

**OCTOBER 3, 2010**

**MASS INTENTIONS:**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10-**

9:15 a.m.-Joe & Lydia Kostelnik &  
Patricia Steffek

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 17-**

9:15 a.m.-Living & Deceased Members of  
The Fred & Julie Netardus Family

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24-**

9:15 a.m.-Daniel Opela

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31-**

9:15 a.m.-Joseph P., Alois Jr. & Sophie Opela

**FIRST FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5-**

6:00 p.m.-Living & Deceased Members of the  
KJZT Society #3-St.Mary's

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7-**

9:15 a.m.-Ray Kelnar

**Rosary Leaders:**

Oct. 10-Ruth Rouse  
Oct. 17-Lucille Klekar  
Oct. 24-Sandy Konvicka  
Oct. 31-Dorothy Schneider  
Nov. 5-Angela Hermes  
Nov. 7-Janie Fikac

**Lectors:**

Oct. 10-Garrett Henke  
Oct. 17-Dedie Dobbs  
Oct. 24-Daniel J. Matula  
Oct. 31-Anthony Matula  
Nov. 7-Maria Hermes

**Cantors:**

Oct. 10-Richard Rouse  
Oct. 17-Emily Schimcek  
Oct. 24-Ruth Rouse  
Oct. 31-Richard Rouse  
Nov. 7-Lucille Klekar

**Extraordinary Ministers:**

Oct. 10-Mary Urbish, Dedie Dobbs &  
Scott Sommerlatte  
Oct. 17-Leon & Nancy Etzler & Pat Mladenka  
Oct. 24-Evleyn Konvicka, Vivian Mozisek &  
Janice Rother  
Oct. 31-Edward & Sandra Pustka &  
Trina Sommerlatte  
Nov. 7-Tony & Joyce Bludau & Pat Pesek

**Offertory Gift Bearers:**

Oct. 10-M/M Alfonse Svetlik & Erin  
Oct. 17-M/M Mike Technik  
Oct. 24-M/M Mark Threadgill & Family  
Oct. 31-M/M David Tobola  
Nov. 7-M/M Robert Tobola & Sons

**Altar Servers:**

Oct. 10-Kasey Hairell, Michael Perdziak,  
Luke Scherer & Joshua Bludau  
Oct. 17-Erin Svetlik, Adam Hermes, Hunter &  
Kolby Janak  
Oct. 24-Kyle & Kaitlyn Rother & Clay Rother  
Oct. 31-Mikayla, John & Derek Konvicka &  
Alexius Mizera  
Nov. 7-Jacob Janak, Eric Klekar, Kelton Koehne  
& Sterling Hrcir

**Church Ushers:**

Oct. 10-Roman Henke, Robert Pustka,  
Charles Grafe & Gilbert Urbish  
Oct. 17-Leon Matula, Al Svetlik, Francis  
Klekar & Sidney Jasek  
Oct. 24-Eugene Gillar, Robert Sciba, Alois  
Bujnoch & Richard Sommerlatte  
Oct. 31-Bubba Kocian, Scott Blaschke,  
Gilbert Mozisek & Marvin Bujnoch  
Nov. 7-Roman Henke, Robert Pustka,  
Charles Grafe & Gilbert Urbish

**From the Desk of Father John**

I came across this in an article that I read recently. It gives us all something to think about.

**“Sign in the Vestibule of the Church in the Indianapolis Diocese:**

Out of respect for our Lord and for His Church and for the edification of our neighbor, all are required to appear in church modestly and respectfully dressed, including when Holy Mass is not being offered. Shorts, tank tops, low cut, backless and mini dresses, halters, bare midriffs, tight-fitting revealing clothes, etc. are not reflective of the norm of Christian modesty. Your cooperation is evidence of your love and devotion to the house of God and the Blessed Sacrament. Thank you.”

**Church Cleaners:**

- Oct. 9-Rosalie Tobola, Glenda Tobola & Angeline Ulcak
- Oct. 16-Charlene Klekar, Janice Rother & Sue Cinadr
- Oct. 23-Ruth Rouse, Joyce Janak, Anita Steffek & Helen Technik
- Oct. 30-Dorothy Schneider & Margaret Smolik
- Nov. 6-Katherine KahaneK & Angela Hermes

<b><u>Our Gift to God:</u></b>	<b><u>Loose</u></b>	<b><u>Envelope</u></b>
Sept. 5	\$135	\$815
Sept. 12	\$144	\$415
Sept. 19	\$144	\$481
Sept. 26	\$168	\$305

Children’s Collections: \$66.07  
 Building Repair Fund: \$934.00

**Mass Attendance:**

Sept. 5—300    Sept. 12—260  
 Sept. 19—310    Sept. 26—330

**Visitation of Cemeteries – Sunday, October 31**

St. Mary’s – 8:30 a.m.  
 Sacred Heart – 3:00 p.m.  
 St. Augustine, Worthing – 3:45 p.m.  
 St. Anthony, Witting/Breslau – 4:30 p.m.  
 St. Ludmila, Wied – 5:15 p.m.

**Messages & Announcements**

**Bulletin Sponsor:** In Honor of their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary-Victor & Katherine KahaneK.

**Donation to St. Mary’s Altar Society:**

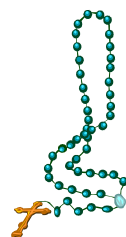
In Honor of Victor & Katherine KahaneK’s 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary by Troby & Patricia Dollar...\$50.00

The KJZT Society #53 of Wied is having their **Annual Family Social on Sunday, Oct. 31, 2010** at Wied Hall. Registration beginning at 11 am. A catered meal will be served at 12 Noon. Members are asked to bring a door prize or dessert. **RSVP to Anita Grabarkievtz-(594-2196) Helen Janak (Wied)-(798-3589) or Gussie Kelnar-(798-5465).**

A **BAKE SALE** sponsored by KJZT #53-St. Zdislava of Wied will be held at St. Mary’s Catholic Church on Sunday, November 7, 2010 before and after the 9:15 a.m. Mass.

**Meeting Notice**

The Wied KJT Society # 43 will be holding a meeting on November 8, 2010 at 7PM at the Wied Hall. Members are asked to attend.



**October – month of the Holy**

# Rosary.

## Pray the Rosary!!!

### Safe Environment Training-October 27<sup>th</sup>

As required by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) and the Diocese of Victoria, St. Mary's will conduct its annual Safe Environment Training on **Wednesday, October 27<sup>th</sup>**. This training for CCD students will take place during their regular CCD time (6-7pm).

Grades K&1: Catie the Caterpillar

Grades 2-6: Yes, You Can Say No

Grades 7-11: Cyber Seduction: Danger on the Web

Parents are invited to attend their child's session. However, a separate session for parents: How to Protect Children from Child Abuse, will be held at 7 pm (Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>) in the Parish Hall.

Any parent wishing that their child(ren) not participate in the S/E training is required by the USCCB to sign an "Opt-Out" form. Please contact **Cindy Svetlik @ 798-4654** for this form. Materials concerning the protection of children and youth will be provided to you so that, if you choose, you may review them with your child(ren).

### Life Chain in Hallettsville, Sunday, October 3,

**2:00 – 3:00 p.m.** Join us in a Pro-Life Silent Prayer Chain. Meet on Hwy 77 South in front of the KC Hall and peacefully hold provided signs that proclaim our pro-life message. This event will provide a visual statement of solidarity by the Christian Community – that abortion is wrong and that the Church is opposed to the killing of unborn children! Our community needs to know that the Church supports the sanctity of human life. This is a family event and all are welcome. You may bring drinks and

should wear comfortable modest clothing. Bring a chair if standing is difficult. For more information, please call Angela at 798-9494.

### Pro-Life Speaker to speak at Sacred Heart:

In place of Fr. Tommy's usual Tuesday night class on October 12, Elizabeth McClung from the Austin Coalition for Life will be speaking about the facts of abortion. Please come to listen to this powerful presentation on **Tuesday, October 12 from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.** at the **Sacred Heart Parish Family Center**. Invite your non-Catholic Friends to attend this presentation with you.

*"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you."*

*- Jeremiah 1:5*

### **Financial Report for August 2010**

#### **Income**

Sunday & Holy Day Collections.....	\$2,940.00
Children's Collection.....	69.78
Other Church Donations.....	50.00
Church & Hall Rental/Deposits.....	1,275.00
Memorials.....	80.00
Bulletin Sponsor.....	40.00
In Honor of Tony & Jo Matula's 25 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.....	<u>20.00</u>
Total Income from August.....	\$4,469.78

#### **Expenses**

Utilities.....	\$ 729.95
Health Insurance.....	828.03
Church Expenses.....	180.92
Hall Expenses.....	120.00
Priest Pension Plan.....	435.00
Salaries.....	675.00
Repair & Maintenance.....	<u>195.11</u>
Total Expenses for August.....	\$3,164.01
Balance from July.....	\$3,942.04
Income from August.....	<u>+4,469.78</u>
	\$8,411.82

Less August Expenses.....	<u>-3,164.01</u>
Operating Balance.....	<u>\$5,247.81</u>

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## One Minute Meditations

### A gratitude attitude

Make a list of all the good things God has given you or done for you. Carry it in your purse or wallet so that you can refer to it often. When worried or discouraged, pull out your list and remember that God has provided for you in the past and promises to always take care of you.

### Trust makes sense

Because he's perfect, God can't err. If we let him, God will work in our lives with results that are far better than we could produce on our own. Trust in God brings a sense of personal well-being, security, and peace.

### Powerful Body

Catholics are never alone. We are members of the Church, the body of Christ. Together with Christ we can make a tremendous difference. *"Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them,"* (Matthew 18:20).



## Wanted: A second chance

Sometimes we yearn for one more chance, the opportunity to take what we have learned from our mistakes and try again. The good news is that while the world may or may not give second chances, God always does. In fact, he gives us as many as we need to get it right. All he asks is that we have a sincere desire to change. The Sacrament of Reconciliation can help.

**Be prepared.** Examine your conscience and think about what is troubling you. What would you like God's help to change?

**Fear not.** Facing our sins is humbling, and confessing them to someone else can be uncomfortable.

Yet that's the first step to a fresh start. Don't forget that the priest is acting in the person of Christ and can promise

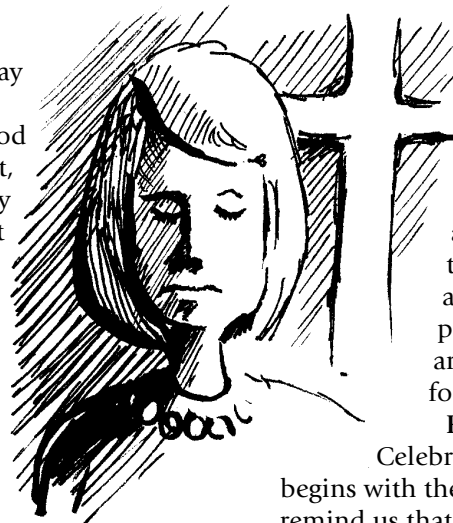
you God's forgiveness and compassion.

**Take the plunge.** Most parishes offer Confession regularly, and many also offer the chance to make appointments with a priest. Find an arrangement that works for you.

**Find the Spirit.**

Celebration of a sacrament begins with the Sign of the Cross to remind us that the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are there with us.

**Make the most of your second chance.** *"For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light"* (Ephesians 5:8).



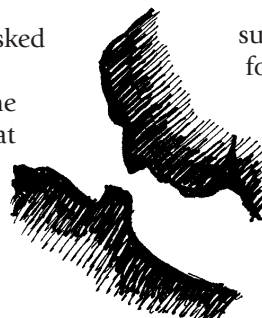
## Why Do Catholics Do That?

When the disciples asked Jesus to teach them to pray, he taught them the Our Father, a prayer that included different aspects of a healthy conversation with God, including praise, petition, thanksgiving, and

## Why do Catholics say formula prayers such as the "Our Father"?

supplication. The Catholic Church follows his example by suggesting other prayers that express our faith, hope, love, and contrition.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church calls prayer "the raising of one's mind and heart to God" (CCC 2559). The form doesn't matter as much as the desire for God it expresses.



## Welcome new parishioners with warmth

As children of God, we know that his home is our home, too. When we come for Mass or prayer time, he welcomes us with joy. So when someone new comes to our church or parish, he wants us to share that welcome with all his children.

**Share the space.** Start by sitting in the middle of the pew to make seating more welcoming for those coming in after you. Or, look for someone sitting alone and take the seat beside her.

**Make an impression.** A cheerful smile



and a quick “hello” can make an unfamiliar parish seem more friendly. After Mass is over, introduce yourself and offer to answer any questions the newcomer may have.

**Build connections.** If your church offers a social time after Mass, vow to introduce yourself to someone new each week.

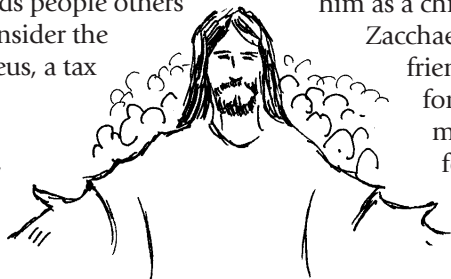
**Show love.** Mass is a community celebration. Join in singing the hymns and enthusiastically offer a Sign of Peace. Being a joyful child of God is a great witness to the welcome of your parish.

### from Scripture

#### Luke 19:1-10. Jesus is the friend we want to be.

Jesus didn't evaluate people the way others did. Instead of gravitating to the best of society, Jesus included in his inner circle of friends people others often excluded. Consider the example of Zacchaeus, a tax collector.

As the chief tax collector in Jericho, Zacchaeus was not a popular man. He probably took more in taxes than was required and became wealthy from dishonest practices. Imagine the crowd's reaction when Jesus spotted Zacchaeus in a tree the man had climbed for a better view and invited himself to dinner at the tax



collector's home. Jesus wasn't dissuaded by the fact that Zacchaeus was unpopular and dishonest but saw him as a child of God. In return, Zacchaeus' eagerness for Jesus' friendship changed his life forever. He was inspired to make generous amends for his past sins.

As followers of Jesus, we are called to be open, forgiving, and accepting of other people. It is important to look beyond the gossip and public perception. Try to adopt Jesus' habit of being quick to forgive and welcoming in your relationships with others.

### Q & A Is Halloween a pagan festival?

Origins of the modern holiday can be traced to the pre-Christian celebrations. For example, the Celtic festival of Samhain or Lord of the Dead, was celebrated before the Celtic new year on Nov. 1. People wore masks and lit bonfires to repel evil souls.



In 835, Pope Gregory IV moved the commemoration of martyrs (later All Saints Day) from May 13 to Nov. 1. The night before became known as All Hallows Eve (“holy evening”), and later Halloween. (Nov. 2 became All Souls Day.)

Many modern Halloween traditions have ancient roots. Trick-or-treating began hundreds of years ago in Ireland when farmers went door-to-door collecting food and goods for an autumn village feast and bonfire. Contributors were promised prosperity; the others received threats of bad luck. Irish Catholics who immigrated in the 1800s brought this practice with them.

However, when combined with All Saints Day and All Souls Day, Halloween can be a good time to celebrate believers who have gone to Heaven before us and our hope of joining them.

### Feasts & Celebrations

**Oct. 1 – St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus (1897).** At fifteen years old, Thérèse Martin needed special permission to join her older sisters at a Carmelite convent. There, she offered her life in “little ways of love.” Her autobiography, *The Story of a Soul*, tells how we can all become saints by doing ordinary acts with love.

**Oct. 19 – Saint John de Brébeuf and Saint Isaac Jogues and their companions (1652).** Six Jesuits and two laymen were unwelcome missionaries to Native North American tribes and suffered

harassment and torture. St. John de Brébeuf won the Iroquois' respect with his courageous death. St. Isaac Jogues escaped but was murdered when he returned to his ministry.

**Oct. 28 – Saint Simon and Saint Jude (1st century).** St. Simon was a Zealot – Jews who believed that the Messiah would free them from political oppression. St. Jude was a fisherman. After being called by Jesus to be apostles, they eventually ended up in Persia where they evangelized until they were martyred.



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