



*Jesus Said To Him In Reply, "What Do You
Want Me To Do For You?"*

*The Blind Man Replied To Him, "Master, I Want
To See."*

*Jesus Told Him, "Go Your Way; Your Faith Has
Saved You."*

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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time/World Mission Sunday

October 24, 2021

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Please contact the rectory to make arrangements.

From Our Pastor:

Spiritual Sight

The blind man in today's gospel asks Jesus to heal him, "I want to see!" Don't we all!

Our blindness is real even if we have 20/20 eyesight. We often look in the wrong places to find that which we seek most; holiness and happiness. Why is this true? The answer is SIN.

Our sin is due to our spiritual blindness. We sometimes don't even see our blindness. If we did, we would spend at least an equal amount of time in prayer as we do on our cell phones or watching TV. We would dedicate ourselves deliberately to works of charity, feeding and clothing the poor for example.

Do you know there are Catholics that believe they should wait to baptize their children until the child can decide if they want it or not? Do you know that many of our young Catholics get married after they've lived together for awhile? You certainly know Catholics who disrespect LIFE in their support of Capital Punishment, Euthanasia, Abortion, etc.

We are certainly suffering from Spiritual Blindness. We can't see our sin, we don't receive the Sacrament of Penance regularly, we've come to believe all religions are equal and call that Ecumenism, we receive Holy Communion when not in the state of grace or we attend Mass only when convenient. We are spiritually blind!

The sight can return! The Master, Jesus Christ, can and desires to heal us. Strengthen your own relationship with Christ Himself, through prayer, worship, confession, penance and good works. Learn the teachings of the Church, through the Apostles, and pass them on to your children. Rely less on society, government, economics to teach you or give you sight. Seek the sight of Christ and you will see Heaven!

May God bless you and may Mary keep you always in His love!

Fr. Corey

Today is World Mission Sunday

'I am a mission, always; you are a mission, always; every baptized man and woman is a mission.' This goes to the heart of our baptismal call.

- Pope Francis

Respect Life Month

At times, we may feel like we can't make a difference, or that we're unequipped for what God is asking of us. But St. Joseph teaches us that faith in God includes believing that he can work even through our fears, our frailties and our weaknesses. When human life is threatened, when our brothers and sisters need support welcoming or embracing life, may we lovingly respond with the faithfulness of Joseph.



To access our 8:30am Sunday Mass: <https://www.youtube.com/c/CatholicCommunityofStStephenStPatrick>



Weekly Stewardship Report: Last Sunday, October 17, 2021

Regular Collection: Envs: \$1,735. Loose: \$1,110.50 Electronic: \$140. **Total Regular Collection: \$2,985.50**
Diocesan Collections: RespLife-\$5. **Other Income:** FaithFormEnvs-\$15. Fuel-\$100. Hospitality-\$75. MemSanct-\$40.
Because of your contributions, we were able to pay the following bills this week: FaithForm: \$65. Utilities: \$282.
CathSun: \$102. **Office:** \$110. **ChR&M:** \$76. **Tithing:** \$166. (Jamaica) **Salaries:** \$1,700. **Bills Pd This Week: \$2,501.**

Thank you for your time, talent and treasure to your parish!

Bills to be paid next week: \$3,860.

Each year, the Pope designates the month of October as World Mission Month and the next-to-last Sunday in October as **World Mission Sunday**. Today, Catholics are united in celebration of our common vocation to mission, focusing on the Pope's missions around the world and the missionaries who dedicate themselves to their service. During this unique time, the Church draws together to support, in prayer and through financial help, the proclamation of the Gospel; vocations to the priesthood and religious life; the building of churches and chapels; and the efforts of priests, religious Sisters and Brothers, and lay pastoral leaders as they help the poor, the hungry, and seek the spiritually abandoned. Please place your gift envelope in with the regular collection. Thank you.



Hope Appeal 2021-"You Are The Salt Of The Earth"

All gifts graciously and gratefully accepted! Each gift brings us closer to our goal! It is our HOPE that you will choose to participate in the Annual Diocesan HOPE Appeal Campaign. With the participation of each and every parish family we should be able to meet our parish assessment. Simply fill out the form mailed to you or fill out a form from the pews at church and return them via the collection basket or by mail. You may also make a secure gift online at www.syrdio.org. Many thanks to the families who have already come forward with a gift/pledge to do their part in helping with this obligation.

Our parish goal this year is \$17,661.84
Pledges to date: \$10,885.00
Balance remaining: \$ 6,776.84



THE CATHOLIC FAITH. ON DEMAND.

Picks of the Week: WATCH: The Augustine Institute Show with Dr. Tim Gray

is an exciting new, weekly Catholic talk show airing on FORMED every Tuesday at 7:00PM that brings the truth and beauty of the Gospel to Catholics all over the world. Each week will have a different guest who will help Catholics understand, live and share their faith. You'll be invited to submit questions and comments in real time, while you learn about everything from mental health to fasting from a Catholic perspective. Not able to watch live? Every episode will be made available on FORMED following the live broadcast. Check out show.augustineinstitute.org for more information.

WATCH: The Rosary: A Pray of Miracles - A deeply inspiring documentary that reveals the miraculous power of the Rosary from incredible stories of how it saved nations and impacted history. A young American soldier was seriously injured in war. With his clenched fist, dirty with blood, he raised a Rosary. The true story of this photograph was an inspiration for the film directors to embark on a journey across four continents to investigate claims that the recitation of the Rosary can change the course of history

WATCH: Karol, A Man who become Pope; The Pope, the Man-October 22nd Commemorate Pope St. John Paul the Great this week with the Karol, a two part movie which documents the life of this great man who has been an inspiration to our world. Visit Formed.org, select our parish.



Vocation View: "Love God with your whole heart, with your whole soul, and with all your mind." Is Christ calling you to let Him manifest His love in you as a priest or consecrated religious? Call Fr. Jason Hage (315) 470-1468, or vocations@syrdio.org.

Give the Gift of Life! You can save up to 5 lives with just one donation of blood. Our community blood drive is on Sat., Nov. 20th, 8AM-1PM at St. Mary's Church Hall, 46 N. Main St., Cortland. Call the Red Cross at 753-1182 or visit redcrossblood.org to schedule your appointment. Walk-ins welcome!

Inspirational Gifts - Please call **Divine Treasures** for all your inspirational gift needs including bracelets, medals, bibles and crucifixes and much more! We are located at the St Anthony's & St Mary's Parish Center, Cortland. Please Note: Due to Covid safety precautions, we are asking that you call Sue at 607-423-5871 for curbside pick-up. Sue is available at the Parish Center Monday, Tuesday & Thursday from 9AM to 3PM.

Spring Courses For 2022 NOW Online! We're thrilled to announce our lineup for spring 2022 courses is now available and can be viewed on www.stbernards.edu. Courses include Theology of the Body, Apologetics, Philosophy for Theologians, Bioethics, and more. New applicants: keep in mind our priority application deadline for scholarships is November 1st.

Please notice additional announcements on our church bulletin boards.



CHRIST THE KING RETREAT HOUSE & CONFERENCE CENTER

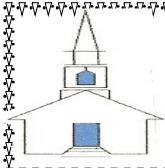
Recharge • Renew • Refresh

Christ the King Retreat House will host a special First Friday remembrance on Nov. 5th from 10 am- 3pm with Fr. Donald H. Karlen. A Day of Prayer for all whom we lovingly remember.

The day will include an opening devotion, conferences, and discussion. Mass with Anointing of the Sick, a delicious lunch and Holy Hour with Benediction.

Registration is through our website at www.ckretreat.com.

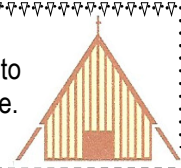
PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY Please Pray For Our Following Friends and Family in the Military:
2ndLt. Trevor Jones, Sgt Avery Hull, Major Corrine Miller, Sgt Megan Ballard, PV2 Samuel Lilley, PV2 James McGill, Brett Hayes, A2C Derek Lescord, LCpl John Larkin, Jr., USMC, SSG Jacob Rau, Devon McGill, SSgt Michael Hetzler, Major Caleb Miller, Major John Thomas, Major Joy Thomas, Daniel Morehouse USMC, Sgt Nicholas Stone, Sgt Heather Fox, LCDR Paul McDonald, USMC SSgt Dan Votra, SSG Steven Gross, SSgt Justin Blaisdell, LCDR Maria Lescord, LCDR Marvin Joel Scott III, A1C Brendan Schneider, OS3 Jonathan Schneider, 2ndLt. Emily Steele USAF & Sgt Zachary Reardon USMC



Mission Statement for The Catholic Community of St. Stephen - St. Patrick

We are a Roman Catholic Community of faith, welcoming the strength found in diversity. We are committed to using our time, talent, and treasure in proclaiming the Kingdom of God through prayer, fellowship, and service.

We experience our unity at the Eucharistic Table of the Lord, and our direction from the Word of God.



If you know of parishioners that have not been able to come to Mass because they are ill, hospitalized or homebound, please let the Parish Office know so our Hospitality Groups can provide contact with them through visits and cards, or any spiritual needs such as communion, and perhaps they would like to receive a copy of our bulletin.



If you know someone that is ill, facing surgery, or some other kind of difficulty, and needs our prayers, please call Dottie Angel at 656-9230 or Pat Canfield at 849-6978. They will lead the Prayer Chain we have at The CC of St. Stephen-St. Patrick Church. Supporting each other with the Power of Prayer is the best medicine. If you are not on our Prayer Chain and would like to be, please call our Parish Office, 692-3911.



Our bulletin & OLPH's can be viewed online at www.ccssp.com



Our face book page: www.facebook.com/ccssp

Parish Council

Chairperson - Dan Burke, dburke1114@gmail.com

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Trustees - Kathy Cusick, Ron Orzel

Maintenance - (Please call parish office w/maintenance concerns)

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PARISH STAFF

Director of Faith Formation - Sherry Dee, 759-1876

Ministry Coordinator-Peg Orzel, porzel10@yahoo.com

Church Organist/Music Director - Jennifer Austin

Daily Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday, Oct. 24	8:30 AM	Whitney Point...for Elsie Zelsnack ...by Elsie Poyer for Fr. Pat Hoare ...by Kelly Wheeler
	10:30 AM	Marathon...for William Sliter ...by Ralph & Pat Canfield
	12:00 PM	OLPH...for Antonia Buttigieg ...by Josephine Kellogg
Tuesday, Oct. 26	8:30 AM	Whitney Point...for Patrick Reardon ...by Joe & Sue McDonald
Thursday, Oct. 28	8:30 AM	Marathon...for Jimmy Deck ...by Paul McDonough
Sunday, Oct. 31	8:30 AM	Whitney Point...for Michael Thayne ...by Ann Thayne for The Victims of Human Trafficking ...by Ken & Sylvia Bates
	10:30 AM	Marathon...for The People Of Our Parish
	12:00 PM	OLPH...for Carmella Leszczynski ...by Pat & Terri Fedele



Readings for the Week of October 24 through 31, 2021:

Today: Jer 31:7-9; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

Monday: Rom 8:12-17; Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday: Rom 8:18-25; Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday: Rom 8:26-30; Lk 13:22-30



Thursday: Eph 2:19-22; Lk 6:12-16

Friday: Rom 9:1-5; Lk 14:1-6

Saturday: Rom 11:1-2a,11-12,25-29; Lk 14:1,7-11

Sunday: Dt 6:2-6; Heb 7:23-28; Mk 12:28b-34

WP Ecumenical Food Pantry: M-Th & Sat, 10am-Noon, Closed Fridays, Holidays, & when school is closed for inclement weather.

Food Pantry Chairperson: Roger Calice **Oct's Pantry Need:** Ramen Noodles & Jello **WPClothing Bank:** M,T & Sat, 10am-Noon

The Mobile Food Truck is at Fairgrounds the **2nd Wednesday of each month**. Registration is required (begins the day before the truck) and is on line or by calling the Southern Tier Mobile Food Truck Food Bank of the Southern Tier - NY (foodbankst.org) 607.796.6061



SERVING THIS WEEK



Whitney Point

Lector: Ron Orzel **Next Sunday:** Ingrid Jordak

Eucharistic Ministers: Emily Jordan, Peg Orzel

Next Sunday: Kathy Bensley, Margaret Fabrocino

Tabulators: Ron & Jan Orzel

Next Sunday: Bensleys

Marathon

Terrie Atwood **Next Sunday:** Rose Ann Holland

Carol Niggli

Cindy Barry

Karen Standish, Wayne Niggli **Next Sunday:** Mark Barry

Oct Ushers: Eric Barry, Mark Barry

For November and December ministry scheduling, please sign up through Peg Orzel at 607 372 7036 or porzell10@yahoo.com

The new **Lector Workbooks** are in our church sacristies. Please pick one up if you're a lector.

Please make sure lights are shut off when you leave one of the churches.



This Week In Our Parish

Today, Oct. 24th

8:30am Mass at Whitney Point Church
10:30am Mass at Marathon Church / 12:00pm Mass at OLPH Church, Cincinnati
1:30pm - Elara Marie Barry Baptism - Marathon Church

Tuesday, Oct. 26th

8:30am Mass at Whitney Point Church

Thursday, Oct. 28th

8:30am Mass at Marathon Church
7:00pm - Adoration - Whitney Point Church

Sunday, Oct. 31st

8:30am Mass at Whitney Point Church
10:30am Mass at Marathon Church / 12:00pm Mass at OLPH Church, Cincinnati

Whole Community Catechesis
Readings and Questions for Discussion

Reading 1 - Jeremiah 31:7-9

The Lord declares himself to be the Father of Israel.

Reading 2 - Hebrews 5:1-6

Christ was made high priest by God.

Gospel - Mark 10:46-52

Jesus restores sight to the blind man, Bartimaeus

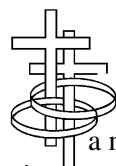
Adults: Do I realize that my gratitude can help others to believe?

Children: What do I like most about the story of Bartimaeus? Why?



Whitney Pt Food Pantry

During the month of September we were able to serve 199 individuals. Thank you for your generous donations to meet the needs of our community.



The Third Option - Mentor Couples Wanted
The Third Option,

a marriage enrichment program, is currently looking for couples who have overcome marital difficulties. We need your unique input for an ongoing ministry to other married couples. Please contact Stephanie Stewart at *The Third Option* at 315-472-6745 ext. 5 or sstewart@syrdio.org if interested.



Come and Visit with Jesus - Did you know that every Thursday

evening for one hour, you can come and spend sometime with Jesus? Eucharistic Adoration is just that; a chance to be within His presence and talk to him one on one. Come for a short amount of time or stay for all of it. Every Thursday, unless indicated, at 7pm, in our Whitney Point Church.

WEEKLY JUSTICE CHALLENGE: This week we celebrate Halloween. We often focus on treats and tricks when we celebrate this holiday. Your challenge is to find a way to share treats with someone who doesn't get treated very often. Identify a homeless shelter or food pantry in the local community which you'd like to support. If you have children in your family, have each child carry a second bag or container for treats for the homeless or those who need help with food as you go house to house. Ask people to donate treats to them. If you don't have children, buy extra treats and bring them to a shelter or pantry so the less fortunate can have a Happy Halloween, too.



All Souls' Day

For our All Souls Day Masson Tuesday, November 2nd, at 6:00pm, Whitney Pt. Church, we would like to recognize/remember our parishioners who have passed this past year as well as family members you have lost. If you have lost a loved one since last November 2nd please contact Peg Orzel at 607 372 7036 or porzell0@yahoo.com by October 24th, so we can include them.

No 8:30am Mass that day.



A Family Perspective

When Jesus asked the blind man, "What do you want from me?" he asked for sight. If Jesus asked you the same question, what would you say? Okay, that is your prayer.



Today, October 24th we welcome

Elara Marie Barry

to the Waters of Baptism at our Marathon Church May she be blessed and guided by the Holy Spirit all the days of her life.



MARY: MODEL OF APOSTOLIC ACTION

Luke 1:39 tells us that immediately upon hearing of her elderly cousin Elizabeth's pregnancy, Mary "went in haste" to visit her, showing Mary as a model of compassionate companionship in action.

This is the 10th article in our series. Please continue to watch for ongoing articles.



40 Days For Life - Have you ever thought about doing more to help vulnerable women choose life-affirming options for an unplanned pregnancy? Do you know about 40 Days For Life? It's an international campaign of fasting and peaceful prayer outside abortion clinics. In Ithaca, we pray across the street from Planned Parenthood, 620 W Seneca Street. Our prayer campaign is taking place now through October 31st, from 7AM to 7PM everyday.

Please visit www.40daysforlife.com/ithaca for daily devotions, resources and an online calendar to select your hour to pray. For more information, please contact Carolann Darling at 607-351-6668.

For all Catholics: May the Church's abortion healing ministry, Project Rachel, help them find peace and healing Through Christ's endless mercy **We pray to the Lord**

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2022 MARCH FOR LIFE! Syracuse Diocese 1-day trip for adults and families. A bus trio to the National March for Life in Washington, DC on Thurs., Jan. 20th, 11pm until Fri., Jan. 21st, 11pm. For more info., call the Office of Family/Respect Life Ministry at 315-472-6754, ext.2