



# CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

GRAND BLANC, MICHIGAN

OCTOBER 22, 2023

29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

GIVE  
THE LORD  
GLORY  
AND HONOR.

A scenic view of Mount Fuji with autumn foliage in the foreground and a boat on the water in the background. The text is overlaid in white, bold, sans-serif font.

PSALM 96

# 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 22, 2023

## Entrance Hymn

Holy God, We Praise Thy Name #615

## Responsorial Psalm #1176

Psalm 96: Give the Lord glory and honor.

## Communion Hymns

Psalm 89: For Ever I Will Sing #64

I Have Loved You #588

How Great Thou Art #578

## Closing Hymn

Glory and Praise to Our God #606

## Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord. You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, In the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,  
the Father Almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
He descended into hell;  
on the third day He rose again from the dead;  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Holy Catholic Church,  
the communion of Saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting.  
Amen.

## Readings

#1176

First Reading:  
Isaiah 45:1, 4-6

Second Reading:  
1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b

Gospel:  
Matthew 22:15-21



## St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

# A C U P O F J O E

Greetings in Christ, all! This weekend we hear about Jesus and the Census Tax. The Census tax was a flat tax levied once a year on all Non-Roman Citizens within the Roman Empire. You had to pay it with a specific type of coin, a coin that had the image of the current Emperor (although they didn't call them emperor, we do) and some sort of inscription. Here is an image of the specific coin Jesus would likely have been holding when the story occurred:



For example, the inscription on the denarius (left) in the Smithsonian collection reads, "Ti Caesar Divi Avg F Avgvstvs" or "Caesar Augustus Tiberius, son of the Divine Augustus" and it features the portrait of Emperor Tiberius, who ruled between AD 14 to 37.



As you can imagine, Jews did not like these coins for three reasons: one, they were paying their oppressors. Two, it broke their understanding of the commandment forbidding graven images. Three, it indicates that the Emperor was divine. I thought you might find this interesting.

This week, Tuesday is the anniversary of my Mother's death. I think she would be so happy that we are together here at Holy Family and St. Mark. She always wanted me to be happy and surrounded by good people and I sure am. Thank you for that. I'm such a blessed man to love God with you.

My audiologist is a couple hours away and I have an appointment with her on Thursday, so I after I pray our 8 am here I will spend some time at St Mark, do a teaching, then head to the audiologist appointment and end the day with a visit and talk at St. Anthony of Padua in Grand Rapids.

Beyond that, it's another normal crazy busy blessed week here at Holy Family. Thank you all for letting me be your priest. I'm so grateful for you.

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## JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL *Holiday* **SHOP & SIP!**

*When:*

**Thursday, November 9<sup>th</sup>  
5:00pm-8:30pm**

*Where:*

**Father Bush Parish Center  
110 Bush St, Grand Blanc, MI 48439**

A fun evening of drinks & shopping with local vendors including clothing, gifts, desserts, and much, much more! Contact: [pto@hfsgb.org](mailto:pto@hfsgb.org)

*You will not want to miss this fun Night Out!*

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## Trivia Night

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2023**

<p><b>\$20 PER PLAYER</b> includes game play, white board side games, and dinner</p> <p>Cash Bar Must be 21 to play</p>	<p>Doors open: 6 p.m. Game begins: 6:30 p.m. Fr. Bush Parish Center</p> <p>Register your team of six - eight persons at <a href="http://hfgb.org">hfgb.org</a>.</p>
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# STEWARDSHIP & WORSHIP

## Solemnity of All Saints | Holy Day of Obligation

**Mass Schedule**  
**Wednesday, November 1st -**  
8 a.m. (with school) and 6 p.m.

*Liturgical Ministers: If you would like to volunteer your service for the 6 p.m. Mass, please contact Genevieve Psenski at 810-694-4891 or [gpsenski@hfgb.org](mailto:gpsenski@hfgb.org).*

## Mass of Remembrance | All Souls' Day Thursday, November 2nd

Please join us for a Remembrance Mass on All Souls' Day, **Thursday, November 2**, at 6 PM in memory of all deceased parishioners since November 2022 and all of our faithful departed. A banner listing the names of our deceased for the past year will be displayed in the church throughout the month of November.

If you'd like your loved one's name read during this Mass (only those who have passed in the last year), please submit their name to Nancy Repuyan, Ministry of the Ill and Bereaved, by email to [nrepuyan@hfgb.org](mailto:nrepuyan@hfgb.org). Please include pronunciation, if necessary.

Please rsvp to Nancy if you plan to attend Mass so we can get an idea for candles needed for participants to place near the altar in memory of their loved one.

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## World Mission Sunday (Propagation of the Faith)

Annually, World Mission Sunday is celebrated on the next-to-last Sunday in October (this weekend). Your ongoing support is vital to the missionaries serving in 1,150 dioceses throughout the world. Your generosity makes it possible for priests, religious, and catechists to reach out to communities, families and children in desperate need, bring the light of Christ to the darkest of circumstances. An envelope may be found in your packet or you may choose to give online.



We are so excited to once again offer Advent by Candlelight, an evening for women with prayer, song, food, and fun. This special time is a wonderful way to prepare our hearts and homes to celebrate the coming of Jesus.

This year Advent by Candlelight will be held on **Thursday, November 30**, beginning in the church at 6:30 pm (church doors will open at 6 pm). This is for women who are at least 21 years old.

All women of the parish attending the event are also invited to hostess a table. Hostesses set their tables in the Fr. Bush Parish Center, provide finger foods for their guests, and visit for more than an hour after the service in the church. To reserve and hostess a table of eight, please register at [hfgb.org](http://hfgb.org). Anyone who would like to come but cannot hostess a table may call the parish office, and we will find a table placement for you. For more information on hosting, please go to [hfgb.org](http://hfgb.org).

## Stewardship of Treasure October 14th & 15th, 2023

Registered families		1938
Envelopes received this week		131
Mail-in givers this week		29
Online givers this week		185
Amount offered from envelopes	\$	7,533.00
Amount offered from mail	\$	3,097.50
Amount offered from online giving	\$	11,866.00
Amount offered from visitors	\$	954.27
<b>Total weekly offerings</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>23,450.77</b>

# WHAT'S HAPPENING HERE

## 55 & Over Club

Wouldn't it be nice to see pumpkin-sized smiles on humans? We'll show you ours and you can show us yours if you join **us Tuesday, October 24**, for our potluck Halloween party at 11 am in the parish center. Halloween attire optional.



Welcome to our newest members who joined us through the Sacrament of Baptism.



Baptized on October 15, 2023

**Evelyn Rose Dent**, daughter of Anthony and Theresa Dent

**Harleigh Ann Burgess**, daughter of Lawrence Billiter and Chelsea Carroll

**Hendrix Silas Burgess**, son of Lawrence Billiter and Chelsea Carroll

## Catholic 101

October 29, 2023  
This week's topic:

### Last Four Things

Whether you are already Catholic or becoming Catholic, ALL are welcome! Topics of discussion will be updated weekly. Please join us anytime!

Dcn. Dan Medich  
dmedich@hfgb.org

Sundays | 11:30 am - 1 pm  
St. Joseph Center

## Baby Bottles for Life

The Knights of Columbus thank those who picked up Baby Bottles to support Life. Please fill those bottles with your loose change and return them to the collection box in the Church Gathering Area any weekend starting October 21 and ending **November 19, 2023**.



Please note: Paper currency or a check made payable to the **Knights of Columbus Council 6742 with 'Baby Bottle Drive'** in the memo section would also be acceptable in filling the bottles.

Thanks again for supporting Baby Bottles for Life.

## Catholic 101a

October 24, 2023  
This week's topic:

### Rescue Project: What difference does it make?

For those who are looking to go beyond the basics of our Catholic faith. Topics of discussion will be updated weekly. Please join us anytime!

Dcn. Dan Medich  
dmedich@hfgb.org

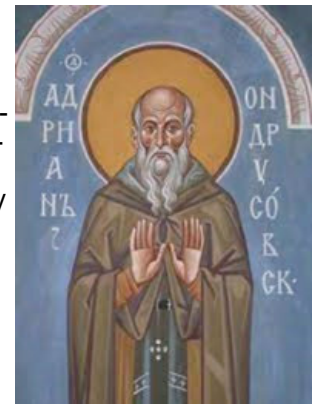
Tuesdays | 6 pm - 7:15 pm  
St. Joseph Center

## Our Catholic Heritage

by Earl Hagen

### 109th Pope - Adrian III

Born in Rome, he was elected pope on May 17, 884. He established that imperial confirmation was unnecessary to consecrate the Pope. He worked to help the people of Italy in a very troubled time of famine and war. Having been invited by Charles the Gross to visit France to participate in the diet of worms, he died July, 885, during the journey at San Cesario and was buried in the Abbey of Nonantola near Modena. Historians today believe that he died of quinsy, which is a type of tonsil infection.



## Catholic 201

October 29, 2023  
This week's topic:

### Who Am I to Judge? Session 3: Real Freedom, Real Love

For those who are looking to go beyond the basics of our Catholic faith. Topics of discussion will be updated weekly. Please join us anytime!

Dcn. Dan Medich  
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Sundays | 11:30 am - 1 pm  
St. Joseph Center

# HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL

## HFS Upcoming Events & News

### HFS FALL PEP RALLY

A Pep Rally? On a MONDAY!? You bet! It's always a great time to celebrate our PANTHERS! Congratulations to all of our PANTHERS from our fall sports teams, Drama Club and Robotics! Our PANTHERS are on fire!!



### 2nd Grade prepares for First Reconciliation

Our HFS 2nd Grade is preparing to receive their First Reconciliation by learning the Act of Contrition. All students who have completed learning this prayer receive a cross for their accomplishment.



Students pictured were the first 6 from each homeroom to complete their prayer.

### The Papal Flag Flies at HFS

Thanks to the Harris Family, we are now flying the Papal Flag under the Stars & Stripes! The flag consists of two vertical bands, one of gold or yellow (hoist side) and one of white with the crossed keys of Saint Peter and the Papal Tiara centered in the white band. The crossed keys consist of a golden and a silver key, in which the silver key is placed in the dexter position. This is the official emblem of the independent state of Vatican City.



Our PTO HFS *Trick or Treat Trail* is October 31. If you would like to help make this event a success for our students, please donate bags of candy in our lobby.



*These unique gifts & wrapping paper are in high demand!  
We have extended our shopping deadline! New Deadline October 27.*

*Please support our 8th Grade Washington D.C. Trip!*

### 2 Easy Steps

#1 Share  
Share our QR Code or Organization Link to the sale. Organization ID: 25023  
<https://registercw.com/gateway?organizationMidasid=25023>  
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#2 SHOP!  
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or [lharvey@hfsgb.org](mailto:lharvey@hfsgb.org)  
[www.hfsgb.org](http://www.hfsgb.org)



# — Relics at Holy Family —

Feast Day | October 28

 St. Jude, Apostle

St. Jude, known as Thaddaeus, was a brother of St. James the Lesser. He was one of the 12 Apostles of Jesus. He is pictured in many ways: sometimes with a club (he was beaten to death), other times with a flame about him (he was at Pentecost). Sometimes you'll see him with a book (He wrote the Book of Jude in the New Testament), other times with a tool or holding a picture of Jesus. St. Jude was a son of Clopas and his mother was the Virgin Mary's cousin. Jude traveled extensively preaching the Gospel all over. He is believed to have been martyred either in Armenia or Beirut. Following his death, St. Jude's body was brought to Rome and left in a crypt in St. Peter's Basilica. Today you can find him in the left transept of St. Peter's Basilica under the main altar of St. Joseph. He shares the tomb with the apostle Simon the Zealot. Many people came to St. Jude's grave to pray and reported powerful miracles as a result. This led to him receiving the title, "The Saint for the Hopeless and Despaired." Two Saints, St. Bridget of Sweden and St. Bernard, had visions from God asking them to accept St. Jude as "The Patron Saint of the Impossible."

*Pray...*

*"O most holy apostle, Saint Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the Church honors and invokes you universally as the patron of hopeless cases, and of things almost despaired of. Pray for me, who am so miserable. Make use, I implore you, of that particular privilege accorded to you, to bring visible and speedy help where help was almost despaired of. Come to my assistance in this great need, that I may receive the consolation and succor of Heaven in all my necessities, tribulations, and sufferings, particularly (here make your request) and that I may praise God with you and all the elect throughout eternity." Amen.*



*Patron Saint of...*

desperate causes, desperate situations,  
& lost causes

## Mass Intentions October 23 - 29

### Monday, October 23

8:00 AM David J. Emery by Diane Emery and family

### Tuesday, October 24

8:00 AM Martha Krupp by Fr. Joe Krupp

### Wednesday, October 25

8:00 AM Joseph Arnes by Ed and Mary Chalut

6:00 PM Gay Gelisse by Bob and Donna Turmell

### Thursday, October 26

8:00 AM Robert and Mary McGuinity by Larry J. Lee  
Family

### Friday, October 27

8:00 AM Raymond and Helen Tabit by Richard Jobbagy

### Saturday, October 28

8:00 AM Susan VanderKoooy by HFS Retired Teachers

4:00 PM Otto Wendt by Wendt Family

### Sunday, October 29

8:00 AM All Holy Family Parishioners

10:00 AM Thomas Wanbaugh by Wanbaugh Family

12:00 PM Roger Repuyan by Nancy Repuyan

### Masses in Fiji on behalf of Holy Family:

Sr. Sharon Hektor (Living) by Janice Hennen

Fr. Joseph J. Krupp (Living) by the LeBlanc Family

Fr. Leronio Vodivodi (Living) by the LeBlanc Family

To schedule Mass intentions, please email Theresa Dyer at [tdyer@hfgb.org](mailto:tdyer@hfgb.org) or call 810-694-4891, ext. 2211, or stop in the parish office 9 a.m. - noon or 1 - 4 p.m. M-Th.

## Liturgical Ministry - October 28/29

### 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

(schedule may not reflect recent changes)

4:00 PM Saturday - Fr. Joe Krupp

**Lectors:** David Caldwell, Darlene McKone

**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:**

Rick Rybicki Kathy Stewart

**Altar Servers:**

Tony Bonifazi Mitchell Grondin Liam Verdun

8:00 AM Sunday - Fr. Leronio Vodivodi

**Lectors:** Dan Charboneau, Lori Charboneau

**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:**

Andrea Raysin Adam Raysin

**Altar Servers:**

Jimmy Dowling Gavin Raysin (Need help - 1)

10:00 AM Sunday - Fr. Joseph Krupp

**Lectors:** Kathy Maiuri, Deb Hawley

**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:**

Peter Lindgren (need help)

**Altar Servers:**

William Shaver Logan Sliwka Everett Teem

12:00 PM Sunday - Fr. Leronio Vodivodi

**Lectors:** Scott Heron, Thomas Hasselbach

**Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist:**

Desiree Londrigan Paul Londrigan

**Altar Servers:**

Owen Cameron Will Urbanik (Need help - 1)

## Weekly Readings October 22 - 29

**Sunday:** Is 45:1, 4-6/Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10 (7b)/1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21

**Monday:** Rom 4:20-25/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Lk 12:13-21

**Tuesday:** Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/Lk 12:35-38

**Wednesday:** Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/Lk 12:39-48

**Thursday:** Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 12:49-53

**Friday:** Rom 7:18-25a/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94/Lk 12:54-59

**Saturday:** Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 6:12-16

**Next Sunday:** Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 (2)/1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40

### “October for Others”

Our cupboards are pretty bare at times during the month. We have expanded our “Others First” Sunday to every Sunday in the month of October. We depend on your generosity to stock our St. Joseph Pantry. Please remember the needy as you shop this month.

Bring nonperishable items to Mass next weekend as usual and, if you can, please help each Sunday in October. Thanks!

We don't need egg cartons at this time. No empty plastic bottles/jugs either, please. There is a special need at this time for **warm winter gloves, toothpaste (full-size), razors, shaving cream, deodorant (men's and women's), hair conditioner, laundry detergent, Kleenex, and toilet paper.**



## Women's Divine Mercy Cenacle

Please join us to study Divine Mercy and The Diary of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 10:00 - 11:30 am in the St. Joseph Center. Our next meeting will be **Wednesday, October 25th**, at 10:00 am.

Questions? Contact Terrie Alfaro 810-820-1992



# WHAT'S HAPPENING HERE

## DBSA Peer-led Support Group

*(Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance)*

Join a community of caring and supportive people who can help you on your road to recovery. The support group meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. in the St. Joseph Center. For more information, call Angela at (810) 347-4706.



by Matthew Kelly

### Prologue

In a few short years the monastery had been transformed from the brink of collapse and was thriving like never before. A village sprung up around the monastery, and the monastery became the center of life for the people of the village. The monks loved the people, the people loved the monks, and they all lived together in harmony and happiness. One Saturday afternoon the old Abbot was sitting on a bench in the courtyard looking gratefully toward the mountains, when a woman approached. Sitting down next to him she asked, "What happened here?" The old monk beamed his warm, knowing smile and asked, "What do you mean?" "This place has been completely transformed," the woman explained. "No," the Abbot disagreed gently, "the place is exactly the same. It's the monks who have changed." "How did it happen?" she asked. "We started living as if the Messiah were among us," the Abbot replied.



*(To be continued next week)*

Kelly, M. (2022). *Holy Moments. A Handbook for the Rest of Your Life. Blue Sparrow Pg. 11*

## Noon Mass Ushers

Ushering is a unique way to minister to others! We are in need of ushers for noon Mass. We welcome everyone aged 14 and up to be part of this ministry! If you are interested, please contact Genevieve Psenski at [gpsenski@hfgb.org](mailto:gpsenski@hfgb.org) or (810) 694-4891, ext. 2252.

## Eucharistic Adoration "Adorers" Needed

Every Tuesday and Friday, we expose the Blessed Sacrament for time of Eucharistic Adoration. This is a wonderful time for private prayer and personal communion with the Lord.

It is necessary that, when the Lord is exposed on the altar during adoration, individuals are present for prayer and adoration, either communally or individually. We lovingly refer to those volunteers who dedicate this time to our Lord, as Adorers. We invite and welcome all to come and spend time with the Lord, but we need some to commit to a time so we know our Lord is not left alone.

If you would like to volunteer for this wonderful ministry, please contact the parish office at (810) 694-4891 or Genevieve Psenski at [gpsenski@hfgb.org](mailto:gpsenski@hfgb.org). This will be the best hour of your day. Let Him transform you.

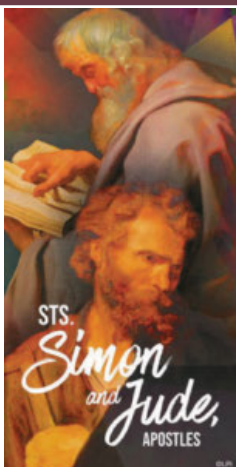
## Arts and Environment

Holy Family Arts and Environment are in need of volunteers for one hour each week to help with altar arrangements and to keep our gardens on campus beautiful. If interested, please contact Genevieve Psenski at [gpsenski@hfgb.org](mailto:gpsenski@hfgb.org) or (810) 694-4891.

## Saint

### October 28: Sts. Simon and Jude

The name of St. Simon usually appears eleventh in the list of the apostles. Nothing is known of him except that he was born at Cana and is surnamed "the Zealot." Saint Jude, also called Thaddeus, was the apostle who asked the Lord at the Last Supper why he had manifested himself only to his disciples and not to the whole world. (Jn 14:22)



## Meals for Moms

Expecting a baby? The women of Holy Family would love to welcome your little one by bringing a few meals to your family after the baby is born.



Contact Elizabeth at 810-265-4189 or Vicky at 715-927-1970 or [hfgbmealsformoms@gmail.com](mailto:hfgbmealsformoms@gmail.com) to make arrangements or to volunteer. **We are looking for a few more people who would be willing to take a meal to a new mom occasionally for this ministry.**

# PARISH PRAYERS & MORE

## Cenacle of Divine Mercy of St. Mary Cathedral

Excerpts from *God in the Diary of Saint Sister Maria Faustina (Diary, 1464)*



"You will not be in good health. Do not put off the Sacrament of Penance, because this displeases Me. Pay little attention to the murmurs of those around you."

## *In Loving Memory*

Please pray for the following Holy Family parishioners who died on these dates:

### October 22

Ted Piotraczk, Norma Dotson, Lewis Mann, Cathryn A. Bury, Marge Weldon

### October 23

Alicia Yahr, John Balconi, Michael Mitchell, Charles Duby, Margaret "Peg" Stewart, Emily Metric-Stadler, Robert A. Hard, David Emery, Joyce Frey

### October 24

Naomi Bailey, Janice M. Quillen, Annie McCarthy, Pauline McKenna, Patricia Stanislawski, Samuel Smiley

### October 25

Margaret Bender, Margaret Gibson, Lorraine Welling, Ruth Atherholt, Helen Tabit, Ann Marguerite "Margie" Smith, Connie Lesley

### October 26

Donn Lissner, Loretta Bahorski, Edwin Kehoe, Lorraine Chaney, Maureen Burt, Joan Powell, Wilma McKenzie

### October 27

Gerald W. Jacob, Alex Pallagi

### October 28

Patricia Strebig, Joseph Grantner, Ocie Seery, Harry C. McVey, Lorraine Munger

## Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for October

*For the Synod* - We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

## Marriage Banns

Kayelin Rose Mazur and Shane Gregory Higdon

October 28, 2023

## Altar Flowers

### For October

#### In Memory of

Jim Dye, Haley Race and Cy Wade  
*by Dee Dye and Stephanie Race*

Greg Gildner *by Janet Gildner*

Tim and Peg Halligan *by Tom Halligan*

Marie Claudia King  
*by Brian & Connie Fishtahler and Peter & Diane Schmidt*

Sophia Rosella Terhlen *by Nancy Lewis*

#### In Honor of

Tom and Colleen Argus  
50th Wedding Anniversary / October 6, 1973

Al and Marianne Gaulin  
65th Wedding Anniversary / October 25, 1958

Past, Present and Future Students & Staff  
of Holy Family School  
*by Janet Gildner*

## Please Pray for the Ill and Their Caregivers



Please remember in prayer those listed in the October 1 bulletin and those listed in the Parish Book of Intercessions (in the Gathering Space). Newly added: William R. Hartley.

# HERE AND THERE

## Gospel Meditation

*Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture*

With little more than a year until the United States' national elections, I find myself feeling, like many Catholics, both dread and energized. Dread, because our democratic republic can be a messy endeavor and campaigns a long, nasty, and unedifying slog; energized, because hope for positive societal change can be enticing and engaging. As a pastor, I see similar conflicting attitudes in those whom I serve. How can Catholics best engage our political arena in a way which is truly helpful and worthwhile?

This week's gospel reading offers wisdom in this regard. Jesus says, "Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." This riddle forces us to answer for ourselves a hidden question: what is the relationship between political and divine authority? Two common but false answers lead to mischief. If we answer that the two are equivalent, politics becomes our absolute authority. This happens whenever religion is slave to the state, as in the travesty of the pro-Nazi German Christian movement in the 1930s and 40s. It also usually occurs when there is an official state religion. If we answer that the two are totally unrelated, we end up with an unchecked aggressive secularist state as we often experience now. Thus, religion becomes a weak and private pastime.

What's a better alternative? At our best, Christians hold that political authority does indeed have its own legitimate autonomy but is nested within God's all-encompassing authority. Think, for example, of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s respect for politics while also being able to criticize unjust human laws because he recognized a higher heavenly law. In other words, Caesar owns politics — and God owns Caesar. So, we should allow Jesus' words to lead us to have a deep respect and willingness to peacefully engage in politics without making that engagement our religion. We bring our faith to bear on our politics knowing confidently that Caesar isn't God — but he is indeed God's.

— *Father John Muir*

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## Rosary for Peace

Everyone is welcome to join us in praying the rosary for peace in the world, which Our Lady of Fatima requested. Our special intentions include our children who are away from the church. We meet in church **every Wednesday at 4 p.m.** For more information, please call Paula Wanbaugh 810-394-3224.



## If You Knew the Gift of God

Liturgical Formation for Eucharistic Revival

*"If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." -John 4:10*

Receiving the Gift of God requires an apprenticeship in the signs and symbols, words and actions, of how God works in the liturgy of His Church. As we learn to speak the language God speaks in the liturgy we become all the more able to help others ask for and receive the living water Jesus gives for the life of the world (John 6:51).

*"Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did."*  
-John 4:29

Join Bishop Boyea and an array of renowned national speakers for a day of liturgical formation that will take place on **Saturday, November 4th**, at St. Patrick's in Brighton. Comprised of liturgies, talks, and workshops, the day will enhance your ministry as priests, deacons, catechists, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, readers, music ministers, ushers, people who work in "sacred art and environment," sacristans, and any others who serve to make our liturgies reverent, worshipful, and worthy for the Lord.

The cost of the event will be \$20/person.

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The bus will depart at 7:45 AM from the Catholic Community of St. Jude (801 N. Bridge St.) in DeWitt, and return late afternoon. Please be early to board the bus prior to 7:45 AM. Space is limited. Payment is to be submitted with your registration form. Registration fee: \$80/person (includes boxed lunch). [www.stfrancis.ws/pilgrimage](http://www.stfrancis.ws/pilgrimage)



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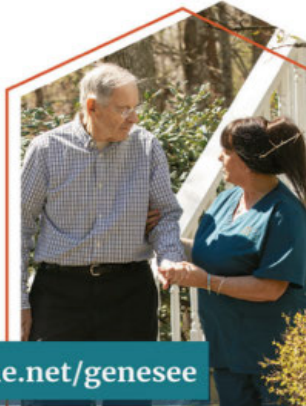
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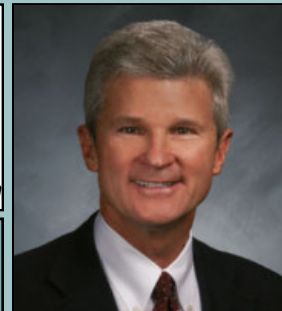
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