

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 10, 2021

Priceless: Once upon a time, a saint was laboring at a thankless, distasteful job among a seemingly ungrateful people. A passerby felt free to comment, "You couldn't pay me enough to do this work." The saint looked up, smiled briefly, and said, "Me, neither." Then the saint returned to the work at hand.

There are stories and illustrations that show a person attempting to enter heaven while holding onto something that remains yet on earth. It might be another person, a handful of soil, or bags of money. Is there something you hold onto so dearly that it prevents you from sharing with those who are poor? Our first thought is often money, but maybe you've given a great deal to charity. Usually we visualize "the poor" as people who are hungry; but is there someone, maybe in your own home, who is starving for your attention? What holds you back or gets in the way of your giving? Look for an opportunity this week to trust God and share the true riches you are offered.

1. Whom do you know, or know about, who has a great deal of wisdom? How do you see them live the words of Scripture read today?
2. Is it possible for people who are wealthy to inherit eternal life? Why or why not?

PARISH NEWS

Saturday Mass: October masses will be held at St. Joseph's.

(SJP & SMP) Parish website: stjoseph-stmichaelparishes.org

Office: Contact the office at St. Joseph with any questions or concerns you may have from either Parish. 814-226-7288. Thank you!

Hall rental for St. Joseph's: If you would like to rent the hall, you will now need to contact the church office.

Funerals: If there is a funeral scheduled on a day that there is daily mass, Father Mike will still have the regular daily mass.

Rosary: The Holy Rosary is the storehouse of countless blessings. Blessed Alan de la Roche

Our EDGE program is up and running for our youth in grades 6th, 7th and 8th. The committee responsible for preparing the meal for each week would like to request your assistance either through monetary, food or paper products donations. Please consider donating. Please turn in donations to your respective church offices. Also, if you would like to volunteer with the food committee please contact Sheri Spence at 814-227-4752 or by email swolbert@yahoo.com or come to a EDGE meeting from 6-8 PM every Tuesday.

Upcoming EDGE Meals

10/5 - Pasta and spaghetti sauce

10/12 - Grilled cheese or grilled ham and cheese

10/19 - Macaroni and Cheese and hot dogs

God Bless, The EDGE Food Committee

St. Michael's Church needs women, men, knights, and teens who are willing to lend a hand scrubbing the walls on Monday, October 11th at 9 A.M. Primer can then be applied at 6 P.M. and then we can schedule the painting the week of October 25th. Please bring your own scrubbing cloths, brushes, or rollers. The more people that lend a helping hand, the quicker we can finish. Thank you!

PARISH NEWS

Church Office Hours: Monday through Friday 9 am-12pm

Middle School Youth Ministry!! We invite all 6th, 7th, & 8th grade students to Edge Nights EVERY Tuesday from 6-8pm starting Tuesday, September 14th. Edge is a Catholic middle school youth ministry program. It provides a safe fun place for youth to find solid Catholic community, to get answers to their questions about faith, and, most importantly, to experience Jesus in a profound and personal way. The communities of Fryburg, Lucinda, Crown, and Marienville are excited to come together for this effort! Please contact our Religious Education Directors with any questions.

Join us for a Public Square Rosary Rally in front of St. Michael School at noon on October 16th. Any questions, contact Elizabeth Beal (814) 221-4163. Please come pray for America!

St. Michael's Cemetery will soon be prepped for winter. Please remove all artificial flowers, ornaments and stands from gravesites by October 15th.

To my parish family,

Silence.

Our Edge Nights have been going very well. We begin at 6pm. Because we begin in the evening, we adopted a small five-minute routine. That routine is quiet, meditative prayer. We play a song for several minutes. We put away the devices. Some close their eyes, put their head down, and just be still. This prayer brings us back to God after a long day. And believe it or not, the students like it!

This routine is something we all can do in our day. Silence can feel uncomfortable at first, but our souls need it. Please continue to pray for the Edge Nights. We average between 30 and 35 each night! Edge Nights are for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students. We meet at 6pm on Tuesday.

Have a blessed week!

Fr. Mike

Liturgy Schedule October 16th & October 17th

**5:00 p.m.
St. Joseph Church**

Lector: Sue Baumcratz
Euch Min: Cele Schill
Altar Server: Eliza Datko
Ushers: None
Rosary: Mary Banner

**8:00 a.m.
St. Joseph Church**

Lector: Linda Steiner-Mander
Euch Min: Linda Ida
Altar Server: Gwen Griebel
Ushers: None

**10:30 a.m.
St. Michael Church**

Lector: Jack Lauffer
Euch Min: Stan Montana
Altar Server: Mason Hooper
Ushers: None
Rosary: Marie Fletcher

Mass Schedule October 11th - October 17th

Tuesday, October 12th

8:00 a.m. - (SMP) Virginia Groner by Jerri McCauley

Wednesday, October 13th

8:30 a.m. - (SJP) Grace & Charles "Bus" Wolbert by Fran & Dot Allio

Thursday, October 14th

8:00 a.m. - (SMP) Mary Louise Banner by The Parish

Friday, October 15th

8:00 a.m. - (SJP) Miriam "Mim" Steiner by Joe & Linda Ida

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Saturday, October 16th

Confession at St. Joseph, 4:00 p.m.

5:00 p.m. — (SJP) Jim Schill by Dana Baker

Sunday, October 17th

8:00 a.m. — (SJP) Mike O'Neill by The Choir

10:30 a.m. — (SMP) Parish Family

Collection Counters

**SJP: Annette & Robert Wielock, Ken Lander
SMP: Sue & Todd Beichner, Judy Weirich**

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE burning in memory of

**SJP: Alice Schill by Susie
SMP: Mike & Paul Zacherl by Peg**

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

Parish Family, All Special Intentions

Service People on Active Duty

Sluggar Wagner, Steve Phillips, Jayleigh Ochs, Brendan & Terry George, Jim Pfaff, Barb Wigton, Traci Kumer, Chuck Zacherl, Roxanne Miller, Branden Bauer, Doug Smerkar, Janet Friday McVeigh, Eva Schill, Jessie Hoover, Tim Hockman and a special intention
All victims of disasters and violence

If you'd like to add someone, call the office or drop a note in the collection basket.

School News (814) 226-8018

—You can register your children now for the '21-'22 school year.
Call the school for more information. (814) 226-8018.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Special Thanks to all who sacrifice to support St. Joseph's

DATE: October 2nd & October 3rd

Sunday Collection: \$4,732

Loose Collection: \$264

Special Thanks to all who sacrifice to support St. Michael's

DATE: October 2nd & October 3rd

Sunday Collection: \$2,058

Loose Collection: \$65

SJP: St. Joseph assessment to Diocese: \$29,224

Parishioners Pledged: \$40,460

Parishioners Paid to Date: \$36,947

Paid to Diocese of Erie: \$29,224

Paint & Plaster money: \$7,723

SMP: St. Michael assessment to Diocese: \$36,874

Parishioners Pledged: \$41,183

Parishioners Paid to Date: \$39,763

Paid to Diocese of Erie: \$30,000

Roof money: \$2,889

Roof Money to Date: \$487,265.61

Saint Maria Soledad Torres Acosta

DATES: 1826-1887 | FEAST DAY: OCTOBER 11

As a child in Madrid, Spain, Manuela Torres Acosta reportedly was more intent on getting playmates to pray than to play. In 1851, she and six companions were invited by a Servite priest to provide home care to the sick of his parish. Taking the name Maria Soledad to honor Our Lady of Sorrows and overcoming her fear of nursing, she became a founder of the Handmaids of Mary Serving the Sick. As superior for 35 years, she oversaw the congregation's rapid expansion and battled government opposition; she was canonized in 1970. One of her novices said, "Mother Soledad is like an anvil; she is constantly taking a beating."



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SAINT OF THE WEEK

October 10th

Why is it that you think you do not know how to conform yourselves to the divine will? Why do you let yourselves believe that you are nearly deprived of your shepherd just because he is far away in body, although very close in spirit? Come now, my dearest daughters, this is the time to leave behind that kind of spiritual infancy and let your spirits soar into a higher region and breathe purer air there...

I bless God in a heartfelt way that he has made me get to know such a truly good people as yourselves and to preach to you that you are God's vineyard. The cistern is faith; the tower is hope; the winepress is holy charity; the surrounding fence is the law of God that separates you from the people of this age. (To the Ventrella sisters, May 1, 1918)

Padre Pio's Spiritual Direction for Every Day
By Gianluigi Pasquale

Charitable Deeds Information: The food bank schedule is as follows: October 28th, November 9th, and December 16th. If you know anyone in need, they must pre-register by calling 814-797-0286. If you would like to donate money to the food bank, you can send your donation to c/o Dave Rivers, PO Box 414, Knox, PA 16232. Charitable Deeds is open Mondays and Tuesdays from 8:00 am to Noon for people to get help with clothing, furniture, household items, etc. To receive financial aid people must call 814-797-0286 and leave a message. Someone will get back to you. The monthly garage sales are as follows: October 21st, 22nd, 23rd, November 18th, 19th, and 20th, and December 9th, 10th, and 11th. They are looking for beds, couches, tables, chairs, refrigerators, stoves, lift chairs, and electric wheelchairs. If anyone has anything they would like to donate, please call 814-221-9966. They can pick up the items if needed.

The Lucinda Area Fall Sportsman's Raffle will be held at St. Joseph Parish Social Hall on Sunday, October 24th beginning at noon. 40 guns plus \$15,000 in cash prizes will be awarded from noon until 4:00pm. Large and small print raffles and 50/50 raffles will be conducted throughout the afternoon. A meal is available from noon until 3:00pm; no take outs available. You must present your ticket for the meal and side raffles to participate. Tickets are available at local businesses or call Jim Kaltenbach at 319-3309. Volunteers are always welcomed! Thanks in advance. This fundraiser benefits The Antler Club of Lucinda and St. Joseph School.

Oktoberfest 2021 - with a heavy heart, the Oktoberfest committee has decided to cancel the event this year. Many things were taken into consideration when making this decision - increasing numbers of Covid in the area and the health and safety of our volunteers and our guests! Unfortunately, this event cannot be taken outside - we have had more bad weather than good on the night of Oktoberfest in the past. Please keep October 15th, 2022 on your calendars - we plan on being back and in full swing for a much needed night of fun! We look forward to seeing you all in 2022! --- Oktoberfest Committee

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Sunday, October 17, 2021

(Lec. 146)

- I. Isaiah 53:10-11
- II. Hebrews 4:14-16
- III. Mark 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

Liturgy of the Word

Isaiah prophesies the servant who, through his suffering, will justify many.

In the Letter to the Hebrews, Jesus is described as the *great high priest who has passed through the heavens*.

In the Gospel, James and John ask Jesus to allow them to sit at his right hand in his glory.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

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24 Hour Emergency

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Kahle's Kitchens