

Sunday Connection

A Gospel Reflection by Loyola Press

Sunday, October 11th

28th Sunday in
Ordinary Time(A)

Gospel Reading

Matthew 21:1-14

Jesus compares the kingdom of
heaven to a wedding feast.



FAMILY CONNECTION

Today's Gospel reminds us that God invites all of us to his kingdom. How do we respond to this invitation? In theological terms, God has granted us free will to accept or reject salvation. The parable of the wedding feast reminds us that God desires our wholehearted acceptance of his invitation to salvation.

As you gather as a family, discuss what you consider appropriate attire for various occasions. For example, if your family were invited to a neighbor's barbecue, what would you wear? If you were planning to attend the symphony, what might you wear? If invited to an evening wedding, what might you wear? Discuss how our preparations for an event and our choice of attire indicates the importance and value we place on the occasion. In today's Gospel Jesus uses this metaphor to talk about the kingdom of heaven. Read Matthew 22:1-14. Discuss why the guest was thrown out of the wedding feast. What does Jesus expect of those who accept his invitation of salvation? What would be the evidence of our conversion to God's salvation? Pray together as a family that you will respond wholeheartedly to God's invitation to salvation. Pray together today's psalm, Psalm 23.



St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

OCTOBER 11, 2026

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Hours listed are approximate
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M-F: 2:30 pm - 5 pm (during the school year)

MASS SCHEDULE: OCTOBER 12TH - 18TH

DAY	TIME	LOCATION	MASS INTENTION
M - 10.12	--NO MASS - Father's Day Off--		
T - 10.13	8:30am	Parkview	LeRoy Mages
"	9:30am	Southwind	Berna Mae Stegman
W - 10.14	8:30am	Parkview	Frankie Hogan-Welsh
Th - 10.15	8:30am	Parkview	Deacon Dwaine Lampe
F - 10.16	8:30am	Parkview	Lyle & Serena Tenbrink
Sat - 10.17	5:00 PM	Church	Sylvester & Louise VanNahmen
Sun - 10.18	9:00 AM	Church	All Parishioners of St. John

Confessions available 45 minutes before the weekend Masses.
Or call to schedule an appointment.

MASS MINISTERS - OCTOBER 17TH & 18TH

Collection: Logan Hubbell & Kevin Mages

MASS	SATURDAY - 5:00 PM	SUNDAY - 9:00 AM
Sacristan	Dana Howerton	LynAnn Bowman
Servers	Kaleb Konrade Kambre Konrade Kaley Konrade	Clare Bowman Madeline Bowman
Lector	Cindy Hubbell	Craig Bowman
EMHC	Katie Gleason Steve Hubbell Larry Schmidt	Levi Benjamin Mary Benjamin LynAnn Bowman
Music	Howertons	Howertons
Ushers	Carson Konrade Kelly Stein	Keith Brack Kevin Mages
Gifts	Ushers	Ushers

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1. Visit formed.org/signup
2. Enter our zip code and select our parish.
3. Enter your name & email.

Join the Email Prayer Chain

To join the list or to send a prayer request, email Ginny Werner (ginny_werner@yahoo.com) or Lynnette Hessman (nettemae1984@yahoo.com).



St. Leonard's
Council #1539

K.C. Meetings

1st Mondays
7:45 PM Rosary
Meeting Follows



The Daughters of Isabella
St. Vincent de Paul #211

D.I. Meetings

2nd Mondays
7:00 PM
Oak Room

BIRTHDAYS: 10/12 - 10/18

10.13	Callie Wadley
10.14	Kitrina Craft
10.15	Jonathan Able
10.16	Tom Burke Reece Schulte
10.18	Connie Heskamp



Parish Announcements, News, and Events

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION: In today's second reading, St. Paul thanks the Philippians for being willing to share in his hardships and promises that God, in turn, will fully supply all their needs. Our God truly cannot be outdone in generosity!

SOUP SUPPER

If any businesses or individuals want to donate raffle prizes for the soup supper, please contact Lorie Stein. 620-385-0079

St. John the Baptist ANNUAL PARISH SOUP SUPPER



5:00-7:00 PM
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
PARISH CENTER

SOUP, SANDWICHES, & PIE
FREE-WILL DONATION

GAMES, RAFFLE PRIZES,
& DOOR PRIZES

FUN & FOOD
FOR EVERYONE!

JOIN FR. JOHN FORKUOH ON PILGRIMAGE IN 2027!

Fr. John is hosting a 12-Day Pilgrimage through Proximo Travel, visiting Rome, Assisi, Fatima, and Lourdes **June 4-15, 2027!** If you are interested in this once-in-a-lifetime trip and want to know more details such as cost, itinerary, inclusions, and registration information, scan the QR code to learn more from the Proximo Travel website:



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

The ministry schedule for November and December will be worked on soon. If the new Mass times have changed your preferred day of attendance and it may affect your ministry roles, please contact Jenny via email and let her know of any changes or date conflicts you might have: jschmidt@stjohnspearville.com

As always, thank you to all who serve us in the Mass. The liturgy would not look or run the same without you. You are appreciated!

VOCATION REFLECTION:

*"The Lord of hosts will provide a feast of rich food."
Let us look only to the Lord for our salvation and peace,
for the things of this world pass away.*

If you're discerning the priesthood, contact our Diocesan Director of Vocations:
Fr. John Stang @ 620-227-1500 or vocationpromotion@dcdiocese.org

TITHING REPORT for OCT. 3rd/4th:

Box: \$ 1,930.00
Online: \$ 470.00

ATRIUM OPEN HOUSE

Our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program is up and running! We had so many parishioners lend their talents and donate items to create the learning space called the *Atrium*. We welcome anyone who'd like to see the space to come down to the basement classroom for a brief tour after Masses on Saturday, October 17th and Sunday, October 18th. Walk through the space and check out the work with our catechists. Thank you to all who have contributed!

ROSARY CHALLENGE:

As always, when you receive the statue, pray for increased vocations in our diocese, your own personal intentions, and the pope's intentions listed for the month.

October Intention:

Let us pray that mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.



October 11th-18th:

Whitney Gleason Family

Oktoberfest

Our neighbors at St. Andrew's in Wright invite all to come out and enjoy their Oktoberfest Celebration on Saturday, **October 24th at 3 pm.**

Hosted by their Knights of Columbus Council #1862, they'll have great German food, beer sales, and live music by *Crazy Horse 2.0* from 7-10 pm. Come out for a good time and to support the Knights at Wright. The event will be held at the St. Andrew Parish Center.

FAITH FORMATION INVITES YOU TO A STUDY ON PRAYER:

Join with other parishioners at 3:30pm on Sunday afternoons at the Parish Center, as we dive into a study called, **"The Heart of Prayer."** Bishop Andrew Cozzens draws from Scripture and the saints to reveal the beauty and transcendence of a prayer life, offering guidance that is practical and down-to-earth.