



Mother of Good Counsel Catholic Community

Catholic Church serving in Eastern Kentucky since 1913

October 25, 2020 | 30th Week in Ordinary Time

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Eucharistic Services:

7:00 pm Wednesday - Word & Communion
5:00 pm Saturday - Jackson, Vigil Mass
11:30 am Sunday - Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sunday after Mass; other times by appointment.

Ministers for next Sunday, November 1

Sacramental Minister : Father Livinus Uba

Ministers at MGC

Lori Helfrich, Parish Life Director
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Mother of Good Counsel Prayer by B.J. Ewing

Holy Mary, our heavenly mother, keep us in your care.

Give us your good counsel as we strive to be disciples of your son Jesus and help us to grow in faith and in our love for God.

Bless our parish which is named in your honor. Help us in our lives as we humbly pray and help us be attentive to the needs of our families and our community. Amen.

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Parish Mission Statement

Inspired and sustained in our Catholic faith through life-giving worship, we Mother of Good Counsel Catholic Community, have as our mission to bring Christ and the teachings of the Catholic faith to one another and the larger community in a ways that draws us together as a supportive family, yet reaches out with a genuine concern for all people, so that we can be authentic witnesses in an area where Catholics are few in number.

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
Ex 22:20-26
1 Thes 1:5c-10
Mt 22:34-40



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

All of us, living and dead, are in communion, that is, as a union; united in the community of those who have received baptism, and of those who are nourished by the Body of Christ...We are all the same family, united. For this reason, we pray for each other.

—GENERAL AUDIENCE, NOVEMBER 30, 2016



Religious Education

Our Tri Parish Religious Education for will take place on the following Sunday afternoons 10/25, 11/7, 11/22 from 2 to 3 pm.

Rite of Welcome

Our RCIA program continues to meet virtually on Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9 pm. Those is the RCIA process will take the next step of RCIA process as they offically become catechumens and candidates. Please keep our six individuals in your prayers during this time. Please email Lori for more infomration on joining our gatheirngs or the zoom link.

State of the Parish

Next Sunday at the end of Mass we will have a brief report about the overall church, finances, and upcoming events and happenings. This is presented in a way to help keep parishioner informed about what is happening at Mother of Good Counsel. There will be a summary posted with the bulletin follwoing the State of the Pairsh update.

Poster Contest in the Diocese

“The Diocesan Vocations Office is sponsoring a poster contest to kick off National Vocations Awareness Week, November 1 through 6, 2020. The theme for the poster will be “All Saints and All Vocations”. The contest is for K-5th grade. Deadline for posters is October 28. Submit them by email to Lori for submission.

Book of Remembrance

As a parish each year we inscribe the names of those who have died in our Book of Remembrance during the month of November. You are inviteed to inscribe the naems of your beloved dead in our Book of Rembrance. This year you may submit a picture via email or bring a framed picture to place on our altar of remembrance. They will be remembered in our Masses during the month of November.

Respect Life Month

Through out the month of October as a church we continue to pray for various respect life issues. This week we ask you to remember parents who have experienced pregnancy, or infant loss. May we continue to recognize life at all stages.

Religious Education

Our Tri Parish Teen Disciples will meet via zoom on the following Sunday evenings 10/25, 11/7, 11/22 from 6pm to 7:30 pm.



Diocesan Annual Appeal

The yearly annual appeal for the Diocese of Lexington has begun. The goal for Mother of Good Counsel is \$6000. Currently we have raised \$4257 toward our parish goal. Please discern how you are able to support this appeal. Next Sunday we will share the Annual Appeal video 10 minutes prior to the beginning of Mass.

Trivia Night

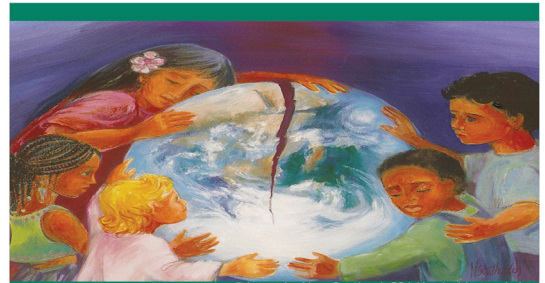
Mother of Good Counsel is hosting a virtual Trivia Night on November 14 from 7:30 to 9:30 pm. Gather your friends who know all the fun and unusual facts and join us for a virtual trivia night from your living room.

The entry fee to play is \$60 per team (\$10 per person for a team of six), and all proceeds will go to help support the parish and all the ministry we share with the community.

Please register your team.

<https://forms.gle/fWwxQ3SoPdFRR4uVA>

Faithful Citizenship from USCCB Link: <https://bit.ly/33OWTTW>



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PROTECT LIFE.

PRESERVE THAT WHICH SUSTAINS LIFE.

CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME.

POPE FRANCIS, *Laudato Si'*

Our Weekly Offering for 10/18/20

Loose: \$2.50

Envelopes : \$501

Diocesan Special Collection: \$22

Weekly Online Donations: \$75

Total Weekly Offering: \$600.50



God's Lessons of Love

By The readings today are all about love. The first reading tells us who we should love; the Gospel tells us how we should love. We know that it is not difficult to love those who love us, who are kind and generous to us, who make us feel that we are important. The reading from Exodus moves us in a different direction. We are to love the alien, the widow, the orphan, and the poor neighbor. In a patriarchal society, such as was ancient Israel, aliens, widows, and orphans were the ultimate outsiders. They had no male relative through whom they would benefit from the kinship structure. While the neighbor might be of the same tribe or clan, it is the poor neighbor who was to be loved, the one who might be a drag on one's life and resources.

In other words, we are to love the ones who cannot promise to make our lives more comfortable or enjoyable. In fact, the point of loving them is to make their lives more comfortable and enjoyable.

How are we to love them? The Gospel reading offers two different answers that are really very much alike. We are to love God totally, with all our heart, all our soul, all our mind. We are to love others as we love ourselves, with all our heart, all our soul, all our mind. More practically, we must do for others what we would do for ourselves, for to love them is to love God.

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

For Reflection

Who are the outsiders or people living on the margins of your society?
What might you do to make their lives more comfortable or enjoyable?



Readings for the Week

Monday
OCTOBER 26
Weekday
Eph 4:32-5:8
Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday
OCTOBER 27
Weekday
Eph 5:21-33
Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday
OCTOBER 28
Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles
Eph 2:19-22
Lk 6:12-16

Thursday
OCTOBER 29
Weekday
Eph 6:10-20
Lk 13:31-35

Friday
OCTOBER 30
Weekday
Phil 1:1-11
Lk 14:1-6

Saturday
OCTOBER 31
Weekday
Phil 1:18b-26
Lk 14:1, 7-11

Sunday
NOVEMBER 1
All Saints
Rv 7:2-4, 9-14
1 Jn 3:1-3
Mt 5:1-12a



From Dear Padre: Questions Catholics Ask

When I was young, we always prayed for “the poor souls in purgatory.” Is this because some go to hell and some go to heaven?

On the feast of All Souls’ Day, we remember all of our faithful departed. Most of them are already with God in heaven. But some of them might still need some purification. Those needing purification from the temporal punishment still due to their sins are in purgatory. These people aren’t damned. They are the elect and are friends of God. They are already saved, assured of salvation. There is no going to hell from purgatory. There is only upward movement to heaven.

There has always been an ancient tradition in the Church that there exists a strong bond between the faithful who die and those of us who are still alive. The Church especially emphasizes the mutual help that Christians on earth and in purgatory give to one another by their prayers. It is the belief of the Church that our prayers lessen the amount of time a person could spend in purgatory. Our prayers speed their journey into the fullness of God’s love. On this upcoming All Saints’ Day (November 1) and All Souls’ Day (November 2), we are invited to unite with all the faithful Christians, living and dead. These feast days are our opportunities to pray for and with them and to receive the benefits of their prayers for us in return.

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10/25/2020: Care for God’s Creation

iVoteCatholic: During this seventh week, we focus on Care for God’s Creation. Beginning with Pope St. John Paul II through Pope Francis, care for creation has been an integral part of Catholic social teaching. “Everything is connected. Concern for the environment thus needs to be joined to a sincere love of our fellow human beings and an unwavering commitment to resolving the problems of society...we human beings are united as brothers and sisters on a wonderful pilgrimage woven together by the love God has for each of his creatures.” (#92,93 Pope Francis) When we do things to protect the earth and care for it, we show reverence for God, the creator of all. Under this principle corporate and individual use of land, water, and air - which at www.iVoteCatholic.org.



As Catholics, we are called to:

- uphold life and the dignity of each human person
- support families and future generations
- love the poor and vulnerable
- advocate for basic rights and a just economy
- be in solidarity with all, as one human family
- care for all of God’s creation

Grounded in our Catholic Tradition, now is the time to protect the earth for our children and grandchildren.

PRAY to hear God’s call to live our faith for the common good, knowing that everything is interconnected.

LEARN how the climate crisis is a profound moral issue greatly affecting the poor and vulnerable.

TELL your local and national leaders to protect creation.

Praise be to you, our Lord, God of all Creation!

Learn more!

uscgb.org/environment
wearesaltandlight.org/cst101
catholicclimatecovenant.org

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Birthdays This Week:

10/26 : Addie Turner
10/30 : Sammy Spencer

Prayer List

Joey Napier, Ray & Wanda Lindon, John Meehan, Roy Varghese, Brian Campbell, Matt Tuttle, Willie Gomez, Joe Fehribach, Louise Ayres, Marjorie Hommertzhaim, Charles McDaniel, Jon Latunik, Nancy Nuttter, Deb Night, Harvey Richardson, Delois McIntosh, Karen Davis, Zachary Hollan, Bob Rogers, Deedee Wells, Sherrian Noble, Stephanie Welch, David Napier, Martha Huggins, Willie Wagers, Christina Askew, Valerie Parsons and Renee Messer.

If you know of someone who needs a pastoral visit or is in the hospital and would appreciate a visit contact the parish and let Lori know about the request.

Prayer Family: Sharon Townsend