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Oct. 8, 2023

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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday: 10:00 AM

Daily Mass: Monday - Thursday 8:00 AM

Adoration: Thursdays after 8am Mass to 6pm

**OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Thursday

8:30 am to 1:30 pm

Friday, Saturday, Sunday - Closed

(Office is closed on all Civic Holidays)

# MASS INTENTIONS

Having a Mass celebrated for a person or a specific request has a long history in the Catholic Church. Requesting a Mass is not only a sign of your own faith, but of your heart for those who say these Masses. The offering you make when requesting a Mass will go to support the work of our church.

**Saturday, October 7, 2023 - Maria Fatima Goncalves requested by Family**

**Sunday, October 8, 2023 - Sean Smyth requested by Nancy Cassidy**

**Monday, October 9, 2023 - The Parishioners Of The St. Joseph's Parish Family**

**Tuesday, October 10, 2023 - Anita Carey requested by Lorraine Beaudoin**

**Wednesday, October 11, 2023 - Emily Orlando requested by Family**

**Thursday, October 12, 2023 - Frank & Maria Gardiner requested by David Gardiner**

**Friday October 6, 2023 - No Mass**

**Tabernacle Lamp - Oct. 8th to Oct. 14th**

**No Intention**

**Saturday, October 13, 2023 - The Parishioners Of The St. Joseph's Parish Family**

**Sunday, October 14, 2023 - John Rabczak requested by Lorraine Beaudoin**

**Monday, October 15, 2023 - Robert Savoie requested by Lorraine Beaudoin**

**Tuesday, October 16, 2023 - Cecile Pelletier requested by Lorraine Beaudoin**

**Wednesday, October 17, 2023 - Genoeffa Trosini requested by Tina Lopez & Family**

**Thursday, October 18, 2023 - Fr. Stephen Arabhadjis (living) requested by Sue Hogan**

**Friday October 19, 2023 - No Mass**

**Tabernacle Lamp - Oct. 15th to Oct. 21th**

**No Intention**

## WEEKLY OFFERING WEEKEND OCT. 1st.

Mass & Mail-In Budgets: \$1628.00

Online Collection: \$457.00

Outreach: \$90.00

Mass Stipend: \$225.00

**Total: \$2400.00**

## READINGS & OBSERVANCES 2023

**27<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY** Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20/Phil 4:6-9/  
**ORDINARY TIME** Mt 21:33-43  
Oct 8

**MONDAY** *Saint Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs;*  
Oct 9 *Saint John Leonardi, Priest*  
*Columbus Day* Jon 1:1—2:2, 11/Jonah 2:3, 4, 5, 8/Lk 10:25-37

**TUESDAY** Jon 3:1-10/Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8/Lk 10:38-42  
Oct 10

**WEDNESDAY** *Saint John XXIII, Pope*  
Oct 11 Jon 4:1-11/Lk 11:1-4

**THURSDAY** Mal 3:13-20b/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4+6/Lk 11:5-13  
Oct 12

**FRIDAY** Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Ps 9:2-3, 6+16, 8-9/Lk 11:15-26  
Oct 13

**SATURDAY** *Saint Callistus I, Pope and Martyr*  
Oct 14 Jl 4:12-21/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Lk 11:27-28

**28<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY** Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Phil 4:12-14,  
**ORDINARY TIME** 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10  
Oct 15



# GABRIEL PROJECT BABY SHOWER

The Gabriel Project falls under the ministry of St. Gabriel's Call, a program coordinated by the Office of Life and Family Ministry of the Diocese of Providence.

This ministry reaches out and supports women in need of assistance during and beyond their pregnancy.

Please help by donating baby items during the month of October.

## Suggested Items

Diapers, Baby Toiletries, Receiving Blankets, Crib Sheets & Blankets, Baby Tubs, Newborn & Infant clothing, Gift Cards and Checks accepted, checks payable to Retreat House.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR HELPING TO ANSWER THE CALL!

## October is Right To Life Month

# PRO-LIFE



## ROSE SALE

Long-stem red roses will be available after Masses on Saturday & Sunday, October 14th & 15th. All proceeds from the sale will benefit the Catholic, Mother of Life Pregnancy Center here in Providence.

The suggested donation is \$3 per rose.

Thank you



St. Joseph's is the founding parish of The Haitian Project. Nearly four decades ago The Haitian Project began with a mission of providing a Catholic education to Haiti's future servant-leaders.

On October 14 & 15 Reese Grondin, President of The Haitian Project will speak at each Mass.

The second collection at Mass will benefit a tuition-free, Catholic, co-educational secondary boarding school for academically talented and motivated students from Haitian families.





# Journey OF Faith

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## In Word & Deed

At some point in life, everyone gets measured. Report cards, evaluations, test scores, driver exams, and license exams grade our knowledge, ability or accomplishments. Informal evaluations look at our abilities or our work to see how well we did as an amateur gardener or musician or ballplayer. We want to know how well we did and compare ourselves to some standard to see if we 'measure up.' When we do, we can take pride in our efforts and try to do even better next time.

The spiritual life has its form of measurement too. When we are focused on God's will and put our faith into practice, we experience God's peace. St. Paul says that this peace will 'stand guard' over our hearts and minds. There is a sense of satisfaction as we reap the

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*A*lmighty and eternal God of the world, your goodness is beyond what our spirit can touch and your strength is more than the mind can bear. Lead us to seek beyond our reach and give us the courage to stand before your truth.

~Roman Rite



**DO NOT**  
**be anxious**  
**ABOUT ANYTHING,**  
*but in every situation,*  
*by* **PRAYER**  
*and petition, with*  
*thanksgiving,*  
**PRESENT YOUR REQUESTS TO GOD**  
**And the PEACE OF GOD**  
*which transcends*  
**ALL UNDERSTANDING,**  
*will* **GUARD your**  
**HEARTS**  
*and your minds in*  
**CHRIST JESUS**

FAMILY LIFE:

## TO WALK AS ONE

On a national news talk show, a representative described a candidate for state office as a 'good person.' Apparently the candidate provided for his family, was a model father, was active in his community and regularly attended church; therefore, the man was good. But what exactly makes a person good? How do we know we have done enough to be considered good?

Growing up, certain behaviors get rewarded while others get punished. If I hit my brother, I am punished; if I help with the dishes, I am praised. Children realize that helping others has something to do with being good. And being good is very good. You receive praise, admiration and at times special

privileges. But how do I measure for myself what it means to be good?



For believers, it is simply this: to become good, I must become holy. To become holy, I must be like Jesus. When I act out of love for others, and when I conform myself to the person of Jesus, I share in God's grace and life. That makes me holy. I measure myself with the standards of God. Being good is not just about what I do, but also about who I am and who I become. Goodness is from the inside out. That's a measurement that

~Jim Gaffney



*We* are called in a special way to serve the poor and vulnerable; to build bridges of solidarity among peoples of differing races and nations, language and ability, gender and culture.

~ US Catholic Bishops, Communities of Salt and Light

## In Word & Deed

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rewards of faith—things that are true, good, pure and decent. Everyone has a role to play and no one is excluded. There is a place for everyone and every gift.

When your spiritual life needs a boost, practice your faith. Be kind to others, serve the poor, practice acts of kindness, pray more fervently, attend daily Mass or read the Gospels carefully. Give faith a more central and prominent role in your life. You'll find that grace will help you measure up!

~Jim Gaffney





# Experience God's Mercy

## CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Sunday 9:15 am to 9:55 am

Reconciliation (also known as Confession or Penance) is a sacrament instituted by Jesus Christ in his love and mercy to offer sinners forgiveness for offenses committed against God. In Reconciliation, we acknowledge our sins before God and his Church. We express our sorrow in a meaningful way, receive the forgiveness of Christ and his Church, make reparation for what we have done, and resolve to do better in the future.

*"Every time we go to confession, God embraces us."  
- Pope Francis -*

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

Very important information for those that use on-line giving to make their contributions.

We have **ended** our services with the current on-line giving platform. If you have your contributions set up as an auto-pay you must go into your account and deactivate it. Once you have deactivated your account please register with our new provider by going to the link provided below. For those that do not have their account setup as auto-pay you will simply go to the link below to begin on-line giving with our new provider.

Our new platform for on-line giving is provided through "Our Sunday Visitor (OSV)"

You will use the following link to register with our new provider:

[www.osvhub.com/st-joseph-providence/giving/funds](http://www.osvhub.com/st-joseph-providence/giving/funds)

If you have questions call Sue at the office: 401-421-9137



## THE BEST TIME YOU WILL SPEND ON EARTH. **Eucharistic Adoration**

THURSDAYS FOLLOWING 8AM MASS TO 12PM

*Answer Christ's invitation to "spend an hour with Him" by becoming a Scheduled Weekly Adorer or Substitute.*

If you become a scheduled adorer, you will have a set hour period that you will be present at the chapel. If you are unable to make your scheduled hour in a given week, you are free to call the coordinators to find a substitute.

If you aren't sure whether you can commit to an hour a week, consider teaming up with a friend or family member to share the hour with or be each other's dedicated substitute and go every other week.

Contact the Parish Office for details.





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