canned Fruit
Canned milk &powdered milk
Oatmeal
Cornmeal mix
Boxed Dry Food
Dressing mix, Cranberry sauce
Cereal, bagged

Monetary Donations-

Please make your check payable to "OLL Social Concerns-". Donate at the office, dropbox or collection basket. Please contact Mari Culver, 205-447-2626 or the office if questions.

HOMEBOUND AND HOSPITALIZED

If you are unable to get to Mass and would like to receive communion or have a visit from a priest or deacon, please call the parish office and let us know.

The phone number is 205-525-5161.

Also, Deacon Serge's number is 205-753-3230; Deacon Lee's number is 205-936-9330; Deacon Terry's number is 205-253-9223.



Christmas Giving Tree 2022

Our Social Concerns Committee is now taking applications for families who may need a little help with Christmas this year. If you are in need of some help or know someone who may need help please come by the church office during office hours to receive an application.

If you have any questions please call or text Brenda Rochford at 423-242-5029 or Sharon Stice at 205-613-1053.

Thank you and God Bless!

FAITH DIRECT

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Faith Direct enables parishioners to make contributions even when you can't make it to church. Through either direct debit from your checking/savings account or through your credit/debit card, you can apply the convenience of direct debit to your parish offerings in much the same way as you do for other expenses.

You may enroll by visiting our website, or logging in directly to faith.direct/AL1065.

Diabetes Empowerment Education Program (DEEP) Introduction

November 13, 2022 9:45 AM OLL Parish Hall

Learn about, ask questions, and see how a future and free 6 class meeting on Diabetes, can help you in this 30 minute information meeting. You can attend all 6 classes or just the topics you desire. This info meeting will allow you to ask question to see if this is right for you.

If you have questions, call David Hogan at 205-612-4406

Assignments

October 26, 2022 - October 30, 2022

WEDNESDAY MASS

10/26/2022 7:00 PM

Lector: Bernie Funderburg

Ministers: Deacon

SATURDAY MASS

10/29/2022 5:00 PM

Greeters: Allen Ross, Paige Everett

Lector: Allen Ross

Ministers: Martha Hayes, Parma Boyle
Altar Servers: Chris Gallegly, Jeff Reach
Ushers: Amy Carreker, Jim Gorman

SUNDAY MASS

10/30/2022 8:30 AM

Greeters: The Rochfords, The Willis
Lectors: Robert Lewis, Carl Rochford
Ministers: Jorge Solis, Tom Graffo

Altar Server: Stephen Reese,

Roger Carreker

Ushers: Phillip Thomaston, Grant Stice

Dennis Veigl, Bit Thomaston

10/30/2022 11:15 AM

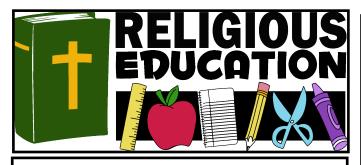
Greeters: P Cowart/P LopezdeVictoria,

Gracie Troncalli

Lectors: Larry Foltz, Gloria Raynor
Ministers: Lexie Smith, Sophie Alvarez
Altar Servers: Jhon Paul & Natalie Rodgers
Ushers: Jerrold Blum, Lexie Smith

John Bluhm

If you are unable to keep your assignment, please find a substitute. Arrive 15 minutes ahead of Mass and sign in at the back of the church.



Be humble

In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells the story about two men praying in the temple. One of them, a Pharisee always looked like he loved God, but on the inside he really only loved himself. The other man was a tax collector. The people in those days hated tax collectors because they took too much money and worked for their enemies.

When the Pharisee was praying he was really just telling God how much better he was than other people. Do you think that God was pleased with his prayer?

The tax collector, on the other hand, was standing far off and prayed to God with this head bowed down, asking God to have mercy on him. He knew that he was a sinner and that he needed God's help. Do you think that God was pleased with the tax collector's prayer?

Being humble isn't a sad or bad thing. It means knowing that all the good things we have and do come from God. Being humble also lets us be sorry for the selfish things we have done, because it lets us admit that it was our own fault and God can help us overcome our selfishness.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me a sinner!

Source: The Kids' Bulletin



Parish Code: **JRQNH8**

Looking Ahead:

October 23rd - Fall Festival! Trunkor-Treat. 4PM.

October 30th - All Saints Costume
Contest! Youth may dress as their
favorite Saint, or one they find
interesting and participate in a costume contest!

November 6th- RE-9:45 am

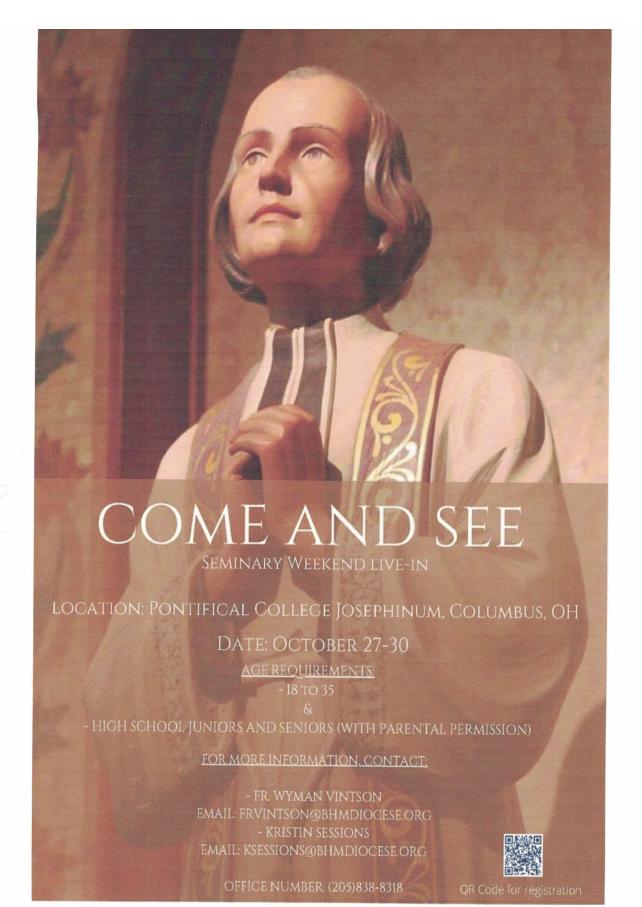


R.E. Registration!

http://ollpellcity.com/ home/religiouseducation/

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength."

- Mark 12:30



Rosary Guild Training

New members, please plan to join a training session in the Parish Hall on one of the following dates.

Contact Lexie Smith at 205-966-5922 if you have questions.

October 28-9:45 am

November 5- the 1st Saturday of the month meeting-10:00 am



The Christian Love Pantry

The Christian Love Pantry is helping the poor in the St. Clair County area. To assist them we are collecting canned soup at the church. You can leave donations in either vestibule.

There is also a box for cash donations in each vestibule. If you prefer, you may drop your donation at the parish office during normal office hours.

Goal -400 cans/month Cans donated to date in October- 407 cans

Please consider donating \$1 per week

Bible Study Group

Please join us for a special Bible Study studying the Gospel of John. The group will meet each Tuesday morning at 9:45 am in the Parish Hall.



Calendar for October 23, 2022—October 30, 2022

Sunday- October 23

Mass 8:30 am & 11:15 am RE-9:45 am OLL Fall Festival 4:00-7:00 pm

Monday- October 24

Mass 9:00 am KOC Meeting 6:00-8:00 pm

Tuesday- October 25

Mass 9:00 am Bible Study Group-9:45 am RCIA- 7:00 pm

Wednesday-October 26

Youth Group- 5:30 pm South of Sanity Farms Mass 7:00 pm

Thursday- October 27

Mass 9:00 am Legion of Mary- 7:00 pm

Friday- October 28

Mass 9:00 am

Rosary Guild Training-9:45 am

Saturday - October 29

Confessions 4:00-4:45 pm Mass 5:00 pm

Sunday- October 30

KOC Mass 8:30 am

Mass-11:15 am

RE- 9:45 am All Saints Costume Contest

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