SEPTEMBER 22 2024 | 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME







THE PARISHES OF

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

5:00 pm St. Mary: The People of Our Parishes

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

8:00 am St. Raymond: Joe Martin

10:00 am St. Maurice: Deceased Members of The Sloan & Nolan Families

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

8:00 am St. Mary: Karl Jordan

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

8:00 am St. Raymond: Patrick Boehler

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

8:00 am St. Maurice: Jane O'Toole

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

5:00 pm St. Mary: Bill Seelbach

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

8:00 am St. Raymond: Roy & Fran Weitekamp 10:00 am St. Maurice: The People of Our Parishes

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAYS

3:00-3:30 pm St. Maurice 4:00-4:30 pm St. Mary

SUNDAYS

7:00-7:30 am St. Raymond

ADORATION

ST. RAYMOND

8:30 am Wednesday - 8:00 am Thursday

ST. MAURICE

8:00 am - 10:00 pm Wednesday

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

September 23: St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio), Priest

September 24: The Blessed Virgin Mary of Mercy

September 25: St. Firmin, Bishop and Martyr

September 26: Ss. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs

September 27: St. Vincent de Paul, Priest,

Founder of the Congregation of the Mission and the Daughters of Charity, Patron of all the Associations of Charity

September 28: St. Wenceslaus, Martyr

September 29: St. Michael, St. Gabriel, and St. Raphael,

Archangels

FATHER'S COLUMN

Jesus began to ask them,
"What were you arguing about on the way?"
But they remained silent. They had been discussing
among themselves on the way who was the greatest.

How disconcerting we find it when we need to tell another something of great importance and that person is clearly not listening! Their lack of response is usually hurtful and we experience personal rejection.

Oftentimes, we may decide never again to confide anything of great importance to that person.

Not so with Jesus. The most important concern of his ministry was to help his listeners grow in new life, and to accomplish this, he realized that he must suffer and die. However, the disciples do not want to hear about it. Rather they discuss among themselves who is the greatest.

Jesus doesn't give up on them, but persists in teaching them what he is really about. In this very persistence did Jesus choose to die to self, to become servant of all, and to continue to lead others to new and deeper understanding and life.

Jesus persists in teaching us today with the same intensity. We hear his word proclaimed, we see his goodness in others, we take up his cross to follow him. In all of this, we too are called to be persistent in doing as Jesus did: die to self and so help each other find new life...

To add a name to the prayer list, please email Kateri at kmarten@stmrm.org and specify how many weeks you'd like that name to appear for (1 week up to a maximum of 12 weeks).

You're always welcome to re-add the name at the end of this period if the need for prayer is still present, but this will help keep the list focused and fresh.

If you know of a parishioner that you'd like added to Father's visitation list, please let him or Kateri know.

Thank you!

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

St. Mary

St. Raymond

ST. MAURICE

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, Sep 21: Patty Clarke Mary Ann Rimini

Saturday, Sep 28:

Mary Jane Schmidt & Patty Clarke

Saturday, Oct 5: Emily Martin

& Mary Jane Schmidt

Saturday, Oct 12: John &

Mary Jo Brown

Saturday, Oct 19:

Mary Ann Rimini & Emily Martin

LECTORS

Saturday, Sep 21: Carol Hupp

Saturday, Sep 28:

Mary Jane Fuchs

Saturday, Oct 5: Tony Krager

Saturday, Oct 12: Dan Martin

Saturday, Oct 19:

Kathy Rovey

SEPTEMBER

LECTOR Doris Morehouse
CANTOR Deb Held
HOSPITALITY Phil Brown

EXTRAORDINARY MINSTERS

Donna & Jerry Wagahoff

HOMEBOUND MINISTER:

Sep 22 - Noller/Morehouse

Sep 29 - Dick Lyons

SERVERS:

Sun, Sep 22 - Avery & Luke Pope,

Austin Nicol

Sun, Sep 29 - Dan Held

OCTOBER

LECTOR Lindsay Wagahoff
CANTOR Verne Pinkston
HOSPITALITY Allen Poggenpohl
EXTRAORDINARY MINSTERS

Linda Hocking Neil Wagahoff

HOMEBOUND MINISTER:

Oct 6 - Hocking/Krager

Oct 13 - Dick Lyons Oct 20 - Carl Marten

Oct 27 - Noller/Morehouse

SERVERS:

Sun, Oct 6 - Denny Held

Sun, Oct 13 - Avery & Luke Pope,

Austin Nicol

Sun, Oct 20 - Avery & Luke Pope

Sun, Oct 27 - Dan Held

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

LECTOR Pat Wolf EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Charlie Golitko Gerry Goebel

Marietta Dunkirk

USHERS Mark Langen
Jim Schneider

SERVERS Macie Ferrill,

Adelaide and Gentry Dunkirk

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

LECTOR Larry Goebel EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Catherine O'Connell

John Bergschneider

Dale Brockamp

USHERS Mark Langen
Jim Schneider

SERVERS Nathaniel DeBrun

COLLECTION TOTALS FOR SEPTEMBER 14/15

St. Mary: \$1,351 St. Raymond: \$2,479 St. Maurice: \$1,379

OUR PRAYER LIST

Debbie Lucas, Drake Lucas, Tanner Martin , Cindy Sale, Chuck Sale, Martha Beeler, Janet Locander, Alan McFarlin, Raymond Coatney, Georgetta Dean, Brant Weitekamp, Lenora Brown, Raymond O'Brien, Trent Boston, Jim Weitekamp, Mike Sheedy

PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

St. Maurice to Celebrate Patron's Feast Day

Join us in celebrating our patron Today (Sunday, September 22) after Mass with a catered meal at the Fuller Street Building (old KC Hall).

St. Raymond Feast Day Celebration & Sunday Social

Join us Today (Sunday, September 22) in honoring our patron's feast day with a special prayer after Mass around our St. Raymond statue on the front lawn.

This will be followed by our monthly Sunday Social at the KC Hall with coffee & donuts and a display honoring St. Raymond Nonnatus' life.

Pro-Life Prayer Meeting

Friday mornings 9:00 am at St. Raymond

National Priesthood Sunday is September 29

Remember to thank Father for his vocation and to pray an extra Hail Mary for him and any priests you know!

Register Now for Our Parish Unit Study on The Gospel of Matthew

Register now to join us for a 24 week deep dive into the Gospel of Matthew! Each sessions includes a video presentation by Jeff Cavins, and group discussion led by Father. Starts Tuesday, October 14.

You can register now through September 29 via the sheets in the vestibule, or by emailing Kateri at kmarten@stmrm.org. Study books are \$15 each. Money can be dropped in the collection basket with a note, or brought to the first class.

Please note: while the study book is recommend, please do not let the thought of "homework" keep you from this study! If you are only able to come for the video presentation and group discussion, we would love for you to join us in learning more about Jesus and His kingdom through the Gospel of Matthew!

Family of Faith 2024-25 Registration and Information

Registration forms for Family of Faith 2024-25 are available in your parish vestibule.

The first session of FOF will take place on Wednesday, October 16.

A "HEY, FATHER!" Q & A FROM THE CATHOLIC TIMES

Why does it seem we place more emphasis on Jesus' Crucifixion than on his Resurrection? We could all be put to a torturous death on a cross, but we can't be raised like Jesus was. If there was no Resurrection, there is no point in the Crucifixion other then it was done to an innocent man.

When St. Paul went to preach at the Areopagus in Athens, he went to proclaim the Resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. As he proclaimed the bodily Resurrection of the Lord to the philosophically minded Athenians, they scoffed at him and rejected his message out of hand. The Greeks, who looked upon the body as nothing more than a prison from which the soul sought to escape, thought the notion of the reunification of the body and the soul preposterous. From that day on, St. Paul resolved to "preach Christ crucified" (I Corinthians 1:23). He went so far as to say, "For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified" (I Corinthians 2:2). We place more emphasis on the Crucifixion because St. Paul does.

The Church has always held the cross of Christ to be the great sign of his victory – a trophy, of sorts – over sin and death. Just as the Church depicts the martyrs with the signs of their victory (St. Paul, for example, was beheaded by the sword and often is shown carrying a sword because it was the instrument of his death), the Church depicts the Lord on the instrument of his death, an instrument which brought us our salvation and victory over sin.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church reminds us that "the Resurrection of Jesus is the crowning truth of our faith in Christ, a faith believed and lived as the central truth by the first Christian community; handed on as fundamental by tradition; established by the documents of the New Testament; and preached as an essential part of the Paschal mystery along with the cross" (638). This is why St. Paul frequently spoke of Jesus as the one who "died and was raised" (II Corinthians 5:15). The death of Jesus on the cross cannot be separated from His Resurrection from the dead, and vice versa; to preach one is to preach the other.

We emphasize the Crucifixion of Jesus in the certain hope that "if, then, we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him. We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over him... Consequently, you too must think of yourselves as being dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus" (Romans 6:8-11). The effective means of preaching this central truth of the Christian faith and life is to follow the example of Saint Paul, to preach Christ Crucified.

Answered by Fr. Daren Zehnle