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October 13, 2024 28th Sunday in **Ordinary Time** 

Sunday Masses 10am & 8:00pm

Confessions Sunday, 7:30pm

## Pastor:

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## This Week's Happenings

### Tuesday (10/15)

5:30pm Bible Study Wil's Place 6:30pm Community Focus Meeting

#### Wednesday (10/16)

7:00pm via Zoom Peace & Social Justice Meeting

#### Sunday (10/20)

11:00am Peace & Social Justice Presentation

1:00pm Celebration of Life for Mary Helen Montgomery

# EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

## If Heaven were like Harvard

Dear brothers and sisters.

There's no getting around it: life on earth can seem easier if you're rich. Most of the bodily and material needs a person could have are fulfilled if you've got a little bit of money behind you. So why doesn't this same theory apply to entering the kingdom of Heaven? Why isn't Heaven like an Ivy League school, where a connection and a hasty tuition check might open a lot of doors?

When you think about it, the virtues required to enter Heaven — things like charity and justice and courage — should be even closer within the grasp of those who never had to worry about where their food is coming from. In theory, your capacity for good works should only increase with the resources at your disposal.

The same is true for stewardship potential. Let's say I've got a lot of talent. Maybe I've got a lot of free time. On paper, it should be easier for me to give freely of these gifts, because I have the luxury that eluded the widow and her two coins: I can see my ample gift being put into action, when so many can only offer what they have and remind themselves that God sees it and appreciates it.

But here we get into the mess of humanity: if we have a lot of something, it means we have a lot of something we could use any way we want. And then we hear the whisper of the serpent: Think of what this (money, time, talent) could do for you.

May we pray for God to give us the heart of the widow, no matter our resources.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Happy 100th Anniversary Newman Movement

A reminder that Fr. Derek is on his trip to Poland October 15th to 25th

# **Parish Prayers**

†Shawn Preisler †Arleen Boyd, Mother of Glenda Prom †Parisa †Julie Gabrielson †India Faith Krueger Wasilowski †Bob Trisko †Frank Roehl •Nkeiru •Innocent, Chinwe, and their family †Mary Helen Montgomery •Aaron Dockendorf †Mary Morton

**October 19-20**  $\rightarrow$  **Are You Ready? Adult Day with PJ Anderson** This Monday is your last chance to register for the three events for adults happening next Saturday (10-26)!

Register at: https://stcdio.org/event/are-youready-for-pj-anderson/ by Monday (October 21). The day includes a morning session for adults, an afternoon session for parents/ families and a free concert at Bad Habit Brewery in St. Joseph in the evening.



**October 26-27**  $\rightarrow$  Please pray for the success of the **Diocesan Adult and Youth Days: Are You Ready?** taking place this weekend. May the adults and youth of our diocese grow closer to one another in faith and nurture their relationship with a loving God who accompanies them in their daily life.

## **Boxes of Joy**

Boxes of Joy will be out in your

respective gathering spaces for



MUST be filled and turned into

pick-up by October 19. They

your parish office absolutely no later than November 4!

# Youth Group Calendar for September/October: October 13th: Actvity Night October 20th: Men's & Women's Sessions October 27th: No Youth Group (Senior High Youth Rally)

# November 23, 1938 – June 24, 2024 An informal celebration of life for Mary Helen

will be held on Sunday, October 20 in the Newman Center Terrace, 2:00-4:00. Together we will honor the life, loves, and laughter of Mary Helen as we share stories and prayers surrounded by photos and friends.

Remembering Mary Helen Montgomery

# SAVE THESE DATES

The Peace and Social Justice Committee is offering a combination of two "presentations-and-conversations" (with coffee-and-rolls) about the process of applying the principles of Catholic Social Teaching to moral and political issues.

Sun, Oct 20th, after 10 am Mass, featuring Michael Rios, from Catholic Charities of MpIs/St Paul

<u>Sun, Oct 27th: after 10 am Mass</u>, featuring Sr Eilis McCulloh, from NETWORK Catholic Social Justice Lobby



There will be a second collection at the

weekend Masses on October 20th for those affected by the recent hurricanes.

Checks should be made payable to Newman Center

# **ACC Faith Formation Reminders**

October 16: No Classes (MEA Break)

Confirmation: October 23, 7:00 p.m.

First Sacraments: November 16, Activity Day St. Anthony's

## Parish Staff

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