



Mother of Good Counsel Catholic Community

**Our Parish
COMMUNITY**

October 13, 2024

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Wisdom 7:7-11 / Hebrews 4:12-13 / Mark 10:17-30 or 10:17-27



Catholic Church serving in Eastern Kentucky since 1913

Eucharistic Services:

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sunday after Mass; other times by appointment.

Office Hours: Wed - Friday 10 am to 5 pm

Ministers for next Sunday,

Sacramental Minister Rev. John Callan, SchP.

Lector : Luke Glaser

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Mother of Good Counsel Prayer by B.J. Ewen

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

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 draw 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.

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Teen Disciples

Our teenagers in grades 7-12 will meet on the following Sundays following Mass. All those in grades 7-12 are invited to join this group of faith sharing, fun and fellowship.


October 27

November 3 & 17

December 8 & 15


Becoming Catholic

The parish will continue our Becoming Catholic classes that will journey with those going through the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA). All people are welcome to come to this faith formation class. Classes will be held on Tuesday evenings from 7 to 9 pm. This Tuesday, October 15, 2024 the topic will be the Prayer Life


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BEING PRO-LIFE IN A POST-ROE AMERICA

How can our Catholic faith shape society and political life? This webinar will explore what it means to protect the dignity of life in post-Roe America. All are welcome.



This webinar will feature Jason Hall, the Executive Director of the Catholic Conference of Kentucky (CCK). The CCK represents Kentucky's four Roman Catholic dioceses in public policy matters on both the state and federal level.

October 15, 2024
7-8pm


Zoom Meeting ID: 837 5095 0937
Passcode: 185212
link: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/83750950937?pwd=MTQyVjFhMVA7ZS3hczBzMGMASe2.1>

Questions? Contact Joshua van Cleef,
Director of the Office of Peace and Justice, at jvancleef@cdlex.org

One in Christ 2024

With your prayers and contribution to the Diocesan Annual Appeal this year, we are able to support your neighbors in need. Lives will be changed and those most in need will know God's grace in a very special way. We are grateful for your faithful stewardship each Fall. The DAA ends on Nov 30th Please be generous Our parish benefits greatly from this appeal. Our goal for 2024 is \$9500 and 58 families. Currently we have raised \$2948, which is 31 % of our total goal coming from 19 donors which is 33% of our participation goal. Please consider how you can support these goals, all donations are welcome.

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2024 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Catholic Diocese of Lexington

"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."

— 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18



Second Collection

Today, Sunday October 13, throughout the Diocese of Lexington there is a second collection being taken up for help support recovery efforts from hurricane Helene. Please make your checks payable to Mother of Good Counsel. Please consider how you can help support those experiencing similar aftermath that happened here in Eastern Kentucky in 2022.

Mass for Persons with Disabilities –

All are invited to join Bishop John Stowe OFM Conv. at Pax Christi Catholic Church on October 19 at 5 p.m. to celebrate our annual Mass for Persons with Disabilities. Please contact Br. Pius Oyoo (poyoo@cdlex.org) or Josh Van Cleef (jvancleef@cdlex.org) for more information.

Silence Before Mass

Parishioners are asked to keep a silent atmosphere in the church before Mass so that people are able to reflect and pray. If you wish to talk, please come out to the gathering space. Thank you for offering this continued space of prayer and reflection.

A CLOSER WALK | KELLIE REILLY

The Miracle of the Sun

If you saw the sun hurtling down as though about to crash into the earth, would you be ready to meet the Lord? Or filled with fear of how spiritually unprepared you are?

That's what happened to tens of thousands of people who witnessed the "Miracle of the Sun" on October 13, 1917, during the final apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary at Fatima.

Our Lady appeared to three shepherd children—Lucia, Francisco, and Jacinta—six times that year to warn the world that war and other calamities are the consequence of sin. To avert them, and obtain peace, we must repent. The Mother of the Lord urges us to make reparation for the sins that weigh so heavily on God's heart:

"People must amend their lives and ask pardon for their sins. They must not offend Our Lord any more, for He is already too much offended!"

Mary had promised to validate the message with a miracle in October. Precisely because it was announced in advance, the stakes were extremely high. Already the atheists were mocking the believers, certain that they could debunk it all when the day went without a miracle. There were also concerns for the physical safety of the young visionaries, who had stood firm despite intense pressure

from the antireligious authorities, and from within their own families.

But the miracle was so spectacular that even secular newspaper correspondents reported from the scene. The sun's appearance changed, allowing spectators to gaze upon it comfortably. Bathing the ground in various colors, "the sun trembled, made sudden incredible movements outside all cosmic laws." When the sun seemed to plunge toward the ground, some in terror cried out for forgiveness of their sins, and even certain nonbelievers were shaken to their core.

People in surrounding villages, miles away, saw the same phenomena. And the ground itself provided corroborating evidence of the miracle. Pouring rain had previously turned everything to mud, which now was dry.

May we be persuaded to heed Mary's call, not only by the miracle, but by the state of our world. Wars, the tearing apart of our social fabric, the culture of death, persecution of faithful Christians—all illustrate Our Lady's point for the necessity of prayer (particularly the Rosary) and penance. 🙏

For more, see ewtn.com/fatima and Fr. Andrew Apostolis *Fatima for Today*.



Upcoming Events

- 10/15: Becoming Catholic 7-9 pm
- 10/16: Rosary and Communion Service
- 10/20: Parish Council following Mass
- 11/8 : Lunchtime Pig Roast

Best Friends

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS



Readings for the Week

Henry David Thoreau was a naturalist and philosopher who lived in Concord, Massachusetts, in the early 1800s. He spent a year living in a small one-room cabin in the woods at Walden Pond “because,” he said, “I wished to live deliberately, to front only the essential facts of life, and see if I could not learn what it had to teach, and not when I came to die, discover that I had not lived. I did not wish to live what was not life, living is so dear.” Thoreau seems to have sought the same reality pursued by the author of the Book of Wisdom, who preferred Lady Wisdom to power, deemed riches to be nothing, and loved wisdom more than health or beauty.

Like the man who comes to Jesus wanting to know what he must do to inherit eternal life, most of us have a difficult time surrendering that to which we cling. It may be our possessions, our power to control others, the need to be youthful and stylishly dressed, or an addiction to drugs or gambling or pornography—anything that has become our “best friend.” Just as the apostles wonder who can then be saved, all of us wonder, because we, too, have one or another such “best friends.” It is God who breaks through, says Jesus. It may be a painful breaking through; it may be an upheaval; it may not be until the end of our lives. Always, it is God who ultimately turns us around. ●

Reflect

Who or what is your “best friend” that replaces God in your life?



[Jesus said,] “Go, sell what you have, and give to [the] poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.”

MARK 10:21

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Monday

October 14
Weekday
Gal 4:22–24,
26–27, 31–5:1
Lk 11:29–32

Tuesday

October 15
St. Teresa of
Jesus, Virgin
and Doctor
of the Church
Gal 5:1–6
Lk 11:37–41

Wednesday

October 16
Weekday
Gal 5:18–25
Lk 11:42–46

Thursday

October 17
St. Ignatius of
Antioch, Bishop
and Martyr
Eph 1:1–10
Lk 11:47–54

Friday

October 18
St. Luke,
Evangelist
2 Tm 4:10–17b
Lk 10:1–9

Saturday

October 19
Sts. John de
Brébeuf and Isaac
Jogues, Priests,
and Companions,
Martyrs
Eph 1:15–23
Lk 12:8–12

Sunday

October 20
Twenty-ninth
Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Is 53:10–11
Heb 4:14–16
Mk 10:35–45
or 10:42–45



Dear Padre,

When should confirmation take place? I read that baptism, confirmation, and Eucharist were received all at the same time in the early Church.

Confirmation is one of the three sacraments of initiation. The other two are baptism and Eucharist. In the early Church, all three sacraments were usually received at the same time because most people receiving baptism were adults. As infant baptism started to become the norm, this sacrament was separated from the other two. After Vatican II, the trend moved the age of confirmation into the teenage years, so that in many places, confirmation takes place in seventh or eighth grade, or even later. There is still an argument among liturgists, educators, and theologians about whether such a separation should exist. Some think of confirmation as a coming-of-age sacrament, marking, as it were, the transition from childhood into adulthood in the Church. The theology of this sacrament, however, is based upon baptism and connects it to the commission to go out and touch the world with our faith. The ideal age for confirmation is the age at which we can, with the grace of the Holy Spirit, conscientiously and reasonably witness to our faith. ●



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Our Weekly Offering

9/06/2024

Loose: \$319

Envelopes : \$820

Monthly: \$130

Formation for Ordained & Lay Min: \$25

Online : \$125

Total Weekly Offering: \$1419

Birthdays

10/17 : Chet Bailey

Pope Francis Prayer Intention

October

For a shared mission

We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion, and the mission shared among priests, religious, and lay people.



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Prayer List

Joey Napier, John Meehan, Roy Varghese, Brian Campbell, Matt Tuttle, Willie Gomez, Joe Fehribach, Charles McDaniel, Jon Latunik, Deb Night, Harvey Richardson, Delois McIntosh, Karen Davis, Zachary Hollan, Deedee Wells, Sherrian & Amose Noble, Stephanie Welch, David Napier, Martha Huggins, Roger Noyes, Willow Brockman, Tina Dawhare Fields, Mark Fields, Valarie Maggard Dye, Marleen Combs, Robert Caldwell, Don Davis, The Rice Family, Neal Boggs, Jackson Varela, Julie and Jonah Spencer, Jace Combs, Mandi Dishner, Brandon Robinson, Michael Whitaker, Thomas Stidham, Roy Pulliam Quentin Davis, Nancy Kelly, Bobby Muncy, Grayson & Kaitlin Baker, Chuck Brunty, Al Pratt, Joe Vogel Sr., Margie Fields, Cordis Bishop, Randy Damron, Myla Atienza, Sandy & Phillip Craft Jaranda Brunty, and Abby Turk.

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
The Steinberg Family