

**This Week at Our Churches**

**Sunday, October 7: Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Readings: Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11;  
Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12  
Prayers: Glorious mysteries, Divine Mercy chaplet, Angelus  
9:00am Nueva Vida retiro en OLG  
9:00am **Holy Mass at Our Lady of Grace for † Raymond & Catherine Betlejewski by Ron Betlejewski**  
9:00am **Santa Misa en Santa María (Español) for † Rafael y Genoveva Torres por la familia Torres**  
10:00am Rosary prayed at St. Mary  
10:30am **Holy Mass at St. Mary for † Bob Ferenz by Frank and Zosio Piotrowski**  
12:00pm Rosario se reza en Santa María (Español)  
12:30pm **Santa Misa en Santa María (Español) for the people of our parish**  
2:30pm Confirmation Class at St. Mary  
4:00pm Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary  
4:15pm Confessions at St. Mary  
5:00pm **Holy Mass at St. Mary for the intentions of the Hale family by Kathy Hale**  
6:15pm Middle school Youth Group at OLG

**Monday, October 8**

Readings: Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1-2, 7-10; Lk 10:25-37  
Prayers: Joyful mysteries, Divine Mercy chaplet, Angelus  
11:00am Eucharistic Adoration at Our Lady of Grace  
11:40am Confessions at Our Lady of Grace  
12:10pm **Holy Mass at Our Lady of Grace for † Leo Makarewicz by Jon and Chris Stewart**  
12:45pm St. Mary Homeschool Co-op at OLG  
6:00pm Catholic Daughters of the Americas at OLG  
6:30pm English as a Second Language at OLG

**Tuesday, October 9: St. Dennis & Companions, & St. John Leonardi**

Readings: Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1-3, 13-15; Lk 10:38-42  
Prayers: Sorrowful mysteries, Divine Mercy chaplet, Angelus  
11:00am Eucharistic Adoration at Our Lady of Grace  
11:40am Confessions at Our Lady of Grace  
12:10pm **Holy Mass at Our Lady of Grace for † Evelyn Gauthier by Dennis and Marilyn Chandonnet**  
6:30pm Knights of Columbus #9802 at St. Mary

**Wednesday, October 10**

Readings: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1-2; Lk 11:1-4  
Prayers: Glorious mysteries, Divine Mercy chaplet, Angelus  
5:30pm Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary  
6:15pm CCD classes at Our Lady of Grace  
6:00pm Confessions at St. Mary  
6:30pm **Santa Misa en Santa María (Español)**

**Thursday, October 11: St. John XXIII**

Readings: Gal 3:1-5; (Ps) Lk 1:69-75; Lk 11:5-13  
Prayers: Luminous mysteries, Divine Mercy chaplet, Angelus  
11:00am Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary  
11:40am Confessions at St. Mary  
12:10pm **Holy Mass at St. Mary in reparation for the sins of the clergy by the Rosary Chapter of Lay Dominicans**  
6:30pm Taller de Oración y Vida en Santa María

**Friday, October 12**

Readings: Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1-6; Lk 11:15-26  
Prayers: Sorrowful mysteries, Divine Mercy chaplet, Angelus  
10:30am Rosary prayed for priests in Lourdes Hall  
11:00am Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary  
11:40am Confessions at St. Mary  
12:10pm **Holy Mass at St. Mary for † Richard Klamfoth by Delores Klamfoth**  
7:00pm Grupo de Oración en Santa Maria

**Saturday, October 13**

Readings: Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 11:27-28  
Prayers: Joyful mysteries, Divine Mercy chaplet, Angelus  
10:00am Mobile Food Pantry at St. Mary  
3:00pm Eucharistic Adoration with Praise and Worship Music at Our Lady of Grace  
3:00pm Confessions at Our Lady of Grace  
4:00pm **Holy Mass at Our Lady of Grace for † Ed McMahon by Alice McMahon**

**Sunday, October 14: Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Readings: Wis 7:7-11; Ps 90:12-17; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30 or 10:17-27  
Prayers: Glorious mysteries, Divine Mercy chaplet, Angelus  
9:00am **Holy Mass at Our Lady of Grace for † Rita Sander by Jody Gubach**  
9:00am **Santa Misa en Santa María (Español) for the people of our parish**  
10:00am Women's Guild at Our Lady of Grace  
10:00am Coffee and Rolls at Our Lady of Grace  
10:00am Rosary prayed at St. Mary  
10:30am **Holy Mass at St. Mary for † Wanda Alvesteffer and Marty Neff by their family**  
12:00pm Rosario se reza en Santa María (Español)  
12:30pm **Santa Misa en Santa María (Español)**  
1:00pm Entrevistas en Nuestra Señora de Gracia  
2:30pm Confirmation Class at St. Mary  
4:00pm Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary  
4:15pm Confessions at St. Mary  
5:00pm **Holy Mass at St. Mary**  
6:00pm Usher meeting and party at St. Mary

**Special Mass at Cathedral**

Bishop Walkowiak is inviting all healthcare professionals (doctors, nurses, students, caregivers, trustees and any engaged in the care of the sick and infirm), along with your family and friends, to attend the **Mass of Christ the Healer** at the Cathedral of Saint Andrew on **Sunday, October 14, at 10 a.m.** A special blessing for all healthcare professionals will take place during the Mass and a reception will immediately follow the Mass in the Cathedral's Parish Center.

**Prayer Line**

St. Mary: Benita Mikesell, 231-803-4425  
or Jean Gawel, 231-798-8493

Our Lady of Grace: Anna Mogdics, 231-670-5073

**Prayer Requests****Please keep these individuals in your prayers**

Jenny Visconti, Jim & Darleen Breen, Juliana Prow, Bob Hoos,  
Robert Hill, Jr., Lynne Wood, Frank & Nancy Cereska,  
Evelyn Smith, Diane Williams, Larry Gilbert, Fred Kenny, Jr.,  
Yvonne Peterson, Delores Zakroczemski, John Potter, Ellis Dilts,  
Rose Marie Mikesell, Ron Betlejewski, Ben Offrink, John  
McCormick, Sotero Leyton, Billie Leonard,  
Gloria Cline, Pat Hogan, Jeff Kenny, Shirley Green, Ron Faino,  
Jose Alcahuter, Christine Siedlecki, Ralph Alvesteffer,  
Bill Forton, William & Benita Mikesell,  
Christine Stewart, and Roger Tomczak

**Please pray for our homebound parishioners**

Ruth Stevens, Jim Dalum, Rose Ann Bird, Bernice Brown,  
Rosemary Keefe, Betty Reilly, and Johanna Ripka

**Please pray for our parishioners who are in care**

Phil Hoos, Dorothy Bauer, Eugene Rewalt, Arlene LeBeau,  
Carolene McIntosh, Pat Simonson, Jackie Blake, Shirley Sterritt,  
Gene Gianetti, Jr., Rosalie Venn, Alyce Donalson, Lucille Radke,  
and Kathy Hale

**Please pray for our parishioners in the military**

PFC Abraham Angel Luis Aguilar; SSG Richarda (Rikki)  
Amaya; Sgt. Jakob Bergquist; Spec. Alex Block; Nic Frank, Air  
Force; IS3 Cody Hacker; Erin McDermott, US Army; Fireman  
Ryan McIntire, US Coast Guard; 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Timothy Merkle; Wade  
Sanford, US Air Force; Andrew Shadowski, US Army; Major  
Adam Shaw; Staff Sgt. Casey Sowa; Master Sgt. April Sowa;  
Elias Vihtelic, US Navy; and Kelsi Corriveau, Air Force

**The Theological Virtues: Charity**

"If I...have not charity," says the Apostle, "I am nothing." Whatever my privilege, service, or even virtue, "if I ...have not charity, I gain nothing." Charity is superior to all the virtues. It is the first of the theological virtues: "So faith, hope, charity abide, these three. But the greatest of these is charity." (CCC1826)

**Eucharistic Adoration with Praise and  
Worship Music**

There will be Adoration next  
Saturday, October 13th  
from 3-4pm at Our Lady of Grace,  
with Contemporary Praise and  
Worship music. Please join us for this  
time of praise and reflection.

**Sacrificial Offerings and Other Contributions****September 23, 2018**

Budget Weekly Amount \$ 12,672.75  
General Fund \$ 8,662.62  
Online Giving \$ 2,015.30  
Shortage \$ 1,994.83  
Restoration \$ 35.00  
Altar Society \$ 20.00

**September 30, 2018**

Budget Weekly Amount \$ 12,672.75  
General Fund \$ 7,723.93  
Online Giving \$ 971.55  
Shortage \$ 3,977.27  
Restoration \$ 245.00  
Donuts \$ 31.25

Contribution Counters: Week of October 7:  
Team 2

**\*\*Because of the merger effective July 1, 2018, please  
make all checks out to St. Mary . Thank you!\*\***

**Mass Attendance: September 30, 2018**

4:00pm 169	9:00am (OLG) 120
9:00am (SM) 47	10:30am 179
12:30pm 177	5:00pm 204

**Are You Searching For...**

*A deeper relationship with God?*

*A sense of belonging to a faith community?*

*A greater fulfillment of your mission in life?*

*Have you been curious...*

*Ever wonder about the difference between Catholic & Protestant Bibles?*

*Ever wonder why priests cannot marry?*

*Ever wonder about the Catholic moral life?*

RCIA classes are beginning soon! The classes are for the unbaptized, those baptized Christians from a Protestant or Evangelical background, as well as those baptized Catholic who have not received their First Holy Communion.

Sessions will be held Tuesday evenings at Our Lady of Grace campus at 6:30pm. Please contact Lucrezia Esteban at 231-638-1354 or lesteban@comcast.net for more information.

**Are you discerning the priesthood?**

Gifted and Called is a discernment opportunity sponsored by the Office of Priestly Vocations. Each month, young men (ages 16 – 35) are invited to gather and discern God’s will for their lives.

Time for prayer and reflection will be held monthly on the 2nd floor of Cathedral Square Center from 4 -5 p.m.

This year’s Gifted and Called discernment opportunities are offered on the following Sundays: Nov. 11, Dec. 9, Jan. 13, Feb. 10, March 10, April 7, and May 5.

Feel free to show up or call to let us know you are coming at 616-288-0910.

Questions, email Fr. Ron Hutchinson (rhutchinson@dioceseofgrandrapids.org) or Fr. Stephen Durkee (sdurkee@dioceseofgrandrapids.org)

**Vianney Visit**

The annual Vianney Visit is taking place November 15-17.

This road trip to St. John Vianney College Seminary in St.

Paul Minnesota is hosted by Fr. Ron Hutchinson and Fr. Stephen Durkee. The trip allows young men, ages 16-24, to visit the seminary, see what college life is like, and think about the priesthood as a vocation.

All transportation, accommodations, and meals will be provided at no cost. To register, please call: 616-288-0910.

**Christian Social Concerns**

Collection for October

Canned Corn, Cereal, & Green Beans



Please leave your donation on the pew in the narthex at St. Mary’s or by the office at Our Lady of Grace.

**Evangelization Clip**

by Deacon Jim Schiltz

*God created marriage.* In Genesis, the first Book of the Bible, we learn that the “suitable partner” for the Man God created was the Woman He likewise created. Jesus reaffirmed that “a man shall be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.” Very simply, marriage—elevated to a Sacrament of the Catholic Church as Matrimony—is all about “*Babies and Bonding.*” We need each other in an up-close and personal way, to give ourselves to each other. *As married couples, Jesus is walking with us.* Think about the two disciples and Jesus on the Road to Emmaus. “Come stay with us,” they asked Jesus. “Us!” Sounds like it was a married couple to whom Jesus taught and enlivened their faith and commitment. As families, be small faith communities of prayer, reading and discussing Scripture, and use faith practices such as the Rosary, Chaplet.

**¡Reserva el día!**

**Próximos eventos en Español en la Diócesis**

- Retiro de Quinceañeras (3 de Noviembre, 2018)
- Día de Liderazgo (17 de Noviembre, 2018)
- Misión Guadalupana (8 – 11 de Diciembre, 2018)
- Formación Litúrgica (12 de Enero, 2019)
- Conferencia de Familias (16 de Febrero, 2019)

**Mobile Food Pantry**

The next Mobile Food Pantry will arrive on Saturday, October 13th, at 10am at St. Mary. Volunteers are needed to help with this important ministry! Sign up sheets are available in the east hallway and narthex. Please dress for the weather!

If you have plastic bags you would like to donate, please leave them on the pew at either church, or drop them off at the parish office during business hours.

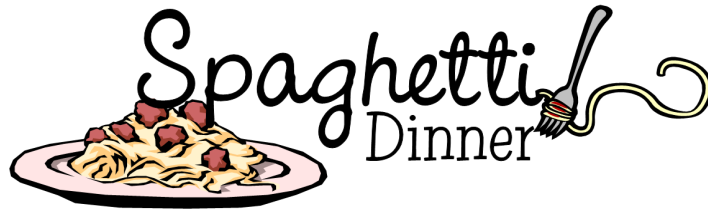
**Religious Education**

Classes begin this Wednesday, October 10th! Classes are held at Our Lady of Grace campus, from 6:15-7:30pm.

Clases de Catecismo comienzan este miercoles 10 de Octubre de 6:15pm a 7:30pm en Nuestra Señora de Gracia.

**WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!**

- Mary Ann VanBergren
- Scott Alan Mund



Dear Parishioners,

The entire leadership team of the Spaghetti Dinner and Festival thanks all of you for hosting a most enjoyable and successful event! God Blessed us with a beautiful day and inspired us to come together for a common cause. Building a consolidated family from three unique communities is no easy task. However, this amazing endeavor proved to all of us it could be done with smiles, laughter and the sweat of our collective brow. Hosting and feeding nearly two thousand visitors the most delicious pasta, meatballs, and sauce on the planet, playing games, dancing the Tarantella, stomping grapes, enjoying a fine glass of wine or tasting delicious brew was evidence that our parish community is not only hospitable and capable...we are a dynamic Catholic family!

Thank you to all who worked those long hours, purchased tickets, expertly crafted and baked pies and cakes and gave of themselves for the joy and benefit of others. May God Bless you and continue to blend all of us together as a loving, serving faith community. We are forever grateful to you and to Jesus Christ for making our 94<sup>th</sup> Festival a success!

Sincerely,

Your Festival Leadership Team

La Diócesis de Grand Rapids invita a los padres de familia que han experimentado la pérdida de un niño antes del bautismo.

**MISA POR LOS HIJOS DE DIOS**  
El lunes, 12 de noviembre, 7:00pm  
Catedral de San Andrés  
301 Sheldon SE, Grand Rapids

Se proporcionará una rosa conmemorativa y una tarjeta con el nombre del niño(s) para las familias que han perdido un hijo. Si desea reservar una rosa y que su hijo(s) sea recordado en una tarjeta, favor de ponerse en contacto con Afton Baker antes del 8 de noviembre llamando 616-288-0918 o por correo electrónico: [abaker@dioceseofgrandrapids.org](mailto:abaker@dioceseofgrandrapids.org).

Todos son bienvenidos a participar incluyendo los padres, abuelos, hermanos, parientes, y amigos. Habrá una recepción después de la Misa.

### Llamando a todos los Ujieres

Acompañanos el próximo 14 de Octubre en Santa María en el salón de Lourdes a una fiesta de pizza con Padre Matt en agradecimiento a tu servicio a nuestra parroquia. No es requerido que confirmes asistencia pero se agradecerá si lo haces a la oficina al 231-722-2803. ¡Te esperamos!

The Diocese of Grand Rapids invites parents who have experienced the loss of a child before baptism to a

**MASS FOR GOD'S CHILDREN**  
Monday, Nov. 12, 7:00pm  
Cathedral of St. Andrew  
301 Sheldon SE, Grand Rapids

A memorial rose and naming cards will be provided for families who have lost a child(ren). If you would like to reserve a rose and have your child(ren) remembered on a name card please contact Afton Baker before Nov. 8 by calling 616-288-0908 or email [abaker@dioceseofgrandrapids.org](mailto:abaker@dioceseofgrandrapids.org)

All are welcome to attend including parents, grandparents, siblings, relatives, and friends. A reception will follow Mass.

### Calling all ushers!

Please join us for a pizza party with Fr. Matt as a thank you for all you do for our churches! We will meet on October 14th at St. Mary's in Lourdes Hall at 6pm. RSVPs are appreciated, but not required. Call the office at 231-722-2803. Hope to see you there!