

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fr. Michael says.....

On September 28th, it will be three years since Bishop Monforton was moved from our diocese. Since then, we have been led by Bishop Bradley and Bishop Lohse, but the Diocese of Steubenville hasn't had its own, full-time bishop.

I was discussing this anniversary with a group of my priest friends, when Fr. Nick Ward suggested that we pray a novena to Our Lady leading up to the 28th. We decided on the Novena to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, the patroness of our diocese.

After Fr. Nick shared the idea with his parishioners, I thought I would also encourage all of you to pray as well. The novena starts today (on Sunday, September 20th) and ends on the 28th.

Just to be clear: I'm not suggesting this because we have any information that we're not sharing with you. We are all still waiting on an answer about the future of the diocese.

This just seemed like an appropriate time to pray for our diocese and whoever our future bishop will be.

Here is the novena prayer:

O Most Blessed Mother, heart of love, heart of mercy, ever listening, caring, consoling, hear our prayer. As your children, we implore your intercession with Jesus your Son. Receive with understanding and compassion the petitions we place before you today, especially: that God may send a worthy bishop for our Diocese of Steubenville.

*May God bless you for your
goodness to His Church for the week of
September 13, 2026*

(BLS) Adult Envelopes	\$6,569.00
Children's Envelopes	\$1.00
Candles	\$165.00
Immaculate Heart Fund	\$207.00
SVdP	\$545.00
Improvement Fund	\$5,982.00
Loose	\$124.00

(OLL) Adult Envelopes	\$1,328.00
Children's Envelopes	\$0.00
Candles	\$74.00
Immaculate Heart Fund	\$20.00
SVdP	\$0.00
Improvement Fund	\$510.00
Loose	\$70.00

We are comforted in knowing your heart is ever open to those who ask for your prayer. We trust to your gentle care and intercession, those whom we love and who are sick or lonely or hurting. Help all of us, Holy Mother, to bear our burdens in this life until we may share eternal life and peace with God forever.

Amen. (One Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be)



S. Cor Mariae. Das heilige Herz Maria.
Gebr. C. & N. Benziger in Einsiedeln. 67

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY September 20 / 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 PM Vigil (BLS) (9/19) - Joseph "Slugs" Smarrella by William & Joanne Kovalchik

8:00 AM (BLS) - Living and deceased members of our Wintersville Parishes

9:30 AM (OLL) - Renee Griffiths by Laura Froehlich & Cindy Gregor

11:00 AM (BLS) - Rosemary O'Brien by Craig & Linda McGinness

MONDAY September 21 / St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

8:00 AM (BLS) - Johnny Quattrone by Helen Korode

TUESDAY September 22 / Weekday

8:00 AM (BLS) - James Brown by Loretta Gossett

WEDNESDAY September 23 / St. Pius of Pietrelcina

8:00 AM (BLS) - James Brown by Loretta Gossett

5:30 PM (BLS) ADORATION & ROSARY

THURSDAY September 24 / Weekday

8:00 AM (BLS) - Jeff Aceto by Cathy Cich & Barb Price

5:15 PM (BLS) - Kevin Gilkey by Bill & Marsha Blake

FRIDAY September 25 / Weekday

8:00 AM (BLS) - Frances Ossio by Hilda DeStefanis

SATURDAY September 26 / Weekday

8:00 AM (BLS) - Americo DeStefanis by Hilda DeStefanis & family

SUNDAY September 27 / 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 PM Vigil (BLS) (9/26) - Jean Brandsberg by Lou & Kathy DiGregory

8:00 AM (BLS) - Mark Tiberio by JoAnn Straker

9:30 AM (OLL) - Living and deceased members of our Wintersville Parishes

11:00 AM (BLS) - Katie Stimpert by Mary Balzano



Liturgical Ministries

September 26 th & 27 th	
Saturday 9/26th	4:30pm
Lector:	Lou DiGregory
EMOHC:	Donna Thomas
Altar servers	Symington/Ross
Sunday 9/27th	8:00am
Lector:	Toni Dondzila
EMOHC	Tony Corella
Altar servers:	Velez
(OLL)	9:30am
Lector:	Denise Todoroff
Altar servers:	(Volunteer)
	11:00am
Lector:	Francesca Carinci
EMOHC	John DuBois
Altar servers:	Vitello/Hawrot/Banga
As faithful ministers, you know what to do if you are unable to be at your Mass! Thank you!	

Prayer Line

Intentions: Pray for Marcie, Lyle, Jeremiah, Beckie, Michael, Marjie, Isabella, all residents of local nursing facilities, the homebound and homeless, & the souls in purgatory.

"If each one prays for himself, he receives less from God's goodness than the one who prays on behalf of others"

--St. Ambrose, bishop (340-397 A.D.)

Please reach out with your prayer intentions to the parish email and it will be printed in the bulletin.
mail@wintersvilleparishes.org



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PARISH NEWS / EVENTS

HOSPITAL: as of Tuesday, September 15
Marjie Vignjevic, Clara Turner, Ethel Monigold, and Joann Busana

MEN OF ST. JOSEPH GOLF LEAGUE: (Began on Monday, May 11th) Will meet each Monday until Oct. 12th, at 5:30pm, at the Steubenville Country Club All men of our parishes are encouraged and invited to participate!

TO SIGN UP FOR THE PARISHES DIRECTORY:

All you need to do is send your email address to Wintersvillecatholicparishes@gmail.com with your family name, then download the Instant Church



Directory app. It may be several days till you are inputted into the system, and then you can edit your info. **FYI:** Please contact the parish office to register as a member of the parish!!!!

ONLINE GIVING: Simply use these QR codes or go to our parish website (wintersvilleparishes.org) and go to "Giving."

Blessed Sacrament:

Our Lady of Lourdes



PSR Student Registration is now Open!

To register, please visit:

<https://tinyurl.com/ykz2du7c> If questions, email:

WintersvilleParishesPSR@gmail.com

The Diocese of Steubenville's 10th annual Eucharistic Rosary Congress will be held October 3-10, 2026 at Blessed Sacrament Church!

Please join us during this powerful week of continuous Eucharistic Adoration, hourly rosaries prayed for our Diocese and the needs of the world, opportunities for confession, additional 5:15 pm masses, Marian processions, and guest speaker Matthew Leonard! Matt will be speaking October 7th at 6:00 pm, the Feast of the Holy Rosary, with a talk titled, "Hail Mary; the Biblical Backstory of the Rosary." The week entails a sustained act of communal prayer before Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Adoration is offered for the conversion of sinners, the consecration of our nation, and the triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Please sign up for a holy hour at <https://signup.com/go/PGPCxyV>. For questions, please text 410-596-1936.

The parish **Bible study** is every **Wednesday 9-10am** at the rectory. All are welcome!

Value-Leader Pharmacy will be offering flu vaccinations Sunday, Sept. 27th from 9:00 am – 12:30 pm in Upper Sargus Hall. Bring your insurance / Medicare / Medicaid card with you. Most insurances do cover all costs. However, if not covered, each regular vaccine will be \$40.00. If questions, email jparis@tristateng.com or call 740-314-5321

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED for **childcare** for the women's Bible Study on **Tuesday mornings at Holy Family Church** beginning September 15th. Please consider participating in this wonderful ministry, even if it's once a month. We would gladly welcome pre-teens to grandparents, and all ages in between! If you are interested, please call or text Alicia Hernon at (740)-418-8585 or Shannon Federhoff at (520)-369-9675. If you cannot volunteer, please pray that God provides volunteers so that the women with children at home can attend this great Bible Study! Thankyou so very much and God bless you!

On **September 26th** **Grief Share** will explore the topic of "**Anger: When it all seems so unfair.**" It will cover how anger can give you energy to make necessary changes, how anger is powerful, but God can help you manage it, and that forgiveness is important for you and your relationships.

The **Arise Group** for women experiencing infertility will meet from 9-11 am on 2nd and 4th Saturdays beginning October 10th in the Marian Room at Triumph of the Cross (200 Rosemont Ave, Steubenville, OH). We will be discussing Mary Bruno's book *Twelve Stripes Deep: How Infertility & Other Suffering Delivered My Greatest Joy*. We welcome those affected by primary or secondary infertility to join us in striving to grow closer to the Lord while experiencing this cross. For more information or to join please contact us at arisesteubenville@gmail.com

OLL Women's club is visiting Rhoda Wise's house & grotto and the Mother Angelica Museum this October! If you wish to attend, please meet at 7 am in Our Lady of Lourdes parking lot on Saturday October 3rd. We will caravan to Canton together. All are welcome! Please call/text Mary Beth Mascolino-Engle (412-860-8866) by Oct. 1st if you would like to attend.

Knights of Columbus fall pasta dinners will be the **1st Sundays of the month:** Sept. 6, Oct. 4, Nov. 1, & Dec. 6 from 1pm – 5pm. **Pasta, salad, bread, and cake: \$12.00.** Dine in or carry out call 740-535-8037.

"MY SPIRIT REJOICES IN GOD MY SAVIOR"



OCTOBER 3-10, 2026

10TH ANNUAL

Blessed Sacrament Church

The Eucharistic Rosary Congress is one week of Perpetual Adoration with the Rosary prayed every hour. Below is a schedule of the special events for the week, Opening and Closing Masses, Confessions, Processions, Special Masses. For Complete Schedule and to sign-up for an hour of adoration, see the links below.



For complete schedule go to <https://diosteub.org/rosary-congress>

VALUE LEADER PHARMACY

FLU VACCINES



9-27-26

9:00 AM - 12:30 pm

Upper Sargus Hall

Bring your insurance /
Medicare / Medicaid card with
you. Most insurances do cover
all costs. However, if not
covered, each regular vaccine
will be \$40.00.

If Questions,

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