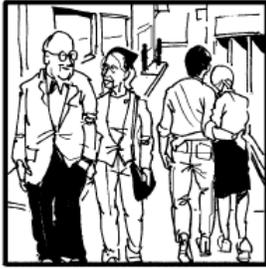


October 4, 2015

Ordinary Time

Twenty-seventh Sunday



No Longer Two But One

This Sunday's Gospel relates Jesus' position on divorce. Jesus suggests that divorce corresponds to a stage of human development marked by the weakness resulting from sin. With his coming, the messianic times, people must resolutely go back to the primordial parity of marriage and to the creator's intention: "Therefore what God has joined together, no human being must separate."

**Bulletin Sponsors Needed:
November 15, 22 & 29
December 13 & 27**

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, October 7
8:00 a.m. Leon Boehm
Thursday, October 8
8:00 a.m. Alice & Albert Pilat
Friday, October 9
8:00 a.m. Ella & Frank Kloesel
Saturday, October 10
6:30 p.m. Spec. Int. – Lisa & David Rothbauer
Sunday, October 11
6:30 a.m. The Deceased of the Darilek & Krejci Family
9:30 a.m. Jim Bujnoch

PREPARING FOR SUNDAY LITURGY

Next weekend is *The Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*. Prepare for the liturgy by reflecting on these passages from your Bible.
First Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 90
Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13
Gospel: Mark 10:17-30

Bishop Cahill has asked that a Mass count be taken up at every weekend Mass during the months of May and October in all parishes of the diocese. Records indicate that on average 413 people attended Mass at St. Joseph's on the weekends of October 2014.

The Sanctuary +Light
will be lit this week
in memory of Venice Kouba.

2015 DIOCESAN SERVICES APPEAL

2015 Assessment \$17,015.00
Contributions So Far \$ 9,691.00
Amount Yet to be Contributed \$ 7,324.00

We thank the following for their recent contributions:

*Richard Kalisek
Agnes & Daniel Jasek
Niki & Chad Chaloupka
Mary Ann & Patrick Wenske*

Do please consider making a donation.

RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY



Respect Life Sunday is celebrated today. The purpose is to raise consciousness and provide resources on various issues that affect the dignity of human life from conception to natural death.

We pray for – and renew our resolve to bring about – a culture of life and an end to the killing of innocent human beings, especially those who are vulnerable due to age, size, health or dependency.

The Sacrament of Marriage

The tone is set today with the two familiar readings: Adam and Eve becoming one flesh and Jesus' lesson on the permanence of marriage. No matter when is the anniversary of your wedding, celebrate your sacred togetherness. Make time this week to talk and pray together about where God is leading you in your marriage. Enjoy the affection, romance, and playfulness God has graced you with; and also feed the friendship, cultivate the spiritual companionship, and listen compassionately to each other's hearts, just as Christ is listening and caring for your shared heart.



ADDITIONAL MEAT FUND DONATION

Tillie Meekins - \$100
Total Meat Fund Donations \$15,043

THE WEEK AHEAD

MON. – Gold Star Club Meets, 3:30-5:30 p.m., YMC
WED. – Champions Club Meets, 3:30-5:30 p.m., YMC
THURS. – KC Bingo, KC Hall
FRI. – Parish Office closed on Fridays. For any Pastoral emergency, call the Office at any time.

Remember the sick in your prayers,
especially Beverly Kloesel.

Pray for the repose of the soul of
Edith Annie Schacherl
and for the comfort of her loved ones.
May she rest in peace.



REFLECTION

Jesus is put to the test by the religious authorities about divorce. In response he takes them back to the foundations of their faith. When questioned, Jesus frequently turns the tables, posing questions to those who ask questions. Here, what begins as a legal question about divorce becomes an issue about all human relationships and responsibilities.

The creation accounts in Genesis provide the setting for Jesus' teaching. The relationship between humanity and God is a fundamental aspect of creation and not merely a social convention regulated by law.

In those days divorce was all too often an irresponsible male action against a woman, it left the wife and children destitute. Divorce was essentially an act of injustice against women. In criticizing divorce, Jesus called into question the current understanding of the marriage union. Jesus said that this union was meant to reflect the permanent union of God and human beings intended from the beginning and not just a social convention that men should cast off at will. Jesus called men to their responsibilities to women and children with their marriages.



God's relationship to creatures is primarily one of faithfulness. The stories of the Bible are so often about this relationship and about the deadly results of breaking faith from God and with one another. To those committed to faithfulness for example in

marriage – breaking faith is no small matter. Creation is charged with the presence of God, and as part of creation people are called to responsibility. In Bible terms, this relationship of responsibility is called a “covenant,” an obligation of love, not of law.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

- Oct. 4 – Darren Fikac, David Kalich
- Oct. 5 – Lorrie Janecek, Hayden Rother, Presley Rother
- Oct. 6 – Beth Gaertner, Chris Rebeck
- Oct. 9 – George Holub Sr., Ida Lee Koranek, Jerome Raabe Jr.
- Oct. 10 – Eric Roznovsky

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

- Oct. 4 – Anna & Kevin Bartos
- Oct. 5 – Marilyn & Glenn Michal
- Oct. 7 – Betty & Dennis Kloesel
- Oct. 8 – Karen & Calvin Pilat
– Mildred & Willie Pilat
- Oct. 9 – Mary Alice & Randy Lewkoski
– Kathy & Michael Seale
- Oct. 10 – Gernadette & Phillip Geissen

2015 Parish Picnic

Dear friends,

Thanks be to God for another successful Picnic. Everything turned out well. I thank all of you who donated, bought, worked and did all you could to make it all come together. The Picnic report looks good. God blessed the work of our hands and we are grateful.

I thank all of you for your support and generosity. May God bless you.

The Picnic Report is available at the Church entrance.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Today – C.C.D.

Oct. 5 – Gold Star Club Meets (K – 2nd Grade)

Oct. 7 – Champions Club Meets (3rd – 6th Grades)
– 9th - 11th Grade C.C.D.

Oct. 10 – 10th Grade Leads the Saturday evening Rosary

Next Sunday – Youth Mass (8th Grade)/Confirmation Enrollment; C.C.D.

Oct. 18 – Safe Environment Training, Grades 6-8

Nov. 1 – Safe Environment Training, K – 5th Grade

Oct. 18 – Safe Environment Training, Grades 9 – 11

Safe Environment Presentations

Grades K – 5 Bullies: Stand Tall, Be Strong Safety N.E.T. Kids' goal is to raise the awareness of children and their parents about abuse and abduction and to help children develop the necessary skills to avoid becoming easy targets. Through *Bullies*, children will learn the importance of building good friendships: simple, practical, and effective responses to threats and physical abuse; and how to handle name-calling.

Grades 6 – 8 Stop Bullying! Stand Up For Yourself and Others Bullying is pervasive in our schools. An estimated 1.6 million young people in Grades Six through Ten are bullied at least once a week. Many young people feel helpless in these situations. They need to know what to do if they are bullied or if they are a witness to bullying.

Grades 9 – 11 Me and My 500 Friends: Staying Safe on Social Networks Look out for more details.

Youth Ministry Center Donations

In Memory of Henry Dornak

Irene Gold - \$15

Ellen & Johnnie Holub - \$20

October: Month of The Moth Holy Rosary

The Rosary, when it is prayed in an authentic way, not mechanical and superficial but profoundly, it brings, in fact, peace and reconciliation. It contains within itself the healing power of the Most Holy Name of Jesus, invoked with faith and love at the centre of each "Hail Mary".

– Pope Benedict XVI