

OCTOBER 4, 2020 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

OUR VISION

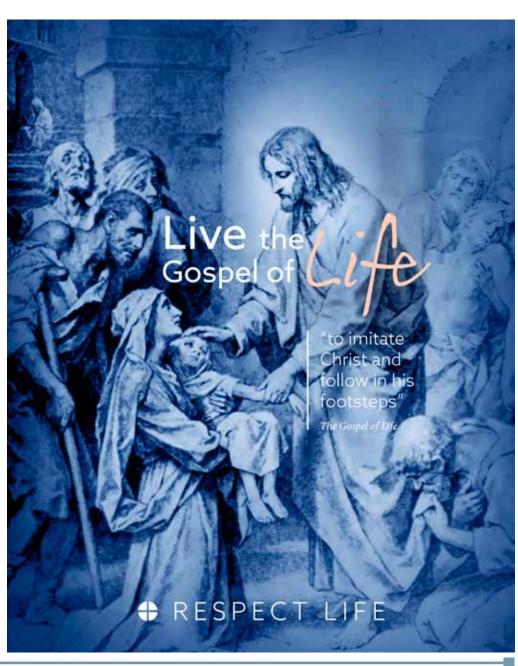
THROUGH OUR BAPTISM AND EUCHARIST, WE ARE CALLED TO LOVE AS CHRIST LOVES AND SERVE AS CHRIST SERVES.

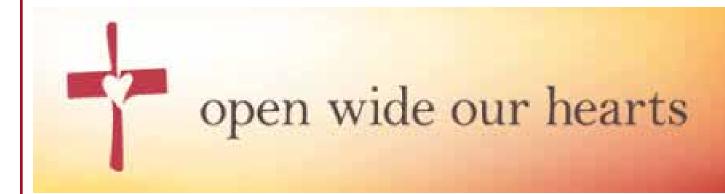
OUR MISSION

In Jesus Christ, we will grow and flourish through

- Engaging, welcoming and building community
- Lifelong faith formation
- Social justice and service to others in need
- Engaging and understanding the energy and interests of our youth
- Prayer and worship that deepens our spiritual life
- Accountability in using our resources wisely

SO THAT WE MAY LIVE LIFE ABUNDANTLY!





OPEN WIDE OUR HEARTS— END RACISM

See, Judge, Act Over the next six months, as a parish we will journey together to address racism through Education and Discussion (See), Prayer and Reflection (Judge) and Awareness Building and Action (Act), following the program provided by the Archdiocese of Chicago Office of Human Dignity and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

The powerful teaching of the Catholic Church on Racism is very clear: racism and every form of discrimination based on "sex, race, color, social conditions, language, or religion must be curbed and eradicated as incompatible with God's design" (*Catechism*, par. 1935 and *Gaudium et Spes*, no. 29). We are called to work to protect the dignity of all members of one human family by confronting racism in all its forms and by welcoming and celebrating the diversity of the many faces of the children of God in our communities. Building unity in diversity is an essential part of our mission of discipleship.

We begin in October by reading the pastoral letter in its entirety, reflecting, praying and discussing with our families and within our small groups. Next month we will begin breaking down the letter into sections, and we will follow the accompanying study guide. (You can find a PDF version of the pastoral letter and the study guide on the St. Joseph Church website at www.stjoseph-libertyville.org/open-wide-our-hearts)

To prepare our hearts for this journey, consider following the exercise in the link below about "Examining Our Subconscious Perceptions".

www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/human-life-and-dignity/racism/upload/examining-our-subconscious-perceptions.pdf

And pray together the prayer to heal racial division:
www.usccb.org/committees/ad-hoc-committee-againstracism/prayer-heal-racial-division

For those families embarking on the journey to "Open Wide Our Hearts" with their children the USCCB has resources and activities for children, grades K-8, and for high schoolers. Please explore this link to learn more: https://www.usccb.org/committees/ad-hoc-committee-against-racism/combatting-racism-educational-resources

REGISTRATION FOR DRIVE-IN MASSES AND IN-CHURCH MASSES

October 3-4 Sunday Masses in Church

-5:00 p.m. Saturday, 9:00 a.m., 10:45 and 5:00 p.m. Sunday— Each Mass is open to **182 pre-registered people.** https://stjoseph.ivolunteer.com/reopeningweekend_2020

Drive-in 7:15 Mass & 10:45 Family Mass

https://stjoseph.ivolunteer.com/driveinmass_2021

No one may attend the above Masses without registration. Registration will open each Wednesday for the following Sunday Masses. This week, online registration for October 3-4 Masses opens on Wednesday, September 30 at 9:00 a.m. and the deadline is Saturday at 4:00 p.m. Register at links above.

If you are unable to register online, you may phone 847-362-2073 from Wednesday, September 30 to Friday, October 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Phone registration is closed Saturday.

6:30 & 8:30 a.m. Daily Mass in Church

No one may attend the daily 6:30 or 8:30 Mass without registration. Each Wednesday, registration opens for the following week's daily Masses and continues Monday to Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. You may register for more than one daily Mass at a time. 6:30 Mass: https://stjoseph.ivolunteer.com/630weekday_2020 8:30 Mass: https://stjoseph.ivolunteer.com/weekday_2020 If you are unable to register online, you may phone 847-362-2073 only on Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Only the Maple Avenue doors will be open for daily Mass.

Funeral Masses

Please go to https://stjoseph-libertyville.org/funeral to see a listing of scheduled Funeral Masses. You must register to attend. If you are unable to register online, you may phone 847-362-2073 Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Private Prayer Hours

The church is open for private prayer from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. Monday to Saturday.

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration is livestreamed on Thursday afternoons at 3:00 p.m., hosted by the Vocations Ministry. Join in at: www. stjoseph-libertyville.org/live.

Livestreaming Continues

www.stjoseph-libertyville.org/live

- Sunday Mass at 5:00 p.m. Saturday and 9:00 a.m. Sunday
- Daily Mass Monday-Saturday at 8:30 a.m.
- Eucharistic Adoration on Thursdays at 3:00 p.m.

Worship Aids

If you have registered to attend Mass, please download/print a PDF of the worship aid at www.stjoseph-libertyville.org/live and take it with you after Mass. For livestreamed liturgies, follow along in the online worship aid or print yourself a copy.

6:30 A.M. MASS RESUMES MONDAY, OCTOBER 5

We are pleased to announce that the weekday 6:30 a.m. Mass is to begin once again on October 5. The attendance limit is 182 persons, just as other in-church Masses. You must register to attend this Mass. Please go to https://stjoseph.ivolunteer.com/630weekday_2020.

THE PARISH OFFICES ARE CLOSED

We will follow the recommendations from the Archdiocese of Chicago in determining a reopening date for our parish offices. In the meantime, please contact staff or clergy through email. A listing of email addresses can be found at www.stjoseph-libertyville.org/staff.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR LOGISTICS

Certified Greeters are needed to help with the expanding reopening efforts. If you are over the age of 18 and with no underlying health conditions, please visit this link and submit your availability. Persons who are older than 65 are welcome as long as you are aware of the risks involved. Visit: https://www.stjoseph-libertyville.org/churchreopening. You will be contacted with information on the required training program.

OPTIONS TO GIVE



Are you wondering how you can support St. Joseph Catholic Church during this time

of uncertainty? We need your help, now more than ever, as the coronavirus is impacting our collections. Here are three easy ways for you to give and continue to support St. Joseph Catholic Church:

Text To Give Text To Give can be done right from your phone. Simply Text "Joseph" to 73256 and enter your weekly or monthly gift amount; or give a little extra this time.

Give Online You can give online through our website. Visit www.stjoseph-libertyville.org/give.

Mail or Drop Off Mail or drop off your donation in the mail slot at the parish office: 121 E. Maple Avenue, Libertyville, IL 60048.

Thank you! This is a challenging time for all of us and we thank you for your continued support!

"I GAVE TODAY" #StJoesGiving Encourage others to give and share on your social media accounts that you supported St. Joseph Catholic Church with a simple "I GAVE TODAY" post using the hashtag #StJoesGiving. Stay Healthy And Pray!



Join us as we partake in **The Blessing of the Animals** on Sunday, October 4 at 4 p.m. at Sunrise Rotary Park in remembrance of St. Francis of Assisi and his love of all animals. St. Francis of Assisi is remembered for his generosity to the poor and a willingness to minister to the lepers. We are requiring face masks and encourage all participants in the blessing to socially distance themselves.

Last year, Fr. Trout presided over the blessing, and that event was well attended by dogs, and there were a few honey bees that came in for a blessing and a young man's turtle. The beauty in our love of animals is that our communication is basic and real.

This event is a great way to enjoy the outdoors with other pet owners and get your animals blessed. And just like you, your animals love to be social. So, give them a chance to wag, bark, meow, or poke a head out of their shell and come join us outside of St. Joseph Catholic Church for the Blessing of the Animals.

Come, follow me...and heal our world

as of September 19, 2020

The Annual Catholic Appeal theme, "Come, Follow Me...and heal our world," calls us to share in Jesus' mission to bring healing and transformation to our fragile and wounded world. By supporting the Appeal, you join hands with other Catholics in the Archdiocese and reach

out with healing to parishes and Catholic schools in need, religious education programs, ministry formation and initiatives to address violence and to foster justice, peace, and respect for life. Our helping hands through the Appeal also reach out on a global scale to support Catholic Relief Services. Each pledge makes a difference! Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

The Annual Catholic Appeal is an invitation for every Catholic family to respond with a generous heart. 90 cents of every dollar raised goes directly to the critical work of the schools, parishes, agencies and ministries of the Archdiocese of Chicago. Remember that when our parish exceeds its goal, any additional funds received above the goal amount are returned for use in our parish to support our wonderful ministries.

To learn more and to donate, visit www.annualcatholicappeal.com.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response!

PARISH GOAL:	\$164,879
AMOUNT PLEDGED:	\$243,489
AMOUNT PAID:	\$233,473
REMAINING AMOUNT:	\$ 10,016
YTD REBATE:	\$ 68.594

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO **5 BEHAVIORS** TO KEEP US SAFE

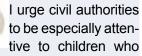
As a member of our community, I will ...

Wear a mask

- 2. Keep my distance
- 3. Wash and sanitize my hands
- 4. Stay home if I am sick
- 5. Get tested if I exhibit symptoms
- ... because protecting others in our community is
 - my responsibility, too.

The Pope's Tweet of the Week





and dignity, particularly their right to life and to schooling. @Pontifex

Jesus Christ is at the heart of every family. Make room for him in your lives in a deeper way by joining in the Sunday celebration. God bless you!

Protocols for the two Drive-in Masses in the Hurlburt Court Parking Lot

- Drive-in Mass participants must register the one vehicle, not the persons.
- Parking will be every other spot to accommodate 6-foot social distancing.
- Traffic control will direct you to appropriate space. First come, first served.
- All must remain in their cars.
- Donations can be placed in a large receptacle clearly marked in the lot.
- There will be a radio transmitter which you can tune into at 87.9 FM.
- The communion host will be passed through your car window.
- There will be no music.
- Mass length is approximately 30 minutes.

Protocols for In-Church Masses

- Each individual must be registered separately. For example, if two spouses and two children want to attend Mass, they must register each person.
- Arrive 5 minutes early for check-in.
- All four entrances will be open on weekends.
- The pews will be marked for spacing and seating.
- Certified, trained greeters will verify that you are registered and wearing a mask.
- Only Music Ministers may sing.

are denied their fundamental rights If you have registered and find you are unable to attend, we ask that you update your registration to allow your fellow parishioners the opportunity to worship in person, as we are nearing our capacity threshold.

An Act of Spiritual Communion



My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

The basic elements of an Act of Spiritual Communion are an Act of Faith, an Act of Love, a desire to receive Christ, and an invitation to Him to come into your heart.

FAITH FORMATION

St. Joseph Clergy Appreciation Weekend, October 10-11

St. Joseph's Vocations Ministry invites all parishioners to express their gratitude to our priests and deacons during Clergy Appreciation Weekend, October 10-11. What do they do for us at the parish? Here are a few of the many ways that our clergy serve us throughout the year:

- Providing leadership and innovation in continuing services during the COVID pandemic restrictions.
- Bringing us the sacraments, especially the Eucharist and Reconciliation.
- Guiding and counseling us in our times of uncertainty and need.
- Being on call 24 hours a day for healing trips to hospitals or hospice facilities.
- Making themselves available for ministry meetings and other gatherings.
- Fostering our faith formation, especially through Community for the Kingdom.
- Supporting the students of St. Joseph Catholic School and Children's Faith Formation.
- Working to support our parish.

For these and many other things that our clergy do for us, we encourage you to express your gratitude in whatever manner you'd like—a prayer, a note, a simple verbal thank-you. Please let them know you care.



PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

The livestreamed Eucharistic Adoration is on Thursday afternoons at 3:00 p.m. Please tune in at www.stjoseph-libertyville.org/live

Prayer for Vocations: Almighty Father, we beg you for an increase in religious vocations and holy marriages in our parish. Help us to be generous in our response to your call. Choose from our homes those who are needed for your work and strengthen us with the courage to say "yes" and to follow you. Help us as a parish and as families to recognize and foster vocations to the priesthood, religious life, lay ministry or whatever path you are calling us to follow. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.



Wednesday Bible Study Zooms for Formation & Community

The Wednesday Evening Bible Study group launched their new study online for the fall. Titled, "The Name of Jesus," members are breaking open Scripture and finding ways to grow in their faith despite being at home. The group resumed their formation after taking the summer off. For more information on the Bible Study, please email Dave Retseck at dretseck@stjoseph-libertyville.org.

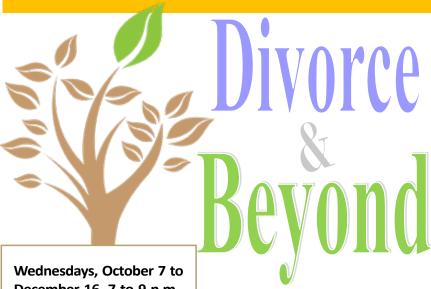
FAITH FORMATION-



Sponsored by the Mary and Joseph Adult Faith Council

A joint effort of St. Mary of Vernon and St. Joseph-Libertyville parishes

Returning this fall — VIRTUALLY!



Wednesdays, October 7 to December 16, 7 to 9 p.m., Online, using Zoom What will I experience? Join other people who have either experienced divorce or who have already filed for a divorce and desire to re-encounter God on their journey as they seek to heal and renew their lives and families. Gatherings will be led by trained facilitators.

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart ... In all your ways be mindful of him, and he will make straight your paths."

Proverbs 3:5-6

How do I register and receive the meeting link? Email your name and contact information to: pgcartwright@hotmail.com

Participants will be sent the Zoom link.

JESUS SOMEONE TO BELIEVE



"What are you looking for?"

John 1:38

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Information, Email dretseck@stjoseph-libertyville.org

or call 847.990.1266

CommunityBuilding

RETIREES & WANNABES

The Virtual Trivia Event sponsored by the St. Joseph Retirees and Wannabes was lots of fun and a great way to get together with new and old friends. They plan to hold another Trivia Event in the future. Plan on joining in the fun next time.

LIBERTYVILLE SENIOR COUNCIL & SENIOR CENTER

(Senior Center is limited to a 50-person or 50% occupancy. Masks required.)

- October 5, The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel Movie Matinee at 1:00 p.m.
- October 6, Donut Drive-thru, 10:30 a.m.
- October 9, Fall Foliage Walk, 10:30 am.
- October 13, Drive-thru Flu Shots, 10:30-1:30, Free. Bring Medicare card. Provided by Walgreens at Senior Center.
- Monday mornings, Men's Golf League at Countryside. 18 holes alternating between traditional and prairie courses. Information from Bob Killackey, 847-367-6211.
- Tuesdays: Tech help from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Help with phone, computer etc. Call 847-247-7659 for appointment. Lending Closet at Senior Center of used medical equipment. RTA Reduce Fare Passes at Libertyville Township. Dial-A-Ride, 6 a.m.-6 p.m., call 800-201-6446. Information about events and exercise, cards, woodcarving, line dancing, dominoes and more available at https://www.libciviccenter.org/senior-center.

COMMUNITY BUILDING

MARRIED IN 1970? WATCH GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS ON TV



Congratulations to the 2020 Jubilarians from Cardinal Blase J. Cupich! On October 11, the Cardinal will remember all those celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary during a special televised Mass on ABC-7 at 9:30 a.m. Be sure to tune in, and Happy Anniversary! https://pvm.archchicago.org/events/golden-wedding



Mothers with Young Children

Bi-Monthly Meeting: Family Financial Planning Thursday, October 15, from 7:30 p.m. Location TBD. Rob Likus, a financial planner, will go over information families should know to be financially stable now and in the future. Check Meetup for more details and to RSVP.

Mom's Night Out—Board & Brush Make & Take October 16, 7:00 p.m. at Katie's Home. Board & Brush has set up a special MYC Halloween Make & Take. RSVP on Meetup to select your project (all are \$25) and BYOB drinks and chair (if you want one). Please bring a mask and abide by social distancing for all events!

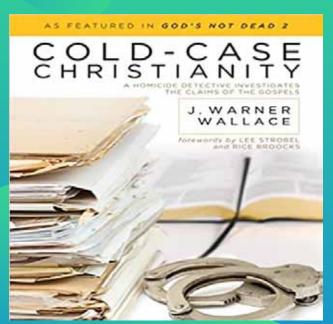
Please make sure you are part of our Meetup group, https://www.meetup.com/St-Joes-MYC, as well as our private Facebook page. Search "St. Joe's MYC" and request to join. We use both sites to communicate bi-weekly meetings, Mom's Nights Out, play dates, and other activities that we host.

Help us keep our roster up to date. If you need to update your contact information or would like to be removed from our roster, please contact stjoesmyc@gmail.com.



Please join us in welcoming the following new parish members: John & Janet Murphy and Jimmy & Jasmin Thomas. Welcome to our community of faith!

Join out Study Teen Bible Study



When: Sunday, Oct. 11

3:30-4:45 PM

Bible study will take place October 11, 25, November 8, 22, December 13, January 10, 24, and February 14.

Where: St. Joe's Teen

Space

Weather permitting, we will meet in the parking lot. Masks required!

What: Cold-Case

Christianity by J. Warner

Wallace

Book will be ordered for you once you register.



OLIFE TEN Catholic Youth Ministry for High School Teens

All high schoolers are invited to join us on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month for games, discussion, and more! You'll meet new friends, get your questions answered about faith, and experience Jesus in a profound and personal way. All are welcome! Check St. Joe's website for more information and to register.

Follow us on Social Media!



St. Joseph Youth Ministry



stjoeteen

Mark your Calendar!

Oct. 11- Teen Mass @ 5 PM

Bible Study @ 3:30 Youth Group @ 6:15

Oct. 25- Bible Study @ 3:30 Youth Group @ 6:15

Nov. 8- Teen Mass @ 5 PM

Bible Study @ 3:30 Youth Group @ 6:15

Nov. 15- AMT info meeting

Nov. 22- Bible Study @ 3:30 Youth Group @ 6:15

Dec. 13- Teen Mass @ 5 PM

Bible Study @ 3:30

No Youth Group

Dec. 20- Youth Group Christmas Party @ 6:15

PRAYER & WORSHIP

MASS INTENTIONS You may attend the daily 6:30 or 8:30 a.m. Mass if you are registered in advance. See page 2. It will also be *livestreamed* Monday through Saturday at 8:30 a.m. available to view at www.stjoseph-libertyville.org/live.

Monday, October 5
Roxane Obenauf
Therese Sugrue
Ricardo Villar
Anna Demas
Tuesday, October 6
James Pavlus
Anne Marie Griffin

Mary R. Lockowitz

Harry & Jean Lewan

Wednesday, October 7

Nicoletta Maglio Arce
Sheila Ruskauff
Marshall Wallace
Russ Lehocky

Thursday, October 8

Religious Vocations in Memory of
Deacon Dennis Dunn

Florence Biestek Janice Beauregard Friday, October 9 Roxane Obenauf Betty McCauley Renee Moore Saturday, October 10 Helene Kanaby

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Curt Krabbenhoft Margaret Krabbenhoft Brielle Pickford Flo Harris Julie Love Jo Anne Coughlin Ron Herbes Donna Herzberg Yuris Gutierrez George Schnarre Janice Kleinschmidt Gail Diss Iryna Shablouskaya Erik Fossum William Dohm Tillie Scanlan Pat Kirk Jennifer Philbrick



Margaret Bregenzer Donna Wantrobski Marion O'Neill Maria Coton Michelle Lucas Freer Mary Pikula Dolores Schultz Fr. John Hennessey Alejandro Benavides Fernando Benavides Peter Krol Stan Szot Carol Michalski Terry Venchus Joseph Locascio Sean Kolber Micah Peckels Quirk and all those affected by COVID-19

For the time being, we will keep the sick on our prayer list. Once things return to normal, please notify us if your loved one remains in need of our prayers.

IN MEMORY

Please pray for the souls of:

Jeff Paulson Joan Stein Mike White

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

Rachel Weltzien and Connor McCauley

BAPTISMS

Adrian Joel Lopez, child of Veronica (Urbina) and Eduardo Lopez Blair Emerson Shepley, child of Ellen (Bauer) and Mark Shepley, Jr.

PRESIDERS/DEACONS

William Sullivan

Only parishioners with confirmed online reservations may come to these Masses in Church or the parking lot. The 5:00 Saturday and 9:00 a.m. Sunday Masses are livestreamed and available to view at:

www.stjoseph-libertyville.org/live.

Saturday, October 3

5:00 p.m. Church Fr. Luboyera
Deacon Coughlin

Sunday, October 4

7:15 a.m. Drive-in Fr. Ortiz

Deacon Hooper

9:00 a.m. Fr. Kartje

10:45 a.m. Church Fr. Luboyera

Deacon Mudd

10:45 a.m. Drive-in Fr. Ortiz

Deacon Hooper

5:00 p.m. Fr. Trout

Deacon Coughlin

4:00 p.m. Sunday, October 4: Blessing of the Animals in honor of St. Francis of Assisi. Please meet in Sunrise Rotary Park outside of church.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & SERVICE





Local Catholics gathered at the Libertyville Police Department last Saturday for a Rosary Rally to support the work of police officers and ask their patron, St. Michael, to protect them. It was a meaningful gathering on a beautiful day.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & SERVICE-



Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

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LIVE THE GOSPEL OF LIFE Respect Life Month Statement, October 2020

Most Reverend Joseph F. Naumann Chairman, USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities

As Catholics in the United States, we will soon mark our annual observance of October as Respect Life Month. It is a time to focus on God's precious gift of human life and our responsibility to care for, protect, and defend the lives of our brothers and sisters.

This year's theme, "Live the Gospel of Life," was inspired by the commemoration of the 25th anniversary of Pope John Paul II's encyclical The Gospel of Life. Pope John Paul's masterfully articulated defense of the right to life for children in their mothers' wombs, the elderly, persons with disabilities, and the marginalized is more relevant today than ever before.

This past November, the U.S. bishops reaffirmed that "the threat of abortion remains our preeminent priority because it directly attacks life itself, because it takes place within the sanctuary of the family, and because of the number of lives destroyed." While we noted not to "dismiss or ignore other serious threats to human life and dignity such as racism, the environmental crisis, poverty, and the death penalty," we renewed our commitment to protect the most fundamental of all human rights – the right to live.

This past January, I shared with Pope Francis that the Bishops of the United States had been criticized by some for identifying the protection of the unborn as a pre-eminent priority. The Holy Father expressed his support for our efforts observing that if we fail to protect life, no other rights matter. Pope Francis also said that abortion is not primarily a Catholic or even a religious issue, it is first and foremost a human rights issue.

The Gospel of Life provides a blueprint for building a culture of life and civilization of love. The important work of transforming our culture begins by allowing the Gospel of Christ to touch and transform our own hearts and the decisions we make. May we strive to imitate Christ and follow in his footsteps, caring for the most vulnerable among us. Through the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, may Our Lord grant us the grace to live courageously and faithfully his Gospel of life.

SOCIAL JUSTICE & SERVICE

LIFE CHAIN 2020 TODAY: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4

Once again, the **Annual Life Chain** will take place across America in thousands of communities. The public will have the opportunity to pray for an end to abortion, euthanasia and infanticide in a quiet, meditative way. Our hope is to one day have a world where all life is accepted and cherished as God's gift to us. Signs and rosaries will be available. We will meet in front of the St. Joseph Formation Center and begin at 2:00 p.m. and end at 3:00 p.m. Families are welcome. Bring a lawn chair if unable to stand for the hour. Information: Carol Walsh, 847-542-3768.



40 DAYS FOR LIFE PRAYER

Aid for Women in Gurnee invites parishioners to join in prayer for 40 Days for Life. The prayer is a vigil for all those that cannot be heard, the unborn. The 40 Days for Life began September 23 and ends November 1. Pray at home, or in-person opposite the Planned Parenthood clinic at 1601 N. Lewis Avenue in Waukegan daily from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. For more information, call Carol Walsh at 847-542-3768. Scan QRC to sign up.

Annual Baby Shower for Aid for Women of Northern Lake County, October 4-11



Pandemics will not deter the people of St. Joseph Parish this year. You will not see the paper cutouts of little feet and teddy bears on the walls of the church or plastic baby bottles for coins and currency in bassinets during Respect Life Month. This is the year of the **Drive-by Baby Shower.** During the week of October 4-11, the Food Pantry donation boxes on Maple Avenue will be turned into gigantic baby bins to accept drive-up donations of diapers, pull-ups, wipes and powdered formula for our Annual Baby Shower for Aid for Women of Northern Lake County in Gurnee. If shopping is a problem, donations of gift cards or checks made payable to

Aid for Women of NLC would be a wonderful alternative to drop in the parish office mail slot. Aid for Women has been open during the entire pandemic, but we have serviced our clients only outside of our building. Thank you for all the help you have given our ministry in the past.

For Life, - Carol Walsh, walsh.carolann@gmail.com or 847-542-3768.

PLEASE HELP FEED OUR NEIGHBORS



Thank you again for being the hands and feet of Jesus here on earth with your generous donations to stock our food pantry. Please remember that **non-perishable foods** may be placed in the donation boxes provided at the Maple Avenue front doors of the church every day of the week. For **perishable items**, please

drop them off at the food pantry in the strip mall south of church only during its open hours on **Monday and Thursday**, **11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and Wednesday and Friday**, **4:00-6:00 p.m.** The food pantry continues to serve unprecedented numbers of families during this pandemic. Thank you for your help.

GREEN TIP

Excerpts from Pope Francis' Encyclical Laudato Sí



The Church doesn't mean to stifle honest scientific debate.

On many concrete questions, the Church has no reason to offer a definitive opinion; she knows that hon-

est debate must be encouraged among experts, while respecting divergent views. (61)

Here I would state once more that the Church does not presume to settle scientific questions or to replace politics. But I am concerned to encourage an honest and open debate so that particular interests or ideologies will not prejudice the common good. (188)







GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

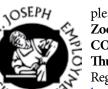
Members of the St. Joseph community came together to clean and restore the burial ground for the former county poor farm behind Winchester House. Grass and weeds were 5-feet high and covered the bronze memorial plaque. After mowing numerous times, weed whacking, pruning trees, cutting back bushes, restoring fallen bricks, the names of the 21 men and women buried in their final resting place can now clearly be seen. We are proud of our St. Joseph community!

SOCIAL JUSTICE & SERVICE-

St. Joseph Employment Ministry: Zoom Meeting on October 15

Workers continue to face drastic changes in their work and personal lives due to the ongoing pandemic and quarantine orders. The good news is that employees (and some contractors) have legal rights to benefits and accommodations. Be sure to join us Thursday, October 15, as Lori Goldstein, Employment Attorney, presents Carefully Transitioning Back—COVID & the Work-

place. Lori will share her expertise on workplace rights and issues, especially as relates to COVID-19. These include Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA medical and family leave) and other leave entitlements, unemployment benefits, and wage/hour and health safety protections. Individuals are also covered by anti-discrimination, harassment and retaliation laws based on age, disability and other legally-mandated reasons, and they enjoy accommodations relating to disability. Please join us for a review of these timely topics, and come with your questions! Our sessions are free, and all are welcome—



please preregister at the Zoom link below: Zoom meeting: Carefully Transitioning Back—

COVID & the Workplace

Thursday, October 15, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Central Time

Register in advance for this meeting:

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After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

The St. Joseph Employment Ministry assists the unemployed and under-employed in the pursuit of fulfilling employment opportunities. Anyone with an interest in assisting job-seekers is also invited to attend. Zoom meetings are usually held on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month and feature topical presentations. If you have questions, contact John Jennings at ifjennings@comcast.net. Employers are invited to post open positions by sending an email to John.

ACCOUNTABILITY-

EMAIL SECURITY ALERT

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Electronic Giving	\$12,232	\$178,943	\$20,411	\$170,518	\$(8,179)	\$8,425				
Total Collection	\$28,003	\$398,016	\$38,935	\$442,327	\$(10,933)	\$(44,311)				
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Difference	\$(14,227)	\$(108,744)								

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- 2. Invite Response. Invite individuals to respond to a word, phrase or passage that strikes them in some way.
- 3. Praise God. After a period of response, close by leading the group in praise of God by praying together the Glory Be.

NEXT SUNDAY'S GOSPEL — Matthew 22:1-14

Leader: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

Jesus again in reply spoke to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son. He dispatched his servants to summon the invited guests to the feast, but they refused to come. A second time he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those invited: "Behold, I have prepared my banquet, my calves and fattened cattle are killed, and everything is ready; come to the feast." Some ignored the invitation and went away, one to his farm, another to his business. The rest laid hold of his servants, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged and sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city.

"Then he said to his servants, 'The feast is ready, but those

Response: Glory to You, O Lord

who were invited were not worthy to come. Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find.' The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to meet the guests, he saw a man there not dressed in a wedding garment. The king said to him, 'My friend, how is it that you came in here without a wedding garment?' But he was reduced to silence. Then the king said to his attendants, 'Bind his hands and feet, and cast him into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.' Many are invited, but few are chosen."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

REFLECTION For the past several weeks Jesus has been trying to help the Pharisees (and us) understand two significant points: the Father wishes nothing but abundant joy for us in the Heavenly Kingdom; and the pathway to that life is far different than the world's ways. In next week's Gospel, Jesus tries to teach this message again, this time using one of His favorite images, the wedding feast. In Jesus' time, a wedding feast often lasted 7 days (considered the perfect number) and could involve the entire community. It was the ultimate in joyful celebrations. To understand the parable, it might be helpful to know that the host also provided each guest a garment that they were supposed to wear to the banquet. So while a modern audience might feel badly for the poor guest who was thrown out, the parable is meant to convey that the guest was only willing to accept the invitation on his terms and not on the generous terms of the host. He was called to put on the 'uniform' of the guest in order to be admitted to the feast much as we are called to wear the armor of faith in Christ when we seek to enter the Heavenly Kingdom. Also, the invitation to wedding guests did not usually provide the exact time when the celebrations would begin, so perhaps the guest had not cared for the garment or it could not be located when it was time for the banquet to begin. We are called to care for the gift of faith conferred on us through Baptism and care for it continuously throughout our lives in order to keep us closely identified with the groom, Jesus.

While what we wear to the banquet may seem insignificant, it can be meaningful. It signals our honor and respect for the One who invites us. When we approach the altar on Sunday we seek to present ourselves as our finest self as we seek to be accepted into the intimacy God desires for each of us. God generously invites us all to the 'Heavenly banquet'. He has offered us as clothing the free gift of faith. He asks only that when it comes time for us to join Him in the Heavenly feast that we come wrapped in that gift so that we might be admitted to the feast with the appropriate joy and gratitude.

For additional reflection on the Kingdom of God, see *The Catechism of the Catholic Church*, paragraphs 543-546. **REFLECTION QUESTIONS** 1. If my faith life is the wedding garment I need to live in the Kingdom of God, how ready am I? What do I need to do to give greater care to the state of my soul? What maintenance plan can I put into practice to protect my faith and grow more deeply in love with the Lord?

- 2. The celebration of the Eucharist parallels the wedding feast in the Gospel parable. Do I present my finest self to Jesus each time I approach the Blessed Sacrament? How can I better 'dress myself up' to attend the Sacred Feast of the Holy Mass?
- 3. If our faith is the garment God expects us to put on, what does it look like when I am wearing it in my daily life? In my home? In the community? To the poor?

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c; Lk 10:25-37 Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos

Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15; Lk 10:38-42 St. Bruno; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher

Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4 Our Lady of the Rosary

Thursday: Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-6; Lk 11:15-26 St. Denis and Companions; St. John Leonardi

Saturday: Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 11:27-28

Sunday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 [1-10]