

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fr. Michael says.....

I would like to thank everyone here in our parishes who made hosting the Rosary Congress this past week possible.

Our sacristans, deacons, and servers all put in extra time to enable this event to be held here in Wintersville.

I especially want to thank Harrison Juliano, who coordinated our liturgies.

And thank you to everyone who came to pray!

On Thursday this week, we will celebrate the feast of St. Teresa of Avila, one of the most influential saints in the history of the Church.

Here is a meditation on her words about prayer from the National Catholic Register:

Teresa wrote that “prayer is nothing else than being on terms of friendship with God. ... Mental prayer in my opinion is nothing else than an intimate sharing between friends; it means taking time frequently to be alone with him who we know loves us.” Making time for him is the starting point and can be the most challenging for us. Our calendars are so full that we often neglect to make time for Jesus. Teresa reminds us that friendship requires time and attention for growth. This simple reminder can make all the difference in our spiritual lives. Once we become committed to a life of daily prayer, we can become more attuned to discovering how God is inviting us to act for him in our practical lives. Teresa wrote that “many remain at the bottom of the [mountain of prayer] who could ascend to the top. ... I repeat and ask that you may always have courageous thoughts. As a result of these, the Lord will grant you the grace for courageous deeds.”

The more frequently we meet Christ in prayer, the more we can hear how he is inviting us to accept the heroic holiness that we are all challenged to enter into. This can arise through

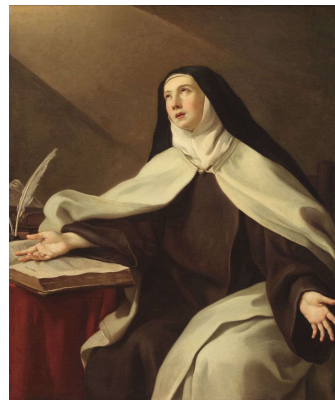
*May God bless you for your
goodness to His Church for the week of
October 4, 2026*

(BLS) Adult Envelopes	\$7,863.00
Children's Envelopes	\$0.00
Candles	\$167.00
Immaculate Heart Fund	\$0.00
SVdP	\$1,612.00
Improvement Fund	\$0.00
Loose	\$170.00

(OLL) Adult Envelopes	\$2,913.00
Children's Envelopes	\$0.00
Candles	\$62.00
Immaculate Heart Fund	\$0.00
SVdP	\$630.00
Improvement Fund	\$0.00
Loose	\$60.00

realizing in prayer that we need to have a tough conversation with someone in our life, or that God is asking us to change something about our own personal life so we can become less attached to sinful tendencies. Only once prayer becomes intimate can we respond in this way. But once it does, we will be transformed into the saints we are called to be.

This is the call of all Christians because, as Teresa notes, “Christ has no body now but mine. He prays in me, works in me, looks through my eyes, speaks through my words, works through my hands, walks with my feet and loves with me here.”



Liturgical Ministries

October 17 th & 18 th	
Saturday 10/17th	4:30pm
Lector:	Lew Musso
EMOHC:	Linda Berkey
Altar servers	Ross/Hendricks
Sunday 10/18th	8:00am
Lector:	Toni Dondzila
EMOHC	Bill DiMichele
Altar servers:	Vitello
(OLL)	9:30am
Lector:	Denise Todoroff
Altar servers:	(Volunteer)
	11:00am
Lector:	Dave Chaney
EMOHC	Kaci Chaney
Altar servers:	Benner/Chaney/Velezp
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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MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY October 11 / 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 PM Vigil (BLS) (10/10) - Living and deceased members of our Wintersville Parishes

8:00 AM (BLS) - Shirley Lamantia by John & Mary DuBois

9:30 AM (OLL) - Cora O'Connell & Jason Boulson by James Boulson

11:00 AM (BLS) - Anna Almonte by Hilda DeStefanis & Family

MONDAY October 12 / Weekday

8:00 AM (BLS) - Jim Brown by Bob & Kathy Reinocher

TUESDAY October 13 / Weekday

8:00 AM (BLS) - Margie Conroy by St. Vincent de Paul Ministry

WEDNESDAY October 14 / Weekday

8:00 AM (BLS) - Jim Brown by Bob & Kathy Reinocher

5:30 PM (BLS) ADORATION & ROSARY

THURSDAY October 15 / St. Teresa of Jesus

8:00 AM (BLS) - Jim Brown by Lew & Kathy Musso

5:15 PM (BLS) - Dalfonso Family by Ray & Jean Dalfonso

FRIDAY October 16 / Weekday

8:00 AM (BLS) - Jim Brown by Lew & Kathy Musso

SATURDAY October 17 / St. Ignatius of Antioch

8:00 AM (BLS) - Jim Brown by Connie & Rich Cunningham

SUNDAY October 18 / 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 PM Vigil (BLS) (10/17) - Shirley Huscroft by Todd & Carol Phillipson

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

9:30 AM (OLL) - Stanley Augustynowicz by Our Lady of Lourdes CWC

11:00 AM (BLS) - Donald & Louise Yaskanich by Jay Yaskanich



PARISH NEWS / EVENTS

HOSPITAL: as of Wednesday, October 7th

Alycia Laneve, Judith Irvin, Shirley Graham, & Joann Busana

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



Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary is the Church's largest apostolic organization for the laity. Interested in actively serving the spiritual needs of our parish? Visit the weekly meeting - we'd love to see you! **Wednesdays, 6:30pm in Upper Sargus.** Or call/text Bob Turk at [\(740\) 317-8005](tel:7403178005).

CONNECT Youth Group has open group spots for **Damascus Summer Camp, Week 9, 2027!**

Any youth ages 6th-12th grade are invited to join.

Deadline to Register with our Group: Oct. 31st, at 5pm!

Camp Date: **August 1-6, 2026**

Details &

Registration: holyfamilysteubenville.com/damascus

The diocese will again be celebrating **special Masses** in recognition of **significant wedding anniversaries**. Couples celebrating **their 10th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th, 55th, 60th and 60+ (every year thereafter)** anniversaries of marriage are cordially invited to attend.

These Masses are scheduled to take place in three locations: (1) **Saturday, November 7, at 5:15 p.m. at St. Lawrence O'Toole Church, Ironton,** (2) **Sunday, November 8, at 12:00 noon at St. Mary Basilica, Marietta,** and (3) **Sunday, November 8, at 5:30 p.m. at Holy Family Church, Steubenville.** An informal reception will follow each celebration. To register, please contact the parish office by October 16.

On **October 17th**, **Grief Share** will explore the topic of **"Grief and your Friendships."** It will cover how other people can help you deal with changes, why having realistic expectations of others is important, and how to talk to people who are uncomfortable with grief.

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

ALL HALLOWS' EVE ROSARY WALK

Saturday, October 31, 2026 11:30 a.m.

Mount Calvary Cemetery, Steubenville

Join us as we take back Halloween as All Hallows' Eve with a special Rosary Walk at Mount Calvary Cemetery. All Hallows' Eve is the vigil of All Saints Day, a time to remember the saints, pray for the faithful departed and look with hope toward eternal life.

The Rosary Walk will be led by Fr. Michael Gossett.

Families are encouraged to attend, and children are invited to dress as their favorite saint!

Come walk and pray with us as we celebrate the Christian meaning of All Hallows' Eve.

Our Lady of Lourdes C.W.C. will have their October meeting on **Tuesday, Oct. 20, 2026**, beginning at **6:00 pm**. All women 18 years and older are welcome to attend. Looking forward to seeing you there.

PSR Student Registration is now Open!

To register, please visit:

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

WintersvilleParishesPSR@gmail.com

Looking for a Meaningful Way to Serve?

Hospice volunteers are needed to provide prayer, companionship, friendly visits, veteran support, and bereavement support to patients and families in our community. No medical experience is necessary, and training is provided. If you have a caring heart and a little time to give, you can make a meaningful difference in someone's life. For more information, contact **Tammy Michael, Volunteer Coordinator**, at [740.217.2421](tel:7402172421) or tammy.michael@southerncareinc.com

The parish **Bible study** is every **Wednesday 9-10am** at the
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