

PRAYER CHAIN



pray for others

request prayers

Be a link in our parish email prayer chain contact Lee Griggs in the parish office 812-425-1577 x207 or lgriggs@evdio.org

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Diocesan Policy: Report and Inform
Immediately report suspected abuse or neglect of a minor (under 18yrs old) to the Department of Child Services (DCS) Toll-free: 800-800-5556, or to local law enforcement 9-1-1

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Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 4, 2026



Sts. Mary and John Catholic Parish

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Turn in bulletin items Tuesdays by 4pm

Office Hours:

Monday-Friday
8 am- 4 pm

Food Pantry Hours:

Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs
9 am-Noon and 1-3 pm

Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation Please contact the Parish Office about sacramental preparation, to schedule a Baptism or info on sacrament schedules.

Become Catholic - OCIA

We welcome you and are here to help answer all those questions from the call that God is inviting you to follow. Contact the Parish Office.

Marriage

Couples planning to marry need to contact the parish office at least 6 months prior to their anticipated wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick

Offered first weekend of each month after Masses. Or to schedule a time to be anointed please contact the Parish Office.

St. Vincent de Paul Friends of the Poor Walk



A diverse, welcoming and vibrant Catholic community committed to living out the Good News of Jesus Christ through word, sacrament and service.

This Week in the Parish

Sunday 10/4	Monday 10/5	Tuesday 10/6	Wednesday 10/7	Thursday 10/8	Friday 10/9	Saturday 10/10
RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY Confession 9:15-9:45 am Mass 10:00 am CLOW Alms Anointing Confess 3:15 Mass 4:00 pm	Food Pantry 9-12 and 1-3 Adoration 11 am Confession 11:30 Mass 12:05 pm	Food Pantry 9-12 and 1-3 Adoration 11 am Confession 11:30 Mass 12:05 pm Bible Study 12:45-2:15 pm StVDP 5pm	Food Pantry 9-12 and 1-3 Adoration 11 am Confession 11:30 Mass 12:05 pm Choir 6:30-8pm	Food Pantry 9-12 and 1-3 Women's bible study 10am MC Adoration 11 am Confession 11:30 Mass 12:05 pm	Adoration 11 am Confession 11:30 Mass 12:05 pm	Province of Nigeria Mission Appeal Confession 3:15-3:45 pm Mass 4:00 pm

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 11, 2026

1st Reading; Isaiah 25:6-10a
Reading; Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20
Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

Mass Intentions

Sat. 10/3 4:00 pm	Wanda and Ray Klueh
Sun. 10/4 10:00 am	Rosalinda Hoops
4:00 pm	Doris Bush
Mon. 10/5 12:05 pm	William T. Collyer
Tues. 10/6 12:05 pm	Mary Lou Wheatley
Wed. 10/7 12:05 pm	Joseph Melcher
Thurs. 10/8 12:05 pm	In Loving Memory of Alan Groves
Fri. 10/9 12:05 pm	Bob Wilzbacher
Sat. 10/10 4:00 pm	Allen Widmer
Sun. 10/11 10:00 am	Deceased members of the Burek and Supinsky families
4:00 pm	Needs and Intentions of the Parish
Mon. 10/12 12:05 pm	Lucille and Ernest Gengelbach
Tues. 10/13 12:05 pm	Kathy Weinzapfel
Wed. 10/14 12:05 pm	Rose Weiss
MASS INTENTION envelopes in church. Please fill out and drop in the stewardship basket at Mass, or contact Lee Griggs in the parish office 812-425-1577 or lgriggs@evdio.org.	
 Ron McBride, Keely Griggs, Basia Bazell, Pat Kersteins, Geri Kempf, Pat Barnes, Joe Stagg, Charles Asher, Marti Barrett, Gene Warren, Carolyn Skelton, Jaya Dodd, Lovella Martin, Dan DiLegge, Jean Ann Priestly, Jim Wall, Paul Walker, Jim Lance	

Pray for our loved ones in the Military...

Specialist Jay Irwin	Staff Sgt. Shaun Nelson
Connor Day	Staff Sgt. Nathan Ulrich
William Russell	LT Noah Algee
Lt. Noah Huelsing	Staff Sgt. Andrew Hicks (deployed) AF
Captain Corey Cannon	EN2 Coleton Shirk Navy (deployed)

Hello and Welcome to our Parish!

New to the area? Been attending here for some time?
We invite you to become a registered members.
Contact Lee in the parish office 812-425-1577 ext. 207
or email lgriggs@evdio.org.
ALL ARE WELCOME!

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

Fiscal Year July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027
Annual Collection Budget \$ 626,921.00
Year to date collection budget \$ 156,741.00
Year to date actual collection \$ 131,530.89
September 26-27, 2026 Collection
Weekly Budget \$ 12,057.00
Actual Weekly Collection \$ 8,901.53

Alms \$ 75.00 StVdP \$ 175.00

Let us pray... That we as Christian stewards are not afraid of living our Faith because of fear of being "rejected" by others.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

10/3 Debra O'Nan
 10/4 Jacky Schwartz
 10/5 Jason Estes
 10/6 Rhoda Edwards
 10/7 Ian Collignon
 10/8 Brandie Schaefer
 10/10 Janet Schultheis
 10/11 Tim Tretter
 10/14 Barry Schaefer
 10/15 Liz Chandler, Zach Ours
 10/16 Romero Baltzell
 10/17 Ben Griggs
 10/18 Jeff Purdy
 10/19 Robert LeVee

Next Week Ministers for Mass

Sat. Oct 10 4:00 pm

Lector Diane Weiss Altstadt **EMHC-** Vicky Carl, Diane Tomas **Server-** Carol Stratman **Ushers-** Ken Render

Sun. Oct. 11, 10:00 am

Lector- Amanda Krause **EMHC-** Nathaniel Krause, Pauline Kothe **Usher** -John Barisano

Sun. Oct. 11, 4:00 pm

Lector- Tom Kautzman **EMHC-** Kody Johnson, Brad Simms **Ushers-** Ed Goebel

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEWS...

We visited or contacted 15 Neighbors this week, with a lot of CenterPoint and Water/sewer requests. The hot summer has been hard on many with the resulting higher utility bills. Neighbors in Kennedy and Buckner have their utilities included in their rent, but almost everyone else in our district pays their own utility bills. Fortunately, last week we received a generous "twinning" contribution from the St. Vincent de Paul Conference in Washington Indiana at Our Lady of Hope parish. "Twinning" occurs when one St. Vincent de Paul conference shares its resources with a conference which has greater need for funds in order to service its Neighbors. With our inner-city location and district, that includes the people we serve. One of our St. Vincent de Paul tenets is to trust in the Lord to provide. He just showed us such faith is well placed. Thanks to Our Lady of Hope Parish, and to all of you who support our mission.



OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH

October 4th is observed as Respect Life Sunday. As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning to the end of their lives, and at every point in between. During the month of October, the Church asks us to reflect on the dignity of every human life and how to build a culture that protects life from conception to natural death.

Intentionally acknowledge someone you might normally overlook; a nursing home resident, someone experiencing homelessness, a person with disabilities, a lonely neighbor, a struggling parent, or someone who simply needs to know they matter.

Mary, Mother of Life, Pray for Us!

Every life is a gift. Every person has dignity.

Sts. Mary and John Parish Spaghetti Dinner

It's time to eat pasta with a purpose!

Help us raise funds for the Food Pantry and St. Vincent de Paul Ministries.

When: Monday, October 26, 2026

Serving from 4:30 to 7:30 pm - Come anytime

COST - \$20 a ticket Eat in or take out available!

Includes: Spaghetti, Salad, Bread, Dessert, Beverage
Beer and Wine Cash Bar!

Call the Parish Office for tickets 812-425-1577 or email kkuehn@evdio.org or lgriggs@evdio.org

CAJE 2026-2027 LISTENING SESSION

It is a basic Catholic teaching that humans need humans. Our human society glorifies God by working toward the common good, giving to each person as they are due. But what does that mean?? FIRST, we must LISTEN to each other's needs.

Please plan to join our CAJE ministry team in the Sts Mary and John Parish **Ministry Center** on **Saturday October 17 at 2:30 pm.**

We will spend some time listening to each other, but no one is required to share. We will be sure to wrap up in plenty of time to attend 4pm Mass. Please contact the parish office with questions.
FREE AND ALL ARE WELCOME!!!

Thank you to everyone who bought half-pot tickets...

Amount collected was \$1,742.00

The Food Pantry and St. Vincent de Paul thank you. The winning ticket was drawn on Saturday, September 19 at our parish picnic. Congratulations to half-pot winner was parishioner Annie Groves.



DOMINICAN FATHERS AND BROTHERS PROVIDENCE OF NIGERIA MISSIONS

Dominicans in Africa are currently located in 25 countries. Nigeria and Ghana are the largest entity. Their efforts are concentrated in the areas of basic formation and training for priesthood and religious life: evangelization in rural parts of Africa; Christian formation through parish ministries; social justice and health care. Thank you for your support, prayers and encouragement in our mission appeal.
Rev. Matthew Achunine

Please welcome Fr. Matthew to our parish Oct. 10-11.

27h Sunday - Stewardship Lifestyle

"The stone that the builders rejected has become the corner stone..." - MATTHEW 21:42

Jesus was rejected by the religious and political leaders of his day, as well as ordinary citizens, but he was still obedient to God, the Father. Similarly, living a stewardship lifestyle may cause you to be "rejected" by others, but we, too are called to be obedient. Saying grace before a meal in a restaurant may attract some strange looks from some. But to others it is a sign that God is alive and well!