Dear friends in Christ,

#### THE FEAST OF THE GUARDIAN ANGELS

As I write this, it is the Feast of the Guardian Angels. The Guardian Angels are the secondary patrons of Archdiocese, so it is even more appropriate to celebrate their watchful care and ask their help. According to the Gospel, every one of us has an angel which beholds the face of God. They help us, guide us and intercede for us. Let us readily ask for their aid.

Saint Padre Pio relied on his Guardian Angel throughout his life and composed this prayer which I commend to you:

O Holy Guardian Angel, take care of my soul and my body. Enlighten my mind so that I may know the Lord better

and love Him with all my heart.

Assist me in my prayers so I do not give in to distractions, but pay the greatest attention. Help me with your advice so that I may see the good

and carry it out generously.

Defend me from the snares of the infernal enemy and support me in temptations, so that I may always emerge victorious.

Make up for my coldness in the worship of the Lord: do not cease to watch over me until you have brought me to Heaven, where we shall praise the Good God together for all eternity. Amen.

## OCTOBER - LET'S PRAY THE ROSARY FOR PEACE

We have begun the month of October, a month when we remember Our Lady of the Rosary, a month when we recall the miracle of the dancing sun, foretold by Our Lady of Fatima. It is a month which reminds us of the power of this prayer. Pope Leo has invited us to pray the rosary daily during this month for peace. So many people are suffering from the effects of war and violence in Ukraine, and the Middle East. So many Christians are persecuted and murdered for their faith, their witness goes unnoticed. I want to encourage us to join with the Pope in praying the Rosary for peace and an end to the many violent conflicts among peoples and nations. Let us gather after dinner, whether around your dining room table, kneeling in the living room or walking around the block, and pray the Rosary invoking Our Lady's aid and intercession. Additionally, let us reflect on the mysteries of her Son's life, death, and resurrection and grow in our faith and trust in him.

#### RESPECT LIFE MONTH

October is also Respect Life month: a time to renew ourselves in the truth that every human life is sacred and is a gift from God. It is all the more important that we work to build a culture that respects the gift of life. It is a time to work for a society where no woman feels a need for, or pressure to, have an abortion, and is instead helped to carry her child to term. It is a time to work for a society where every elderly person feels respect and love, is cared for, such that physician-assisted suicide is never seen as an option. A few years ago, Archbishop Etienne wrote a beautiful letter which expresses, better than I could, the important of building a culture of life:

As Catholics, we praise God for his creative genius. We proclaim that all life is good, and that every human life is very good. Every human life from the moment of conception is a sign of God's free choice to bring forth new life. The choice is God's. God chooses. God chooses love. God chooses life.... We live in a time when great liberty is taken with human language. People freely redefine the meaning of words to confuse reality. Thus abortion — taking life — is accepted in the name of "health care." Life is nurtured in health care. Abortion is not health care. Rather, it is the unjust taking of innocent life. Abortion is the rejection of a loving choice of God, who is Life.

Pope Francis reminds us of the tenderness and love of God, who is the source of all that exists: "God's love is the fundamental moving force in all created things. ... Even the fleeting life of the least of beings is the object of his love, and in its few seconds of existence, God enfolds it with his affection." Our goal is to build a culture of life. We do this by recognizing the dignity of every human being, whether members of our own family, our neighbors, the unborn, the poor, immigrants, the elderly and dying, even prisoners and those on death row. Every human life is sacred and deserving of respect.

We believe in God. We believe in Jesus Christ his only begotten Son. We believe in the power of his death and resurrection. We believe that our life comes from the very life of God. We believe that our lives have been redeemed by the lifeblood of Jesus Christ, and the mercy and love of God. We will continue our efforts to build up this culture and our society upon the strong foundation of the God of Life. ARCHBISHOP ETIENNE

May we all pray and work to build a culture of life. Blessings on your week! Fr Johnson

#### **WEEKLY CALENDAR**

#### Monday, October 6

9:00 AM Daily Mass

10:00 AM Women of Faith

12:00 PM—5:00PM

Church, Narthex, Parish Hall and Lovett Hall all closed for architectural scanning

6:30 PM Confirmation Class #2

#### Tuesday, October 7

No Daily Mass

5:30 PM Faith Formation K-6

#### Wednesday, October 8

8:30 AM Confessions

9:00 AM Daily Mass

7:00 PM House of Prayer

7:00 PM Gospel Choir Rehearsal

(for 11AM Masses)

#### Thursday, October 9

9:00 AM Daily Mass

12:15 PM Steps to Freedom

1:00 PM Rosary Cenacle

6:30 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

(for 9AM Masses)

7:00 PM OCIA

#### Friday, October 10

9:00 AM Daily Mass

9:30 AM Benediction then Adoration until 9PM

10:00 AM Guardians & Angels

#### Saturday, October 11

3:30 PM Confessions

5:00 PM Saturday Vigil Mass

#### Sunday, October 12

9:00 AM Sunday Mass

11:00 AM Sunday Mass

Pancake Breakfast after both Masses

6:30 PM Teen Group

### All Souls' Remembrance

#### Nov 1, 2025 Saturday

At the 5PM Mass, we will remember and honor those of our family and friends who have died and now rest in the Lord. If, in the past year, you have lost a loved one whom you wish to have remembered at this liturgy, please let Betty know so that we can have a candle prepared for you. Please send in your request including your name and contact information, as well as their name and the dates of your loved one. Blessings to you as you journey through this year of "firsts" for your loved ones. Email: bettyreyes@stjude-redmond.org

#### **LET US PRAY**



Join the Vatican and Catholics from all over the world in praying the Rosary at 10 am PT on October 7 for hope and peace on World Rosary Day, which is also the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary.

In this Jubilee Year of Hope, Catholics around the world will unite in one symphony of prayer for hope and peace. From the Vatican to local parishes, from classrooms to living rooms, let us join hearts across nations. A representative from the Vatican will lead the Rosary from Rome at 7 pm Rome time (10 am Pacific Time). Catholics in the Archdiocese of Seattle will be praying with him at 10 am Pacific Time.

#### **How To Participate**

Tuesday, October 7, 2025, 10:00AM Pacific Time.

Gather friends to pray the Rosary.

Rosary at parishes: Gather fellow parishioners and invite your community to join together in prayer.

Rosary in schools: Invite teachers to gather some or all grades to pray together.

Everyone is invited to participate.

Pope Leo is asking all the faithful to pray a daily Rosary for peace during October, the month of the Rosary.

# Next Sunday: October 12, 2025 Pancake Breakfast After Both Masses



Join us in Parish Hall after both Masses, for fulfilling fellowship and tasty food, prepared for us by the Knights of Columbus.





## ST. JUDE FEAST DAY CELEBRATION

International Polluck

October 26, 2025 Mass at 11AM followed by Potluck

CELEBRATE OUR PATRON, ST. JUDE, WITH MASS FOLLOWED BY AN INTERNATIONAL POTLUCK TO HONOR THE BEAUTIFUL DIVERSITY OF CULTURES THAT MAKE UP OUR WONDERFUL PARISH FAMILY.

# Bring your best dish!

We will need plenty of volunteers to help make this event happen, so please consider signing up to bring a dish or to help with set up and cleanup.

Volunteer or Sign Mp



on our website or scan the code



