

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 26, 2021

Authority: There is just no accounting for the enduring existence of people with moral authority. They possess an integrity, sureness, and depth of spirit we cannot help but notice and admire. And we cannot help but follow. For all our planning and organizing, for all our voting for authorized leaders, we count ourselves blessed to have among us people of such moral authority. They are surely a gift from God.

It's easy to say that we are willing to forgo the riches of this lifetime in order to have a share in the Kingdom Jesus offers us. But expressing willingness and actually carrying out the sacrifices required may be two different things. Hardly any of us would say that we don't want to live a Christ-like life, but that life requires sacrifice and discipline. In order to receive God's grace, there are some things we must do. These include celebrating the Eucharist regularly, taking advantage of opportunities available for sacramental reconciliation, and becoming more familiar with God's word. These open the door for us to find Jesus. Are there some other sacraments available to you that will help to respond in openness and creativity to God's word and call?

1. What do we do to prevent ourselves from falling regularly into the traps of sin? Are there things like reconciliation, prayer, Eucharist, and other sacraments that help us live Christ-like lives?

PARISH NEWS

Saturday Mass: September masses will be held at St. Michael'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 greatest method of praying is to pray the Rosary. Saint Francis de Sales

The St. Joseph Rosary Society will be holding a meeting on Monday, September 27th at 7:00 pm.

St. Vincent de Paul (September 27th)

He was a French Catholic priest who dedicated himself to serving the poor. He was canonized in 1737.



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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!

The St. Michael's Family Program will be on October 3: Bill Sockey, "Message of Fatima." Begins at 8:45 am at St. Michael Hall. All from both parishes are welcome!

To My Parish Family,

This weekend we welcome Bishop Persico to our parishes! As he installs me as your pastor, I say to each of you, "My friends, I pledge to seek your counsel, guidance, and advice in the spiritual and temporal care of my pastorate. I am grateful for your service." I feel your counsel, guidance, and advice to me has already started and our work is just beginning! The Bishop then challenges me to, "Always be a loving father, a gentle shepherd, and a wise teacher of your people, so that you may lead them to Christ who will strengthen all that you do." Please pray that I am able to do this!

I am happy to be your pastor! Have a blessed week!
Fr. Mike

Liturgy Schedule October 2nd & October 3rd

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

Lector: Mary Jane Steiner
Euch Min: Doc Bauer
Altar Server: Eliza Datko
Ushers: None
Rosary: Marge Bauer & Marion Lutz

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

Lector: Ted Schmader
Euch Min: Roger Bauer
Altar Server: Gwen Griebel
Ushers: None

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

Lector: Clay Smerkar
Euch Min: Peg Siegel
Altar Server: Mason Hooper
Ushers: None
Rosary: Walter Jakopac

Mass Schedule September 28th - October 3rd

Tuesday, September 28th

8:00 a.m. - (SMP) Jim Beichner by Virginia Beichner

Wednesday, September 29th

8:30 a.m. - (SJP) Arthur E. & Anna E. Lutz & All
Deceased Family Members by The Family

Thursday, September 30th

8:00 a.m. - (SMP) Virginia Groner by The Parish

Friday, October 1st

8:00 a.m. - (SJP) Joseph Weaver by Rosemary
Weaver

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Saturday, October 2nd

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

5:00 p.m. — (SJP) William & Mary Hargenrader by Peg
& Family

Sunday, October 3rd

8:00 a.m. — (SJP) Edward Hoover & Suzanne Wells by
The Family

10:30 a.m.—(SMP) Parish Family

Collection Counters

SJP: George & Lisa Carroll

SMP: Bernie Beichner Jr., Jack Lauffer, Judy Eisenman

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE burning in memory of

**SJP: Gabriel Sobina by Emily, Becky, Jim, Kyle,
and Lilly**

SMP: Robert Siegel by The Ida Family

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR:

Parish Family, All Special Intentions

Service People on Active Duty

Slugger 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: September 18th & September 19th

Sunday Collection: \$3,080

Loose Collection: \$783

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

DATE: September 18th & September 19th

Sunday Collection: \$2,395

Loose Collection: \$145

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

Parishioners Pledged: \$40,460

Parishioners Paid to Date: \$36,947

Paid to Diocese of Erie: \$25,000

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: \$25,000

Roof money: \$2,889

Roof Money to Date: \$495,670

SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH & SAINT MICHAEL CHURCH

PO BOX 9, - LUCINDA, PA 16235

PO BOX 27- FRYBURG, PA 16326

OCTOBER 2021

SATURDAY MASSES - 5:00 PM ST. JOSEPH PARISH

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 SJP 8:00 am	2 SMP 5:00 pm
3 SJP 8:00 am SMP 10:30 am Blessing of Animals 1:00 pm at SMP (Upper parking lot)	4 SMP Rosary Society Meeting 6:30 pm	5 SMP 8:00 am EDGE Night 6pm – 8pm Lucinda K of C Meeting 7pm	6 SJP 8:30 am School Mass Fryburg K of C Meeting 6:30 pm	7 SMP 8:00 am	8 SJP 8:00 am	9 SMP 5:00 pm Renfrew Wedding @ SMP
10 SJP 8:00 am SMP 10:30 am	11	12 SMP 8:00 am EDGE Night 6pm – 8pm	13 SJP 8:30 am School Mass	14 SMP 8:00 am	15 SJP 8:00 am	16 SMP 5:00 pm
17 SJP 8:00 am SMP 10:30 am	18	19 SMP 8:00 pm EDGE Night 6pm – 8pm	20 SJP 8:30 am School Mass	21 SMP 8:00 am	22 SJP 8:00 am	23 SMP 5:00 pm
24 SJP 8:00 am SMP 10:30 am	25	26 SMP 8:00 am EDGE Night 6pm – 8pm	27 SJP 8:30 am School Mass	28 SMP 8:00 am	29 SJP 8:00 am	30 SJP 5:00 pm
31 SJP 8:00 am SMP 10:30 am HAPPY HALLOWEEN						

September 26th

The soul that is so passionate for God does not see itself at all for what it is. It thinks it does not love him in the least, and no matter how the poor soul tries to love him, it seems that the Lord is not accepting that love and is even pushing it away.

That is the source of the soul's absolute conviction that it is forever rejected by God with no hope for his return. However, despite that conviction, the soul does not despair. Its outcry to heaven becomes more passionate. It continually knocks at the door of the divine host, even though it is persuaded the will never be opened and that heaven will never stretch forth its scepter in the soul's direction.

Poor dear! How does one bear up under this? Who is there really to hold this soul up? The soul ought to realize that God, whom the soul considers far away, is actually within it and is working a process in it whose activity and efficacy are on a par with his love for his creatures.

That, in short, is an exposition of the current state of your soul. Your part is to submit yourself to it, to bless the hand that is leading you on a rare path indeed, but a very sure path for fruit that will accrue to your spirit. (To Margherita Tresca, March, 1916)

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

Keystone Coats for Kids: This will be the 7th year for the coat drive. The coats are \$20.00 and there is no donation that is too small. All coats are purchased through OperationWarm.org. There is a need of between 400 and 500 coats each year for Clarion County. This year Operation Warm offers tennis shoes at \$15.00 as well and they are machine washable. They plan on purchasing some for this year as well. If you feel that you can help this worthy cause, please make checks payable to Keystone Coats for Kids, and mail to Farmers National Bank, PO Box 665, Knox, PA 16232 or drop off at Knox Auto Supply. Deadline is October 10th. Thank you and God Bless!

Pennsylvania March for Life will be held on Monday, September 27, 2021 at the Pennsylvania State Capitol. The rally will start at 11:00am at the capital. A FREE bus will leave from Clarion. Please contact Beth Uckert at Next Step Pregnancy and Solutions Services at 814 226-7007 or Ron Ackerman at 724-659-3178.

40 Days for Life is an international pro-life organization that seeks to end abortion through prayer, fasting and peaceful witness. Please prayerfully consider participating in their fall campaign, beginning September 22. Over 350,000 abortions were committed by Planned Parenthood in the US in fiscal year 2020. On September 30th, a group of parishioners from our parishes will be traveling to Pittsburgh to stand vigil from 1-3 pm on the sidewalk at Planned Parenthood, where abortions are performed regularly. If you would like to come, please contact Ann Huebert, 814-229-4441 or annhuebert@gmail.com.

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Sunday, October 3, 2021

(Lec. 140)

- I. Genesis 2:18-24
- II. Hebrews 2:9-11
- III. Mark 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

Liturgy of the Word

In the first reading, God creates a suitable partner for the man – a woman. The man calls her *bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh*.

In the Letter to the Hebrews, the author writes of the one who, “for a little while” was made “lower than the angels,” that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

In the Gospel, the Pharisees ask Jesus about the law regarding divorce. Jesus answers, *what God has joined together, no human being must separate*.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

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24 Hour Emergency

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