September 21, 2025

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY in **ORDINARY TIME**

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SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please contact Pastor at least 6 months in advance. Participation in a Marriage Preparation program is required.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Please contact the pastor

New Parishioners

Please register. Forms in office.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

sjsabulletin@gmail.com Bulletin submission deadline is Tuesday by noon.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

St. Anthony Gifts 9/14/25

Collection total not available at time of printing.

St. John Gifts

9/14/25

Collection total not available at time of printing.

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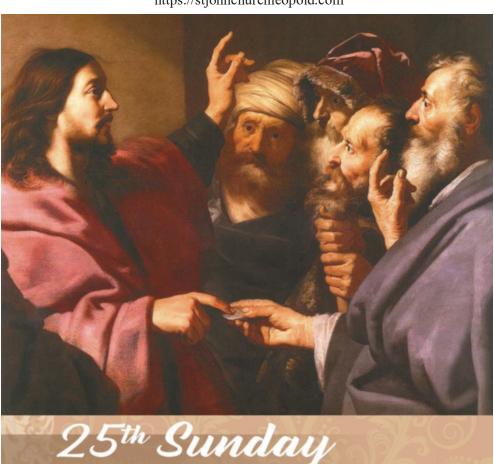
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"If, therefore, you are not trustworthy with dishonest wealth, who will trust you with true wealth?" - Lk 16:11

Parish & Finance Councils

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Welcome! We're so glad you've come to worship with us this weekend. If you are not currently registered with either St. John Church or St. Anthony Church and would like to do so, please pick up a registration form in the vestibule of either parish, fill it out, and drop it in the collection basket. We would love to have you as a part of our parish family!

Liturgical Roles

September 27-28, 2025 26th SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, Sept. 27, 5 PM (SA)

Servers: Bryson & Bentley Green

Lector: Chandler Jansen

Extraordinary Min. *Gina Bueter

Ushers: Chad VanGennip, Michael

VanGennip

Offertory: Andrea & Ernestine Bueter

Sacristan: Gina Bueter Rosary: Gina Bueter

PCCW Sunday

Sunday, Sept. 28, 8 AM (SJ)

Servers: Tommy & Jacob Beussink

Lector: Polly Mungle

Extraordinary Min.: *Patty Bohnsack, Aimee Hampton, Cindy (Andrew)

Jansen

Choir Min.: Mary Adams

Ushers: Roy Vandeven, Cole

Wesbecher

Offertory: PCCW Angie Landewee,

Cindy (Lindy) Jansen Sacristan: Patty Bohnsack Rosary: PCCW-Geri Geringer

Sunday, Sept. 28, 10 AM (SJ)

Servers: Valerie Michaelree, Olive

Deck

Lector: Dustin Hoesli

Extraordinary Min.: *Ben Seiler, Kim

Bunger, Chuck Forrester Choir Min.: Holly Hoesli

Ushers: Ted Eftink, Nate Forrester Offertory: Family of Joyce Landewee

Sacristan: Sheryl Eftink Rosary: volunteer

StoneBridge & Homebound Extraordinary Minister for

September 28: Jeanne Forrester

Red Cross Blood Drive

Wednesday, September 24 St. Anthony Hall - Glennon

1:30 PM - 5:30 PM

Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS or go online to RedCrossBlood.org to schedule an appointment.

Sacrament Schedule and Weekly Schedule

SJ= St. John | SA= St. Anthony

Monday, September 22

6:55-7:15AM - CONFESSIONS (SJ)

7:20 AM MASS - Virgil & Thelma Beel + (SJ)

8:00 AM - 7:00 AM - EUCHARISTIC ADORATION (SJ)

Tuesday, September 23

8:05-8:25AM - CONFESSIONS (SJ)

8:30 AM MASS - L/D Members Ted & Katie Peters Family (SJ)

Wednesday, September 24

1:30 - 5:30 PM - Red Cross Blood Drive (Glennon Hall)

3:15 PM - After School Rosary Club (church basement)

5:30 - 5:55 PM - CONFESSIONS (SA)

6:00 PM MASS - Kenneth Bueter + (SA)

6:30 PM - St. Anthony Parish/Finance Council Meeting (Glennon Hall)

Thursday, September 25

8:05-8:25AM - CONFESSIONS (SJ)

8:30 AM MASS - Wilma Arnzen + (SJ)

Friday, September 26

6:55-7:15AM - CONFESSIONS (SJ)

7:20 AM MASS - Tony Beussink + (SJ)

Saturday, September 27

6:30 AM - Men's Group (KC Hall)

8:00 AM - Women's Cursillo (Church Basement)

4:15-4:45 PM - CONFESSIONS (SA)

5:00 PM MASS - Families of St. John / St. Anthony Parishes (SA)

Sunday, September 28

7:20-7:50 AM -and - 9:30-9:50 AM CONFESSIONS (SJ)

8:00 AM MASS - Deborah Bueter + (SJ)

10:00 AM MASS - Joyce Landewee + (SJ)

1:00 PM MASS - Resident of StoneBridge (StoneBridge)

6:00 PM - OCIA (church office)

Beware of hackers: I came to know that some parishioners get text messages and emails in my name asking for help or some favors. Please don't respond to such emails or text messages. I never do that. *Fr. Vincent Joseph VC*

In Gratitude:

Many thanks to the following people who under the leadership of Kristi Jansen were involved in beautifying the landscaping alongside the church. Your assistance in seeing this job through to completion is notable & much appreciated. Credits are due to: DeWayne &Elaine Stroder, Bobby Jansen, Paul Landewee, Melvin Keith, Steve Bueter, Joe Bohnsack, Jacob Elfrink, and Jace Jansen. We gratefully remember the family that wants to remain anonymous for donating the full cost of the landscaping materials.

Thank you to Kevin Holzum, under the guidance of Melvin Holzum, for cleaning & sealing all the outside statues in the Prayer Garden, Church yard, Shrine, and the Cemetery. We also thank Kevin for donating all of the sealant! We appreciate his expertise in ensuring the longevity of our statues by regularly maintaining every 3-4 years. May God bless you all.

Notes from Fr. Vincent:

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's readings speak about the themes of wealth, responsibility, and prioritizing God over riches. We all are invited to reflect on our attitude towards money, material things, and especially, our attitude towards the poor and the marginalized.

In today's first reading, the prophet Amos condemns injustice and oppression against the poor. He wrote about when the rich took all the land and "enslaved" the poor in their farmlands. They exported food to make more money for themselves, while the poor starved and died of hunger.

Money and wealth have value only when used wisely to help those around us. Only fools hold tenaciously to money and wealth above God and to the detriment of the poor. Also, only the ungodly use their wealth to oppress the poor and the weak. This is because they are like "the fool who says there is no God" (Ps 14:1).

One morning in 1888, Alfred Nobel, one of the world's leading industrialists, opened a French newspaper and was shocked to see his own obituary. It was a mistake, of course. It was Alfred's brother who had died. However, Alfred Nobel had an opportunity to read about how other people saw him. The obituary simply called him "The Dynamite King." He had made a fortune in manufacturing and selling explosives, but it rankled with him to be thought of that way. Alfred Nobel decided to use his wealth to change that reputation. He immediately arranged his estate to establish the Nobel Prize, to be given each year to the person or persons who do the most for the cause of world peace. In the past century, it has long been forgotten that the name Nobel once meant "The Dynamite King." Today the name stands synonymous with promoting world peace. (John T. Carroll and James R. Carroll, Preaching the Hard Sayings of Jesus pp. 116-117.)

St. Mother Teresa of Culcutta often reminded her listeners that "God has called us not to be successful but to be faithful". She encourages believers to focus on fulfilling their God-given duties with integrity and commitment, even when results are not apparent or when faced with opposition. Because, as the psalmist says: "He raises the poor and lifts the lowly from the dust." (Psalm 113/7)

Prayer: Lord God, help us to be trustworthy and loyal in all our dealings. Amen.

St. John the Evangelist and St. Anthony, pray for us and protect us.

Fr. Vincent Joseph VC

Adult Education Notes

From Magnificat: How to Prepare for Eternal Dwellings

Many people would give a great deal if they could lengthen their lives, though not in order to become more perfect but simply in order to live longer. For many people death is something fearsome. Although for us Catholics death no longer has its sting, there are still many of us who readily put up with everything only because we do not want to die. Death was something fearsome until Christ opened heaven's door for us and left for us many means of grace so that we can more easily attain eternal happiness.... Satan will risk everything with many people in order to rob us at the last moment of eternal happiness.... However, we can pray fifty times or more each day: "Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us poor sinners now and at the hour of our deaths. Amen." Is it likely that the Blessed Mother will abandon us in our final hour if we say this prayer each day?...

Consider how fortunate many people would feel if someone were to give them an entire kingdom. Couldn't we compare such a gift with a single worthy reception of Communion? Yet not for long, for if someone could give us the entire world with all of its wealth and kingdoms, this would still be nothing in relation to a single, worthy reception of Communion. Think now about how infinitely fortunate we are to be able to go often to the table of the Lord.... Surely in every host there is the same Christ who contains the same high value. It can dawn on us how the reception of Communion will enrich us....

We must be ready therefore to give God everything: property and goods, body and soul. We must even be entirely prepared to die.... If we are able to approach the table of the Lord with such a willingness and surrender to God, then God will allow his wealth of grace to be imparted to us in the richest measure. So true peace and happiness will enter into our hearts. After every reception of Communion, we should say the following prayer: "My Lord and my God, I accept death whenever, wherever, and however it may encounter me according to your most holy decree. I accept it willingly with all of its anxieties, pains, and sufferings, and I receive it out of your fatherly hands."

Blessed Franz Jägerstätter

Blessed Franz Jägerstätter († 1943) was an Austrian farmer, husband, and father who was executed for refusing to serve in the Nazi army.

Ministry Notes & Updates

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 5898:

October is the Month of the Rosary as proclaimed by Pope Leo XIII in 1883. Now, in the first year of Pope Leo XIV, the Council will lead a rosary for everyone at 6:30 each evening starting Wednesday, October 1 through Friday, October 31. The rosary will be said at the same site on each particular day of the week. Monday-St. Anthony Cemetery, Tuesday-KC Hall Shrine, Wednesday-St. John Shrine, Thursday-St. John Church, Mary's Altar, Friday-St. John Cemetery, Saturday-St. John Church St. Joseph's Altar and Sunday-St. John Prayer Garden. Each rosary will include In Honorarium for four to five of the 133 deceased members of the Council.

VOCATION MINISTRY:

"No servant can serve two masters. You cannot serve God and mammon." (Luke 16:13) A vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life is a call to single-hearted service to God. If you think you have a vocation to one of these, then talk to Fr. Vincent at 238-3300, ext. 2.

Vocation Crucifix for September: Gerard Macke For our parish community, that we may encourage a spirit of stewardship and service, fostering an environment where vocations can thrive. Let us pray to the Lord.

ST. JOHN PCCW:

Hotze Mission Breakfast, Raffle and Bake Sale. Sunday, October 19, Groups 3-5 will work event. Raffle tickets are available in back of both churches. You can place in collection basket thru Sunday October 12th, purchase day of event or Venmo to gmcg1944 (Geri Geringer)All members asked to bring items for Bake Sale.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP:

Today was our first youth mass and tonight is our first regional event. I am taking anyone who wants to go to the Dead Theologians Society (DTS) at the old convent at Saint Vincent. This is a time of prayer and learning about the saints.

Have a Blessed Day!

CONFIRMATION:

Next confirmation class will be October 5th 11 AM to 1:30 PM in the Leopold school cafeteria. Additionally, volunteers are needed to help staff the confirmation retreat. Contact Michael at 309-530-1803 for information.

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MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP:

Connecting Girls to Christ **BLAZE:** a faith-based Bible study for grades 6-8, discover your identity in Christ as God's beloved daughters. Dates: Fall-Winter in Blessed Carlo Acutis Room (parish office). Contact Kyla at 573-225-0608 or watch for forms to come home to register. Suggested cost of \$20 per youth, no one turned away due to cost.

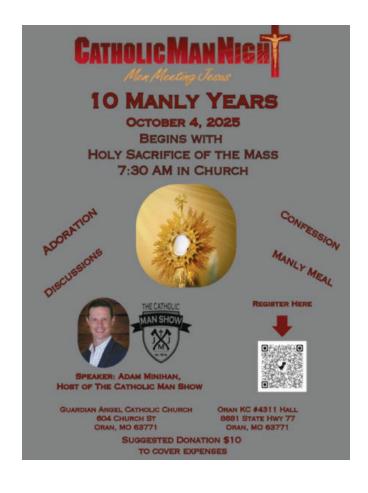
Diocese & Area Events

Covenant Catholic Radiothon: Claudette Hency will have an hour during the radiothon on Wednesday, September 24 from 12 - 1 PM. There is a copy of the pledge form in the back of church.

Tom and Katrina Kluesner Benefit: September 26 at Oran KC Hall. Doors open at 6:30 with snacks and appetizers and cash bar.

Music by the band Backwater 8 - Midnight.

Tom is battling a rare blood cancer. Raffles available. Donations accepted at the door.



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