

September 27, 2026
**26th SUNDAY in
ORDINARY TIME**

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Mary and Joseph trusted in you and welcomed Jesus into our broken world. God Almighty, we ask their intercession to protect the preborn and their mothers, and to guide all parents in raising their children. May they help us build a civilization of love by upholding the sacredness of life and accompanying pregnant women in need.

We ask this through Christ,
our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady, Mother of the Family,
pray for us!

St. Joseph, protector of the unborn,
pray for us!

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Liturgical Roles

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 3-4, 2026

Saturday, October 3, 5 PM (SA)

Servers: Nellie Langston
Lector: Dennis Horrell
Extraordinary Min. *Gina Bueter
Ushers: Richard Eeftink, David Ford
Offertory: Family of Lawrence & Celestine Eeftink
Sacristan: Rita Holshouser
Rosary: Rita Holshouser

KC Sunday

Sunday, October 4, 8 AM (SJ)

Servers: Finn Beussink, Jacob Beussink
Lector: Aimee Hampton
Extraordinary Min.: * Cody Van de Ven, Matt Beussink, Ron Wesbecher
Choir Min.: Jason Van de Ven
Ushers: Derek & Brady Halter
Offertory: KC Family of Month: Anthony Jansen Family
Sacristan: Pam & Ron Wesbecher
Rosary: KC Stan Seiler

Sunday, October 4, 10 AM (SJ)

Servers: Blaine & Aspen Hoesli
Lector: Marian Hutchings
Extraordinary Min.: *Sarah Deck, Sheryl Eftink, Holly Hoesli
Choir Min.: Harlan Elfrink
Ushers: Paul & Donnie Landewee
Offertory: Lori & Andy Graham
Sacristan: Polly Mungle
Rosary: Eva Dunn

StoneBridge & Homebound

Extraordinary Minister for

October 4: Pam Wesbecher

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Sacrament Schedule and Weekly Schedule

SJ= St. John | SA= St. Anthony

Monday, September 28

No Mass or Confessions

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

Tuesday, September 29

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

8:30 AM MASS - Eleanor Macke † (SJ)

Wednesday, September 30

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

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

6:00 PM MASS - Richard VanGennip † (SA)

Thursday, October 1

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

8:30 AM MASS - Melvin Holzum † (SJ)

12:00 - 9:00 PM - KC EUCHARISTIC ADORATION (SJ)

Friday, October 2

6:45-7:15AM - CONFESSIONS (SJ)

7:20 AM MASS - L/D Members Lawrence & Clara Macke Family (SJ)

9:00 AM - Rosary with Residents of StoneBridge (StoneBridge)

Saturday, October 3

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

8:00 AM - Women's Cursillo (church basement)

4:30-4:55 PM - CONFESSIONS (SA)

5:00 PM MASS L/D Members Lawrence & Celestine Eeftink Family (SA)

Sunday, October 4

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

8:00 AM MASS - Kathy Nanney † (SJ)

10:00 AM MASS - Families of St. John & St. Anthony Parishes (SJ)

Please Note: Confirmation rehearsal will be held on Sunday, October 18 following 10 AM Mass at St. John's. All candidates and sponsors are required to attend.

Jenny Nenninger has been faithfully coordinating St. John's Liturgy Roles (Mass Assignments) each month for the last 15 years. Her quiet dedication and reliability have ensured our liturgies run smoothly. We owe Jenny a tremendous debt of gratitude for her beautiful, behind-the-scenes stewardship. Thank you, Mrs. Nenninger, for your incredible service!

As Jenny steps down from this role, we are now looking for a volunteer to step up and carry this important ministry forward. If you are organized and looking for a meaningful way to serve our parish, please consider this role. To make the transition as easy as possible, Jenny will give insight & show you how she's done things for the last 15 years in this ministry.

Please prayerfully consider, and if you are interested or have questions, please contact the church office or Fr. Vincent.

Notes from Fr. Vincent:

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus” (Phil 2/5)

St. Vincent de Paul lived in a time when the poor, sick, abandoned, and prisoners were often forgotten by society. One day, St. Vincent discovered a poor family in great need. He spoke to the people of the area and encouraged them to help. They responded generously. St. Vincent realized that God had placed the poor before him so that he could serve Christ in them.

From then on, he devoted himself to the poor, the sick, prisoners, abandoned children, and those who had no one to care for them. He organized groups of lay people to serve the needy and founded the Congregation of the Mission (CM) and, with St. Louise de Marillac, the Daughters of Charity.

St. Vincent's greatness was not simply in the amount of work he accomplished. It was in his attitude. He tried to see Christ in every suffering person and to serve them with humility, compassion, and love.

His life beautifully reflects St. Paul's words in today's second reading: ***“Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus.”*** (Phil 2/5) Jesus humbled Himself and became the servant of all. St. Vincent tried to do the same. ***In his General Audience on June 1, 2005, Pope Benedict XVI said that Christians are called to have the same sentiments as Christ: humility, self-giving, detachment, and generosity.*** St. Vincent clearly manifested the mind of Christ in his service to the poor and the needy. ***“He encountered Jesus the Good Shepherd in the poor. He understood that Christ was asking him “no longer to live for himself, but to serve him unreservedly in the poor.” (Pope Francis)***

What attitude do I have toward the people around me? Do I seek to be served, appreciated, and recognized, or am I willing to humble myself and serve others? To have the attitude of Christ means to put love before pride, service before recognition, and others before ourselves. St. Vincent de Paul teaches us: When we serve the poor and forgotten with humility and love, we are learning to have the heart and attitude of Christ.

Prayer: Jesus enable us to live with your mind and attitude. Amen.

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

Fr. Vincent Joseph VC

Adult Education Notes

October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. The Hail Mary will be prayed countless times in those 31 days. Have you read about or heard of the “Flame of Love”? A Hungarian mystic and Third Order Carmelite, Elizabeth Kindelmann heard the voices of Jesus and Mary in inner locutions and the Lord commanded her to write them down. Thus her “Diary” has gifted the world with untold blessings and a spiritual program for our turbulent times.

Beginning in 1960, Jesus and Mary, started instructing her how to pray and fast. The Lord gave her specific prayers and fasts for each day.

Mondays-Pray for the Holy Souls and fast on bread and water as you are able. Tuesday-offer a Spiritual Communion for each individual member of your family. Wednesday-pray for priestly vocations. Thursday and Friday-a Holy Hour for the family to make reparation with Spiritual reading, Rosary or other prayers. Offering them for the Sacred Wounds of Jesus as well as you are able to get them together. Friday-Noon to 3:00 adore the Sacred Wounds.

Saturday-Venerate Our Mother seeking for agonizing priests the grace of a holy death. This is edited version. This is the simplest way to describe their pleas.

In 1962, the Blessed Mother gave Elizabeth a beam of light in her hands-“the Flame of Love of my heart. Add your love to it and pass it on.” “With this flame you will light all hearts in the world. The miracle of it is that it will become a fire, and with its shining light, this fire will blind Satan.”

This Blessed Virgin called it the Flame of Love Prayer. It is a petition to her, inside the prayer that honors her, the Hail Mary. She asked that this petition be included in the Hail Mary after the phrase “pray for us sinners”. The petition is “spread the effects of the grace of the Flame of your Love over all humanity”. Our Lord explained this to her. “Because of the Holy Virgin’s efficacious pleas, the Most Blessed Trinity granted the outpouring of the Flame of Love. For her sake, you must place this prayer in the Hail Mary so that, by its effect, humanity is converted.”

Mary also said, “...it is but a constant supplication, and so if at any moment, someone prays three Hail Marys in my honor, while referring to the Flame of Love, they will free a soul from Purgatory and during November, the month for Poor Souls, one of these Hail Marys will release ten souls.”

Can you imagine what we can do to help Mary convert sinners by even saying three Hail Marys a day? And when we recite a Rosary with this prayer included the souls we will release with her. Such a simple small change that will convert the world.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with Thee. Blessed art Thou among women and blessed is the fruit of Thy womb Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, spread the effects of the grace of the Flame of your Love over all humanity, now and at the hour of our death. Amen. Let us pray in the hopes of helping man turn back to God.

Ministry Notes & Updates

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 5898:

Coming in October: Rosaries every night starting Thursday, October 1 at 6:30 at seven different locations with In Honorarium of four or five deceased members of Council each night (see list on Council September bulletin and Facebook), first Fish Fry of year on October 2, Tootsie Roll Drive for the Developmentally Disabled on October 11-13, Hotze Breakfast hosted by Parish Women's Council on October 18, Market Place hosted by Ladies Auxiliary on October 24 and Trunk or Treat hosted by Ladies Auxiliary on October 31

VOCATION MINISTRY:

Priesthood Sunday *"Which of the two did the will of his father?" (Matthew 21:31)* On Priesthood Sunday, we give thanks for priests who humbly serve God's people. Celebrate this day by writing a note of gratitude and encouragement to a priest who inspires you. Remember in prayer the priest who baptized and confirmed you. Pray for the priests in your parish and support those discerning this vocation. **Vocation Crucifix for September: Shirley Bucher** *For the Church, in thanksgiving for our priests, that God may bless them with wisdom, perseverance, and joy in their service, let us pray to the Lord.*

ST. JOHN PCCW:

Upcoming Events:

Sunday, October 18th-Hotze Mission Breakfast, Raffle and Bake Sale-Breakfast 7:30 -10:30 - groups 1-3(A-James) workers, All bring baked goods and purchase raffle tickets or can Venmo@gmcg1944

Saturday-October 24th - We have a booth at Market Day. Gina Jansen co-ordinating. Bring wrapped \$1 items (cookies, candy, donuts, cinnamon rolls) Fundraiser for PCCW.

Last Sunday for Ugly Quilts project but drop off until Tuesday as will be delivered on Wednesday September 30th. Thank you for your donations to help give a warm sleeping bag to homeless.

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BIBLE STUDY:

History buff? Does Biblical history intrigue you? Wonder what the places in the Bible looked like or where they were? Who was there? Come enjoy the history of the Gospels and books of the Bible and the actual places where it all occurred. Drive Thru Bible History Series starts Sunday, October 18th @5:00 pm in the Carlo Acutis room in the parish offices.

Diocese & Area Events

Deanery 6 CCW Meeting: Our next Deanery 6 Council of Catholic Women quarterly meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 29, 2026 at St. Joseph Parish in Scott City. Rosary starts at 5:30 p.m. in the church followed by Holy Mass at 6:00 p.m. Then, we will move to the school gym for refreshments and the meeting. We will also have our Silent Auction fundraiser, so we are asking each CCW to please bring a donation to place in the auction. Every lady from the parish is welcome to come.

Oct. 24th,
2026



catholic
women's
conference

register now!



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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24
Check-in Begins | 8:00 am
Opening Mass | 9:00 am
Conference Ends | 4:00 pm

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*please register by September 30th to receive a t-shirt



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