

September

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2018



Any who give you a  
cup of water to drink  
because you belong to Christ,  
amen, I say to you,  
will surely not lose their reward.

Mark 9:41

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**ST. THOMAS OF VILLANOVA**  
A CATHOLIC PARISH FAMILY - PALATINE, IL

# Parish Information

## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00pm  
Sunday 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:15am  
1:30pm (*Polish*)  
Weekday 6:30am (*Communion Service*)  
8:00am (*Including Saturday*)

## RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 8:30am—9:30am

### NEW PARISHIONERS:

All are welcome!  
Stop by the Parish Office to register and learn more about our Parish.

**BAPTISM:** Parents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation class preferably before the baby is born to avoid babysitting concerns. Baptisms are celebrated on most Sundays following the 11:15am Mass. Call the Parish Office for more information. *Upcoming Baptism Prep Classes: Oct 11, Oct 24 & Nov 15*

**MARRIAGE:** Arrangements for the celebration of marriage should be made at least six (6) months prior to your planned wedding date. Call Deacon Tom Dunne for more information.

**BECOMING A CATHOLIC:** Our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Process is for adults who were never baptized in any faith, who were baptized in another Christian faith but wish to become Catholic or who were baptized Catholics but never received the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. Contact the Parish Office for more info. Brochures available in the Gathering Area kiosk.

### COMMUNION FOR HOMEBOUND:

Ministers of Care are available to bring Communion to the homebound. Contact Deacon Tom Dunne for information.

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Call the Parish Office to add your name to the sick list. Due to patient privacy (HIPAA Law,) only the ailing person, or in case of their incapacitation, the person delegated for the medical care, can add their name to the sick list.

### PRAYERS FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL:

Call the Parish Office to add a name of someone serving in the military, so our faith community can pray for their safety and service.

## PARISH OFFICE

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### Priests

Rev. Tom Rzepiela, *Pastor*  
Rev. Marcin Zasada, *Assoc. Pastor*  
Rev. Martin Luboyera, *Weekend Assoc.*  
Rev. John Clemens, *Weekend Assoc.*  
Rev. Ray Yadron, *Pastor Emeritus*

### Permanent Deacons

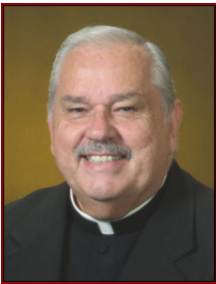
Deacon John Breit  
Deacon Mark Duffey  
Deacon Tom Dunne  
Deacon Bill Karstenson  
Deacon Len Marturano  
Deacon Rich Willer

### Pastoral Council

Jane St. Pierre Murguia, *Chairperson*  
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Lexine Cramm  
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**Renew My Church email:** [RenewMyChurch@stov.org](mailto:RenewMyChurch@stov.org)

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## Second Homily

Dear Parish Family of St. Thomas,

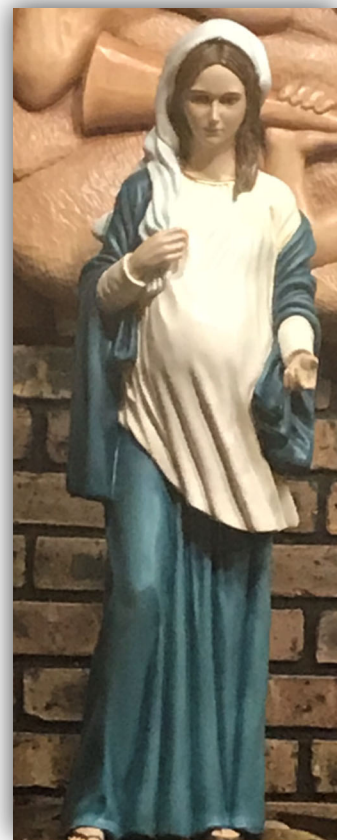
There are some new things happening at St. Thomas of Villanova. In conjunction with our Knights of Columbus, I am announcing a "Parish Family of the Month" Program. So beginning now in September, we will be celebrating a Parish Family who exemplifies what it means to be a good, Catholic Family who are living out their faith. After input and consultation with our Pastoral Staff and our Parish Pastoral Council, a Family of the month of September has been chosen. Please congratulate Erika and Rob Dix and their children on achieving this monthly unique honor and recognition. At this weekend's 5:00pm Mass, our Knights of Columbus will present a special certificate of recognition to the Dix Family. You can read up on them as I have interviewed them and their thoughts and answers are in the bulletin. They are committed Catholics who faithfully attend weekend Mass and always sit up front in the second pew. Special thanks to the Knights of Columbus—Grand Knight Robert Novak and to Matt Chambers—Coordinator of the "Faith in Action" Family Program. Matt and I will be presenting the certificate to them at Mass.



Also on another note—another new thing is happening this weekend. Hopefully, you have noticed the new sculpture of the Blessed Virgin Mary which has been placed in the alcove next to the Holy Family. This unique statue is called—the Blessed Virgin Mary, the "Mother of Life" Statue. It represents Mary pregnant with Jesus—and on the wall behind her is the plaque of the Angels of the Annunciation. It celebrates Mary's faith-filled commitment and helps us to always remember the gift of life and the great gift of the Lord's Life. I will be blessing our new Mary sculpture this weekend at 5:00pm Mass, just in time for the October Respect Life Month.

This newly created statue was donated by members of our Parish Family who wish to remain anonymous. We are grateful in prayer for this special and unique gift.

Also, we are grateful to Mr. James Hajost, one of our parishioners, who designed, created, and executed the table for our Lady. Thanks, Jim, for the gift of your God-given talent and for sharing that gift with all of us.



May every expectant mother encounter loving support as she awaits the birth of her child!!!

Your Pastor,  
*Father Tom*  
Rev. Thomas R. Rzepiela

# Parish Events

## PARISH CALENDAR

### Sunday, September 30

7:45am	Blood Drive	RAC
9:15am	Religious Ed Classes	School
9:40am	Children's Liturgy of the Word	MRD
10:30am	RCIA Classes	MRA
7:00pm	Adult Polish Volleyball	RAC

### Monday, October 1

2:30pm	STV School Athletics	RAC
4:00pm	Religious Ed Classes	School
7:00pm	STV Scripture Study	MRB

### Tuesday, October 2

8:45am	Smiling Thru the Tears	MRA
1:00pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry	MRB
2:30pm	STV School Athletics	RAC
6:30pm	SP/SJ Committee Mtg	MRC
7:00pm	Family School Assoc.	School
7:00pm	STV Scripture Study	MRB
7:30pm	Women's Club Guild 4	MRA
9:00pm	Men's Basketball	RAC

### Wednesday, October 3

4:00pm	VOICES Drop-In	TR/RAC
6:00pm	Eucharistic Adoration	Church
6:00pm	Parent Info Night— Safety	VH
7:00pm	Women's 2011 CRHP	MRC
7:00pm	GIFT—Group I	MRA & D
7:00pm	ASP 2018 Trip Meeting	MRB
8:00pm	A.A. (Closed Meeting)	MR4

### Thursday, October 4

1:00pm	STV Scripture Study	MRB & D
2:30pm	STV School Athletics	RAC
7:00pm	GIFT—Group II	MRA & D
7:00pm	STV School Talent Show	VH
7:30pm	Women's Club Guild 5	MRB

### Friday, October 5

8:45am	STV Scripture Study	MRA-D
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### Saturday, October 6

8:45am	STV Scripture Study	MRB
9:00am	Morning Bible Study	MRC
9:00am	Pet Blessing	Church front lawn

### Sunday, October 7

9:40am	Children's Liturgy of the Word	MRD
10:30am	RCIA Classes	MRA
7:00pm	Adult Polish Volleyball	RAC

# TODAY

- **BAKE SALE** In the Gathering Area
- **FOSTOVS FOOTBALL FUNDRAISER PRESALES** In the Gathering Area (Page 7)
- **BLOOD DRIVE** 7:45am—1pm in the RAC. Walk-ins welcome!
- **DINE-N-SHARE AT CALIFORNIA PIZZA KITCHEN** 11am—9pm (Page 6)

# UPCOMING

- **GOLDEN VILLANOVANS**
  - Monday, October 1 at 1pm. Ladies' Lunch at Briana's Restaurant—154 W Northwest Hwy, Palatine. RSVP to Mary Margaret 847-221-8211
  - Wednesday, October 10 at 1pm. Annual Picnic in MRA & B. RSVP to Maureen 847-358-2586 by October 8 for hot dog and hamburger orders and to inform her of what dish you are bringing.
- **SMILING THROUGH THE TEARS** October 2 (Page 6)
- **RESPECT LIFE MONTH—OCTOBER** (Page 6)
- **ANNUAL PET BLESSING** Saturday, October 6 (Page 5)
- **VOICES PUMPKIN SALE** Next weekend (Page 5)
- **LIVING ROSARY** October 9 at 7pm (Page 5)
- **ALTAR SERVING TRAINING** Saturday, October 13 (Page 5)
- **CFM KICK-OFF** Saturday, October 13 (Page 5)

## JOIN THE CHOIR

The St. Thomas Choirs are returning from their summer hiatus and we need you! You don't have to be a musical genius or read music or be a great singer or musician. The only requirements are that you love to sing or play an instrument, are at least 13-years old, and want to be part of this fun-filled and important prayer-filled liturgical ministry. If you are curious about the choir or are interested in finding out more, we invite you to our first choir rehearsal on **Thursday, October 4 at 7pm** in church. The choir members will be available to welcome you and answer any questions you may have about the 5pm Saturday and 9:30am Sunday Masses, or the 11:15am Chorale. Please step out in faith and know you will be welcomed with love! For info: Jeanne Slatkay 847-776-3485 / jslatkay@hotmail.com.



## NEW DSP DEADLINE

DSP (Dollar Shopping Power) cash/check payment must be dropped off **BEFORE 5:00pm on Fridays** in the Parish Office to meet the weekly order submission deadline. (Note: No order will be submitted without payment.)

**ANNUAL PET BLESSING**

**Saturday, October 6 at 9am; On the front lawn**

In honor of St. Francis of Assisi—the Patron Saint of animals—Deacon Tom will be blessing your animals again this year. The blessing will be held in front of the St. Thomas of Villanova statue by the circular drive of Church. *Pets must be on leashes, in bowls or in cages.*



**LIVING ROSARY AND BENEDICTION**

**Tuesday, October 9 at 7:00pm, Church**

Come, pray from a pew, or participate in a special way by signing up to “be a bead” and recite the Hail Mary as the rosary winds its way around the church. Families, singles, couples; all are welcome to “be a bead” at this Parish Family prayer service. We are especially hoping to praise Mary in as many languages as possible, so let us know if you also speak a language other than English. **Call Gay Sladky to sign up to “be a bead” or for more information: 847-359-4067.**



**ALTAR SERVER TRAINING**

**CALLING ALL 4<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS!**

**Saturday, October 13th, from 12:00-1:00pm in Church**

We are inviting students in 4th through 12th grade to take part in this important ministry. To serve at the Altar is helping a priest, your Parish and above all God! Serving allows you to play an active part in Parish life. If you would like to sign up to attend this training session, please email Sheila O'Shea at: [soshea13@comcast.net](mailto:soshea13@comcast.net) (please provide student's name, current grade, and school). God does not call strangers. He calls friends. If He is calling you to serve, please answer by contacting the Altar Serving Coordinator, Sheila O'Shea.



**CFM KICK-OFF—CHRISTIAN FAMILY MOVEMENT**

Please join CFM (Christian Family Movement) on **Saturday, October 13** for open gym and faith sharing with your kids and other STOV families. Gather after 5pm Mass or join us at 6:15pm in the Rowley Center. All families are welcome! Bring \$10 per family for pizza. Questions? Email Lisa at [lisa.korney@gmail.com](mailto:lisa.korney@gmail.com).



**A & E MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS**

DO YOU HAVE A **GREEN THUMB**? STV's Art & Environment Team is looking for another indoor gardener (or two) to provide lots of TLC to all our green and flowering plants that add so much life to our parish worship space. The hours are flexible and you would share the job with our three current gardeners. Contact Vera Muir (847-991-5249 or [vmuir@comcast.net](mailto:vmuir@comcast.net)) if you are interested.



**VOICES**

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP**

**PUMPKIN FUNDRAISER**

**NEXT WEEKEND, After Mass**



Pumpkins with a purpose! Don't buy your pumpkins from the local stores... instead, buy them after Mass next weekend and help support the

Youth of our Parish Family! These pumpkins will be picked fresh from the pumpkin fields on Saturday morning and brought right to our church's front lawn—ready for 5pm Mass, as well as all Sunday Masses. Teens will be eager to help you choose the right pumpkins and even load them in your car before or after Mass. **Free-will donations!** All proceeds will help offset the rising costs of our retreats.

**HAYRIDE**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7 at 6:00pm**

All High Schoolers are invited to attend VOICES



Annual Fall **HAYRIDE** Hayride. Meet in the Teen Room at 6pm. The bus will bring us to Patch 22 in Wadsworth, IL where we will take our hayride, hang out by the bonfire roasting marshmallows and hotdogs AND, if you dare, go through the haunted house in the attic of the barn. We return to St. Thomas approximately 11pm. You will need to download the one-time permission form at [stvoices.org](http://stvoices.org) or email Jeff ([jeff@stvoices.org](mailto:jeff@stvoices.org)). **Cost is \$30.**



## SMILING THROUGH THE TEARS

St. Thomas of Villanova has a monthly support group called "Smiling Through the Tears" for those who have lost a loved one. If you are grieving, remember that what you are feeling is not only normal but necessary.

Our next meeting is this Tuesday, October 2 at 8:45am in Meeting Room A. It is open to anyone. Come join us, and feel and hear of God's loving compassion. If you have any questions, please contact our Bereavement Director, Connie West 847-358-6999.

## DINE-N-SHARE

**TODAY: 11AM—9PM**  
**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30**



california  
PIZZA KITCHEN

3 S. Evergreen Rd, Arlington Hts.

Got to [www.stov.org](http://www.stov.org) and click on UPCOMING EVENTS to download the CPK flyer or show it at the restaurant on your smartphone.

## RESPECT LIFE MONTH—OCTOBER



### Baby Bottle Project

**Starts Next Weekend thru October 27 / 28**

Bottles will be available in the Gathering Area and Narthex for you to fill with your spare change to benefit The Women's Centers of Greater Chicagoland. More information in next weekend's bulletin.

### March For Life

**Saturday, October 20; 1:00pm—Gather at St. Theresa Gym**

Mark your calendar now for the 6th Annual NorthWest Families March for Life in Palatine. Be a part of the celebration of LIFE! For more information contact: Mary Ann Kenesey 847-991-9732, NWFL526@gmail.com, [www.NorthWestFamiliesforLife.weebly.com](http://www.NorthWestFamiliesforLife.weebly.com)

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

**1st & 3rd Tuesdays of Each Month**

**For All Knitters & Crocheters AND Those Who Want to Learn**

The Respect Life Committee of STV sponsors a Prayer Shawl Ministry for the terminally ill patients at the John H. Stroger Hospital of Cook County. We will provide everything you need to make the shawls including yarn, needles and instruction, if you need. Please join us each month in MRB. Come as often as you like and stay as long as you choose. We are asking the parish for donations of yarn, too. (We cannot accept wool yarn.) Contact Maureen for info: 224-532-1990.

### WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE for St. Angela School

**October 20 / 21**

We are collecting NEW winter clothing items (**Coats, Gloves, Hats, Scarves & Boots**) for the children of St. Angela School to keep them warm through the cold winter. Drop off your donation in the bins in the Gathering Area on the weekend of October 20/21 Your generosity allows for the comfort of warm clothing and possibly the only NEW item they will own for the school year! Questions? Call Deacon Tom Dunne 847-358-6999

### MONTHLY FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION

**1st Weekend of Every Month (Next weekend—October 6/7)**

Our pantry is running very low, and we need **your help** to fill the shelves. Bring your pantry items to Mass with you next weekend and place your donations near the pulpit. (*No expired food, please.*) We especially need:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Soup & crackers           | <input type="checkbox"/> Rice                              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pancake Mix & Syrup       | <input type="checkbox"/> Jelly (We have peanut butter.)    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Fruit              | <input type="checkbox"/> Kids' snacks—we have <b>NONE!</b> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Veggies (No corn.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Laundry, dish & bar soap          |

**THANK YOU!**

 *From the Principal's Desk*

A **HUGE THANK YOU** to **Melissa and Derek Oberg** for their leadership this year in organizing our Track-a-thon. The event ran without a hitch. Every student and teacher participated by collecting pledges, walking, or running the track. Parents volunteered and enjoyed the camaraderie of each other. How much was brought in? Did we reach our goal? We will find out in the near future, when the results will be revealed. Thanks to the Dream Team for collecting pledges and for those who were able to participate at the event.

God bless,  
*Mary  
Brinkman*

**P.S. Our numbers are growing!** We are looking for a part-time preschool teacher to work Mon-Fri mornings. Call me for info: 847-358-2110.



**MEET MS. STEPHANIE PAUWELS**  
*Our 2nd Grade Teacher*



Ms. Pauwels is new to St. Thomas in 2018. She has a BS in Elementary Education from Loyola University in Chicago and previously student taught at Washington School in Evanston, IL.

“My teaching style is to give students chances to explore and learn new things in the way that makes the most sense to them. We are all on the same team, with the same goal: to create the best possible learning environment. I hope to learn as much from my students as I teach them!”

**About the Students**

“Second grade is such an exciting time of growth, and an exciting time in a person’s faith journey, with First Communion and Reconciliation.”

**On St. Thomas of Villanova**

“I am excited to teach in a place where I can share my faith surrounded by nice people and I can grow as a teacher.”

**SAVE THE DATE**  
**SUNDAY,**  
**NOVEMBER 4**  
*Doors Open  
at 11am*

FRIENDS OF ST. THOMAS OF  
VILLANOVA SCHOOL PRESENTS:



**ANNUAL**  
**FOSTOV'S**  
**FUNDRAISER**  
*\$50 Per Person*

**GUESS WHO IS BACK? JIM CORNELISON** (The Chicago Blackhawks' Anthem singer) will sing our national anthem at this event! It was quite the highlight last year. You won't want to miss it! Come buy your party event ticket, grand prize raffle tickets or squares after Mass in the Gathering Area **TODAY!** All proceeds of the party benefit STV School and students.

- Terrific Food & Open Bar
- Split the Pot Game, Raffles, Silent Auction & Grand Prize Raffle  
*(Big Screen TV, Apple Watch, Weber Grill, X box)*

Questions? Stop by the table **TODAY** or email John: johnhake95@gmail.com

## K of C—Family of the Month



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
HOLY GHOST COUNCIL #4977

Palatine's Knights of Columbus Holy Ghost Council #4977 is excited and proud to introduce a new initiative to our St. Thomas of Villanova Parish. This program - "**Family of the Month**" - promotes and supports the development of strong and vibrant families by recognizing the good work being done every day in the homes of our neighbors. Our plan is to recognize a Parish Family each month that exhibits strong ties of Love and Faith, exemplify Catholic Family Values and who make meaningful contributions to our St. Thomas Parish and our larger Community.

# SEPTEMBER 2018 FAMILY OF THE MONTH

## The Dix Family



Our September Parish Family of the month is the Dix Family.

### **Length as STV Parishioners:**

We've been at St. Thomas of Villanova since 2010. When we moved into our home, we planned on attending Masses at St. Theresa and Holy Family, but we started at St. Thomas, and we were so warmly welcomed that we didn't even check the other two out!

### **STV Ministries involvement:**

We've been running the Christian Family Movement for the last few years – although we get a lot of support from the other families! In the years since he was involved with RCIA as a catechumen (student), my husband has been pretty involved with RCIA as a catechist. He's also a lector, mostly at the 7:30 Sunday Mass. In past years, he has traveled down with ASP crews to make homes warmer, safer and drier. I volunteer first shift at PADS, to help the homeless ministry check-in the clients and assign pads for the night. I am at Bible Study on Friday mornings, and my husband attends the same classes on Tuesday nights. The kids and I help out with TLC Cots, making bedrolls for the homeless out of plastic grocery bags. Our daughter is an altar server, and both kids help at Vacation Bible School in the summer. The whole family helps the Greeter Ministry by passing out worship aids at the 9:30 Sunday Mass from time to time.

### **Prayer Life:**

We each have our own prayer times. My husband likes to pray when he first gets up. I like to pray during my morning exercises, when the work of the day is done, and with her Prayer Group. The whole family prays together at meals, bedtimes, family meetings, and whenever we hear a siren go by. We live close enough to Hicks Rd. that we pray for sirens a lot!

### **Advice for other families:**

Double knot your shoes. Floss. Hug more, pray more. Decide how many things you're going to fight with your kids/coworkers/spouse about when you wake up today, and then stick to that number. Make it a small number. Leave earlier, and get there in time to take it easy, so you don't get stressed out behind slowpoke drivers.

Do we do all this stuff as a family, all the time? "No!" we reply as we trip on our shoelaces or head to the dentist to get a cavity filled. But getting that hug after is pretty nice.

## 2018 FISCAL YEAR SUNDAY SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Date	Weekend Collection	On-Line Giving	Weekly Total	Over / Under Budget: \$22,000
Sep 2	\$ 20,973.85	\$ 2,043.00	\$ 23,016.85	\$ 1,016.85
Sep 9	\$ 19,327.25	\$ 2,743.00	\$ 22,070.25	\$ 70.25
Sep 16	\$ 17,943.21	\$ 1,973.00	\$ 19,916.21	(\$ 2,083.79)
Sep 23	\$ 16,887.00	\$ 1,873.00	\$ 18,760.00	(\$ 3,240.00)
Sep 30				

YTD Totals	
YTD Budget	\$ 286,000.00
YTD Actual	\$ 272,458.79
Over / (Under)	(\$ 13,541.21)

**THANK YOU!**

**September Sharing Parish (Pink Envelope): \$ 2,011.50**

## PRODUCEMOBILE UPDATE



On the second Thursday of every month, from 9:30 to 11:30 am, the Greater Chicago Food Depository Produce Mobile comes to one of five local parishes in the northwest suburbs. This month St. Thomas hosted the food distribution, where over 9000 pounds of fresh fruits and vegetables were given free of charge to 193 receiving households consisting of 656 family members. Over 20 volunteers from St. Thomas and surrounding parishes were on hand to unload the truck, bag the produce, and help the guests bring food to their cars.

Anyone in need of assistance is welcome to come and receive food from the Produce Mobile; no registration is required.

Next month the Produce Mobile will be at St. Emily's in Mount Prospect. Other participating parishes in the rotation include St. Colette, St. Edna and Holy Family.



## FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN *Sponsored by Women's Club*

Tuesday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> from 5:45pm—7:45pm  
 1072 National Pkwy, Schaumburg Contact Alice Witt by Oct. 17 to reserve your spot. (847) 705-5828 / AWitt3535@comcast.net



### MINISTRY OF CARE GATHERING

#### "Theological Reflection"

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Wednesday, October 10

7—9pm

Holy Family

2515 Palatine Rd, Inverness

Presented by: Fr. Richard Jakubik

Contact Deacon Tom Dunne, for  
more information: 847-358-6999

### SEMINAR SERIES

#### "Life in the Spirit Seminar"

7:30pm—9:30pm

St. Theresa Parish

445 Benton St, Palatine

- Oct. 10—God Loves You
- Oct. 17—Salvation
- Oct. 24—New Life
- Oct. 31—Receiving God's Gift
- Nov. 7—Prayer for Baptism in the Holy Spirit with Holy Mass celebrated by Fr. Michael Sparough, SJ
- Nov. 14—Growth & Transformation

Contact Deacon Lou Riccio for  
more information at 847-358-7760

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS

#### New Lector & EM Training

Saturday, November 17

9am—Noon

St. Theresa Parish

445 Benton St, Palatine

Register at: [www.vic1chicago.org](http://www.vic1chicago.org)  
A follow-up session will take place  
in your parish that will include any  
particular practices for your parish.

For questions:

Contact Mandy Dillon  
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### ON INDEXING POSSESSIONS, & GETTING RID OF THINGS

Lot #63 – Full Size Bed with Storage Underneath and Head Board. Lot #114 – Wine Rack with Chef Décor. Lot#128 – Holiday Décor, Canister Set, Wildlife. Lot #325 – Entertainment Center with Frosted Glass Shelves. The list goes on and on. At least it did. My sister and her husband recently sold their house downstate and auctioned off most of their belongings to move to Florida. Mary and John have been snowbirds since buying a home down there, but now they've taken the plunge to leave Illinois behind and become permanent residents of the Sunshine State. I had occasion to visit them a few days before the auction began, though. Hence, all of the Lot #s...

Mary and I know something about traditional auctions and estate sales as our folks used to clerk them when we were both growing up in Streator years ago. I remember Mom and Dad telling us that people would come early looking for gold and would sometimes even stash a valuable find in a box of...say...old pots and pans, and then try to get the box--and the treasure--for a song. Times have changed, apparently. Mary said her *online* auctioneer spent some serious time at their place taking pictures and tagging pretty much everything in the house. Then he posted the pics and the descriptions, and bid the bidding begin! The selling event had an official opening and closing, and in-between, people were still fishing for gold, I guess. Makes sense, but still crazy!

Understandably, my sister was fretting over whether her and John's decision to move was the right one, but she was happy for the down-

sizing that the decision forced. Still, it was weird to see all of those Lot tags, and man, they were *everywhere*. Lot tags on kitchen drawers, on towels in the guest bath, on plants in the corner of the living room. And Mary and John had been living in Springfield only fourteen years. Gail and I have been in our place for nearly forty, and it's amazing how many things we've accumulated. Some by way of purchase. Some by way of gifts. Some by way of having a large basement that family and friends have asked to use for their own storage purposes. *Sigh...*

We're not wealthy folks. Still, today's second reading gives me pause. "Come now, you rich," Saint James says, "weep and wail over your impending miseries...your gold and silver have corroded, and that corrosion will be a testimony against you..." Gulp. And then Jesus: "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..." Gulp x 2. Mary said that it was hard getting rid of her stuff, but that in the end, getting rid of it was a good--even liberating--thing. Hmmm... I wonder how much stuff some of us are hanging onto that might be keeping us from God. And I'm not talking about Lot #325 – Entertainment Center with Frosted Glass Shelves. I'm talking about those habits and mindsets that are way more self-centric than Kingdom-centric. I don't know about you, but I've got some metaphorical clutter weighing me down. Time to take inventory, and onload. "Liberating..." Mary said. And we all know she's right.

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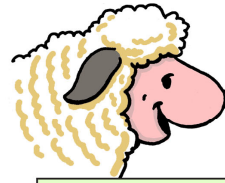
# Children's Worship Bulletin

September 30, 2018 • Mark 9:38-50

## In Jesus' Name

The disciples told Jesus about a man who was healing people in His name.

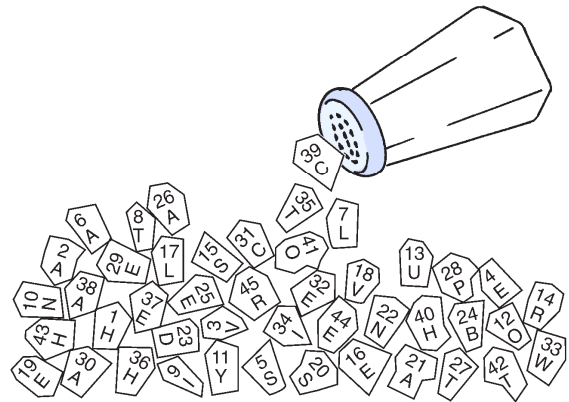
Find the hidden objects in the picture below.



Jesus said, "Salt is good, but if it loses its saltiness, how can you make it salty again?"

Write the letters from the salt on the correct lines to find out what else Jesus said.

“ 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10  
 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20  
 21 22 23 24 25 26 27  
 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36  
 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 ”



## LITURGY SCHEDULE for OCTOBER 6 / 7

	SATURDAY 5:00 PM	SUNDAY 7:30 AM	SUNDAY 9:30 AM	SUNDAY 11:15 AM	SUNDAY 1:30 PM
<b>PRESIDER</b>	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
<b>DEACON</b>	Deacon John Breit	Deacon Len Marturano	Deacon Mark Duffey	Deacon Bill Karstenson	
<b>HOMILY</b>	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
<b>LECTORS</b>	Theresa Mitchell John Davis	Tom Greener Ed Boduch	Phil Giuntoli Denise Giuntoli	Conrad Bertz David Asta	
<b>MINISTERS OF COMMUNION</b>	Donna Breit Louis Akins Mary Bragiel Larry Coco Marian DeGroot Dan Dunne Jim Dunne Corinne Greico Peggy Jablonski Helen Janicki	Marilyn Marturano Tom Nicholas Mark Orr Mila Quiaoit Sarah Rauon Gay Sladky Bob Slanicky Lori Smithe Bob Stanek Margo Stanek	Ann Duffey Jackie Nogle Cathy Noles Kate O'Connell Kathy Schappert Randy Schappert Beth Stowick Susan Weres Debbie Yurcheshen Marty Yurcheshen	Barbara Hedrich Nancy Hulsebosch Laura Klotz Jeanie Landeweer Marva Layne Jill Lott Joyce Miller Tom Nolan Carol O'Shea	
<b>SERVERS</b>	Chase McCluskey Jack Castelli Jacob Korney	David Dabrowski Douglas Hall Emily Murphy	Madeline Hake Caroline Kawiecki Michael Nix	Garrett Colbrook Grace Hedgepeth Maura McGarvey	
<b>GREETERS</b>	<b>M</b> Sylvia Schaffer <b>G</b> Pat & Maureen Driscoll <b>N</b> Bob & Nancy Bachmann	Karen Froelich Bob & Margo Stanek Don & Geri Ullmer	Donna Koehler Marilyn Marturano Barb Murphy & Bev Dalton	Brian & Becky Rady Basil & Carol Romaniszak Earl & Carol Schaffnit	

# Our Weekly Prayers

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday, October 1

6:30am Communion Service  
8:00am ☩ Ray & Irene McNamee

### Tuesday, October 2

6:30am Communion Service  
8:00am ☩ Robert Freel  
☩ William Dvorak

### Wednesday, October 3

6:30am Communion Service  
8:00am ☩ David Morris

### Thursday, October 4

6:30am Communion Service  
8:00am ☩ Jane Dunne

### Friday, October 5

6:30am Communion Service  
8:00am ☩ Mary Ann Jones  
7:30pm Mass—POLISH

### Saturday, October 6

8:00am ☩ Thomas Yadron, Jr.  
5:00pm ☩ Dick Kunzweiler  
☩ Trish Moore  
7:30pm Mass—POLISH

### Sunday, October 7

7:30am ☩ David Sladky  
☩ Daniel Kluss  
☩ Russell Spano  
9:30am All Living & Deceased Parishioners  
11:15am ☩ Richard Heart  
☩ Dick Kunzweiler  
1:30pm Mass—POLISH  
4:00pm Mass—VIETNAMESE

## DAILY READINGS

Mon: Jb 1:6-22; Ps 17:1bcd-3, 6-7; Lk 9:46-50  
Tue: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Ps 88:2-8;  
Mt 18:1-5, 10  
Wed: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16; Ps 88:10bc-15;  
Lk 9:57-62  
Thu: Jb 19:21-27; Ps 27:7-9abc, 13-14;  
Lk 10:1-12  
Fri: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Ps 139:1-3, 7-10,  
13-14ab; Lk 10:13-16  
Sat: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Ps 119:66, 71, 75,  
91, 125, 130; Lk 10:17-24  
Sun: Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11;  
Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

## OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED

David Adam Malczyk

## UPCOMING MARRIAGES

Jack Spethmann & Candice Peters—Saturday, October 6, 2018 at 2:30pm

## FOR OUR SICK

MaryAnn Acton	Adeline Kaczmarek	Alexa Rae Mang	Dick Samojla
Barbara Amato	Eddie Karda	Bob Maruska	Kristina Sromek
Jason Dean	Barbara Kerlin	Elayne Maruska	Sharon Tadsen
Vincent DeGiulio	Mary King	Baby Benjamin Mauro	Deacon Rich Willer
Bill Gerl	Mary Alice Kobler	Joanne Moser	Charmaine Zuchel
Dick Haen	Susan Kordell	Paul Moser	Erin Zwadoo
Jean Haen	John Lenz	Ted Otto	
David Hicks	Harold Lewis	Brad Rohrsen	

## IN SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY

Lord, bless the men and women of our military as they answer the call to serve our nation and defend our freedom. Protect and heal them-- body, soul, mind and spirit--especially those in harm's way. Most of all let them know your love; that you are with them, and that you will never forsake or abandon them. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

### U.S. Air Force

- MSGT Dan Fialek
- MSGT Matthew Grelck
- Lt Col Ross A. Mol
- SrA Joshua Olszak
- MAJ Matthew Walz

### U.S. Army

- SSGT Brian J. Dankowski
- SPC Jack Davis
- SSG Christopher M. Fedrick
- CWO2 Timothy O'Cain
- CPT James Ruetsche, Ranger

### U.S. Coast Guard

- LT Kevin O'Brien

### U.S. Marine Corps

- PFC Nicholas G. Dean
- WO1 Thomas Grygowski
- SGT Cameron Miller
- SGT Kyle Rich
- LT Jake Schlenbecker

### U.S. Navy

- LTJG Jeremy Adams
- LCDR Kevin Brandwein
- CMDR John-Paul Falardeau
- CAPT Jason Haen
- SN Caleb Harrington
- PO2 David Holley
- LT Quinn Daniel Kilpatrick

And all those serving in the Middle East.



## ROSE OF LIFE

In Memory of THOMAS F. KEENAN  
A Great Brother-in-law

## FOR OUR DEPARTED, REST IN PEACE

☩ Virginia Herkert

☩ Piotr Pac

*May your continual pity, O Lord, cleanse and defend Your Church; and, because without you she cannot endure in safety, may she ever be governed by Your bounty. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Amen.*

## Informacje po polsku (Polish Information)

### XXVI NIEDZIELA ZWYKŁA – Zgorszenie

Chcąc nie chcąc, zawsze stajemy po czyjejs stronie – działaniem lub bezczynnością, mówieniem lub milczeniem, uśmiechem lub przez kamienną twarz. W konkretnych życiowych sytuacjach bezstronność nie istnieje. Wybierając, opowiadamy się za dobrem lub złem, postępujemy szlachetnie lub nieetycznie...

Jeżus przestrzega przed dramatem zgorszenia i mówi o zdecydowanym przeciwstawieniu się złu: odetnij się od tego, co cię prowadzi do zła i grzechu...

### 20. września 1942 – powstanie Narodowych Sił Zbrojnych

‘[...] walkę o Wielką Polskę uważam za najważniejszy cel mego życia. Mając szczerą i nieprzymuszoną wolę służby Ojczyźnie, aż do ostatniej kropli krwi, wstępuję do Narodowych Sił Zbrojnych i przysięgam Bogu Wszechmogącemu [...], że wiernie będę walczył o niepodległość Polski. [...] W pełni świadomości celu pierwszej śmierci poniosę nią zdradę. Tak mi dopomóż Bóg [...] i Ty Królowo Korony Polskiej...’

Tych kilkadziesiąt słów to przysięga Narodowych Sił Zbrojnych... Tak zaczęła się ‘legenda’ każdego z Żołnierzy Honoru – Żołnierzy Narodowych Sił Zbrojnych – Najwierniejszych Synów Najjaśniejszej Rzeczypospolitej, którzy nigdy się nie poddali... i dla których największą po Bogu miłością była Polska, Jej dobro i przyszłość Jej następnych pokoleń...

Dzisiaj, przez wstawiennictwo Matki Boga – z Jego łaski i naszego wyboru będącej Królową Korony Polskiej – polecamy Ich... i polskie Ich dusze Bożemu Miłosierdziu i taskawości...



### NIEDZIELNA SKŁADKA

2 września 2018 r	\$ 1,308.00
9 września 2018 r	\$ 1,469.00
16 września 2018 r	\$ 1,425.00
23 września 2018 r	\$ 1,219.00
30 września 2018 r	

**W sumie: \$ 5,421.00**

**Dziękujemy!**

### INTENCJE MSZALNE I REJESTRACJA

Intencje mszalne można zamówić po Mszy św. niedzielnej w pokoju marszałków lub zakrystii.

### MSZE ŚW.

Parafia Świętego Tomasza z Villanova zaprasza całą wspólnotę polskojęzyczną do wspólnej modlitwy i nabożeństw.

### MSZE ŚW. W JĘZ. POLSKIM—

Niedziela: 1:30pm;  
Pierwszy Piątek miesiąca: spowiedź od 5:30, Msza św. o godz. 7:30pm;

### Pierwsza Sobota miesiąca:

**Nabożeństwo 'Pierwszych 5. Sobót' i Msza św. o godz. 7:30pm;**

**Trzeci Piątek miesiąca: Nabożeństwo do Bożego Miłosierdzia i Msza św. o godz. 7:30pm.**

### SAKRAMENT CHRZTU ŚW.

Sakrament Chrztu Św. w jęz. polskim jest udzielany w każdą niedzielę miesiąca po Mszy św. w języku polskim—prosimy o wcześniejszy kontakt z ks. Marcinem.

### SAKRAMENT MAŁŻEŃSTWA

Pary proszone są o kontakt z biurem parafialnym przynajmniej 6 miesięcy przed planowanym ślubem w celu ustalenia daty ślubu i spotkania się z księdzem.

### SAKRAMENT POKUTY

Niedziela 12:45pm- 1:15pm.

### RÓŻA RÓŻAŃCOWA

Spotkania w drugą niedzielę miesiąca po Mszy św. Serdecznie zapraszamy do wspólnej modlitwy różańcowej w każdą niedzielę przed Mszą św. o godz. 1:00 pm.

### KONTAKT Z KANCELARIĄ

Poniedziałek—Czwartek: 9:00 am—8:00pm  
Piątek: 9:00 am—5:00 pm  
Sobota: 9:00 am—1:00 pm

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