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MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF OCTOBER 22

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23

No 6:30 a.m. Mass today

12:05 p.m. Anthony & Tony Alvarez ++

7:00 p.m. Confirmandi

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24

6:30 a.m. Danny Slovak +
12:05 p.m. Ronnie Toupal +
6:30 p.m. Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25

No 6:30 a.m. Mass today

12:05 p.m. Communion Service

No 6:30 p.m. Mass today

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26

No 6:30 a.m. Mass today

12:05 p.m. Communion Service

6:30 p.m. Communion Service (Spanish)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27

No 6:30 a.m. Mass today 12:05 p.m. Maura Messa +

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28 - Saints Simon & Jude, Apostles

3:30 p.m. Confessions

5:00 p.m. Joe & Annie Martinek ++
OCTOBER 29, THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN

ORDINARY TIME

7:00 a.m. Theresa Kasowski +
11:00 a.m. Ramon C. Ramirez +
1:00 p.m. Juan Manuel Aguinaga +
5:00 p.m. For the Parish Community

MASSES FOR EPIPHANY CHURCH

Sun. Oct. 15, 9 am Antonio Cortez +

Sun. Oct. 22, 9 am Magdalena & Juan Roman Partida ++

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

Entrance: To Jesus Christ, Our Sovereign King - 492

Offertory: All That We Have - 597

Communion: We Come To Your Feast - 814

Recessional: Alleluia! Give Thanks to the Risen Lord – 462

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK: Bailey's Cafe



Picture of recent trip to visit Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio. The teenagers were able to stay with other college students currently attending from St. John, audit college courses, and visit the campus and activities.



COLLECTIONS FOR OCTOBER 14 & 15 Totals include Church Collection & Faith Direct

St. John Regular Collection
Second Collection: Diocesan Priests Retirement

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Epiphany Regular Collection

\$968.40 \$1,143.00 \$266.75

\$18,718.84

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 22

Sunday, October 22

Second Collection: World Mission Sunday
8:30-10:30 am Religious Ed/ Elementary
9:00 am RCIA/ Rm 101-102
6:30 pm Life Teen / Gym

Monday, October 23

No Confessions

7:00 pm Rosary Makers / Room 101 7:00 pm 8th Grade Confirmations/ Church

Tuesday, October 24

6:30 am Food for the Soul / Church

5:30-6:30pm Confessions

7-8:00 pm Upper Room / Room 101

Wednesday, October 25- Parish Office Closed

NO Activities on Campus

Thursday, October 26—Parish Office Closed

No Activities on Campus

Friday, October 27—Parish Office Closed

Saturday, October 28

6:30 p.m. Trunk or Treat/ Cafeteria after 5 pm Vigil Mass

Sunday, October 29

Second Collection: St. John Charities
8:30-10:30 am Religious Ed/ Elementary
9:00 am RCIA/ Rm 101-102
6:30 pm Life Teen / Cafeteria

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

2018 SANCTUARY LIGHT (above the Altar)

Sign up at the Religious Counter after Mass. Remember your loved ones - living or deceased. One week - \$20

SHARING OUR BLESSINGS

Free clothes & shoes in the gym every Sunday from 8

am - 12 pm noon. We are in need of help on

Sundays, especially men!! It is a great ministry for a couple to do together.

All Saints Day—November 1, 2017 Holy Day of Obligation

Mass Times:

Tues. Oct 31st Vigil Mass

6:30 p.m. Spanish

Wed. Nov. 1st

6:30 am—English 12:05 pm—English 6:30 pm—English

ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY

Cemetery Gates Times: 7:30 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. Gate is now located on Jeter Drive.

Gordita Sale Sunday after 7 am, 11 am & 1 Pm Masses

Parish office will be

CLOSED

Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday October 25, 26, & 27th

while staff is on retreat.

Please pray for us. We will be praying for you.

In case of emergency call Fr. John at 903-624-6114 or Fr. Antonio at 469-831-0607

Perpetual Adoration Chapel Open Hours

Sunday: 2 am, 4 am Monday: 2 am, 3 am Tuesday: 2 am, 3 am, 9

Tuesday: 2 am, 3 am, 9 am Wednesday: 1 am, 9 am

Thursday: 2 pm Friday: 12 am 8pm



ST. JOHN CHURCH

Sanctuary Light: October 21 - October 27

In Memory: Annie & Joe A. Martinek

By: Betty Macalik Family

Altar Candles: October 21 - October 27

In Honor: Dorothy & Raymond Matous Wedding Anniv.

By: Tay and Matous Families

DIVINE PROVIDENCE HALL CHAPEL

Altar Candles: October 20 - October 26

In Honor: St. John Parishioners By: St. John Altar Society

Our Lady of Fatima: The Virgin Mary promised three kids a miracle that 70,000 gathered to see By Katherine Arcement

The children were tending a flock of sheep outside the tiny village of Fatima, Portugal, when they first saw the angel. He was transparent, they said, and shining like a crystal.



The statue of Our Lady of Fatima is carried by believers during a candle procession at the holy shrine of Fatima in Portugal in 2011. (Francisco Leong/ AFP/Getty Images)

Lucia Abobora, 9, and her cousins, Jacinta and Francisco Marto, 6 and 7, were stunned.

"He said, "Do not be afraid. I am the angel of peace. Pray with me," Abobora — later renamed Lucia de Jesus de dos Santos — recounted in her memoir, <u>"Fatima in Lucia's Own Words,"</u> published in 1976.

During the rest of 1916, as World War I raged in Europe, the angel showed himself two more times to the children. But they told no one what they'd seen.



From left to right, Lucia, Francisco and Jacinta, the three children from Fatima, Portugal, who said the Virgin Mary appeared to them on May 13, 1917. (AFP/Santuario de Fatima)

In the spring of 1917, something more extraordinary began unfolding visions that would put three children on the path to sainthood and transform Fatima from an ordinary village to the site of a Catholic shrine venerated and visited by millions.

The Virgin Mary appeared to the children on May 13, 1917 as "a lady dressed in white, shining brighter than the sun, giving out rays of clear and intense light," dos Santos wrote. She promised to come to the children on the 13th of each month.

Jacinta told her mother about it. While her siblings joked about the apparition, her alarmed mother hauled her in front of their parish priest to recant. She would not.

News of the visions spread by word of mouth, and the following month a small crowd waited with the children to witness the second apparition June 13. At the third sighting, on July 13, the children said the Virgin Mary revealed three secrets to them about the future.

Interest in what was happening in Fatima grew more intense.

On Aug. 13, the children were taken into custody by a state bureaucrat, who took them by car to Vila Nova de Ourem in hopes of getting them to recant

their testimonies. Again, they would not.

Thousands of people began streaming to Cova da Iria, the site of the Virgin Mary apparitions. On Sept. 13, 30,000 people were present when dos Santos said the Virgin Mary told her, "In October I will perform a miracle so that all may believe."

On that day, Oct. 13, 1917, the crowd of believers had swelled to 70,000.

About 2 p.m., some began to see what later became known in the Catholic Church as "the Miracle of the Sun." The rains that had plagued the day ceased, and the sun emerged from behind clouds to spin and tremble for 10 minutes.

"Before the astonished eyes of the crowd, whose aspect was biblical as they stood bareheaded, eagerly searching the sky, the sun trembled, made sudden incredible movements outside all cosmic laws — the sun 'danced' according to the typical expression of the people," reported O Seculo, a Lisbon newspaper.

The strange phenomena included odd colors.

"Looking at the sun, I noticed that everything was becoming darkened. I looked first at the nearest objects and then extended my glance further afield as far as the horizon. I saw everything had assumed

an amethyst color. Objects around me, the sky and the atmosphere, were of the same color. Everything both near and far had changed, taking on the color of old yellow damask," said José Maria de Almeida Garrett, a science professor from Coimbra, Portugal, who was at the scene.

Onlookers from as far as 25 miles away noted the strange phenomena in the sky.

There were scientific reasons put forth for what had happened: Perhaps the witnesses had stared at the sun too long. Perhaps it was a combination of optical effects and a real meteorological shift caused by the weather and the cloud cover.

But the miracle was acknowledged as "worthy of belief" by the Catholic Church in 1930.

By then Jacinta and Francisco Marto had both died of the flu, which had hit Fatima shortly after the visions.

Dos Santos, who told of seeing one more vision of the Virgin Mary in 1920, dedicated her life to God and became a Carmelite nun.

On May 14, 2000, Cardinal Angelo Sodano disclosed the third of the three secrets — the only one that still remained a mystery. The first was a vision of World War I ending and World War II beginning, and the second was the rise and fall of Soviet Communism. But the third, the cardinal said, was a vision of a bishop in white falling to the ground under a hail of gunfire.



Pope Paul VI holds Sister Lucia's hand at the shrine of Our Lady of Fatima on May 13, 1967. She died in 2005 at the age of 97. (AP Photo)

This was interpreted by the church as a foretelling of the assassination attempt on Pope John Paul II's life in 1981. The pope credited the Virgin Mary of Fatima with saving his life.

The same year as this revelation, Jacinta and Francisco Marto became the youngest children beatified — the first step to being canonized — by the Roman Catholic Church who did not die as martyrs. This year, on May 13, Pope Francis canonized the Jacinta and Francisco at a massive mass in Fatima.

Sister Lucia de Jesus dos Santos died in 2005, at the age of 97. The process of beatification has begun for her.

And Friday, people will gather in Fatima and around the world to mark the 100th anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun.

 $https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/retropolis/wp/2017/10/13/our-lady-of-fatima-the-virgin-mary-promised-three-kids-a-miracle-that-70000-gathered-to-see/?utm_term=.b15aaocbbf15$

Holy Day of Obligation

All Saints Day November 1, 2017

Mass Times:

Vigil—**Tues. Oct 31st** 6:30 p.m. - Spanish

Wed. Nov. 1st

6:30 am—English 12:05 pm—English 6:30 pm—English

ADVENT BEGINS

December 3, 2017



Holy Day of Obligation

Immaculate Conception December 8, 2017

Breakfast with St. Nicholas

December 9th 8 am–11 am in Cafeteria

Religious Ed Children's Christmas Play

DECEMBER 20TH 6:30 PM @ KJT HALL

St. John Nepomucene IMPORTANT DATES

4th Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 23rd 5:00 pm (English) 7:00 pm (Spanish)

Sunday, December 24th 8:00 am (English) 10:00 am (English)

Attending Christmas
Eve Mass (Midnight
Mass) does NOT fulfill
your Sunday
obligation.
Please make plans to
attend one of the
scheduled Masses for
the 4th Sunday of
Advent AND one of the
scheduled Christmas
Eve or Day Masses.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Holy Day of Obligation

Midnight Mass Sunday, December 24th 12:00 AM (English) Carols at 11 pm

Christmas Day
Masses
Monday,
December 25th
8:00 am (English)
10:00 am (English)
1:00 pm (Spanish)

Sunday, December 31st

Saturday, December 30th 5:00 pm (English) 7:00 pm (Spanish)

Sunday, December 31st 8:00 am (English) 10:00 am (English)

Attending Sunday Mass does **NOT** fulfill your Holy Day of Obligation for the Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God.

Please make plans to attend one of the scheduled Masses for the Sunday **AND** one of the scheduled Masses on New Year's Eve or Monday, January 1st.



Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Holy Day of Obligation

Sunday,
December 31st
8:30 pm (English)
New Year's Eve
Celebration

Monday, January 1st :00 am (Englis

8:00 am (English) 10:00 am (English) 1:00 pm (Spanish)

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Jo Ann Dolezalik—10/15/17 Georgie Ann Nekuza-11/26/17 Sr. Genevieve Prochaska Sr. Redempta Bradley Rachel Zmolik-11/19/17 Catherine Roberts—10/22/17 David Trojacek—11/12/17 Margie Dvorak—11/19/17 Marguerite Patterson-10/20/17 Sherri Longoria—10/20/17 Jennifer Wright—10/22/17 Epi Garfias-11/19/17 Paul Tolliver—11/19/17 Melissa Patterson—10/20/17 Jeff Frazier—9/24/17 Alfred Martinez-9-8-17 Jerry Zmolik - 10/15/17 Emily Peppers—9/24/17 Marion Haba—11/19/17 Ed Tysdale—10/22/17

Lillian Barto—11/19/17 Jerry & Janie Marusak—10/29/17 Gloria Garcia—10/29/17 Alcario Sanchez—9/8/17 Kevin Woodley—9/24/17 Patricia Riley—10/15/17 Rose Cooke—10/29/17 Robert Parma—10/15/17 Beatriz Ortiz—9/10/17 Sal Fira—9/10/17 Richard Mraz—11/19/17 Jo Ann Manak—10/29/17 David Harrison—10/22/17 Danielle Brown—9/24/17 Caroline Spellman—10/22/17 Mary Trojacek—11/5/17 Joan Trojacek—11/5/17 Tracy Kelley—9/24/17 John Esparza, Sr. - 9/3/17 Pauline Novy—11/19/17

Larry Urbanovski—9/3/17 Irene Vidal Mendoza—9/3/17 Jimmy Aguilar—9/3/17 Margaret Bohuslav—9/3/17 Deanna Richardson—9/3/17 Lillie Slovacek—9/3/17 Nathan Castillo—9/10/17 Carl Fira—9/10/17 Harry Fira-9/10/17 Wesley Juricek - 11/19/17 Mary Langley—9/17/17 Bobby Fira - 9/17/17 Adele Miklis—9/17/17 Gertrude Langley—9/17/17 Lena Garcia - 9/17/17 Meagan Slovak Gould - 9/24/17 Special Intention—9/24/17 Lara Jurik—9/24/17 Johnny Joe Lopez—9/24/17 Shebo Valek—9/24/17

Allison Miligan - 9/24/17 Beth Johnson—10/8/17 Lillie Toth Cline - 11/19/17 Randy Willis—10/15/17 Greg Wilborn-10/15/17 Lynn Carter—10/22/17 Rick Parkinson—10/22/17 Sally Medlin—10/22/17 Joe Ben Macalik—10/22/17 Ella Spaniel—10/22/17 Mary Sosa—10/22/17 Diana Martinez—10/22/17 Steve/Bev Puckett - 10/29/17 Brandon Martinez - 11/5/17 Pete Tysdal - 11/12/17 Pricila Elizondo - 11/12/17 Rafael Casanova - 11/12/17 Raymond Dlabaj - 11/12/17 Dorothy Sonka - 11/12/17 Helen Barak - 11/19/17