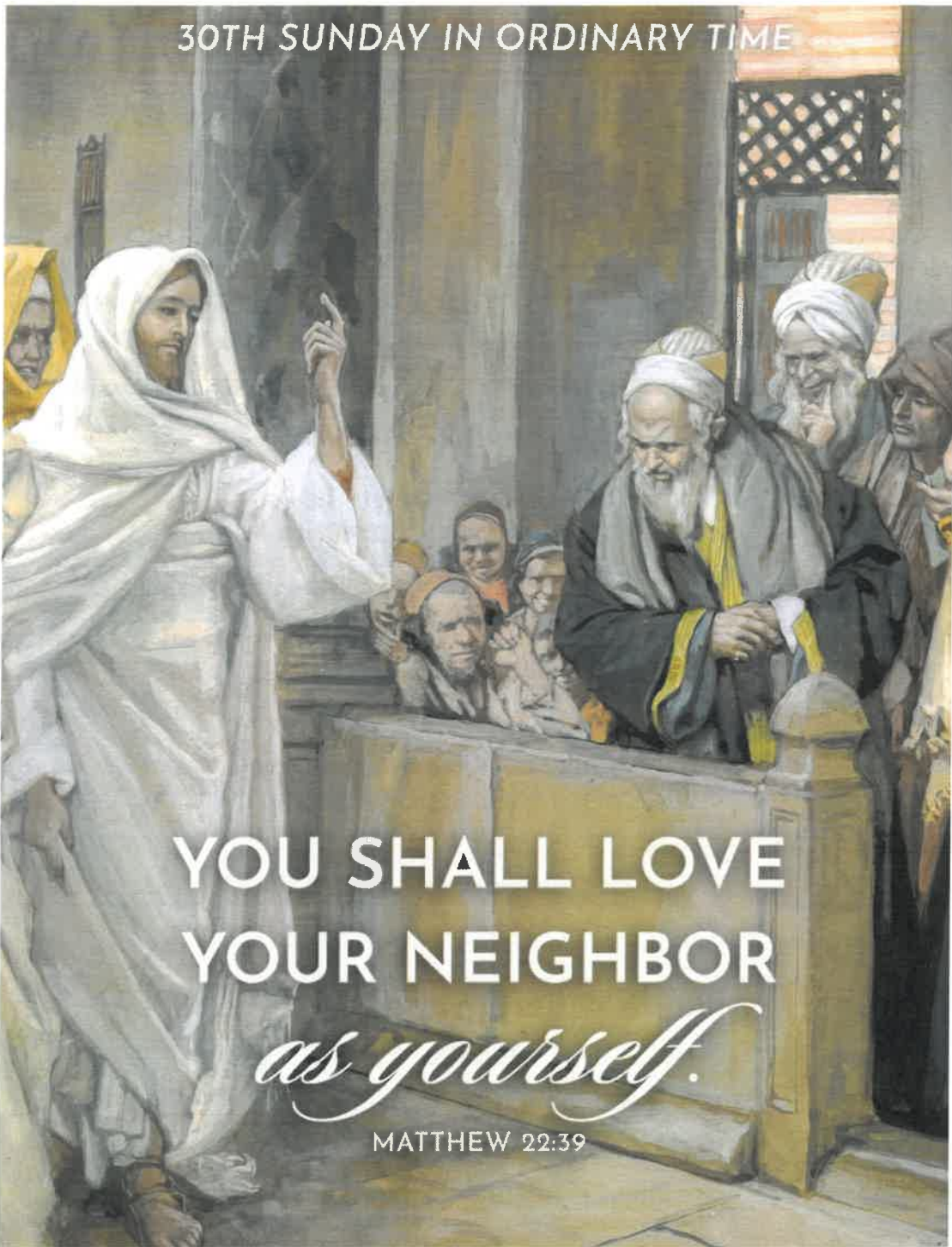




30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YOU SHALL LOVE
YOUR NEIGHBOR
as yourself.

MATTHEW 22:39



ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH
14936 W. Wilmington - Peotone Rd.
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30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
October 25, 2026

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MASS INTENTIONS

October 24	5:45pm	+Dan Phelan req. by The Family Parish Family of St. Patrick
October 28	5:30pm	Special Intention of The Phelan Family
October 31	5:45pm	For A Successful Harvest req. by Ed & Judy Phelan +Dan Phelan req. by The Family Parish Family of St. Patrick
November 4	5:30pm	Poor Souls req. by Ed & Judy Phelan +Dan Phelan req. by The Family
November 7	5:45pm	+Dan Phelan req. by The Family Parish Family of St. Patrick

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Minister</u>
October 24	Sue Nugent	Cindy Smith
October 31	Mark May	Paul Engler
November 4	Sue Nugent	Linda Cakora

You shall love your
neighbor as yourself



SCRIPTURE READINGS
FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 25, 2026

**SUNDAY THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME** EX 22:20-26; PS 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51; 1 THES 1:5C-10; MT 22:34-40

MONDAY EPH 4:32-5:8; PS 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6; LK 13:10-17

TUESDAY EPH 5:21-33; PS 128: 1-2, 3, 4-5; LK 13:18-21

**WEDNESDAY FEAST OF SAINTS SIMON
AND JUDE, APOSTLES** EPH 2:19-22; PS 19:2-3, 4-5; LK 6:12-16

THURSDAY EPH 6:10-20; PS 144:1B, 2, 9-10; LK 13:31-35

FRIDAY PHIL 1:1-11; PS 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; LK 14:1-6

SATURDAY PHIL 1:18B-26; PS 42:2, 3, 5CDEF; LK 14:1, 7-11

SUNDAY SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS
REV 7:2-4, 9-14; PS 24:1BC-2, 3-4AB, 5-6; 1 JN 3:1-3; MT 5:1-12A



**THE 2026 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES
ANNUAL APPEAL**

PARISH GOAL: \$10,500.00
AMOUNT PLEDGED: - \$10,655.00
AMOUNT PAID - \$10,455.00
DONORS - 24

**WEEKLY OFFERING FOR
10/22/2026**

Sunday - \$1,376.00
World Mission Sunday - \$60.00

Our Weekly Budget goal is \$1,346.00
Thank you for your faith filled support

**PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK -
ESPECIALLY:** Jim Shields, Katie Horath,
Ralph Kuntz, Greg Harnois, Jim Kreske,
Ann Marie & Tori Jasinski, Lisa Price,
Barbara Schriver, Joe & Carol Price, Peggy
Schiesow, Ken Smith, Nancy Long, Shay
Phelan - PLEASE CALL THE PARISH
OFFICE TO HAVE A LOVED ONE ADDED
TO THE PRAYER LIST.



**OUR BLESSED
MOTHER CANDLE**

is burning for
The Parish Family
of St. Patrick

**HOLY FATHER INTENTION FOR
OCTOBER**

For mental health ministry. Let us pray
that the mental health ministry be
established throughout the Church,
helping to overcome the stigma and
discrimination of persons with mental
illnesses.



ALL SAINTS' DAY (NOVEMBER 1)

A HOLY DAY CELEBRATED TO HONOR ALL
KNOWN AND UNKNOWN SAINTS
WHO HAVE ATTAINED HEAVEN
WE WILL CELEBRATE
ALL SAINTS DAY ON OCTOBER 31
WITH BISHOP SPIES

**THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE
FAITHFUL DEPARTED, OR ALL SOULS
DAY, IS CELEBRATED BY THE CHURCH
ON NOVEMBER 2. IT IS NOT A HOLY DAY**



**OF OBLIGATION. ON THIS DAY WE
HONOR THEM FOR THEIR FIDELITY IN LIFE, AS WELL AS PRAY FOR THEM,
SINCE THEY ARE BEING PURIFIED BEFORE ENTERING THE ALL HOLY
PRESENCE OF GOD. AS REVELATION 21:27 SAYS OF THE HEAVENLY
JERUSALEM, "... NOTHING UNCLEAN SHALL ENTER IN."**

**SEVEN DAYS OF PRAYER FOR THE SOULS IN PURGATORY - CARDS
ARE ON THE TABLE IN THE BACK OF CHURCH**



**11/11/26, LIVESTREAM OF MASS OF
INSTALLATION FOR BISHOP-DESIGNATE
BRENDAN J. CAHILL -**

VIEW THE LIVESTREAM OF THE MASS OF
INSTALLATION FOR BRENDAN J. CAHILL AS THE
SEVENTH BISHOP IN THE DIOCESE OF JOLIET
ON NOVEMBER 11, 2026, AT 2:00 PM.
[HTTPS://YOUTUBE.COM/LIVE/CU1FAZSXPIQ](https://youtube.com/live/cu1fazsxpiq)



JOLIET

**OCT 28
2026**

CATHOLIC MAN NIGHT

**TOPIC: Making room for your
faith through a busy life**



Keynote
Mike Blackburn
Knights of Columbus
State Secretary

Featuring
Dr. Ryan Hendrickson
President
University of St Francis
Joliet



Cathedral of St. Raymond | Joliet

Wednesday, October 28, 2026

5:30–8:30 pm

Dinner provided

Scan QR code to register or visit

MenOfChrist.net/Joliet





NO TRICKS HERE
UNDY SUNDAY EXTENDED
TO OCTOBER 31
DONATE T-SHIRTS;
SOCKS; SWEAT SHIRTS;
DIAPERS; ETC
AND HELP YOURSELVES
TO A SWEET TREAT



HARVEST SOCIAL
LUNCHEON &
CARD PARTY
OCTOBER 28, 2026

- 11:30AM

Returns can be made
this weekend or at the
Social

MASS WILL BE
CELEBRATED
WEDNESDAY AT 5:30PM
ALL ARE WELCOME TO
COME AND PRAY
FOR OUR PARISH

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

There is a show on public television in which people search their attics for heirlooms, dust them off, and trek them downtown for ruthless evaluation by teams of antique experts. Occasionally the owners are surprised to learn they have been harboring priceless artifacts: a Tiffany bowl used to catch the car keys, a Van Gogh in the downstairs bathroom. What they lugged downtown in a paper bag, they carry home in bubble wrap and receiving blankets.

It's the same way with treasures in Church life. Lots of things were lugged up into the attic years ago, and it was inevitable that some treasures ended up in the trash. Many Catholics tucked the sacrament of penance away in a dusty corner. We know it's there if we need it, but it is not the weekly routine it once was, like the Saturday bath "whether I need it or not." Today, especially in Lent and Advent or as part of personal preparation for marriage, ordination, or other life transitions, the sacrament of penance is a treasure of the Christian life waiting to be discovered. What's in your attic?

—Rev. James Field

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

THERE IS A SHOW ON PUBLIC TELEVISION IN WHICH PEOPLE SEARCH THEIR ATTICS FOR HEIRLOOMS, DUST THEM OFF, AND TREK THEM DOWNTOWN FOR RUTHLESS EVALUATION BY TEAMS OF ANTIQUE EXPERTS. OCCASIONALLY THE OWNERS ARE SURPRISED TO LEARN THEY HAVE BEEN HARBORING PRICELESS ARTIFACTS: A TIFFANY BOWL USED TO CATCH THE CAR KEYS, A VAN GOGH IN THE DOWNSTAIRS BATHROOM. WHAT THEY LUGGED DOWNTOWN IN A PAPER BAG, THEY CARRY HOME IN BUBBLE WRAP AND RECEIVING BLANKETS.

IT'S THE SAME WAY WITH TREASURES IN CHURCH LIFE. LOTS OF THINGS WERE LUGGED UP INTO THE ATTIC YEARS AGO, AND IT WAS INEVITABLE THAT SOME TREASURES ENDED UP IN THE TRASH. MANY CATHOLICS TUCKED THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE AWAY IN A DUSTY CORNER. WE KNOW IT'S THERE IF WE NEED IT, BUT IT IS NOT THE WEEKLY ROUTINE IT ONCE WAS, LIKE THE SATURDAY BATH "WHETHER I NEED IT OR NOT." TODAY, ESPECIALLY IN LENT AND ADVENT OR AS PART OF PERSONAL PREPARATION FOR MARRIAGE, ORDINATION, OR OTHER LIFE TRANSITIONS, THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE IS A TREASURE OF THE CHRISTIAN LIFE WAITING TO BE DISCOVERED. WHAT'S IN YOUR ATTIC?

—REV. JAMES FIELD

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Scholar Command Love Lord Heart
Soul Mind Greatest Neighbor Two

**JUST A
REMINDER
DAYLIGHT SAVINGS
TIME ENDS
NOVEMBER 1 AT
2:00AM
SET YOUR
CLOCKS BACK
1 HOUR
NEXT WEEKEND**



Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Diamond Rule

When I hear the line from the first reading about not molesting or oppressing an alien, I think of the movie E.T., in which the children help the extraterrestrial just because he needs help. What the reading calls aliens are immigrants or newcomers. They lived among the Hebrews but were not Jews themselves. The Lord reminds the people that they were once aliens themselves. They should not make the same mistake the Egyptians did when they mistreated the Israelites. God uses the same logic in commanding them to take care of widows and orphans. Treat them like family, or else your own wives and children will be in the same situation. Immigrants, widows, orphans, borrowers—all must be treated with compassion.

The reason for such compassion should be deeper than just fear of punishment. “Do to others as you would have them do to you,” Jesus said (Luke 6:31). Today’s Gospel has a similar saying: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself” (Matthew 22:39). Jesus called this the second commandment. The first is to love God wholly and completely, heart, mind, and soul. If the second commandment is the Golden Rule, the first might be called the Diamond Rule. If you think about it, in order to keep the first commandment, you have to be keeping the second as well. Jesus said that whatever you do for the poor, the homeless, the sick, or prisoners, you do for him (Matthew 25:31–46). Mother Teresa could see Jesus in the poorest of the poor. Jesus himself showed compassion even to sinners. We can’t really say we love God if we don’t love the people God created.

So that gives us two reasons to love our neighbor. First, because God lives in other people, so loving God means loving God wherever God is found. Second, God loves them, so if we are to be holy, we must be like God. What does that mean? Remember the saying that “charity begins at home”? That is only true because it is easier to love family and friends, but charity doesn’t end there. If we truly love God, we will extend our charity to those outside our homes. People are probably still rebuilding after the earthquakes in Japan, tornadoes in America, floods in India, and other disasters, and every city has some kind of homeless shelters. You say you love God? Let’s see you love your neighbor.