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Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time September 10, 2023

Sunday, September 10, 2023

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Ezekiel 33:7-9; Romans 138-10;
Matthew 18:15-20

Monday, September 11, 2023

Colossians 1:24-2:3; Luke 6:6-11
1:00 PM -2:00 PM – Al-anon

Tuesday, September 12, 2023

The Most Holy Name of Mary
Colossians 2:6-15; Luke 6:12-19

Wednesday, September 13, 2023

St. John Chrysostom

Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 6:20-26

**1:00 – 3:00 PM – Bible Study St. Philip Neri
Parish Room
Office Closed**

Thursday, September 14, 2023

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Numbers 21:4b-9; Philippians 2:6-11;
John 3:13-17

Friday, September 15, 2023

Our Lady of Sorrows

1 Timothy 1:1-2, 12-14; John 19:25-27

**9:00 AM Daily Mass – St. Philip Neri
Rectory**

†The Slywka & Derbowka Family's
by Jerry & Cecile Slywka

Saturday, September 16, 2023

Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian

1 Timothy 1:15-17; Luke 6:43-49

**4:00 PM – 4:30 PM – Reconciliation –
St. Philip Neri**

**5:00 PM – Mass St. Philip Neri Church
†Jim Talaske by the Talaske Family**

Faith Formation News

Registration for Faith Formation grades K-12 are due in my office. Please take a moment to fill out the forms and return them to the Parish. We are looking forward to beginning and excited to see the kids.

This weekend the end of the Gospel reading talks about prayer: Again, amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." The Catholic Church believes in intercessor prayers. We are called to pray for one another, for the sick, the dying, those struggling, and hurting. Praying for situations of life, natural disasters, families, and friends that have left the faith. The list goes on and on. Our prayer can be short, simply stopping and offering a prayer to Jesus. Or at times we reach out and ask others to pray. It may be a situation where a deeper longer prayer may be in order: rosary, divine mercy chaplet, a novena. We may gather with others and pray.

I remember my Godmother, who had prayed for 40 years that her husband would be baptized. I too was praying for him. During one of his stays at the hospital, I asked him if he would want to be baptized and he said YES! So off to get a priest I went! My Godmother was shocked and delighted. The next day in the hospital he was baptized, after 40 years of prayer. Don't give up on your prayers, they work but it may take time, patience, and endurance.

Other times I have been asked to pray for someone or a situation and the answer or healing came right away. Often, I have noticed that our Lord answers in a more full and lavish way than I have prayed for. Sometimes in a strange turning of events.

Pray, pray, and pray! Ask others to pray with you and for whatever you are praying for. Spend time in prayer, building a relationship with our Lord. When we do as scripture says he knows our voice and we know his voice.

In hope, Beth Dake Director of Faith Formation

Msgr. Victor Gallagher
Council #12668



*Committed to living Catholic values while
serving our parish community*

FOUR BASIC FORMS OF PRAYER

Prayer of Blessing and Adoration

In this prayer we express praise and honor to God. We praise God for giving us life, for the wonder and beauty of our world, and for all the many blessings we enjoy.

Prayer of Petition

This is probably the most familiar prayer form of prayer. When we pray our petitions, we are asking God for something that we believe is good—for ourselves or for others God may answer our prayers in a different way and in a different timeframe than we are seeking but God will always give us what we need.

Prayer of Intercession

This form of prayer is prayer on behalf of others. This prayer can be a source of blessing upon others, the Church, and our world. Such prayers can bring us strength and courage and peace of mind and heart.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

This form of prayer helps us to be grateful for God's many blessings, spiritual and temporal, and helps us to appreciate all the good things God gives to us. Reserving some time to praise and thank God for his gifts—the gift of life; the gift of our families and friends; the gift of food, clothing, and shelter; and the numerous other gifts which we often take for granted—helps us to form a true spirit of gratitude.

Pray for our Priests

The last week of September the priests from the Diocese of Grand Rapids go away on a convocation. While Father Loc and the priests from the diocese are away the parishes in the diocese have been asked to open our doors for an hour of prayer for Father Loc and the priests of our diocese. On Tuesday September 26 St Philip Neri will be open from 6:30 pm until 7:30 pm. The rosary will be said at 6:30 pm and the rest of the time will be silent prayer. Please mark your calendars and plan on coming to pray for one hour.

Anniversary Mass

Together with your families, the Church in the Diocese of Grand Rapids honors the faithful witness to your vocation of marriage and wishes to celebrate with you. Bishop Walkowiak is inviting **all couples celebrating milestone anniversaries** to join him on **Sunday, Oct. 22 at the 10 a.m. Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Andrew** (301 Sheldon Blvd., Grand Rapids) for this annual celebration. A simple reception will immediately follow. Please RSVP by calling your parish office.

Altar Flowers

Altar flowers this weekend are provided by Irene Taylor for her birthday.

Collection Report
September 2, 2023

St. Philip Neri/St. Anne

Envelopes (34) **\$2,365.00**
Loose **\$531.09**
\$2,896.09

Wkly. Budget: **\$3,100.00**
O/ (U) Budget: **(\$203.91)**

YTD Budget: **\$31,000.00**
YTD Total: **\$27,782.09**
(\$3,217.91)

Schedule of Ministers

September 19, 2023 5:00 PM

Eucharist: Beth Hoeh
Eucharist: Bob Shepler
Eucharist: Karah Hensel
Word: Amy Shank
Hospitality: Betty Yost
Larry Wisniewski
Volunteer Needed
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