#### Reading I: Numbers 11:25-29

The LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to Moses. Taking some of the spirit that was on Moses, the LORD bestowed it on the seventy elders; and as the spirit came to rest on them, they prophesied. Now two men, one named Eldad and the other Medad, were not in the gathering but had been left in the camp. They too had been on the list, but had not gone out to the tent; yet the spirit came to rest on them also, and they prophesied in the camp. So, when a young man quickly told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp, " Joshua, son of Nun, who from his youth had been Moses' aide, said, "Moses, my lord, stop them." But Moses answered him, "Are you jealous for my sake?

Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets! Would that the LORD might bestow his spirit on them all!"

#### Responsorial Psalm: 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14

#### The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul; the decree of the LORD is trustworthy, giving wisdom to the simple.

The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the LORD are true, all of them just.

Though your servant is careful of them, very diligent in keeping them, Yet who can detect failings? Cleanse me from my unknown faults!

From wanton sin especially, restrain your servant; let it not rule over me. Then shall I be blameless and innocent

of serious sin.

#### Reading II: James 5:1-6

Come now, you rich, weep and wail over your impending miseries.

Your wealth has rotted away, your clothes have become motheaten, your gold and silver have corroded,

and that corrosion will be a testimony against you;

it will devour your flesh like a fire.

You have stored up treasure for the last days.

Behold, the wages you withheld from the workers who harvested your fields are crying aloud; and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. You have lived on earth in luxury and pleasure; you have fattened your hearts for the day of slaughter. You have condemned; you have murdered the righteous one; he offers you no resistance.

#### Alleluia: Cf. John 17:17b, 17a

Your word, O Lord, is truth; consecrate us in the truth.

#### Gospel: Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

At that time, John said to Jesus,

"Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name,

and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us."

Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him.

There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name

who can at the same time speak ill of me.

For whoever is not against us is for us.

Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink

because you belong to Christ,

amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward.

"Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were put around his neck

and he were thrown into the sea.

If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off.

It is better for you to enter into life maimed

than with two hands to go into Gehenna,

into the unquenchable fire.

And if your foot causes you to sin, cut if off.

It is better for you to enter into life crippled

than with two feet to be thrown into Gehenna.

And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out.

Better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye

than with two eyes to be thrown into Gehenna, where 'their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched."

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We hope that this will allow for many more individuals and families to attend a daily Mass at least once during the week to worship our Lord.

Previously scheduled Tuesday Mass intentions will remain on the same date, but will now be offered at 7:00pm beginning on October 5th.

All other Mass times will remain unchanged.



Dear friends,

The recent surge of the delta variant of the COVID-19 coronavirus is showing its effects throughout the twenty-three counties of the diocese. I don't need to recite these effects as they are well reported. The good news is that we have learned how to live with this virus and mitigate its effects. As always I join with the Holy Father in urging all those who are eligible for the vaccine to consult with their physician to consider getting the vaccine. I also urge anyone not feeling well, even if they are not sure if they actually have the coronavirus, please to stay home until you can be certain that you do not have it. I remind you that while there is no longer a dispensation from the Sunday obligation, anyone not feeling well or concerned about their own health or that of other family or household members is already exempt from that obligation.

I understand that there are strong feelings, even convictions, about the different protocols for mitigating the virus and frustration about the changing guidance. These feelings often put individuals at odds with one another. Last year Churches were included in a statewide mandate regarding masks. That is not the case this year. What I ask at this point is that we exercise prudence and charity in these weeks in which we are dealing with this surge. In that spirit I am asking that we wear masks at Mass and at indoor parish activities for the time being, continue to practice good measures of hygiene such as the use of hand sanitizers and that we exercise extra patience with one another during this tense time. The Office of Catholic Schools will continue to work with particular schools to meet the differing needs and regulations in the various communities. The people of this diocese overwhelmingly have been extraordinary in showing that charity and patience – I am proud to be associated with you and deeply grateful for your goodness.

In the meantime let's pray for all those suffering with illness of any kind, for those who have died, their families, caretakers and all those who serve in healthcare.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Mobert J. Burnan

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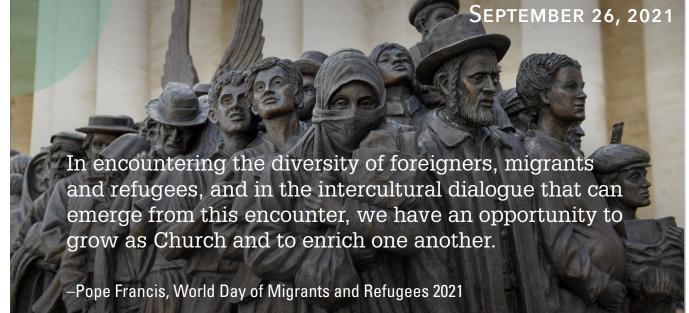
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## The Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



### World Day for Migrants and Refugees

Today we celebrate World Day for Migrants and Refugees!

We pray for migrants, refugees, and all other strangers in our midst, that they may find strength in our concern for justice and feel the warmth of our love.

## October is Respect Life Month!

Every October the Catholic Church in the United States celebrates Respect Life Month, and the first Sunday of October is observed as Respect Life Sunday. As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning to the end of their lives, and at every point in between. During the month of October, the Church asks us to reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life.

### October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

If you or someone you know is experiencing domestic violence, help is available. Call the 24/7 National Domestic Violence Hotline: 1-800-799-7233







## **Lectio Divina**

Before you begin to read, take a moment to place yourself in the presence of God and ask the Holy Spirit to help you to pray.



#### READ

Read the following passage for this upcoming Sunday's Gospel three times very slowly somewhere quiet.

#### Sunday, October 3, 2021 • Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time • Mark 10:2-16

The Pharisees approached Jesus and asked,"Is it lawful for a husband to divorce his wife?" They were testing him. He said to them in reply, "What did Moses command you?" They replied, "Moses permitted a husband to write a bill of divorce and dismiss her." But Jesus told them. "Because of the hardness of your hearts he wrote you this commandment. But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female. For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. So they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, no human being must separate." In the house the disciples again questioned Jesus about this. He said to them. "Whoever divorces his wife and marries another commits adultery against her; and if she divorces her husband and marries another, she commits adultery." And people were bringing children to him that he might touch them, but the disciples rebuked them. When Jesus saw this he became indignant and said to them, "Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Amen, I say to you, whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it." Then he embraced them and blessed them, placing his hands on them.

#### 2

Meditate on the passage by sitting in silence and allowing a word or phrase to jump out at you. Perhaps you even put yourself in the scene. What is God saying to you through this?



#### RESOLUTION

REFLECT

Make a concrete and simple resolution for the day or week ahead based on what God is telling you. Example: Today I will pray a decade of the rosary before I go to bed for my spouse.

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## What's happening at St. Catharine

A full calendar of events can be found online at stcatharine.com/calendar

#### Neighborhood Date Night

#### Sunday, October 3rd • 6:00pm-7:30pm

During the craziness of life, it's easy to begin to put the needs of your marriage on the back burner. But, like any good relationship, it takes dedicated time and communication. We want to help you prioritize your marriage by hosting a Date Night for you and your spouse! All married and engaged couples are invited to a casual get together for some backyard drinks and appetizers. This will take place at the home of Jon and Emily McFadden, just a stone's throw



from the Church, at 439 S. Harding Rd. Childcare will be provided at the Church. Please bring an app to share. Drinks will be provided. Register at <u>https://stcatharine.com/date-night</u>

#### Got Questions about the Catholic Church?

Are you or someone you know interested in becoming Catholic? Do you have questions about how someone becomes Catholic? Just contact me, Mike Denz, and I'll answer any questions you have! 614-231-4509 x314, <u>mike@stcatharine.com</u> or <u>stcatharine.com/becoming-catholic</u>



<b>Confession Times</b>		Mass Intentions	
Tuesday	6:30pm	Sun 9/26	People of the Parish (8:30am)
Thursday	7:00pm (ADORE Night)		Tom Easly (11:00am)
Saturday	9:00am		Julie Devine (5:00pm)
		Mon 9/27	Lori Lynn Smigelsky (8:00am)
Adoration Chapel Hours		Tues 9/28	Jo Alexander (8:00am)
Monday - Frid	<b>ay</b> 6:00am - 9:00pm	Weds 9/29	Intentions of Carrie Ghiloni (8:00am)
Saturday	6:00am - 4:00pm	Thurs 9/30	Carol Klunk (8:00am)
Sunday	6:00am - 9:00pm	Fri 10/01	Michael Williams (8:00am)
Hours urgently needing an Adorer: Tuesdays at 2pm		Sat 10/02	The Intentions of Nnani Family (8:30am)
Offering (September 19th)		Missionary Appeal	
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### The Weeks Ahead

#### Week of September 26th

#### Week of October 3rd

Sunday	9/26	Sunday	10/03
9:30am	Family of Faith	9:30am	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
9:30am	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd	6:00pm	High School Youth Group Kick-Off
9:30am	St. Vincent de Paul		
		Tuesday	10/05
Tuesday	9/28	9:00am	Little Saints
6:30pm	Confessions	1pm-7pm	Red Cross Blood Drive
		7:00pm	Holy Mass (New Tuesday time)
Wednesday	9/29	7:30pm	Confessions
7:30am	Men's Rosary		
8:00am	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd	Wednesday	10/06
7:00pm	Seeking the Lost	8:00am	Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
7:00pm	Choir Practice	7:00pm	Seeking the Lost
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Thursday	9/30		
7:00pm	ADORE Night (Confessions & Adoration)	Thursday	10/07
		7:00pm	ADORE Night (Confessions & Adoration)
Saturday	10/02		
7:00am	That Man Is You	Saturday	10/09
9:00am	Confessions	7:00am	That Man Is You
		9:00am	Confessions



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# YOUTH MINISTRY KICKOFFS

## HIGH SCHOOL

Sunday, October 3rd • 6pm-8pm Parish Center

## MIDDLE SCHOOL

Sunday, October 10th • 6pm-8pm School Gymnasium

## **NEW THIS YEAR!**

High School Youth Group is now for all students in 8th - 12th grades, and Middle School is for all students in 6th & 7th grades.

## **QUESTIONS?**

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