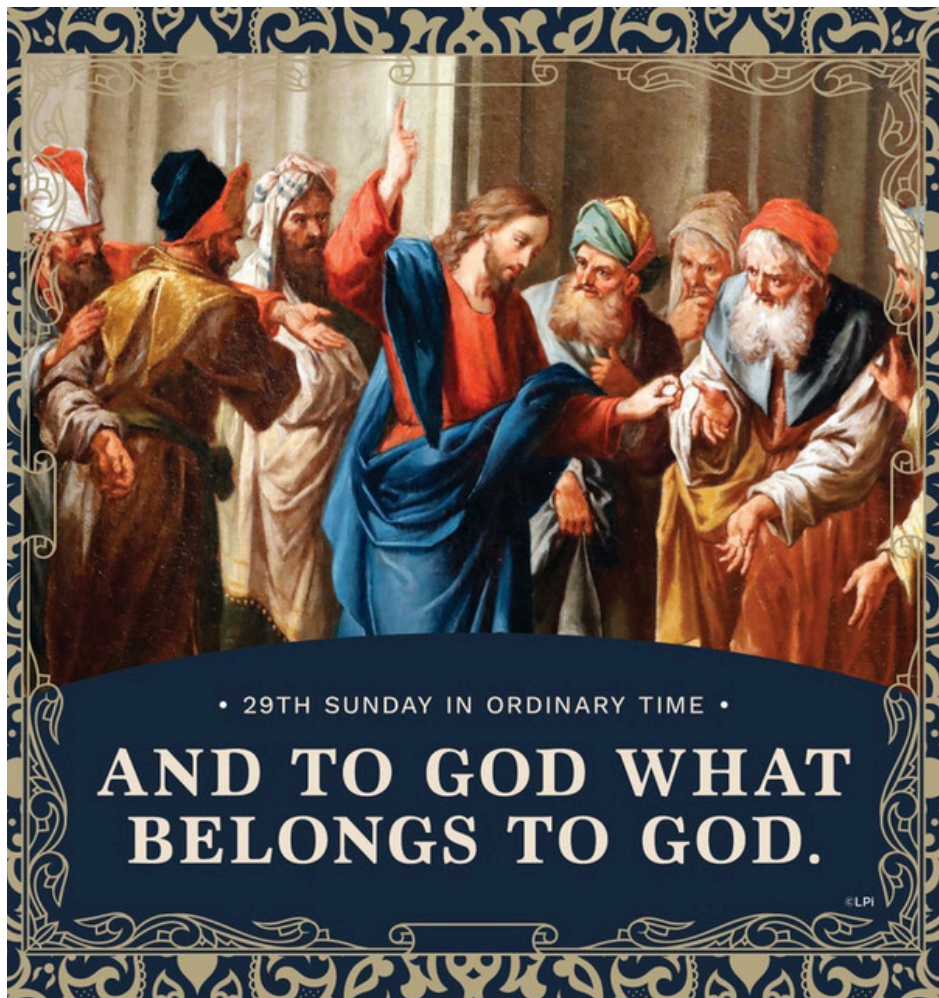


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• 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME •

AND TO GOD WHAT BELONGS TO GOD.

BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on the First Sunday of each month at 1:00pm. Please call the parish office to register. Letters of Eligibility for Catholic Godparents are due prior to scheduling a Baptism.

SACRAMENTS OF THE SICK AND HOLY COMMUNION VISITS

Father Goerner is happy to visit anyone who wishes to receive the anointing of the sick or Holy Communion. For more information, please call the parish office.

PARISH PAROCHIAL SCHOOL POLICY

Parishioners with Elementary School aged children who are enrolled in St. James Regional Catholic School (or another local Catholic School) may be eligible to receive a parish subsidy to help defray the cost of tuition. Weekly Parish Support is required. For more information, please call the parish office.

PREP / RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Children who attend public school are requested to register in our PREP Program beginning in first grade through seventh. There is a minimal tuition requested to defray costs of the materials. If tuition assistance is needed, please ask to speak with Father privately.

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married should contact the Rectory at least 6 months in advance of the intended wedding date. Attendance at a Marriage Preparation program is required in accord with Archdiocesan Policy.

LETTERS OF ELIGIBILITY

If you need a Letter of Eligibility to be a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation, you must be a registered member of the Parish & be Baptized, Received 1st Communion and Confirmation. For more information, please contact the Parish Office.

OCTOBER 18, 2026

29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND MASS

Saturday Vigil | 4:30pm

Sunday | 7:30am, 10:30am & 12:00pm

WEEKDAY MASS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
9:00am

COMMUNION SERVICE

Wednesday | 9:00 am

CONFESSION

Tuesday | 7:00pm - 7:30pm

Saturday | 3:30pm - 4:15pm

HOLY DAYS

AS ANNOUNCED IN THE BULLETIN

PARISH STAFF

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Reverend James E. Goerner

PASTOR EMERITUS

Reverend Gerald D. Canavan

RETIRED PARISH DEACON

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Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 9:30-2:30

Occasionally, I'll slip into a parish I've never visited before, pick up the bulletin, and find one of my Gospel reflections. My heart usually swells with a bit of affection for my creation. I imprint a bit of myself into my little "literary labors of love." Anyone who has created something — a piece of writing, a garden, a meal, a child — knows that feeling. We love the things into which we put ourselves. We are happy when they return to us.

*With this in mind, listen to Jesus' classic line in this Sunday's Gospel: **"Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God"** (Matthew 22:21). He presents this little riddle to deepen the theme from taxes to human beings. A Roman coin bears Caesar's image, so it belongs to Caesar. Therefore, he has a legitimate claim to it. Fair enough. But what belongs to God? What bears His image? Every human being. God has imprinted Himself on every person. Which means everyone — including Caesar — belongs entirely to Him. Jesus, who is God's perfect image, has come to draw everyone back to God.*

We can be tempted to imagine that our lives are made up of "things for God" and "things not for God." The good news is that no such division is possible because everything in life is a gift from God to us. Therefore, all is meant to be placed at the service of God's kingdom. He loves everything He has created. We have the privilege of giving it all back to Him.

— Father John Muir



LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration of the Week

The Pharisees try to trick Jesus into starting a political revolution. They don't realize he came to start a revolution of the heart, not the state. God's image is stamped on our soul, but still the world tries to claim us. Revolt! You belong to God.



VIRTUES

Perseverance

Perseverance is unique because without it, we cannot grow in any of the other virtues. If we cannot persevere, we cannot carry the cross.



DEVOTIONS, EXPLAINED!

The Our Father

The Our Father, also known as The Lord's Prayer, is found in the Gospels of Matthew and Luke. Universally beloved in most traditions of Christianity, its words are those of Jesus Christ himself as he answers his disciples' queries on how best to pray.

The version presented in the Gospel of Matthew is longer and more detailed than that which is contained in the Gospel of Luke. Both versions instruct the faithful to address God as "Father," to pray for the coming of His kingdom, to rely on His providence, and to embrace a spirit of forgiveness towards others, in the hope that we ourselves will be forgiven (Matthew 6:9-13, Luke 11:2-4). This last element, forgiveness, is also emphasized by Jesus in the Gospel of Mark (Mark 11:25) as an essential part of all prayer.

The Catechism quotes Tertullian when it calls the Our Father "the summary of the whole Gospel." (CCC 2761).



PRAYER

Blessing for Our Common Home

O God,
You never cease to call us to
Yourself, bless the mission fields
where we sow, tend, and reap. Give
us your grace and strength as we share Your love
with families and friends, strangers and sojourners.
Give us the right words, the right inspirations, the
right invitations, the right love. Your love, shared.
~Amen .

Observances for the Week

Monday: Sts. John de Brébeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Peter of Alcantara

Tuesday: St. Paul of the Cross, Priest

Wednesday:

Thursday: St. John Paul II, Pope

Friday: St. John of Capistrano, Priest

Saturday: St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

PRAY FOR THE SICK

As a Catholic Parish Community, we pray for our relatives and friends who are sick, and those who have asked for our prayers, especially the following:

Elizabeth A. Boyer, John Furey, Patricia Kennealy, MaryAnn Lenick, Sue McCullough, Dorothy Millison, Tom Pilson, Katie U. and all the sick and suffering of our Parish.

Please contact the Parish Center 610-876-6170, if you would like to be added to the sick list.

In writing this column, I spent a lot of time mulling over a strange question: if I had a coin with Caesar's face on it, could I use it to pay for my morning coffee?

Ancient Roman artifacts are worth a lot of money, but I have no idea how to appraise the artifacts and convert that worth to cash. I doubt my local barista does, either.

Out of curiosity, I Googled it. Apparently, the value depends a lot on the emperor. If we're talking about a marquee name like Julius Caesar, a coin will go for thousands of dollars. But let's say it's a shekel from Emperor Geta, some third-century failure who got murdered by his brother. You can get his coin for less than \$200.

It matters, apparently, whose face you're stamped with. We are all only as good as the image we bear.

When Christ said, "Give to Caesar what belongs to Caesar, and to God what belongs to God," he was talking about faithful citizenship and faithful discipleship. He was talking about the omnipotence of God over any political movement or historical era.

But he was also talking about our worth. Where it comes from, what it means, how long it will last. He was talking about whose image we bear.

The 2027 Mass Book is now open.
Contact the Parish Office
for information.



Knights of Columbus Peace Council 4518



The Knights of Columbus is the largest Catholic fraternal organization in the world. The Knights continue to be guided by our principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism.

We are always looking for members. If you would like to join, simply go to www.kofc.org/joinus and enter our council number 4518. For more information, please contact Colin Ainsworth at 484-467-4288.

Peace Council will be leading the rosary on all of the Sundays in October at 11:30am in the Church.
All are welcome to join them.

HOLIDAY DEALS & STEALS

AN INDOOR BAZAAR

NOVEMBER 1, 2026
11AM-4PM

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- 11/08 Mass of Remembrance at the noon Mass.
- 11/15 Confirmation with Archbishop Perez at the noon Mass.
- 11/21 The Giving Tree begins, benefiting the Sisters at Camilla Hall.
- Childrens' Liturgy of the Word, weekly at the 10:30 Mass.



210 IHM Drive
Malvern, PA 19345

EVENTS AT THE IHM SPIRITUALITY CENTER IN MALVERN

Thursday, November 5, 2026 REGISTRATION CLOSES 11/1

Topic: **Making the Works of Mercy Your Bucket List**

9:00 – 3:00 PM; includes time for Sacrament of Reconciliation and Mass

Presenter: Sister Emily Vincent, IHM

The Works of Mercy are a beautiful and loving way to share God's mercy with others. However, discerning how to live them out can be daunting and intimidating. Based on the 25th chapter of Matthew's Gospel, and other scripture passages, learn simple and practical ways to practice the Works of Mercy in your life.

Cost for the Retreat: \$45.00 includes continental breakfast and lunch

Register at [IHM Spirituality Center – Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary \(IHM\)](#), or contact Sister Anne Marie at ihmspcenter@gmail.com or 610-647-4136

Friday, Nov. 13, 2026, 6PM - Sunday, Nov. 15, 2026, 12pm
Directed Retreat OR Private Retreat

THIS REGISTRATION CLOSES NOVEMBER 9

Spiritual Directors: Sister Rose Adams, IHM and Sister Kathryn Benham, IHM

Participants are invited to come apart for a weekend to engage in deep listening to God's voice through prayer and quiet. Those interested can choose to meet one on one with a certified spiritual director. Spiritual Direction assists one to draw closer to God and to see the presence of God in the experiences of everyday life. Meals and mass are provided Saturday and Sunday. Cost for the Retreat: \$200.00 for overnight, \$125 for commuter. Includes meals.

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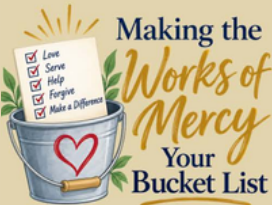
Any practicing Catholic, in good standing, age 18 or older interested in becoming an EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION, please contact Fr. Goerner.

Anyone interested must attend one of the Archdiocesan mandated training sessions.

For more information please contact Fr. Goerner at Our Lady of Charity - OLC19015@gmail.com at St. Rose of Lima - SRL19022pastor@gmail.com



Meets Wednesday mornings at 6:15am in the Rectory Meeting Room. All men over 18 are welcome.



Thursday, November 5, 2026

9:00am - 3pm

Presenter: Sister Emily Vincent

Cost: \$45

Retreat includes continental breakfast & lunch as well as time for the Confession and Mass

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Visit ihmimmaculata.org. Return form online with a payment of \$45.00 (Cash or check payable to IHM Spirituality Center.)

Mail payment to: IHM Spirituality Center, 210 IHM Drive, Malvern, PA 19355

Questions? Contact Sister Anne Marie Stegmaier at ihmspcenter@gmail.com or 610-647-4136.

Crafting at Our Lady of Charity

Get your glue guns ready!

Fall crafting has begun at OLC. The group meets every Thursday at 6pm in the Rectory Meeting Room.

If you are new to the group please email Kathy DeJohn at kdejohn@verizon.net Come join us! All are welcome.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 17, 2026

4:30pm † Paul Battinieri

Sunday, October 18, 2026

7:30am † Shane Hansen, Sr.

10:30am † Jean Ann & Carl Shiner

12:00pm † Walter "Butch" Merth

Monday, October 19, 2026

9:00am † Colleen Marie Boyle

Tuesday, October 20, 2026

9:00am † Pro Populo

Wednesday, October 21, 2026

9:00am † **Communion Service**

Thursday, October 22, 2026

9:00am † Gina Marie Furey

Friday, October 23, 2026

9:00am † Natalie Sells



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COLLECTIONS

Week of October 11, 2026

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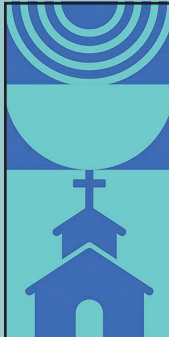
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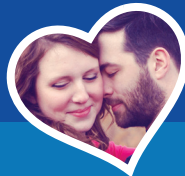


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