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Must be submitted by Monday of the week prior to the date of the bulletin to Communications@strosefamily.org. Please indicate "bulletin" in the subject line.

Note, all submissions may be edited for length and clarity.

Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday

4:30 p.m. St. Bernard - 4:30 p.m. St. Charles

Sunday

8:00 a.m. St. Joseph - 8:30 a.m. St. Bernard 10:30 a.m. St. Raphael - 11:00 a.m. St. Teresa

2:00 p.m. St. Teresa (Spanish) - 3:30 p.m. St. Raphael (Haitian Creole)

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday-Saturday

8:00 a.m. St. Teresa

Monday-Tuesday-Friday

9:00 a.m. St. Bernard

Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Rosary St. Teresa (Spanish) – 6:30 p.m. St. Teresa (Spanish)

Wednesday-Thursday

12:10 p.m. St. Raphael

Eucharistic Adoration

St. Teresa:

Confession and Adoration every Thursday from 7:00-8:00 p.m.

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration from 9:00-Noon

Holy Mass and Adoration 6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

First Saturday Holy Rosary and Mass 6:00 a.m. (Spanish)

St. Bernard:

First Sunday from 10:00 a.m.-Noon

St. Raphael:

Every Tuesday from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Sacraments

RECONCILIATION

St. Teresa

Thursday, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

St. Bernard

Mon/Tue/Fri, after 9:00 a.m. Mass Saturday, 3:00-4:00 p.m.

St. Raphael

Tuesday, 5:00-5:45 p.m. Wed/Thurs, 11:30 a.m.-Noon Saturday, 3:00-4:00 p.m.

BAPTISM

Call a Parish Office for an appointment.

MARRIAGES

Call Fr. Chris at 937-870-2865.

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Pastor's Corner



From the Pastor, October 19, 2025

The parable that Jesus tells in the Gospel today (Luke 18:1-8) is a strange one. In it, God is compared to a dishonest judge. We know that God is not a dishonest judge – God definitely is a judge and the most honest

of all judges. And that's what makes the story strange.

But it also makes the story "hit," as the kids say these days, because the comparison emphasizes that, even if a dishonest judge would give justice to someone who persistently asks for it, God is even more willing to do so. Actually, it is even better than that – because if we asked for justice for ourselves, we would perhaps not end up in the best place. As St. Paul says powerfully in his letter to the Romans, "since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." If we asked for justice, we would receive what sin deserves, which is death. But our God is not a dishonest judge – He is in fact a merciful judge. He is ready and willing to forgive our sins, something that a human judge cannot do. And that is how St. Paul can continue his thought in the same line from the Letter to the Romans: "they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus."

What we must do is be persistent in going to the merciful God and asking for forgiveness – and the way that Jesus gave us to do that is the Sacrament of Confession. It is the only way that we can be forgiven of those sins that kill, which we call mortal or grave sins. It is through this sacrament and the other sacraments that we can have our faith increased – so that the Son of Man can find faith on earth, when He comes again.

In Christ, Fr. Komoroski

Del Párroco, 19 de Octubre de 2025

La parábola que Jesús cuenta en el Evangelio de hoy (Lucas 18, 1-8) es una parábola extraña. En ella, Dios es comparado con un juez injusto. Sabemos que Dios no es un juez injusto —Dios ciertamente es juez, pero el más justo de todos los jueces—, y eso es precisamente lo que hace que la historia sea tan peculiar.

Pero también es lo que hace que la historia resuene, como dicen los jóvenes hoy en día, porque la comparación enfatiza que, si incluso un juez injusto puede hacer justicia a quien insiste persistentemente, ¡cuánto más lo hará Dios! En realidad, es aún mejor que eso, porque si pidiéramos justicia para nosotros mismos, quizá no terminaríamos en el mejor lugar. Como dice san Pablo de manera tan contundente en su carta a los Romanos: "todos han pecado y están privados de la gloria de Dios." Si pidiéramos justicia, recibiríamos lo que el pecado merece, que es la muerte. Pero nuestro Dios no es un juez injusto —es, de hecho, un juez misericordioso. Está dispuesto y listo para perdonar nuestros pecados, algo que ningún juez humano puede hacer. Y por eso san Pablo puede continuar en el mismo pasaje de la carta a los Romanos: "pero son justificados gratuitamente por su gracia, mediante la redención que está en Cristo Jesús."

Lo que debemos hacer es ser persistentes en acudir al Dios misericordioso y pedir perdón —y el modo que Jesús nos dio para hacerlo es el Sacramento de la Confesión. Es el único medio por el cual podemos ser perdonados de esos pecados que dan muerte, los que llamamos pecados mortales o graves. Es a través de este sacramento, y de los demás sacramentos, que nuestra fe puede crecer —para que el Hijo del Hombre encuentre fe en la tierra cuando vuelva.

En Cristo, P. Komoroski

Weekly Scripture Readings

Mass Attend (English Masses only		October 4/5, 2025			
Church	Capacity	Attendance Saturday/Sunday	Utilization %		
St. Raphael	511	206	40%		
St. Teresa	434	248	57%		
St. Bernard	420	249/196	59%/46%		
St. Joseph	368	164	44%		
St. Charles	180	46	25%		

Mass Schedule and Intentions:

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Sunday, Oct	ober 19	
8:00 a.m.	St. Joseph	骨 Doreen Bickers
8:30 a.m.	St. Bernard	→ Margie Ahern Cleary &
		Rosemary Ahern Schlinder
10:30 a.m.	St. Raphael	☆ Thomas Derakis
11:00 a.m.	St. Teresa	骨 Pati Gregg,
		骨 Deacon Phil Kenzora
2:00 p.m.	St. Teresa	Celebrant's Intention
3:30 p.m.	St. Raphael	Celebrant's Intention
Monday, Oc	tober 20	
8:00 a.m.	St. Teresa	∜ Leander Lamar
9:00 a.m.	St. Bernard	Bowman Family
Tuesday, Oc	tober 21	
8:00 a.m.	St. Teresa	Doan Family
9:00 a.m.	St. Bernard	All our Parishioners
Wednesday,	October 22	
8:00 a.m.	St. Teresa	⊕ Dennis W. Seavey
12:10 p.m.	St. Raphael	∜ Hobart Parker
2:30 p.m.	St. Teresa	Celebrant's Intention
Thursday, O	october 23	
8:00 a.m.	St. Teresa	🕆 Robert J. Benston
12:10 p.m.	St. Raphael	骨Tom Bahel
Friday, Octo	ber 24	
8:00 a.m.	St. Teresa	∜ David Michael Shay
9:00 a.m.	St. Bernard	骨 Chris Toms
Saturday, O	ctober 25	
8:00 a.m.	St. Teresa	All our Parishioners
4:30 p.m.	St. Charles	∜Sage Porr
4:30 p.m.	St. Bernard	Helen, Dick, and Debbie
		Aleshire and Gary Turner
		∜ Deceased

Our Gifts to the Lord					
	St. Raphael	St. Bernard	St. Teresa	St. Joseph	St. Charles
Collection for October 5	\$ 9,323.31	\$ 16,320.26	\$ 9,876.25	\$ 9,509.14	\$ 1,665.00

Thank you for your continued generosity!

Becoming Catholic

They "devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers."

- Acts 2:42

We are excited to hear about what the Lord is beginning or continuing to do in your life. The process of becoming Catholic is called OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults). It is designed to help us unpack the teaching of the Apostles so that we can burn with the same desire for Jesus as they did. Not sure where your journey fits into this? No worries. Reach out to our Director of Evangelization at nic@strosefamily.org. He would love to walk you through the process, and answer any questions you might have. Are you Catholic already and have a friend that through your witness is open to becoming Catholic? Have them get in touch with Nic at nic@strosefamily.org.

Thanksgiving Luncheon

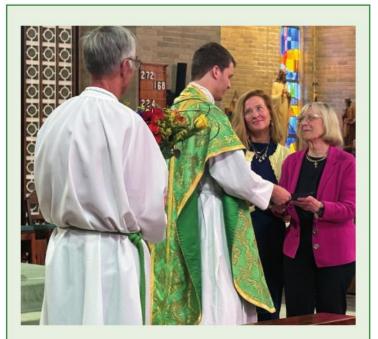
Plans are underway for a Thanksgiving Luncheon at St. Joseph Church, organized by John Lippolis. More details will be shared soon. For questions, please contact John at 937-244-5618.

Counters Needed

The St. Rose Family of Parishes is in need of counters to help with the Sunday collection. If you are able to assist, please contact Chelsea Martinez at 937-340-1495.

Prayer and Study Opportunities

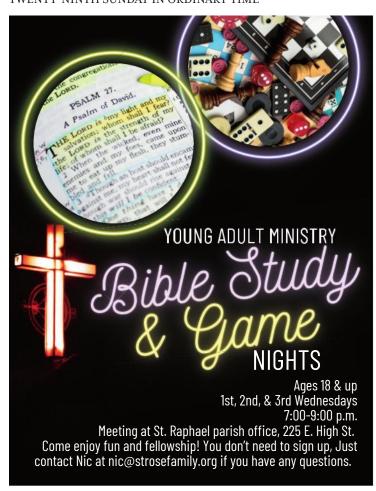
- Rosary Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m. (during the school year) at Catholic Central Chapel, back entrance.
- Catholic Men's Prayer and Study Group. Every First and Third Saturday from 9:00-10:30 a.m. at St. Bernard's Metzdorf Hall.
- Rosary at St. Bernard after the Weekday Mass. Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. and before the weekend Masses.
- Fishers of Faith men's group meeting in the St. Teresa Church Basement, following Adoration every Thursday at 8:00 p.m.
- Monday Evening Bible Study, St. Joseph Parish Center, September 22-November 17, 2025, 6:30-8:00 p.m.



With heartfelt gratitude

We thank Joan Gould for her many years of faithful service as our parish organist. Through her beautiful music, Joan has lifted our hearts in prayer, enriched our liturgies, and helped us encounter the presence of God in countless ways. Her dedication, talent, and kindness have been a true blessing to our parish family. We wish her every joy and blessing in this new chapter of life.

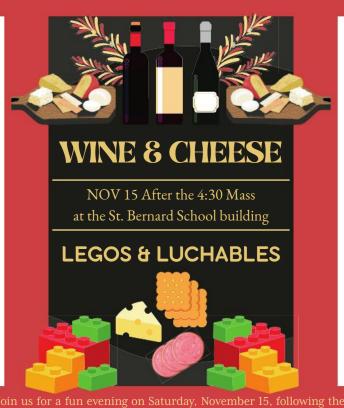








CATHOLIC CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL - JASON COLLIER GYMNASIUM (ENTER THROUGH THE MAIN ENTRANCE AT THE BACK OF THE SCHOOL)



4:30 p.m. Mass, at the St. Bernard School building! Adults are invited to relax and enjoy good company at our Wine and Cheese Night, while the kids have their own fun with Legos and Lunchables. There will even be a special prize for the best Lego sculpture, so kids can get creative while parents unwind. It's the perfect way for the whole parish family to relax, connect, and share some laughter together. All are welcome — come for the Mass, stay for the fellowship!

Reminder

The new Mass schedule went into effect the weekend of October 4-5, and is as follows:

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10:30 a.m.	St. Raphael					
11:00 a.m.	St. Teresa					

For a detailed explanation into why these times were selected and our goals for this change, please visit our family website strosefamily.org or scan the accompanying QR code:





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Patron Saint of young Catholics and families

Born in Wadowice, Poland, Karol Jozef Wojtyla had lost his mother, father, and older brother before his 21st birthday. Karol's promising academic career at Krakow's Jagiellonian University was cut short by the outbreak of World War II. While working in a quarry and a chemical factory, he enrolled in an "underground" seminary in Kraków. Ordained in 1946, he was immediately sent to Rome where he earned a doctorate in theology.

Back in Poland, a short assignment as assistant pastor in a rural parish preceded his very fruitful chaplaincy for university students. Communist officials allowed Wojtyla to be appointed auxiliary bishop of Kraków in 1958, considering him a relatively harmless intellectual. They could not have been more wrong!

Appointed as archbishop of Kraków in 1964, he was named a cardinal three years later. Elected pope in October 1978, he took the name of his short-lived, immediate predecessor. Pope John Paul II was the first non-Italian pope in 455 years. In time, he made pastoral visits to 124 countries, including several with small Christian populations.

The Great Jubilee of the Year 2000, a key event in John Paul's ministry, was marked by special celebrations in Rome and elsewhere for Catholics and other Christians. Relations with the Orthodox Churches improved considerably during his papacy.

In his 27 years of papal ministry, John Paul II wrote 14 encyclicals and five books, canonized 482 saints and beatified 1,338 people. In the last years of his life, he suffered from Parkinson's disease and was forced to cut back on some of his activities.

Pope Benedict XVI beatified John Paul II in 2011, and Pope Francis canonized him in 2014.

Read the full article: "Saint John Paul II" Franciscan Media, Franciscan Friars, https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saint-john-paul-ii/(Accessed October 6, 2025).



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