

The month of October is dedicated to the **Holy Rosary**. The Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated on October 7. October falls during the liturgical season known as Ordinary Time, which is represented by the liturgical color **green**. This **symbol of hope** is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection. It is used in the offices and Masses of Ordinary Time.

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### PRE is off to a WONDERFUL start! It is Fantastic to see everyone back!

We have a great group of **Confirmandi** this year and they treated us to a wonderful youth Mass in September! We look forward to fabulous things from them this year! Speaking of fabulous things...**St. William will be hosting a Diocesan Confirmation Youth Retreat** here at our parish on Saturday, November 13th! We are looking to welcome at least 6 other parishes here and about 100 youth from throughout the Memphis Diocese. I want to thank in advance our wonderful Knights of Columbus for taking care of lunch for us and the fabulous Women's Club for handling desserts and snacks. The great work both organizations do never ceases to amaze me! All of you are so **AWESOME** and we are very appreciative of all you do for the youth of our parish!

We are also looking forward to another great Trunk or Treat this year. We had over whelming success last year with this event. It will be taking place on Saturday, October 30th with setup starting after 4:30 Mass. If you are interested in do a trunk this year please contact Debbie Breckenridge at 901-359-7063 or Lisa at the office. Once you sign up, setup details and specifics on the event will be sent to you. Please consider taking part..a fun time was had by all last year!

We will be continuing our Youth Mass with the 6th and 7th grade on October 17th at the 11:00 Mass.

There will be **No PRE Class on October 10th** due to Fall Break.

All Hallows' Eve or Halloween heralds the month of November with emphasis on the Communion of Saints, especially the Church Suffering (the Poor Souls in Purgatory) and the second coming of Christ or parousia. This last day of October on the secular calendar is second only to Christmas in commercial preparations. The secular festivities center on ghouls, witches and devils, but the Christian



counterpart focus on the communion of saints. As Christians living a "Catholic Culture", we should try to explore the Christian roots of the Halloween festivities.

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### The Theological Virtues

This month, we will review the virtues that relate directly to God – The Virtues of Faith, Hope and Charity (Love). We cannot acquire these through our own human effort but only through God. These virtues are given to us from God beginning with our Baptism. These gifts dispose us to live in relationship with God. These virtues also influence the Cardinal (human) Virtues by increasing their stability and strength in our lives. Growth in these virtues is very important for every Christian, as they aid us in living out our Christian moral life.

As we learned in our last series on the Cardinal Virtues, virtue is the habitual and firm disposition to do good. The virtues of Faith, Hope and Charity inform all the Cardinal Virtues and give life to them (*CCC, nos. 1833, 1834, 1841*).

**Faith** is the theological virtue by which we believe in God and all that he as said and revealed to us. Faith is our personal response to God's revelation of his holiness, love, beauty and transcendence. By faith, man believers seek to know and do God's will. The Catechism tells us that we must not only keep the faith and live on it, but also profess it, confidently bear witness to and spread our faith (*CCC 1816*). Faith is a gift of grace from God. And is constantly nour-ished by the Holy Spirit from the moment of Baptism, through our prayer life, our participation in the Eucharist and the Sacraments and by our Christian witness.

**Hope** is the theological virtue by which we desire the kingdom of Heaven and eternal life as our happiness, placing our trust in Christ's promises and relying on the help of the grace of the Holy Spirit. *(CCC 1817)*. Hope fills us with the confidence that God is with us and guides us to life with him. Hope responds to the aspiration to happiness which God has placed in the heart of everyone. Hope sustains us in times of abandonment and keeps us from being discouraged. Hope opens our hearts in expectation of eternal peace. St. Teresa of Avila wrote:

Hope, O my soul, hope. You know neither the day nor the hour. Watch carefully, for everything passes quickly, even though your impatience makes doubtful what is certain, and turns a very short time into a long one. Dream that the more you struggle, the more you prove the love that you bear your God, and the more you will rejoice one day with your Beloved, in a happiness and rapture that can never end.



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Charity (Love) is the greatest virtue. This virtue is the one by which we love God above all things for his own sake, and our neighbor as ourselves for the love of God (CCC 1822). God asks us to accept this live and respond to him with it. Jesus made the love of God the first of the two greatest Commandants. The Gospel of Matthew tells us that Jesus said: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind". In the Gospel of John, Jesus told his disciples: "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love" and then he goes on to say "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. It is through living this love that we can keep God's commandments. The fruits of Charity/Love are joy, peace and mercy. St. Paul wrote in 1 Corinthians:

"charity is patient and kind, charity is not jealous or boastful; it is not arrogant or rude. Charity does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrong, but rejoices in the right. Charity bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things".

It is through charity, that all virtues are lived and shared. With love, all is possible in Christ.

### The Autumn Season

October usually is an enjoyable time of the year in the United States. The autumn season manifests itself with **wonderful fall foliage** in many parts of the country. The temperatures are cooler, inviting people outdoors for nature walks, apple or pumpkin picking. School routines are more established and football season is in full swing. The celebrations of the Church for the month of October are also wonderful and unique. The feasts of some of the most popular saints of the universal Church are celebrated during this month: St. Therese the Little Flower (France), St. Francis of Assisi (Italy) and St. Teresa of Avila (Spain). These saints come from different countries, and in honoring these saints we can include cultural dishes or activities from each country to make the feast day even more special. Read more about the lives of these saints. Perhaps the family can pick one virtue that each saint practiced well and try to implement it.

# from the Deacon's Desk...

Due to the loss in Deacon Jim's family, there will be no wisdom this month. He will be back next month. Please keep his family in your prayers. Thank you, Debi Yetman



### **Guardian Angels**



Angels are servants and messengers from God. "Angel" in Greek means messenger. In unseen ways the angels help us on our earthly pilgrimage by assisting us in work and study, helping us in temptation and protecting us from physical danger.

The idea that each soul has assigned to it a personal guardian angel has been long accepted by the Church and is a truth of our faith. From the Gospel of today's liturgy we read: "See that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that their angels in heaven always look upon the face of my heavenly Father" (Matthew 18:10). The Catechism of the Catholic Church states that "the exist-

ence of the spiritual, non-corporeal beings that Sacred Scripture usually calls 'angels' is a truth of faith (328)." From our birth until our death, man is surrounded by the protection and intercession of angels, particularly our guardian angel: "Beside each believer stands an angel as protector and shepherd leading him to life (336)." The Church thanks God for our helpers, the angels, particularly on this feast day and September 29 which is the feast of Saint Michael, Saint Gabriel, and Saint Raphael, archangels. Today's feast appeared in Spain during the sixteenth century. It was extended to the universal Church and made obligatory in 1670.

Be alert in your every action as one should be who is accompanied by angels in all your ways, for that mission has been enjoined upon them. In whatever lodging, in whatever nook or corner you may find yourself, cherish a reverence for your guardian angel. In his presence do not dare to do anything you would not do in mine. Or do you doubt his presence because you do not see him? Would it really help if you did hear him, or touch him, or smell him? Remember, there are realities whose existence has not been proven by mere sight.

Brethren, we will love God's angels with a most affectionate love; for they will be our heavenly co-heirs some day, these spirits who now are sent by the Father to be our protectors and our guides. With such bodyguards, what are we to fear? They can neither be subdued nor deceived; nor is there any possibility at all that they should go astray who are to guard us in all our ways. They are trustworthy, they are intelligent, they are strong — why, then, do we tremble? We need only to follow them, remain close to them, and we will dwell in the protection of the Most High God. So as often as you sense the approach of any grave temptation or some crushing sorrow hangs over you, invoke your protector, your leader, your helper in every situation. Call out to him and say: Lord, save us, we are perishing. —St. Bernard



Patron: Spanish police officers.

**Symbols**: usually portrayed as beardless, sexless beings, winged, human in form and barefooted, usually carrying objects such as a pilgrim's staff, scroll, book, a scepter or a sword.

### St. Therese of Lisieux

Marie Therese Martin was born at Alencon, France on January 2, 1873, the youngest of five daughters. Her father, Louis, was a watchmaker, and her mother, Zelie, who died of breast cancer when Therese was four, was a lace maker. She was brought up in a model Christian home. While still a child she felt the attraction of the cloister, and at fifteen obtained permission to enter the Carmel of Lisieux. For the next nine years she lived a very ordinary religious life. There are no miracles, exploits or austerities recorded of her. She attained a very high degree of holiness by carrying out her ordinary daily duties with perfect fidelity, having a childlike confidence in God's providence and merciful love



and being ready to be at the service of others at all times. She also had a great love of the Church and a zeal for the conversion of souls. She prayed especially for priests. She died of consumption on September 30, 1897, at the age of 24, and was canonized in 1925. She has never ceased to fulfill her promise: "I will pass my heaven in doing good on earth." Her interior life is known through her autobiography called Story of a Soul. Pope Saint John Paul II declared her a Doctor of the Church in 1997.

Patron: florists; foreign missions; missionaries; pilots; against tuberculosis; AIDS sufferers; illness; loss of parents; Australia; France; Russia; Diocese of Fairbanks, Alaska; Diocese of



Fresno, California; Diocese of Juneau, Alaska; Diocese of Pueblo, Colorado.

Symbols: roses; discalced Carmelite nun holding roses; Carmelite nun with roses at her feet; Carmelite nun holding images of the Child Jesus and Holy Face of Jesus; Carmelite nun holding a crucifix and roses; book.

In more recent times, St. Therese of Lisieux shows us the courageous way of abandonment into the hands of God to whom she entrusts her littleness. And yet it is not that she has no experience of the feeling of God's absence, a feeling which our century is harshly experiencing: "Sometimes it seems that the little bird (to which she compared herself) cannot believe that anything else exists except the clouds that envelop it.... This is the moment of perfect joy for the poor, weak little thing.... What happiness for it to remain there nevertheless, and to gaze at the invisible light that hides from its faith."



# Trunk or Treat

We had over whelming success last year with this event. It will be taking place

on **Saturday**, **October 30<sup>th</sup>** with setup starting after 4:30 Mass. Here is how it works. You park in a spot in the church parking lot ...pop your trunk ...decorate yourself and your trunk however you would like to ...and give out candy to the kids that will trick or treat from car to car. If you are interested in doing a trunk this year please contact **Debbie Breckenridge** at **901-359-7063** or **Lisa at the office**. Once you sign up, setup details and specifics on the event will be



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### Saint William Women's Club

Fall is here and Christmas is just around the corner. The Women's Club would like to invite the women of the parish to join us for our annual gift exchange. You bring 6 identical unwrapped gifts (valued at \$10) to exchange and you leave with 6 gifts. It is a great opportunity to get some of your Christmas shopping done and also a great opportunity for fellowship with other parishioners. We would love to have you join us, Oct 24 at 1 p.m.

We are planning our silent auction and are welcoming any donations of new or gently used, clean items you may want to give. Although we will not be doing our harvest dinner, we are looking forward to a fun event and hope to see you all there. The ladies will be baking desserts for purchase as well. We will be set up in the school cafeteria. Come by and see what we have for



auction items and get yourself a delicious treat while you wait to see if you have the winning bid!

C U T L E R Y

We are planning to submit an order for RADA cutlery soon so if you are interested, please get your order in. RADA is quality cutlery and is an excellent gift idea!

As always, we welcome any new members and would love to see you at our meeting. We meet the second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. Hope to see you soon!

### October 2021

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## **Bible in a Year**





### FLAME OF LOVE PRAYER CENACLE

"We are blessed to be meeting in person again. ALSO, we have a virtual meeting over Zoom, as well. The in-person Prayer Cenacle will meet in the Church on the 2nd and 4th Sundays from 9:45 to 10:45am (between the masses), all while keeping socially distanced with a mask. The virtual Prayer Cenacle will be over the internet on Zoom, at 2pm on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sundays. Contact Teresa Elliott at 901-604-7225. Newcomers are welcome! Please, join us!

"My Adorable Jesus,

May our feet journey together. May our hands gather in unity. May our hearts beat in unison. May our souls be in harmony.

May our thoughts be as one. May our ears listen to the silence together. May our glances profoundly penetrate each other.

May our lips pray together to gain mercy from the Eternal Father. Amen."







Our Lady's Promises "With this Flame you will light all hearts in the world. This Flame will become a fire, and with its shining Light, this fire will blind Satan."

Our Lord's Promises "The Renewal of the Earth will take place through the power and imploring force of the Blessed Virgin Mary."

Come deepen your faith and prayer life! Learn about and pray the devotion "Flame of Love" given by Jesus and Mary to Elizabeth Kindelmann of Hungary between 1961 and 1983 as written in her diary. The Flame of Love Movement has the Apostolic Blessing of Pope Francis, was encouraged by Pope John Paul II, and received the Imprimatur number 494-4/2009 from Cardinal Peter Erdo, Archbishop of Estergom-Budapest and Primate of Hungary. Since then the diary has received the Imprimatur by numerous bishops in various jurisdictions including Archbishop Charles Chaput in Philadelphia, the Fountainhead of this Movement in the United States. The Diary will be provided to participants. PLEASE JOIN US ! Call Teresa Elliott for any questions at 901-604-7225

Please join us for Bunco on the third Friday of each month. We meet at 7:00 start rolling at 7:30. NO WORRIES if you have never played! No skill involved, just a desire to have a good time and get to know your fellow parishioners. Call Debbie Breckenridge with any questions or if you need a ride 901-359-7063.



### The Holy Father's Intentions for the

Month of October Missionary disciples

We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel.





Every person has a guardian angel assigned to them, and October 2 the Church celebrates the role of these Guardian Angels. We should show devout gratitude to God for placing these angels at our service. Having a guardian should give us confidence during all of life's difficulties. Every Catholic should know the Angele Dei (Angel of God) prayer and pray it often. The Directory on Popular Pie-ty suggests that families pray it at morning and evening prayers or after the Angeleus.

#### **1 ST THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS**

Watch: Therese Watch: The Secret of Saint Therese Watch: Lukas Storyteller: Divine Mercy of the Child Jesus



### **2** GUARDIAN ANGELS

Watch: Powers and Dominions Watch: Angels Watch: Who Are the Angels Read: Angels and Demons

#### **4 ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI**

Watch: Saint Francis Ver: San Francisco Read: The Joyful Beggar Read: The Book of Saints and Heroes Watch: Saint Francis: Troubador of God's Peace

#### **5** ST FAUSTINA

Watch: Divine Mercy Watch: Ocean of Mercy Escucha: Divina Misericordia



Listen: The Saving Power of Divine Mercy

#### **7** OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

Watch: Brother Francis - The Rosary Listen: Walking with Jesus Pray: The Seven Sorrows of the Blessed Virgin Mary

### **9** ST JOHN HENRY NEWMAN

Watch: One Step Is Enough Listen: Parochial and Plain Sermons Listen: Excerpts from the Tears of Christ

#### **9** VENERABLE POPE PIUS XII

Watch: Pius XII: Under the Roman Sky Ver: Pio XII: Bajo el cielo Romano Watch: Pius XII and the Holocaust

#### **11** ST POPE JOHN XXIII

Movie: John XXIII: The Pope of Peace Movie: The Revolution of John XXIII Película: La revolución de Juan XXIII

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### **11 ST MARIA SOLEDAD**

Movie: Saint Maria Soledad Película: Santa Maria Soledad

### **13 FATIMA MIRACLE OF THE SUN**

Watch: Fatima: Hope for the World Watch: The 13th Day Ver: El Día 13 Watch: Finding Fatima Leer: Fatima para hoy

### **15 ST TERESA OF AVILA**

Watch: St. Teresa of Avila Book: Deep Conversion Deep Prayer Listen: Truth to Inspire: Teresa of Avila Watch: The Day the Sun Danced Listen: The 3 stages of the Interior Life Read: Fire of Love

#### **16 ST MARGARET MARY ALACOQUE**

Watch: Consoling the Heart of Jesus Watch: Sacred Art: The Sacred Heart

Read: Heart of the Redeemer

# 17 ST IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH



Watch: Footprints of God: Apostolic Fathers: Handing on the Faith

#### **18** ST LUKE

Read: Mission of the Messiah Read: The Ignatius Catholic Study Bible: New Testament Listen: The Gospel of Luke Listen: Acts of the Apostles

#### **22 ST POPE JOHN PAUL II**

Watch: John Paul II: I Kept Looking for You Watch: Pope John Paul II Ver: Papa Juan Pablo II Watch: The Jeweler's Shop



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