

$G_{\text{ospel meditation - encourage deeper understanding of scripture}$

September 4, 2022 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

What virtue is the cornerstone of discipleship? Love. Jesus preached about it, lived it, and summarized his greatest commandment featuring it. Love is in our DNA. To follow Jesus, then, is to follow the path of love. While this may appear to be an attractive and easy option, it most assuredly is not. Authentic love always comes with sacrifice. It is the complete giving of oneself to another. The sacrificial character of love always requires that we leave something aside and pursue something else. This is at the heart of self-denial. Love asks us to make choices that are often difficult.

There is a reason Jesus asks that the love of God come first. "Charity is the right attitude of mind which prefers nothing to the knowledge of God. If a man possesses any strong attachment to the things of this earth, he cannot possess true charity (St. Maximus the Confessor)." "If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple." A devoted disciple must be single-minded in her quest for God. She cannot allow anyone or anything to have more power over her soul than God. When any earthly attachments become more important than Love, we can get ourselves into trouble.

The Gospel calls us to walk boldly into the darkness, confusion, and emptiness of the world clothed in the mantle of love. We are asked to walk with others on their journey, offering a supportive, healing, challenging, and faithful presence. Ours is not to judge. To walk this sacrificial journey means that I must put myself aside and focus on the needs of others. "A sacrifice to be real must cost, must hurt and must empty ourselves (St. Teresa of Calcutta)." Love helps us walk straight and focus to see things more clearly and help others to do so as well. Many folks struggle to find joy and meaning in life. People may simply need someone with the freedom to sit with them in their pain, so they don't feel so alone. Through acts of kindness, gestures of acceptance, and words of compassion, burdens can be lightened. Believe in God's love and seek it above all other things!

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LIVE THE LITURGY -INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

" tand up straight and don't slouch!" Many a child has heard these words bellowed from their mother's lips. We need the perspective of others to help us understand when we are not walking as straight as we could be. God sends us the Holy Spirit to correct and guide us so that our paths through life can be straight. Without this assistance, how we see and understand ourselves and the world around us is incomplete. We will also lack the virtue of fortitude. It takes courage to listen to the Holy Spirit and devote ourselves to the task of discipleship. We have to put aside things that the world says are necessary and follow a path placed before us by Jesus Christ. Jesus is asking us to follow him. We must consider what we have to do to be free enough to do so. God needs us to show the world a complete picture of what life is meant to be, correct its vision and tell it to stand up straight!

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP -RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Where's the Sacrifice?

"It's not that I want you to do it. It's that I want you to *want* to do it."

If you're married or in a relationship, your partner has probably either said something like this to you or you have said it to them. If one of you hasn't said it, you have probably wanted to, and it's likely that a big argument or two was had where you dance around the sentiment, these exact words flashing in your mind like an old-time movie marquee.

The "it" never really matters much. Taking out the trash, painting the bedroom, traveling to your in-laws' for Christmas — whatever the subject matter of the disagreement is, it's all just so much set dressing. The heart of the matter is the sacrifice and desire. That's what it all hangs on. *Am I with a person who will sacrifice for me?*

When Paul writes to Philemon that he is sending Onesimus to him, he says exactly this. He tells Philemon that he would prefer to keep Onesimus with him, but that he does not want to deprive Philemon both of Onesimus and the opportunity to make a sacrifice worthy in the sight of the Lord.

The point is not who gets to hang out with Onesimus. The point is, as it says in the Gospel, who is willing to carry his cross? Who is willing to renounce his possessions? Who is willing to do the good deed for the sake of the other?

God doesn't care that much about what we have to offer. He cares much more that we have the strength to offer whatever we have. — *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS* ©LPi

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Lighting Candles in Church

Question: Why do Catholics light candles in church?

Candles have been part of the Church's worship from the earliest times. In the days before electricity, candles and oil lamps were the ways that people lighted buildings. Even today, we often still depend on candles during power outages, relying on their flickering flames to bring light into the dark.

Like our ancestors, we also light candles on special occasions. Think about a festive family meal or a romantic dinner for two — there will often be candles on the table, special objects for a special event. We light candles on birthday cakes and carry them in processions. We also place candles at makeshift memorials that appear when there has been an accident or act of violence. In these moments, their light casts aside a different kind of darkness — the darkness of grief, fear, and death.

The custom of the early Christians lighting candles and lamps at the tombs of the martyrs gave way to the practice of having candles at Mass, honoring the sacredness of the celebration.

As Christians decorated their worship spaces with statues and icons, they would burn candles in front of sacred images and the relics of the saints, basically "shining a light" on what they held to be sacred. When pilgrims would visit these shrines, they would often bring candles to light before the image or relic. These candles came to be a symbol of the person, and their prayer and the burning these candles came to be understood as an extension and continuation of the prayer that was offered. What began as a practical way to provide light has come to be a symbol of the hopes, desires, loves, losses, fears, and faith of everyday Christians offering their prayers to God and his saints. ©LPi



Receive, O Lord, this light, as a sign of my faithfulness and hope in You. Intercede for me, Saints of God, that my prayer be joined to yours as we, together, give praise to the Father. Lord God, hear my prayer for the needs of others and

for the needs of others and in your goodness and mercy give answer to me according to Your will, Saints of God, pray for me.

"Pray as though everything depended on God. Work as though everything depended on you."

-Saint Augustine





N ext Sunday, September Eleventh, we will gather at 6:30 p.m. to remember, to pray and to ask the Mercy of God upon our Nation. It is a promise we made in the midst of the horror and destruction of the Towers, the Pentagon, and the fields of Pennsylvania. We remember those whose lives were taken and those whose lives have forever changed. Join us, please, as we make that solemn remembrance.

Following our prayer service, as this is NOT a Mass, we will have a time for renewing friendships and celebrating our parish community with a reception.

PROMISE MADE– PROMISE KEPT

I have deliberated prayerfully and carefully if we should continue this Remembrance Service. It has been a long time now and there are some memories that have faded with time. There are also memories that remain vivid in our minds at the destruction left behind on that fateful day.

I remember leaving Holy Name on that early evening, as schools were closed, and driving to my place in Pennsylvania. I remembered that two hours down the road was Shanksville—it now had come so very close. In that plane were heroes!

I remember the ride to P.A. by days end there were flags flying from cars and farm houses, from taverns and village squares.

It doesn't take much effort to relive the events of September Eleventh because we were a Nation united. We were bonded and blended together by a nightmare that had actually happened on our own soil.

So very much has changed! We are left to prayers. Join us on Sunday Evening and beg God to hear us!

Fr.

Krizner

"The days have gone down in the West, behind the hills... into Shadow." *(lament of the Rohirrim, JR Tolkien)*



The Blessed Mother's Birthday with a living Rosary.

Join us on September 8th, Thursday Evening, at 6:30 pm. Following our Intercessory Prayer and Procession with the statue of Mary, we will celebrate with Cake and home-made ice cream.

All are invited –especially PSCF students and their parents.

Come and Celebrate the Mother of God!

Queen! my Mother! I give thee all myself, and, to show my devotion to thee, I consecrate to thee my eyes, my ears, my mouth, my heart, my entire self. Wherefore, O loving Mother, as I am thine own, keep me, defend me, as thy property and possession. Amen.



L'ily Ann Grace Gift Shop is filled to the brim with Autumn décor. Come in and see all that we have!

The gift shop is open during the week from 9-5 (Friday 9-3) on Saturday it is open at Noon thru Mass and Sunday all morning thru Masses. It's YOUR gift shop!





| WEDNESDAY | September 7 - Weekday |
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| 11:00 AM | +Petra Ewican & Jessie Ewican (K) |
| FRIDAY | September 9 - <i>St. Peter Claver, Priest</i> |
| 11:00 AM | +Dianne M. Zalack (C) |
| <u>SATURDAY</u> | September 10 - Weekday |
| 4:00 PM | +Deacon Thomas Grasson (K) |
| <u>SUNDAY</u> | September 11 |
| TWENTY-FO | UR SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME |
| 8:00 AM | +Merv Biggs (K) |
| 10:00 AM | +Wes Crabiel (K) |
| 11:45 AM | +Pat Fahey (K) |
| 6:30 PM | 9/11 Prayer Service (K) |



Our friends and relatives who are ill. May God grant them Healing and strength.

These are remembered by Perpetual Help Prayer

Ray Anderson, Mary Annibale, Barb Aust, Patty Ball, Larry Bender, Carol Biggs, Karen Biggs, Trevor Biggs, Erna Birschl, Pixie Blake, Carrie Jean Bonacci, Barbara Bonza, Patricia Burfield, Jeff Burroughs, Elaine Coreno, Kayla Christe, Jackie Csiszar, Dave D., Judy Brown Dyer, Michael Dadian, Barb Deimling, Ella Dumke, Robert Dumke Sr., Mary Dumke, Gene Egnot, Dan Elber, Sharon Fisher, Amber Fritzgerald, Mary Lou Gamellia, Marlene Geho, Celia Giganti, Bob & Nancy Grau, James Gresko, Don Haluska, Amy, Barb, Marilyn, Sandy, Bill, Tina Healy, Brian & Kim Helle, Paige Hendryx, Burgess Holt, Tom Hunt, Rita Jamison, Jim & Elaine Janas, Kathryn Klasek, John Kole, Elaine Kopniske, Tatum Krizman, Kathy L., Gale Lipinski, Paul, Sandy & Derrick Lisy, Dave Mack, Kathy Mahoney, Kevin McCarthy, Mike McDonough, Mick McGinnis, Audrey McNulty, Mick Mester, Ron Meister, Jim Moran, Ruthann & Frank Mucha, Alyssa Musat, Dave Myers, Bob Myers, Alfreda Myers, Paisley Palmer, Timothy Peterson, Kathy Petretti, Phyllis Piccolomini, Donald & Beverly Phillippe, Jesse Prybis, Ron & Pat Prybis, Elaine Rady, Tanya Ronsko-Kasparek, Anna Sattlemaier, Little Charlotte Schreibe, Ken & Gail Schroeder, Angela Schurger, Pat Schwark, David Shepley, Robert Sklenka, Dolores Stanchina, Anthony Stavole, Jeff & Tricia Stoddard, Lisa Szymanski, Bill Thompson, Joe Tonderski, Paula Ulas, Patty & Bill Varga, Elijah Velez & family, Becca Vickery, Čarol Weiss, Marion Capra-Wesner, Anthony & Matthew Williams, Donna & James Woodyard, Debbie Woodyard, Ruth Ziccardi.

WEEKLY READINGS Readings for the week of September 4, 2022 Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33 Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12/Lk 6:6-11 1 Cor 6:1-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk Tuesday: 6:12-19 Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17/Lk 6:20-26 Thursday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23 Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12/Lk 6:39-42 Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116:12-13, 17-18/Lk 6:43-49 Next Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19/1 Tm 1:12-17/Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10 **Observances for the week of September 4, 2022** Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Monday: Labor Day Tuesday: Wednesday: Thursday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary St. Peter Claver, Priest Friday: Saturday: Next Sunday: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Patriot Day;

PSCF NEWS

Final Registration is September 11 and 12 after all the Masses. Fee is \$35 for one child, \$55 for two or more, non-parishioners \$55 per child. If this is a hardship please let the Office know.

Classes start September 19 & 20 Schedule: Mondays Grades 1-3 at 6 to 7:15 PM Tuesdays Grades 4-6 at 6 to 7:15 PM Pre-School starts Sunday September 25 - No cost 10AM in the hall Commissioning of Teachers and Aides is September 18 at 10:00 Mass

Grades 7 and 8 will meet on Tuesday at 6p.m. A calendar of classes will be distributed at their first session.

Autumn is a second Spring when every leaf is a flower."

The next Sanctuary Candle will be lit in memory of

Michelino Paolino



You are my refuge and strength, O Lord!

Memorial Service for Aborted Children Resurrection Cemetery - Memorial to the Unborn Saturday, September 10, pro-life Americans throughout the country will gather at the gravesites of aborted babies and other memorial sites dedicated in their honor for the eighth annual Nation Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children.

Solemn vigils will be held at the sites to commemorate the more than 60 million children who have lost their lives to legal abortion since 1973, and to remind our society of the humanity of the unborn child.

Join us Saturday, September 10, 11am at Resurrection Cemetery in Valley City.

More info: Contact Teresa Piatt at 330.667.0750 or MedinaCntyRTL@gmail.com.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Have you been coming to Mass for a while, but are not Catholic?

Do you have questions about God and Faith, or do you know someone who does?

Do you have questions about the Catholic Church?

Perhaps you are searching quietly and need some answers.

Starting in the fall, our parish will begin a journey of faith, to share the richness of the Catholic Church and the love of our parish family.

We invite you to learn what the church teaches and how we choose to live as Catholic Christians.

These gatherings are for those who are unbaptized, Catholics who have been away from their faith, as well as those who are baptized Christians from various backgrounds.

Call Lisa Radey at the parish office 330.273.5500 or email her at <u>lradey@stcoletteparish.com</u>



Dinners will start October 7th. Thanks to all the volunteers who signed up. There are still openings for help. Please consider a few hours of your time on Thursday or Friday.

We will be having a Bake sale during our FALL FELLOWSHIP dinners. Please sign up in the atrium. Bring in your favorite desserts in a disposable container. Drop off in the hall between 9am-5pm on Fridays.



SEASONS OF HOPE

Our Lord assured us that those who mourn are blessed, and that they shall be comforted. <u>Seasons of Hope</u>

offers those who are grieving an opportunity to come together, give voice to their sorrow, and find hope and healing.

This program is being offered by the communities of St. Colette, Our Lady of Grace and St. Albert the Great. Our 6-week session is being offered beginning on September 21st. You have the option of attending at 1pm at St. Colette OR at 7pm at Our Lady of Grace.

If you or someone you know is struggling with grief and could benefit from a loving community, please call Lisa Radey at St. Colette to register at 330.273.5500 OR if evenings work better for you, please call Carolyn Zaverl at Our Lady of Grace at 330.278.4121.

Special St. Colette Church Request

We are in need of a parishioner/or friend of a parishioner who can snow plow for the Church this winter. We have a snow plow truck and salt spreader but need a responsible adult (21 years of age +) with a valid and current Ohio driver's license. **Please contact Ed Pfahl at the Parish Office, 330.273.5500(after 5pm, leave a message) for all the details and compensation questions**.



Mr. & Mrs. Kevin & Jennifer Haessly & family Mr. & Mrs. Kevin & Rebecca Budziak & family

Happy to have you with us

Congratulations on Your Baptism

Hudson Myles McWeeny

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



Banns I Wayne Gerchak & Jennifer Stitts

Remembering with Love....

Our loving prayers and deepest sympathy are extended to the families of Maria Klym (mother of Lyudmyla Burgett) and **Fr. Russell Lowe**, Pastor of Our Lady of Angels (59 years old) who were called to their Eternal reward. Please pray for them and all the faithful departed.



Parish Activities

Holy Name - Tuesday, Sept. 6, 7:00 PM Board Meeting Thursday, Sept. 8, Immediately following the Mary Birthday prayer Service: General Meeting - hall

Day Dream Believers - Next Generation -Wednesday, September 7, 10:00 AM Daughters - Rosary—Thursday, September 8 -

- Brothers Saturday, September 10 8:00 AM
- Atrium
- Monday Mornings with Mary Monday September 12 - 10:00 AM



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 HA Margaret Gasbarri USN 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 AA Bridget Kerr USN PVT Nathan Kerr Army Lt. Kris Klaiber SGT Kevin Lessman

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Please email updates to kplumb@stcoletteparish.com

Lt. Colonel Jeremy Matyas USAF

S/SGT Sam Lupica Col. Andrew W. Mack

"If we learn nothing else from this tragedy, we learn that life is short and there is no time for hate."

—**Sandy Dahl**, wife of Flight 93 pilot **Jason Dahl**, in Shanksville, Pennsylvania, in 2002

L he candles in front of the icon of our Lady of Perpetual Help continue to burn for the people of Ukraine. It's easy to forget the 'world' tragedies when our own Nation is in discord. We remember the people of the Ukraine who continue to suffer at the fateful

hands of war. May our Lady be ever present to them as we join our prayers with the Mother of the Church!!



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St. Colette Parish Directory

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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.

Sacrament of the Sick - contact the Office for home visitations and Eucharist.

Reconciliation - Saturday 3:00-3:30pm

WEEKLY COLLECTION REPORT THANK YOU!!!

| Sunday, September 4, 2022 | \$11,995.18 |
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| Capital Improvement Fund | |
| Children's | |
| Project Endeavor | \$1,000.89 |
| 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

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| Eucharist Ministry Marty Morisky | 330-220-1001 |
|----------------------------------|--------------|
| Ushers - Glen Stout | 440-773-9183 |
| Lectors - Christina Dinklocker | 330-273-4434 |
| Servers - Renate Elber | 330-273-1567 |

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 September 10 & 11, 2022 | | | | | | |
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| | 4:00 PM | 8:00 AM | 10:00 AM | 11:45 AM | | |
| LECTORS | M Nordstrom | T Droughton | L Kramer | M Titterington | | |
| SERVERS | C Frimel E & C Sanders | V & H Armstrong | M McIntire / A Tymann L Milks | A Kamenar E Romer | | |
| USHERS | G & T Stout B Cwiklinski / R Emerson | K Lynch / R Piechuta D Barefield | D Baldwin / D Elber V Carl / J Wanda | J Spooner / G Madak J Kamenar / P Ferraro | | |
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