



October 3, 2021

Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

Collection September 26, 2021

Collection	\$845
Attendance	31

October 10, 2021

Lector: Donna Hathaway

Commentator: Gaby Stanley

Usher: Schlottmann Family

Please be respectful and quiet for those praying before Mass as you enter the sanctuary.

Readings for October 10, 2021

Reading 1: Wisdom 7:7-11

Reading 2: Hebrews 4:12-13

Gospel: Mark 10:17-30

Prayer List- Mike Malloy, Tim Kimbleton, Carol Luttrell, Brenda Lee, John Balconi, Joan Jennings, Jody Riffey, Stacy Lewis, Rohith Ashok, Christine Scarpinato, Susan Bennett, John McNair, Sharon Dalton, Rebecca Leeper, and Father Bernie.

(Please contact Stan Stanley if you have additions or deletions)

New Schedules- for lectors, commentators, and ushers have been sent out by email. Please be sure to put your dates on a calendar and get a replacement if you are unable to do your duty that week.

Masks- At the recommendation of the CDC, the diocese request that we all wear masks indoors while attending Mass or during church activities.

SAM Sunday- Because of the indoor restrictions for Covid, we will not gather for Sam Sunday for the month of October.

October Birthdays

Ken Klima	Oct 3
Declan Taylor	Oct 5
Stephanie Bain	Oct 6
Richard Richardson	Oct 8
Sharon Dalton	Oct 11
Lisa Schlottmann	Oct 13
Gabriella Stanley	Oct 23
Terrie Hancock	Oct 24

October Anniversaries

Allen and Karen Audus	Oct 2
Larry and Melody Riffey	Oct 15
Bob and Cheri Strenz	Oct 20
Wayne and Angie Trail	Oct 28

Information about St. Edward- Daily readings, the bulletin, and other information can be found on our webpage at: <https://stedwardpulaski.org>

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Getting vaccinated is an "act of love"- Pope Francis

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Daily Prayer This Week

Jesus is so full of surprises. This week, we can let his surprising ways interact with our daily lives. All of us, in some ways, tend to want to trap - or at least intensely resist - the prophets who call us to conversion. We are all asking our Lord to tell us what we need to do to have eternal life. We might all know the ways we don't like his answer. The invitation to love our neighbor, the way the lowly Samaritan did, can be a revealing question for us this week. Who is the neighbor or stranger or enemy whom I'm called to help, care for their wounds, and provide for their recovery? Or, we can reflect upon whether we are too busy, and not focused enough on what really matters - spending some time just listening to Jesus. Perhaps, we have some desire, need, struggle that we very much want to turn to the Lord with. This could be the week we ask, seek and knock - persistently and confidently. All week, we can ask for the grace to be "with" Jesus and to "gather" with him, perhaps especially alert to ways we are "against" Jesus or "scatter" in different things we do or attitudes we take.

All it takes for us busy people is a little focus. We will get into the habit of beginning each day by bringing our attention to these strong desires with practice. At first, it may work best to rely on a line from one of these Guides - letting it be our expression of what we need and returning to it consciously throughout the day.

With practice, we will grow in comfort with naming our own desires more precisely. For example, I might already be more like Mary than Martha. I might want to be asking our Lord, "Help me keep listening to you, Lord, throughout this day." It may be that I haven't said the Rosary with devotion in years. This may be a week to rediscover that powerful prayer, a decade at a time, throughout the day, reflecting much more deliberately on the traditional mysteries or the reflections of this week.

Every night, we can all express our thanks to the Lord for the faithful way we are being invited to a closer relationship, in the midst of our busy, daily lives.

Lord, bless this week to allow me to be drawn closer to you - a better neighbor, choosing the better part, learning to pray to you insistently, being with you in every way I can. Help me put my complete trust in you.