

### GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE October 3, 2021 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Archbishop Fulton Sheen said, "It takes three to make love, not two: you, your spouse, and God." Apart from the incarnation of God in Jesus Christ, nothing speaks better of God's incarnate love than marriage. God designed it this way. We place great value on love and rightly so. What we fail to realize, however, is that love, its very presence and place in our lives, is not simply part of the human package deal. Love comes from God. It is one of God's greatest gifts to human beings. When we begin to realize that our very ability to love is sacred, it changes up how we see the essence of life, and purpose and sanctity of marriage.

God is love. It stands to reason then that if we follow the path of unconditional, selfemptying love we will then stumble upon God. It is precisely this intimate wedding of God with love that gives such eloquence and honor to the love between husband and wife. As a living sign of Christ's love for the Church and for humanity, husbands and wives speak volumes of God's unconditional incarnate love for all of his children! The Divine power that brings unity and life to marriage is so strong that once joined, it really cannot be separated.

Admittedly, marriage covenants can be extremely difficult to negotiate and, at times, very painful to experience. God's perfect divinity always meets our broken and imperfect humanity. God is okay with this setup as he created it this way. Our loving is never as unconditional as God's and often tainted by our own imperfections, needs, memories, hurts, sinfulness, and weakness. All of this baggage negatively impacts even the most well-intentioned marriages, causing them to be hurtful and empty. We are love works in progress. God can succeed in perfecting our love only if we keep our eyes fixed on him as the source of that love. That's why marriage is always about three and not just two.

The Divine intimacy at the heart of marriage is what can make them celebrations of great union and happiness. Couples who are still madly in love with each other after many years, still looking at each other with that timeless twinkle in their eyes, best tell the story of God's oneness with humanity. Honor, celebrate, and support those who have accepted a vocation to marriage. Living in a world that easily pulls relationships apart, may they find hope and inspiration from their faith companions who are on the same journey!

©LPi

## LIVE THE LITURGY -INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

"What God has joined together." We are all familiar with these words. Because man and woman are essentially of the same substance, although also distinctively different, there is an innate desire to be connected and united. Admittedly, marriage covenants can be extremely difficult to negotiate and, at times, very painful to experience. But they can also be celebrations of great union and happiness. This is proven by couples who have been married for many years who still have that same twinkle of devotion in their eyes that was present on their wedding day. God designed it to be this way. By God's power, the two become one. This is not of human design. The true intimacy of marriage is a Divine Intimacy. It is a bond created by a power far greater than any found in the two people who are joined. Marriage is where the virtue of love is most fully expressed. ©LPi

## Autumn Months

O God of Creation, you have blessed us with the changing of the seasons.

As we welcome the autumn months, may the earlier setting of the sun remind us to take time to rest.

May the brilliant colors of the leaves remind us of the wonder of your creation.

May the steam of our breath in the cool air remind us that it is you who give us the breath of life.

May the harvest from the fields remind us of the abundance we have been given and bounty we are to share with others. May the dying of summer's spirit remind us of your great promise that death is temporary and life is eternal.

We praise you for your goodness forever and ever.



## WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED **Question:**

Can a person (the mother, father, or provider) ever be forgiven for an abortion? **Answer:** 

For people of faith, any conversation of human sinfulness should always lead us to reflect on God's loving mercy. Because God's mercy is greater than any sin, the Church is clear that even those involved in the sin of abortion can be reconciled with God and the Church. To help make this grace more available through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Pope Francis extended the permission to absolve someone of the sin of abortion to all priests in 2016.

Even with the grace and blessings of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, the tragedy of abortion and the aftermath of abortion takes a toll on everyone involved. Ministries of outreach and support, such as Project Rachel, offer pastoral counseling, support groups, retreats, and other forms of care. As Christians, we are also called to help promote this healing and reconciliation in all its forms. To learn more, visit <u>www.hopeafterabortion.com</u>. ©LPi

### EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS **Therein lies the...rib**

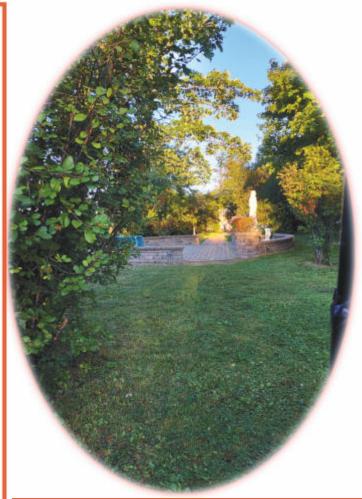
"If I were God..." is a dangerous way to start a sentence, but how many of us do this? Probably more regularly than we would like to admit. Even if we don't verbalize the sentiment, we likely think it from time to time. Most of us finish that statement with some genius, original idea for eradicating difficulty and pain from the world. *If I were God, I wouldn't let anyone go hungry. If I were God, all wealth would be equally distributed. If I were God, war wouldn't exist.* 

I imagine that, when we think thoughts like these, God shakes His head and wonders why we don't look a little harder at the whole of His creation — because I can promise you, it's never lacking.

When Adam had a need for a companion, God used what was available: Adam's rib. Everything that He had put into place was already perfect, already complete. Woman was a new creation, but not a new species. Adam searched through all of creation to find the perfect mate, but God had tucked the answer inside of His creation all along.

I'm guilty of it as much as anyone else looking to Heaven with a chip on my shoulder. "Why haven't you sent me what I need? I've been asking over and over again." But have I even thought to look inside of myself?

Where is the rib you are missing today? What are the opportunities God has set before you? What are the needs that He is ready to fulfill, if only you would stop wasting time lamenting all the solutions that don't fit the bill? — *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS* ©LPi



## **CORBIE LUNCH COSTUME LUNCHEON Tuesday, October 26th.**

**P** rayer service begins at noon. LUNCH to follow. JOIN US IN THE PARISH HALL! 65 & over.... PLEASE CALL WITH A RESERVATION! 330.273 5500





"Monday Mornings with Mary," a prayer ministry for Moms and their family intentions. Meetings will take place on the first Monday of each Month at 10am beginning October 4<sup>th</sup>. Each month will focus on a different Marion devotion as we ask her loving intercession upon motherly vocations in our parish and beyond. Bring yourselves, your kids (complete with toys, binkies and snacks J), and join us for this informal prayer time. As an extension of this ministry, you will find a mom intention book in the Mary Chapel called "Monica's Book". All moms of the parish are invited to write their intentions as they will be remembered at our sessions each month. Stay-at-home, working, young, old, mom of one or of many... know that you are supported in prayer by our parish family!

### **Prayer attributed to St. Francis**

L ord, make me an instrument of Your peace; Where there is hatred, let me sow love; Where there is injury, pardon; Where there is doubt, faith; Where there is despair, hope; Where there is darkness, light; And where there is sadness, joy. O Divine Master, Grant that I may not so much seek

To be consoled as to console; To be understood, as to understand; To be loved, as to love; For it is in giving that we receive, It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, And it is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life. Amen. **TODAY** is the LAND OF HAPPILY EVER AFTER~ Join us in the Back Woods following the 10 a.m. Mass –enjoy the woods, donuts & cider, surprises and Autumn Fun! (all ages)



JOIN US AT THE PET BLESSING TODAY (SUNDAY) AT 2 p.m. ALL PETS ARE WELCOMED!



HANKS to the kids of Celebration and the PSCF Confirmation Class—Thanks to Mrs. Papa and Mrs. Fuller for all their hard work and dedication! You put the HAPPY in the Land of Happily Ever After! Thanks to the Daughters of St. Colette for their assistance with this event. We are always GRATEFUL!

### Among the stars...

### .. a Lily Ann Grace story

Annie appeared bewildered. Ordinarily she was energetic, mischievous, and eager to antagonize Gracie. But as the two dogs lay several feet apart watching a marvelous, red and orange evening give way to shades of gray Annie was unusually quiet. Ordinarily Gracie would be more than appreciative of the quiet but curiosity was overwhelming. Yet before she could speak Annie broke the calm silence. "Where is Lily?", she asked, almost in a whisper, "I really didn't have time to know her as well as I would like." Gracie allowed a long minute to pass in silence. She looked over to Annie, "First of all she was not Lily she was THE Lily. There was always something regal about her and she always had been referred to as 'the'. Annie replied with a simple, "Ohhh." and then continued, "Then where is THE Lily?" A long pause separated the two dogs then with a sigh Gracie continued. "It's getting dark more quickly now as the Seasons are changing. Summer turns into Fall and Fall will turn into Winter, but of course you don't know what winter is yet." Annie returned with another, "Ohhh" but persisted with her original question, Where is The Lily? Gracie edged just a few inches closer to Annie, "It was time for Lily to go." Annie turned quickly, "Go where?" Gracie looked to the sky. "Annie, do you see those stars up there in the sky?" Annie nodded as Gracie continued, "I think the Lily has joined the stars."

Annie was puzzled, "She became a star?!" "No!" returned Gracie, "She is *among* the stars and maybe even looking down at us right now! We don't become stars but we are caught up in a love that I can't explain. And here is the wonderful part of it all: Even when the sun is out and the sky is bright blue and there are beautiful white clouds the stars are still in the sky. As night comes they become brighter and brighter but they are *always* there! Annie tilted her head to try to understand but Gracie continued. "You see I think she lives among the stars and she is joined with all of God's creation. As the stars are in the heavens so we too must be within the wonder of God's grand creation." There was a moments pause and Grace went on, "You know the statue of St. John Paul II in the Church which you are constantly running past? Annie nodded! Gracie hid her smile and went on, " well he said that animals "are as near to God as men are."

Annie was silent for a long time. When she spoke it was softly, "I guess I will have to just look to the sky at a special star to see The Lily." Gracie nodded in agreement as she had one more story to tell, "Listen well Annie. It is said that Pope Paul VI was consoling a little boy whose dog has died. He said, "One day we will see our pets in the eternity of Christ." Both of those Popes are saints and if a Saint said it then I am going with it." Annie looked directly at Gracie and asked, "How do you know those kinds of things?" Gracie smiled, "Because—just because." After a moment Gracie continued, "It's dark out here it's time to go in." Annie jumped to her feet but didn't move. As Gracie entered the rectory she called out, "Annie, **come in**!" But Annie, with her eyes focused on the heavens, replied, "I'm saying good night to Lily.....



WEDNESDAY	October 6 - St. Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie
11:00 AM	<i>Rose Durocher, Virgin</i> Jeanne Kay (A)
<b>FRIDAY</b> 11:00 AM	October 8 - Weekday Donald Schuerger (C)
<b>SATURDAY</b>	October 9 - St. Denis, Bishop & Companions, Martyrs; St. John Leonardi, Priest
4:00 PM	Ronald Coreno (K)
SUNDAY TWENTY-EI	October 10 GHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00 AM	Health of Nanette Delzani (A)

10:00 AMIncantrol Ivalience Delization (A)10:00 AMGerry Rao (K)11:45 AMMary Katherine Musat (K)



#### Our friends and relatives who are ill. May God grant them Healing and strength. Pernetual Help Prayer

### These are remembered by Perpetual Help Prayer

Ken B., Carol Biggs, Karen Biggs, Trevor Biggs, Justin Boguki, Carrie Jean Bonacci, Bill Briese & family, Patricia Burfield, David Cinerra, Terry Connolly, Elaine Coreno, Rosemary Cross, Barb Deimling, Barb DelVecchio, Chris Dipippa, Robert Dumke, Sr., Mary Dumke, Gene Egnot, Patricia Ferencik, Delores Fiffick, Sharon Fisher, Celia Giganti, James Gresko, Carolyn H., Amy, Barb, Marilyn, Sandy Healy, Bill & Tina Healy, Brian & Kim Helle, Nancy Hopkins, Rita Jamison, John Kole, Frank Kupetz, Lincoln Lester, Mark Magda, Ron Meister, Siobhen O'Leary-Drlik, Paisley P., Sally Panek, Kathy Petretti, Tom Petruzzi, Beverly Phillippe, Jesse Prybis, Ron & Pat Prybis, Elaine Rady, Pat Richie, Tanya Ronsko Kasparek, Angie Schurger, Mary Ann Schveder, David Shepley, Diane Sobosly, Reynaldo Solis, Carol Spooner, Dolores Stanchina, Bill & Carol Thompson, Tom & Marge Trobl, Ariana Trobl-Solis, Paula Ulas, Elijah Velez & family, Derek Vitas, Mike W., Carol Weiss, Anthony & Matthew Williams, Donna & James Woodyard, Marion Capra-Wesner, Jr., Debbie Woodyard.

WEEKLY READINGS AND OBSERVANCES -Readings for the week of October 3, 2021 Sunday: Gn 2:18-24/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [cf. 5]/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12 Monday: Jon 1:1-2:2, 11/Jon 2:3, 4, 5, 8/Lk 10:25-37 Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8 [3]/ Lk 10:38-42 Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11/Ps 86:3-4, 5-6, 9-10 [15]/Lk 11:1-4 Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5a]/Lk 11:5-13 Friday: JI 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Ps 9:2-3, 6 and 16, 8-9 [9]/Lk 11:15-26 Saturday: JI 4:12-21/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12a]/ Lk 11:27-28 Next Sunday: Wis 7:7-11/Ps 90:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 [14]/Heb 4:12-13/Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

### Observances for the week of October 3, 2021

Sunday: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday Monday: St. Francis of Assisi Tuesday: Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest Wednesday: St. Bruno, Priest; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin Thursday: Our Lady of the Rosary Friday: Saturday: St. Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs; St. John Leonardi, Priest Next Sunday: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time **©LPi** 

\* AMONG THE STARS on the previous page: References to the Saint Quotes can be found in an article which appears in US CATHOLIC the June 2016 issue of U.S. Catholic (Vol. 81, No. 6, page 49).

## **Baptism Class**

The next Baptism Class will be held Sunday, November 7, 2021 after the 11:45am mass at St. Colette.

Diocesan policy requires attendance at a Baptism Class for parents who are planning to present their first child for the Sacrament of Baptism. To register, call the Parish Office at (330) 273-5500.

The next Sanctuary Candle will be lit in loving memory of





## Daughters of St. Colette

Fr. Krizner will be the special guest at our next meeting on Thursday, October 21<sup>st</sup>. The meeting begins at 11 am in the Church Hall. Father's topic: Mother Mary



"Come as a stranger, leave as a friend."

For the October 21<sup>st</sup> meeting, last names M-Z please bring snacks with an apple or Halloween theme.



After all the Masses on the weekend of Oct. 16 & 17 the Daughters will hold their popular Bake Sale

On Sunday, Oct. 17, along with the tasty bakery items, you can also enjoy the Holy Name Society's Pancake Breakfast

DOSC bakers — please bring your baked goods to the Church Hall on Sat., Oct. 16, from Noon to 2 pm

### Catholic Works of Mercy

Blanket Sunday will be the weekend of October 9-10. Donations of NEW blankets, sheet sets, pillowcases, towels, and washcloths are appreciated.. Bring your donations to the VAN outside the church. If you wish to make a financial donation, please use the Catholic Works of Mercy envelopes that you find in your pews. Drop the envelope in next weeks collection.



The <u>National Catholic Register</u>—a national newspaper covering all things Catholic—did an article on (CHURCH) Dogs. Among them was an article & a photo was Annie and Gracie! You can visit the site on line! Imagine that: our parish dogs made National News! Congrats and **Happy Feast of St. Francis!** 

St. Colette web site http://www.stcolettecatholicchurch.com



# Happy to have you with us

# **Congratulations on Your Baptism**

Hallie Jean Jancar

You are a child of God who loves you so very much!



Banns II Robert Frey & Rachel Hunter

## Remembering with Love....

Our loving prayers and deepest sympathy are extended to the families of Richard Belik (father of Ronald) and Katena Dorsey (wife of Timothy) who were called to their Eternal reward. Please pray for them and all the faithful departed.



Hospice of the Western Reserve Life's Treasure New Volunteers Needed Are you looking for a way to help individuals in our community? Come help our Team at our boutique thrift store, Life's Treasures, in Medina. Urgent help is needed for Christmas store prep. For more information call 216.255.9090 or fill out an application online at: https://hospicewr.org/resale-shop.



Please pray for those serving in the Military

Joseph Adams MJR Sylvester Azap SrA Aimee R. Budzinski USAF GySgt. John Burrell E5/2nd Class Jacob Camper USN S/A-Dept/State Bradley Carlson Foreign Service Officer Cynthia Carlson-Cook S/SGT Stephen Coughlan SPC Kristen Coughlan MJR Jason Cross CPL Michael C. Dadaian USMC Michael Forlini CPL Peter Grasso SPC David Greenfelder Jr. LCpl Michael Grzybowski USMC Major Rick Hanrahan USAF SGT Jeremy Hlavaty 1LT Zachary Hollister USMC M/SGT Melissa Hunt CPL Zack Hunter USMC AMN 1st Class Joe Isabella Capt. Julianne Jamison USAF Lt. Kris Klaiber SGT Kevin Lessman S/SGT Sam Lupica Col. Andrew W. Mack Lt. Colonel Jeremy Matyas USAF SPC Kevin McCarthy Army

PVT Rylee McIlvain Army CDR Robin Murphy S/SGT Daniel Novak 1LT Mark Oswald Army 1LT Gwen Oswald Army Nat. Guard Corp. Daniel Peterra Col. Rick Pierce S/SGT Brian Ponge CWO2 Kevin Porter E2 Lawrence Prochko, Jr. USN Chief David Sams Chief George J. Sattelmaier SGT Scott Sauls M/SGT Ryan Shaw PV2 Andrew Shephard PFC Taylor Sibits HA Margaret Strah USN SGT David Theohares Army MJR Eric Wilder, MD USAF CPL Daniel Williford USMC S/SGT Robert Zebrowski S/Sgt. Kevin Zisko LTJG Matthew Zweifel PO3 Joseph Zweifel



Please email updates to kplumb@stcoletteparish.com

The Shrine Church of St. Stanislaus presents its Annual POLISH FESTIVAL October 8, 9, & 10, 2021 Three Live Polka Banks Divine Mercy Shrine Food! Dancing! Games! Church Tours Polish Imports 6601 Baxter Ave., Cleveland For information call: 216.341.9091 or visit www.ststanislaus.org

### Come pray with *the Brothers in Faith*

Every Saturday morning at 8 am. Weather permitting we meet at the Wayside Shrine, weather not permitting



We meet in the Atrium. Come pray with us... Bring a Rosary, bring a friend !!!

"Jesus, I surrender myself to you, take care of everything."

### SPONSOR OF THE WEEK Catholic Cemeteries Association wwww.clecem.org

## St. Colette Parish Directory

Pastor ~ Fr. William R. Krizner Weekend Assistants- Abbot Gary Hoover, O.S.B. Fr. Caesar Amandua– Chaplain Southwest General Hospital

 Parish Address
 330 West 130th St. Brunswick, OH 44212

 Parish Office
 330.273.5500

 PSCF Office
 330.273.1355

 Fax
 330.225.7909

Website:www.stcolettecatholicchurch.comOffice Hrs. Mon-Thurs. 9am-5pm, Fri 9am-3pm, Sat Noon-5pmSun. 8:30am-1pm

### MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm Sunday: 8:00-10:00- and 11:45 Wednesday & Friday: 11:00am Holy Day Vigil: 7:00pm Holy Day: NOON and 7:00pm

### SACRAMENTS

**Baptism** - following 11:45 Mass on the second and fourth Sunday of the month. Arrangements must be made in advance through the Parish Office. Baptism Class required for first child.

**Matrimony** –Congratulations! Arrangements must be made 6 months in advance with the priest.

 $\ensuremath{\textbf{Sacrament}}$  of the  $\ensuremath{\textbf{Sick}}$  - contact the Office for home visitations and Eucharist.

Reconciliation - Saturday 3:00-3:30pm

### WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORT THANK YOU!!!

Sunday, September 19, 2021	\$9,817.53
Capital Improvement Fund	
Children's	
Project Endeavor	. \$2,028.89
We sincerely & always appreciate your kindness &	

To help start and build an endowment fund, please remember St. Colette in your will. We also have a Memorial Scholarship /Education Fund.

### PARISH STAFF

Pastoral Associate—Lisa Radey / Deacon Tom Grasson Accountant-Jeanette Webster CPA/CFP / Ed Pfahl, Assistant Secretary/Bulletin Editor - Kathy Plumb Sacristan - Renate Elber Building/Grounds – John Twardzik / AJ Fuller / Vincenzo Bonanni / Owen Anderson Lily & Grace Gift Shop - Kathy Pellegrin

#### FAITH FORMATION

PSCF Directors - Larry & Chris Pizon - Contact Parish Office Baptism Class -Contact Parish Office—Sara Kronholz Pre-Cana Coordinators-Contact Parish Office High School PSCF/ Retreats-Fr. Krizner RCIA-Lisa Radey– Contact Parish Office

### SPIRITUAL/ SOCIAL

Daughters of St. Colette - Lillian Morisky 216-534-1948 Holy Name Society - Don Feuerstein-440-572-1044 Care Ministry -Cathy Thies 440-572-1736 CELEBRATION - Mrs. JoAnn Papa / Mrs. Tina Grant - Contact Office Catholic Works of Mercy-combined service with St. Ambrose 330-460-7300

### MINISTRY OF SONG & PRAISE

Cindy Indovina / Sara Kronholz /Claudia Miller/ Ralph Holstein Chris Charlillo /Todd Schrader / Charles Hannan / Erin August / Greg Paparizos / Mark Doyle

 Eucharist Ministry Marty Morisky
 330-220-1001

 Ushers - Glen Stout
 440-773-9183

 Lectors - Christina Dinklocker
 330-273-4434

 Servers - Darlene Ropelewski
 440-785-7622

### LILY ANN GRACE ~ THE PARISH GIFT SHOP

Shop Hours: Mon - Thurs 9am-5pm, Friday 9am-3pm, Saturday 12 - 5pm and Sunday 8:30am - 1pm Kathy Pellegrin-330-273-5500

Ministers for the Weekend of October 9 & 10, 2021						
	4:00 PM	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	11:45 AM		
LECTORS	M Nordstrom	H Fischer	L Kramer	C & K May		
SERVERS						
USHERS	G & T Stout S Yovanno / R Emerson	R Piechuta / D Barefield G Richard	D Elber / P Bonanni J Wanda / D Cricks	D Shell / J Spooner J Kamenar / G Torbinski		
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS						



