

PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME!

Sunday, October 23 ♦ Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Special Intention for Tom Henry
(Glenn Haninger)

11:00 a.m. Living/Deceased of the Holy Cross Family
– *Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14*

Monday, October 24 ♦ NO MASS

Tuesday, October 25 ♦ Weekday

6:15 p.m. Ginny Farrell(Tom & Kim Duncan)
– *Eph 5:21-33; Lk 13:18-21*

Wednesday, October 26 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. Deceased Tenants of Nazareth Towers
(Helen Meers)
– *Eph 6:1-9; Lk 13:22-30*

Thursday, October 27 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. Special Intention of H. Joseph Stegmann
(Mike & Cathy Agriesti)
– *Eph 6:10-20; Lk 13:31-35*

Friday, October 28 ♦ Sts. Simon & Jude

11:30 a.m. Living/Deceased of the Cullinan Family
(Jeanne C. Brown)
– *Eph 2:9-22; Lk 6:12-16*

Saturday, October 29 ♦ Weekday

11:30 a.m. Living/Deceased of Agriesti & Stegmann
Families (Mike & Cathy Agriesti)
– *Phil 1:18-26; Lk 14:1, 7-11*

Sunday, October 30 ♦

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Margaret & Elsie Haninger (Glenn Haninger)
11:00 a.m. Living/Deceased of the Holy Cross Family
Wis 11:22–12:2; 2 Thes 1:11–2:2; Lk 19:1-10

+ Please remember in your prayers our homebound parishioners, and those who are ill: Michael Baker, Betty Cockran, Richard Deneski, Herbert Froesch, Sr. Sally Groom, Robert Hackett, Dr. Glenn Haninger, Julie Litsinberger, Susan Luck, Ellen McMillen, Mary McNellis, Marilyn Scott.

St. Lawrence Haven – November 13th

Attention, all our “Lil Larry” sandwich makers. The next opportunity to support St. Lawrence Haven is Sunday, November 13, 2016, following the 9:00 a.m Mass at the Holy Cross School.

THANKS!

OCTOBER 16, 2016 OFFERINGS

Designated Collections
(Funds forwarded directly to the Diocese)

Mass Attendance

9:00 a.m. = 68
11:00 a.m. = 81

Offertory.....	\$1,829.04
Mail-in.....	\$ 831.00
Repair Coll	\$ 100.00
Mail-in Repair	\$ 617.00
less 6% Diocese tax ...	(\$ 202.62)
Net to Parish:	\$3,174.42

**Looking for Answers?
Looking for Truth?**

**A weekly sermon series in October
Sundays, 9:00 a.m. Mass and 11:00 a.m. Mass**

Don't miss these homilies and invite your friends to come to church. These homilies could change your life or make you smarter.

October 23: Why Be Catholic

October 30: What Do We Believe

Opportunity

All adult parishioners will have the opportunity to identify existing Holy Cross members or themselves as possible candidates to parish pastoral council. Please use the **election form** in today's bulletin which we hope you will return by October 30. Thank you for your participation.



World Mission Sunday – Today!

We are called to this Eucharistic celebration along with Catholics in every parish, chapel and church throughout the world – to recommit ourselves to the missionary task. Let us pray at this Mass for all who long to hear the hope-filled message of Jesus' love and salvation. Let us offer generous financial help to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith in support of more than 1,150 local churches throughout Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands and remote regions of Latin America.



**Do You Want to become Catholic or
Study about the Catholic Church?**

The process has just started and you can still join. We meet almost every Thursday at the Martin De Porres Center from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. The address is 2330 Airport Drive. No need to call just show up and let them know you are interested and come from Holy Cross. You don't have to make any commitment till early next year. Just come and check us out.

THE WORD

Fr. James V. Marchionda, OP, wrote a song – “The Prayer of the Lowly” – that sets part of our first reading to music: “The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds and does not rest till it finds God.” Although Sirach proclaims that God knows no favorites, God seems to hear the cry of the lowly – that is, the oppressed, the widow, and the orphan – with sharper ears. Pope Francis keeps reminding about this: “God’s heart has a special place for the poor.” We see a picture of this in today’s Gospel parable.

It is the prayer of the tax collector, who did not even raise his eyes to heaven, that Jesus offers as an example of the attitude we need. He simply and honestly prayed, “O God, be merciful to me a sinner.” His poverty freed him to name his utter need for God. The Pharisee, on the other hand, was full of himself, “I thank you...I am not like the rest... I fast... I pay tithes.” It’s all about him: “I, I, I, I.” The Pharisee had what my Aunt Sophia called “‘I’ trouble.” Even when looking heavenward, he could see only himself.

Each of us is poor in our own way because we are all sinners. We need God’s rich mercy to heal us, transform us, and raise us up. Each of us has “‘I’ trouble from time to time. It’s all about me. However, if we can admit our need for God’s mercy, like the tax collector, and give God the glory, like the author of Second Timothy, our prayer can pierce the clouds and will find rest in the God who judges justly, affirms the right, and will not delay in answering our prayers.

– *With whose prayer do you identify more, the tax collector or the Pharisee? Why?*

– *When has an awareness of your lowliness helped you pray in ways that pierced the clouds to reach God’s ears?*

“Living the Word”

Mass Intentions

One of the greatest acts of charity is to pray for the living and the dead, and the greatest and most powerful prayer we have is the Mass since the fruits of the Mass are the very fruits of Jesus’ redemption. Mass stipends (offerings) are \$10.00 each; only one offering per Mass. All Mass intentions will be listed in the bulletin. We are in need of daily Mass intentions. Please contact Mike Agriesti by regular mail, or drop a note into the collection basket on Sundays or email admmike@columbus.rr.com to schedule a Mass.



Special Parish Dates

Mark your calendars for the following important dates for the parish:

- 1) **Wednesday, November 16, 2016, Parish Council meets in the Rectory at 6:00 p.m.**
- 2) **Thursday, November 24, 2016, Thanksgiving Day Mass at 10:00 a.m.**
- 3) **Friday, November 25, 2016, No Mass this day.**

Catholic Men’s Luncheon Club Event Friday, November 4, 2016

The next Catholic Men’s Luncheon Club session will feature John Howard, former Catholic Man of the Year and present parishioner at St. Matthew the Apostle Church in Gahanna. John will speak about Prison Ministry from his own unique point of view. Please join us for this talk on Friday, November 4th at St. Patrick Church in downtown Columbus! Holy Mass begins at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch and John’s talk until about 1:00 p.m. No reservations necessary. \$10.00 covers the lunch and meeting. Bring a friend!

For information on Catholic Men’s Luncheons, visit www.ColumbusCatholicMen.com or contact Tim Merkle, CMLC President at htm@ejhlaw.com.

Reminder – Triannual Collection for the Military Archdiocese

The Diocese of Columbus will participate in this collection to support the Archdiocese for the Military Services (USA). It is set for the weekend of November 5-6, and funds raised will support the pastoral ministries provided by the Archdiocese. For more information, visit www.milarch.org/nationalcollection.

Hurricane Matthew and Syria Crisis

For the latest news about the Catholic Church’s international response, visit the Catholic Relief Services at www.crs.org. For information about the Church’s domestic response for Hurricane Matthew, visit www.catholiccharitiesusa.org or contact Social Concerns at 614-241-2540 or email socmailbox@columbuscatholic.org.