

## October Birthdays

Annette McCabe (01)  
 Julia Hounsell (04)  
 Gary Conner (06)  
 John Hampton (14)  
 Jose' Edwin Alvarado Mendoza (21)  
 Ray Moyer (23)  
 Steve Bradish (27)  
 Elizabeth Lecco (28)  
 Anna Ellrich (28)  
 Lynn Goss (29)  
 Karam Afram (30)

## October Anniversaries

Rob & Virginia Jackson (14)  
 Glenn & Kathy Moore (28)  
 Phil & Kari Hampton (31)

My Birthday and Anniversary Lists are in need of updating, especially for our new parishioners. Please see me (Bonnie) before or after mass or email me at [bonnie3871@gmail.com](mailto:bonnie3871@gmail.com) to be sure your name is my lists. I want to be sure your special dates are not overlooked.

Please continue to pray for the sick of our Parish. To add someone to the prayer list, call Fr. Jim or email Bonnie Toth at: [bonnie3871@gmail.com](mailto:bonnie3871@gmail.com).

Dylan Anderson  
 Robert Berry  
 Patricia Bonnewitz  
 Millie Budney  
 Michael Burke  
 Sandra Burke  
 Julie Byron  
 Toni Capute  
 Deacon John Carey  
 Riordan Cavoris  
 Jim Croushorn  
 Justin Curtis  
 Carol Donato  
 Islea Duncan  
 John Evans  
 Jack Fisher  
 Linda Gardner

Elizabeth Gillam  
 Lorraine Brennen Gilliam  
 Lynn Goss  
 Kathleen Hamilton  
 Jeanne Harper  
 Holly Hewitt  
 Jeannine Iannaco  
 Pablo Ignacio  
 Patrick Ignacio  
 Meja Irvin  
 Leslie Jarrett  
 Marge Lent  
 Paul Lent  
 Carolyn Martin  
 Kimberly Martin  
 Greg Moore  
 Kathleen Moore

Beverly Moyer  
 Chris Moyer  
 Ray Moyer  
 Don Notestein  
 Patsy Notestein  
 Angel Ortiz  
 George Perry  
 Gary Peters  
 Laurie Peters  
 Frank Powell  
 Nelson Sanchez  
 Princess Sanchez  
 John Seaquist  
 Ray Servis  
 Jane Sliwinski  
 Margaret Smith  
 Chere Tew

Jim Tew  
 Fred Toth  
 Amy Tracy  
 Charles Watson  
 Danielle Weedon  
 Laura Williams  
 Louise Williams  
 Michael Williams  
 Travis Williams  
 Betty Jo Wolfram

## The Financial Corner

Collections for September 29: \$1622.00  
 Attendees: 72

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*"Amen, I say to you, whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it." Then he embraced them and blessed them, placing his hands on them"*  
 Mark 10:15-16

**October 6, 2024**  
**27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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**Holy Eucharist**  
**Sunday 8:30 AM; Tuesday 10:00 AM and 7:00 PM**  
**Thursday 12:15 PM**

Bulletin news and requests for mass cards: contact  
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## A PASTORAL MOMENT WITH FR. JIM

The Gospel today speaks of the Lord being faithful to us (Mark 10:20-16) and how couples seek to image the faithfulness of God in their relationship with each other. I feel that a permanent deacon like Lou Burgess and his wife Mar-Jane ["she who is to be obeyed"] could better address this. I lack the experience and expertise of a married person. There are others who would be equally qualified.

I would like to address the quote which refers to children: "...the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." When I was prison chaplain, I encountered men behind bars who seemed to have no authoritative voice in the home. A parent or guardian had been lacking to teach the child the ways of the world and help form the child's conscience. There are many in prison and elsewhere that grew up valueless and with no guardrails for their words and actions. A strong father or a strong mother could have been that internal voice as the child came of age, which would have prevented the young person from hurting themselves and others.

Sometimes that strong surrogate parent comes early in adulthood. Tony Dungee, a champion Super Bowl coach, took some wayward athletes under his wing and aided their rehabilitation. There are other father figures and mother figures who do the same. When I was at Sacred Heart in Petersburg, there was a woman on my staff named Karen who had been in ministry for over twenty-five years. She was the Christian Formation Co-Ordinator. Karen guided some of the younger women in the parish who had issues.

In the second half of the gospel today, I believe Jesus is addressing how we can prevent the "fallout" of lack of guidance to children when the marriage is in crises.

With that said, I have great admiration for those of you who have been married and are married. It is a challenging ministry that is 24/7 and one I am not able to try.

My hat is off to you!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

**Parish Pastoral Council:** "...We are called to serve one another and walk humbly with God." With great respect for lay leadership, you might be called to guide our parish by serving on our Parish Pastoral Council. Please consider it as we need your support. There are several openings available in the new year: a liaison to St. Victoria, liaison to Justice & Peace [Pregnancy Center/Mac's Kitchen/Grief Workshop], and Council Secretary just to name a few.

**Mac's Kitchen:** Mac's Kitchen is always in need of the following for their boxes: Mac and Cheeses; canned fruit, canned corn, canned green beans, canned tuna, spaghetti noodles, spaghetti sauce, cereal, elbow noodles. Thank you for your continued support to this ministry!

**Justice & Peace Update:** It's time for **Kairos Cookies** again. Eileen Brennen will be volunteering in the upcoming Kairos Ministry [Prison Ministry] Weekend and is asking for cookies no later than October 27th. Note that Eileen is asking for only 1-2 dozen from each volunteer baker. The key ingredient is **PRAYER**. Pray over the cookies as you drop



them onto the cookie sheets and bake them. Ask God to use your cookies as a source of His love to shine on the prisoners and staff of the Kairos Weekend. Pray that each cookie brings the inmate, officer or warden who eats it is closer to God. We want every person to become part of the family of God. Prison guidelines are: Cookies should be between 2 and 2 1/2 inches in diameter and not more than 1/2 inch thick. It is very important not to use icing, sugar or any other type of coating on the outside of the cookie. Do not add any kind of fruit or nuts to the cookies. Place 1 dozen cookies in a quart sized zip lock bag. Label the bag. Favorites are peanut butter, oatmeal, chocolate chip, molasses and sugar cookies. For more information, please visit: <https://www.kairosva.org/bake-cookies>. They also have a list of recipe's that can be downloaded. (There are a few copies on the Liturgy Table in the commons.)

**Fund Raising Meeting:** Given the shortfall on our making ends meet, some energetic and inspiring parishioners are holding a meeting at OLP on **Saturday, October 26th at 10:30 am**. Some ideas presented were making a quit to raffle, holding a rummage sale in town (great location) and a St. Patrick's day Dinner in March 2025. Please come and bring your ideas.