

# ST. JOHN FISHER CHURCH • OCTOBER 2, 2016

## TWENTY- SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### PARISH EVENTS OF THE WEEK

#### Monday, October 3

3:00 pm – Monday Prayer Group

#### Tuesday, October 4

10:00 am – Tuesdays@ 10

6:30 pm – Annual Pet Blessing – behind the church.

#### Thursday, October 6

7:00 pm – RCIA meeting

#### Saturday, October 8

7:45 am – Catholic Men's Fellowship



#### Readings for the Twenty- Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time

First Reading: 2 Kings 5:14-17

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 2:8-13

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

#### 2016 CAR RAFFLE RESULTS

Congratulations to our 2016 Car Raffle winner, Jeri Ricketts. We sold over 640 tickets and after expenses, she and St. John Fisher will each receive over \$15,000!! Thank you to Jeff Wyler Auto Group for supplying the car and to everyone who purchased a ticket. A very special thanks to Mike and Marty Rauen and the raffle committee for all of their hard work and efforts in holding another successful raffle!

#### BELTERRA OUTING

The Forever 50 Group invites you to join them on October 12<sup>th</sup> for an outing to Belterra! See the poster in the Gathering space for sign up sheet, a registration card and envelope to prepay (\$6 per person) by October 6<sup>th</sup>. We're car pooling – and they have valet parking. Questions? Call Helen Vogt at 624-6387.

#### RESPECT LIFE MONTH

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has designated **OCTOBER** as respect life month. Each year we are invited to become more aware of respect for life issues. Our spare change collection this week benefits the various respect life ministries throughout the archdiocese. Thank you for your generosity and your prayerful support of these issues.

#### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome the following families who joined the parish in August:

Scott and Amy Moeves and their daughters; Lila and Annabel, The Howard Family: Lisa and her children Tony, A.J, Josh and Zach, Brett and Laura Schneider and their children, Ben and Olivia, The Roebel Family: Joe and Erin and their daughters; Grace, Maggie and Norah.

#### ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITY – THE BIBLE TIMELINE: THE STORY OF SALVATION

The Bible is at the heart of our faith and our relationship with God. Scripture informs our beliefs and inspires our devotions. It is the place where our Father meets with us and lovingly speaks to us. Reading the Bible should bring us closer to Christ, but understanding it is often difficult. The good news is that *you can understand the Bible*, and *The Bible Timeline* makes it easy. *The Bible Timeline* has helped hundreds of thousands of people to understand the Bible and deepen their relationship with Christ, and it will help you, too. The study will include a series of twenty-four videos presented by Jeff Cavins. Each video will be preceded by a lively group discussion. If you have already taken our *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible* this past summer, this program is a continuation of that series and will go into much more depth. If you miss an evening, you will be able to view the video at home and keep current. St. John Fisher will begin *The Bible Timeline* on Tuesday, October 11, 2016 at 7:00 PM. There may be a daytime class if there is enough interest. We will have 8 classes and then take a break during Christmas, resuming in January, 2017. For more information, please contact Jim Crosby in the parish office or at [jimc@sifchurch.org](mailto:jimc@sifchurch.org)

#### ANNUAL PET BLESSING, OCTOBER 4

Plan on attending our parish's annual St. Francis of Assisi Prayer Service and Blessing of the Animals on Tuesday, October 4 at 6:30 pm in the rear parking lot. Bring your lawn chairs and pets for this special celebration in honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron Saint of animals. As we pray together we will ask God's blessings on our pets.

#### CATHOLIC UPDATES AVAILABLE

There are two new Catholic Updates available in our transition area. The first one is entitled "Gospel Values in an Election Year...and Beyond." This insightful article, written by Cincinnati and moral theologian Ken Overberg, SJ, provides the insights and reminders about Catholic Social Teaching that we need when making decisions about voting. Please consider picking one up today and using it as a guide and reflection over the next few months as we approach the election. The second Catholic Update is about Mother Teresa of Calcutta, who was canonized a saint on September 4. She was "a saintly model of persistence in faithfulness, prayer and love" as the article states and she was certainly a champion for life. This article provides a beautiful history of her life, her struggles, and provides us with inspiration to follow her example.

#### HOSPICE OF CINCINNATI – ANDERSON NEEDS HELP

Hospice of Cincinnati is looking for Eucharistic Ministers for the Anderson In Patient unit at 5 Mile and Beechmont. If you are interested, please call volunteer Coordinator, Lisa Smythe, at 246-9507.

All ministers may check their future schedules at:  
[www.ministryschedulerpro.com?user=stjvolunteer](http://www.ministryschedulerpro.com?user=stjvolunteer)

**SERVER SCHEDULE**  
**October 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Saturday, 4:30 pm – Maria Taylor, Emma Handorf**  
**Sunday, 9:00 am – Lily Sharp, Noah Wadell, need 1 volunteer please**  
**Sunday, 11:00 am – Will Forte, Olivia Walsh, need 1 volunteer please**

**KAIROS AGAPE NEEDED!**

A Kairos weekend is coming up at the Southern Ohio Correctional Facility in Lucasville, Ohio and needs support for its success. These weekends are meant to show inmates a touch of God's love/agape (<http://bit.ly/stockmankairos>). 5,000 dozen cookies are needed for this retreat; all inmates and staff at the prison will receive cookies. Please consider contributing your time to this life-changing weekend. Simply put two dozen prayed-over, home-baked cookies (chocolate chip preferred) into a gallon sized zip-lock bag (please only put cookies into the bag, no plates or other materials). Cookies will be collected on the weekends of October 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> and again on October 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. Please also pray for the weekend that the men inside will be touched by God's grace. Financial support also welcome to fund meals and supplies for the retreat. Contact Jim Crosby at [jimc@sjfchurch.org](mailto:jimc@sjfchurch.org) or in the parish office for more information.

**TUESDAYS AT 10 BIBLE STUDY**

"Tuesdays at 10" Bible Study has begun. Please consider joining us this year! We will use several different resources for our study, beginning with a book called "Mighty in Power: The Miracles of Jesus." We will then use a series by Scott Hahn and cover the Gospel of Matthew, which will be the gospel for the new liturgical year, beginning with Advent 2016. The total cost of all of the books is usually about \$35-\$45 for the entire year. Please contact Jim Crosby at [jimc@sjfchurch.org](mailto:jimc@sjfchurch.org) or in the parish office for more information or questions.

**WE THRIVE IN NEWTOWN**

Join community leaders and residents of the Village of Newtown in a discussion on how we can work together to enhance the health, safety, and vitality of the Village.  
**Thursday, October 6, 2016, 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm at Newtown Municipal Center, 3537 Church Street.**  
**[www.WatchUsThrive.org](http://www.WatchUsThrive.org).** Presented by Hamilton County Public Health. Learn more! Hannah Smith  
[hannah.smith@hamilton-co.org](mailto:hannah.smith@hamilton-co.org) 513-946-7813

**PRO-LIFE THOUGHTS**

"I feel that the greatest destroyer of peace today is abortion, because it is a war against the child, direct killing of the innocent child, murder by the mother herself."  
St. Teresa of Calcutta

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday, October 3**

12:00 – Special Intention (Jackie & Frank Seurkamp)

**Tuesday, October 4**

8:00 am – Don Gunderson (Mary Dean Grote)

**Wednesday, October 5**

8:00 am – Antonio & Celia Mello (Donna Mack)

**Thursday, October 6**

8:00 am – John Nurre (Mary Ann Fagel)

**Friday, October 7**

12:00 pm – Communion Service

**Saturday, October 8**

4:30 pm – Diane Foreman (Melissa & Carol Mehring)

**Sunday, October 9**

9:00 am – Dr. Abbot Spaulding (Mike & Amy Castellini)

11:00 am – St. John Fisher Community

**KNOW MERCY: SHOW MERCY**

Each week during this Jubilee Year of Mercy we will be offering suggestions about how to practice mercy in our lives. Some will be "corporal works of mercy" and others will be "spiritual works of mercy." This week, personally invite someone who might consider becoming Catholic to consider the RCIA process. Be sure to follow up.

**FORMED – JESUS IS...**

Fr. Mike Schmitz, a renowned and beloved speaker and spiritual guide to the youth and young adults, discusses the all-important topic of God's existence. Armed with his usual repertoire of lively humor and sound philosophy, Fr. Mike reveals the incredible implications of the question which Christ asks all of us: "Who do YOU say I am?" This new video is part of the series on FORMED and is located in the "recently added section." The entire FORMED website is available free to our parishioners. If you have not yet signed up for FORMED, here's how easy it is: go to [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org). You will see a box that asks "Does your parish already have formed? Underneath that question is another box that says "Enter parish access code here." Type in the parish code B68MWG. Now set up a username and a password and you are all set to use all the great programs on [formed.org](http://formed.org) anytime by simply logging in.

**PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS** our parishioners who are sick and in need of



your prayers: Kyle Forte, Maggie Jackson, Martie Kline, Daniel List, Esther Montag, Barbara Mueller, Lee Murrell, Audrey Rapien, Geneva Schafer-Minnich.

**FEATURED ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK**

***THE ART ROOM***

***Custom Picture Framing***

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