

The Week Ahead

Sat / September 30

4pm - Vigil Mass: *Deceased Knights †* by KC Councils
New Beginnings PHC Collection

Sun / October 1 - 26th Sunday in O.T. / Respect Life Sunday

9am - Mass: *End to Abortion & Euthanasia* by M Barrack

New Beginnings PHC Collection

Coffee & Donuts after Mass, in the Parish Hall

Rosary Makers after Mass, in the Parish Hall

10:30am - CCD

1-2pm - Annual Life Chain, see *Respect Life* article

1:30pm - *B--I--N--G--O*

2:30pm - Mass (L): *Matthew Winston - SI* by M Winston

Mon / October 2 - Feast of the Guardian Angels

9am - Mass: *David Colletti - SI* by R Colletti

5:15pm - KC Officers Mtg. followed by Rosary & Bus. Mtg.

Tue / October 3

Wed / October 4 - St. Francis of Assisi

3:45pm - Scripture Study, in the Parish Hall

6pm - Mass: *Albert Bradi †* by R Colletti

6:30pm - RCIA Classes, meet in Library

Thu / October 5 - Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos

9am - Mass: *Margaret Gamboe †* by Family

6pm - *B--I--N--G--O*

Fri / October 6 - St. Bruno / Bl. Marie Rose Durocher

9am - Mass: *Brian Hannig - SI* by B Dilorio

First Friday Confessions after Mass

Sat / October 7 - Our Lady of the Rosary

9am - Mass: *Joseph Colletti †* by R Colletti

First Saturday Confessions after Mass

3-3:45pm - Confessions

4pm - Vigil Mass: *Irene Barrack †* by M Barrack

Food Pantry & Hurricane Relief Collections

Sun / October 8 - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9am - Mass: *People of the Parish*

Food Pantry & Hurricane Relief Collections

Coffee & Donuts after Mass, in the Parish Hall

1-4pm - Parish Picnic, see article (Rain Date: Oct 22nd)

Altar Flowers this week are compliments of:

- The Kootz Family in honor of Austin's Birthday

Tabernacle Roses this week are compliments of:

- Isabelle Wiest in honor of Dana's Birthday

Coffee & Donuts next week, October 8th, will be served by KCs (in lieu of breakfast).

Respect Life Sunday

Today is Respect Life Sunday. We thank you for your generosity to this weekend's second collection which supports the work of New Beginnings Pregnancy Help Center in Ash Flat in their efforts to help women who find themselves in an untimely pregnancy.

*We invite you this Sunday to join with others around the country as we stand in silent witness during the **Annual Life Chain**. We will meet in the Highland FNBC parking lot for a shared prayer before standing along the 4-lane from 1-2pm.*

*God of life & love, You created us in Your image & sent Your Son to bring us life. Instill in us a respect for all life, from conception to natural death. Empower us to work for justice for the poor. Nourish us that we may bring food to the hungry. Inspire us to cherish the fragile life of the unborn. Strengthen us to bring comfort to the chronically ill. Teach us to treat the aging with dignity & respect. Bring us one day into the glory of everlasting life. We ask this through Christ our Lord.
† Amen †*

Next Weekend's Second Collection

Bishop Taylor has asked all parishes for a second Hurricane Collection, which will be done in our parish Oct. 7 & 8. There are blue Disaster Relief envelopes at the back of church and in the vestibule for those who wish to use one.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK...

"How can there be too many children? That's like saying there are too many flowers." ~ St. Teresa of Calcutta

☺ Wishing you a happy week! ☺

Annual Parish Picnic

The Parish Council is sponsoring a picnic for all parishioners, young & old, on Sunday, October 8th, from 1-4pm (meal served @ 1:30). It will be held on the side grounds of the church. Tables and chairs will be set-up, but you are welcome to bring your lawn chairs and find a shady spot to sit. The KCs will be providing hamburgers and hot dogs, as well as condiments and drinks. Parishioners are asked to bring: **A-G: Cookies/Brownies**

H-Z: Side dishes

There will be games for all ages, including a Cake/Pie Walk. Sign-up sheets are in the vestibule; please let us know how many from your family will be attending so enough meat can be purchased. *(Cakes/pies will be needed, so when signing-up, please indicate by your name if you are bringing one so we know if we need to buy more.)* There is also a sheet to sign-up to help with Clean-Up. If you have questions, call Glenn Harris, P.C. Parish Life Chairman, 870-710-2692. *(Rain date: 10/22)*

Eternal Rest

Our condolences to the families of former parishioners, **Anne Corso** and **Barbara Cunningham**, who we have learned recently died. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen †

Open Adoration Hours

Tuesday: 5-6pm

Wednesday: 2-3pm, 3-4pm & 4-5:30pm

Call Anne Kootz if interested, 847-1985

~ also ~

Wednesday: 6:30-8pm

Call Bernie Brandenburg if interested, 994-2744

Next PC Meeting, Oct. 26th, 12noon

Parish Council meetings are open to parishioners to attend. If you wish to bring up a topic, let Becky in the Office know two weeks in advance so you can be put on the agenda.

Thank You

Thank you so much for your faithful support of our parish outreach to those in need in this geographic area. We continue to try to help – especially those with small children or elderly with limited incomes. May God bless you for your generosity! ~ St. Vincent de Paul

Items Needed for Next Weekend's Food Pantry Collection:

Box Dinners; Mac & Cheese; Cereal; Puddings; Canned Vegetables, Meat and Fruit; Canned or Powdered Milk, Laundry Soap, Shampoo, Dish Soap and Toilet Paper.

Thank you for your response to last month's Food Pantry Collection, 263 items were donated! God bless you!

Christmas Caroling in the Caverns

Even though Christmas is three months away, there has been some interest in going as a group to Caroling in the Caverns at Blanchard Springs Caverns, Mountain View. It is a wonderful way to welcome the holidays. We have chosen the December 17th performance at 3:30pm. Tickets are \$25 each. We will car pool and stop for dinner on the way home from the concert. There will be a sign-up sheet in the vestibule. Please sign-up by October 15th. If there is enough interest a block of tickets will be purchased. For info, call the Church Office.

Olive Wood Carvings

Bethlehem Handycrafts will be here Oct 28/29 selling olive wood carvings by artisans in the Holy Land. The proceeds support the Christians who live in the Holy Land so they can afford to remain there to protect the sacred places and house visitors. Checks and debit or credit cards are accepted.

Holy Father's October Intentions

That all workers may receive respect and protection of their rights, and that the unemployed may receive the opportunity to contribute to the common good.