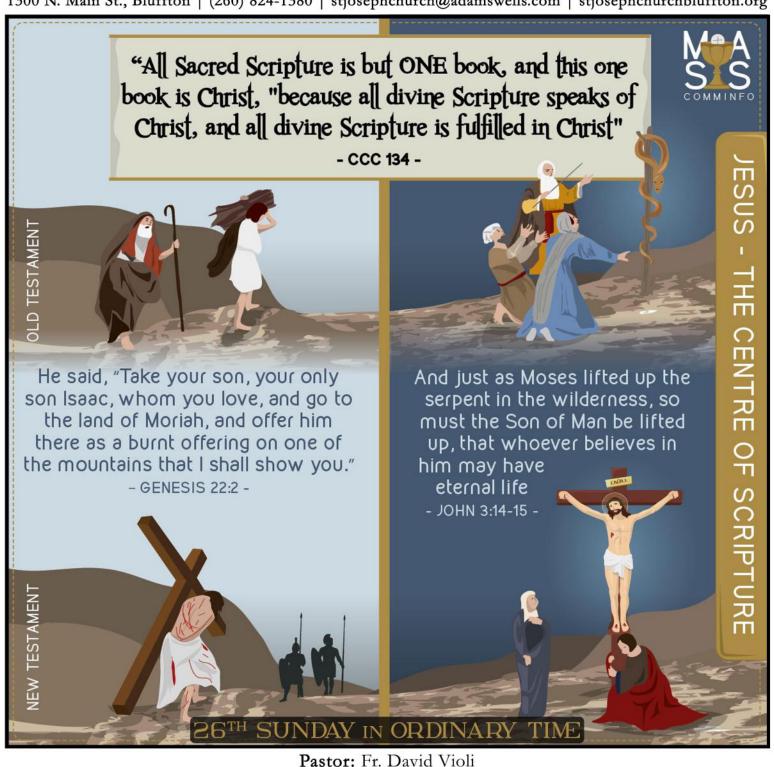
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Saturday, September 28

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

8:30-9:00 a.m. *Confession*

4:00-4:45 p.m. *Confession*

4:35 p.m. *Rosary*

5:00 p.m. Parish Family

Sunday, September 29

7:10 a.m. *Rosary*

7:30 a.m. Greg Mayer +

9:40 a.m. Rosary

10:00 a.m. Carly Scott +

Monday, September 30

No Public Mass

Tuesday, October 1

7:00-8:00 a.m. *Adoration* 8:00 a.m. Special Intention

8:30 a.m. Confession

Wednesday, October 2

6:00-7:00 p.m. Adoration

6:00-6:45 p.m. *Confession*

7:00 p.m. Steve Hickert +

Thursday, October 3

8:00 a.m. Mary Ann Flowers + Friday, October 4

8:30 a.m. Joseph Lautzenheiser + Saturday, October 5

8:00 a.m. Special Intention

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4:35 p.m. *Rosary*

5:00 p.m. Robert Bates +

Sunday, October 6

7:10 a.m. *Rosary*

7:30 a.m. Mary Porrata-Doria

9:40 a.m. *Rosary*

10:00 a.m. Parish Family



MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon., Sept. 30 - Twenty-Sixth Week in Ordinary Time - St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church - Jb 1:6-22 / Ps 17:1 -3, 6-7 / Lk 9:46-50

Tues., Oct. 1 - St. Terese of the Child Jesus, Virgin - Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23 / Ps 88:2-8 / Lk 9:51-56

Wed., Oct. 2 - The Holy Guardian Angels - Jb 9:1-12, 14-16 / Ps 88:10b-15 / Mt 18:1-5, 10

Thurs., Oct. 3 - Jb 19:21-27 / Ps 27:7-9, 13 -14 / Lk 10:1-12

Fri., Oct. 4 - St. Francis of Assisi - Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5 / Ps 139:1-3, 7-10, 13-14 / Lk 10:13-16

Sat., Oct. 5 - St. Faustina Kowalska, Virgin; Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest - Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17 / Ps 119:66, 71, 91, 125, 130 / Lk 10:17-24

Sun., Oct. 6 - Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - Gn 2:18-24 / Ps 128:1-6 / Heb 2:9-11 / Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

This weekend (Sept. 28th/29th), the Church celebrates the **Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**. Our readings continue the theme of challenging us as disciples of the Lord. We are called to recognize how God is working both in our lives and in the lives of others. Once we recognize His presence in our lives, how committed are we to follow after Him in all things?

PARISH PICNIC

Join us next weekend for the Parish Picnic on Sunday, Oct. 6th, following the 10 AM Mass. What a joyous time to join together in prayer and fraternity!

FORTY DAYS FOR LIFE

This past weekend, our **Knights of Columbus** and a number of volunteers helped set up our parish's annual Forty Days for Life display. Set on the north side of our parish campus, 300+ crosses have been placed as a memorial to the unborn and all those affected by abortion in Wells County. Throughout these next forty days, we are invited to pray and fast in a special way for an end to the evils of abortion in our county, our nation, and throughout the world.

St. Vincent de Paul Stuff-the-Truck

Next weekend, we are partnering with the St. Vincent de Paul Society in Decatur for a "Stuff-the-Truck" event. This event is an opportunity for us to help support the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store ministry of our neighboring parish, St. Mary of the Assumption, in nearby Decatur. This ministry helps to provide those in need with clothing and furniture. Please see the flyer in this weekend's bulletin for more information.

ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL

Having received a mailing from Bishop Rhoades earlier this month, we have "kicked-off" the Annual Bishop's Appeal. The annual appeal video is now available for viewing on our parish website, alongside an option for online donations. Additional pledge cards are available in the narthex and can be returned either in the collection basket any weekend or to the Parish Office during the week. Thank you for prayerfully discerning how the Lord is calling you to support the appeal this year.

INTRODUCTORY RITES TO THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Following the joyful prayer of the Gloria, we join together in praying the Collect. This opening prayer, intoned by the priest, is meant to gather all the intentions of the people participating in the Mass and raises it up together as one prayer on behalf of the congregation. The word itself, "collect," comes from the Latin "collecta," which means "the gathering of people together." How appropriate for a prayer that 'collects' many into one!

As the Collect concludes, we move from the **Introductory Rites** into the **Liturgy of the Word**. Though, as we have seen, we have already turned to the Scriptures several times throughout the Introductory Rites, we now focus on them in a special way. The order of readings reflects the order of God's redemptive plan, ordinarily moving from the Old to the New – from Israel to the Church – with the Gospel serving as the pinnacle of our readings.

It is through the **Liturgy of the Word** that we are being prepared for the **Liturgy of the Eucharist**. In hearing the word of God proclaimed, our hearts are being prepared to receive the very Word of God Himself, Jesus Christ, in the Holy Eucharist. These two are so closely connected that they form but one single act of worship. Let us, then, listen attentively to these sacred readings so that our souls may be lit by the proclamation of the word of God.

In these readings, we hear the story of salvation, with Jesus at the center. May we always remember that we are not mere bystanders in this story of salvation history which climaxes in the person of Jesus. Each of our stories, our lives with its joys, pains, uncertainties and mysteries are part of His story. It is literally the best story you will ever read, and more than that, experience!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



Monthly Meeting - Tuesday, October 1, 2024 Recite the Holy Rosary at 6:40 p.m. in the Church, and meet in the Parish Social Hall at 7:00 PM.

All men in the Parish are welcome!

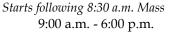


PRAISE & WORSHIP HOLY HOUR

Wednesday, October 2nd - 6:00-7:00 PM

Confession 6-6:45 - Mass at 7:00 PM

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS Adoration – October 4, 2024



Mass at 6:00 p.m. (ad orientem)



Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex and spend an hour with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.

PARISH CALENDAR

- **Sat., Sept. 28** Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., Sept. 29 Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., Sept 29 Religious Education Classes 8:30-9:45 a.m.
- Tues., Oct. 1 Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30 a.m.
- Tues., Oct. 1 Knights of Columbus Rosary 6:40 p.m. / meeting in the Parish Social Hall 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., Oct. 2 Praise & Worship Holy Hour 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., Oct. 2 Choir Practice following 7:00 Mass.
- Wed., Oct. 2 Parish Council meeting 7:40 p.m. in the Parish Conference Room
- Thurs., Oct. 3 Mass 8:00 a.m.
- Thurs., Oct. 3 Catholicism Explained 6:30 in the Parish Social Hall.
- Fri., Oct. 4 First Friday Mass 8:30 a.m. / Adoration 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. *Mass at 6:00 p.m.* (ad orientem)
- Sat./Sun. Oct. 5 & 6 St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store in Decatur - Stuff the Truck. See the bulletin for further details!
- Sat., Oct. 5 Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confession 8:30 a.m.
- **Sat., Oct. 5** Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- **Sun., Oct. 6** Mass 7:30 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., Oct. 6 Religious Education Classes 8:30-9:45 a.m.
- Sun., Oct. 6 Parish Picnic following 10:00 Mass in the Parish Social Hall. Everyone is invited!
- Mon., Oct. 7 Book Study The Divine Comedy by Dante Alighieri - 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Conference Room.
- Tues., Oct. 8 Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30 a.m.
- Tues., Oct. 8 G.I.R.L.'s Night Out monthly meeting 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Conference Room.
- Wed., Oct. 9 Adoration 6-7:00 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., Oct. 9 Choir Practice following 7:00 Mass.

Weekend of October 5th and 6th



5:00 Mike Morrissey, Knights of Columbus

7:30 David Smith

10:00 Jay Crisp/Adult Choir

5:00 Bruce Holland, Knights of Columbus 7:30 Sarah McCorkle ORS 10:00 Mike Dunn

5:00 Knights of Columbus, Communion to Choir Loft

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10:00 Jeff Miller, Tammi Helm, Kevin Seago

5:00 Knights of Columbus

7:30 Charlene/ Anna Lynn Felger, Annie Herr

10:00 Grant Reifsteck, Ellie Coyne, Luke Miller

St. Joseph Parish Finance Report for the Weekend of September 28th & 29th

Adult Envelopes- \$2,614.00 Loose- \$203.00

Repair/Rainy Day Fund-\$120.73

Religious Education Fund-\$125.00 Religious Education Fees-

\$40.00 Total- \$3,102.73

Our weekly budget is \$5,116.40

We are \$26.89 behind budget for the month of September.

St. Vincent de Paul Fund- \$25.00

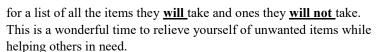
Your gifts to St. Joseph Parish are greatly appreciated. Thank you!

To set up Online Giving through Our Sunday Visitor, please visit: https://www.osvhub.com/stjosephchurchbluffton/giving/funds

STUFF THE TRUCK

Help us "Stuff the Truck" for the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store after all Masses on Saturday, October 5th and Sunday, October 6th.

Please see the insert in this weekend's bulletin





Honoring the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi (October 4th)

The Annual Blessing of the Pets will take place under the canopy on Saturday, October 5th at Noon. All pets and their caretakers are welcome!

ST. JOSEPH PARISH PICNIC



Sunday, October 6th **Following 10:00 Mass** In the Parish Social Hall



Sign up sheets are in the narthex.





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"Saint Joseph was a just man, a tireless worker, the upright guardian of those entrusted to his care. May he always guard, protect and enlighten families. St. John Paul II

Before you speak.... T | H | I | N | K | !

T - is it true?

h - is it helpful?

i - is it inspiring?

n - is it necessary?

k - is it kind?