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)

Lynn Goss

Holly Hewitt

Meja Irvin

Leslie Jarrett

Marge Lent

Grea Moore

Kathleen Moore

Paul Lent

October Anniversaries

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

Our Lady Of Peace Catholic Church

Son of Man did not come to be served,

but to serve, and to give his life

as a ransom for many. Mark 10:45

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.

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

Elizabeth Gillam **Beverly Mover** Lorraine Brennen Gilliam Chris Moyer Ray Moyer Kathleen Hamilton Don Notestein Jeanne Harper Patsv Notestein Angel Ortiz Jeannine Iannaco George Perry Gary Peters Pablo Ignacio Patrick Ignacio Laurie Peters Frank Powell Nelson Sanchez Princess Sanchez John Seaguist Carolvn Martin Ray Servis Kimberly Martin 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

October 20, 2024 28th 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

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The Financial Corner

Collections for October 6, 2024: \$1013.00 Attendees: 83

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A PASTORAL MOMENT WITH FR. JIM

A lot of us did not know that my friend Ted Skirvan was an official scorer for the Boston Red Sox. Even though I am a Yankee fan, I am always fascinated about how the Red Sox, who were down 3-0 in the 2004 American League Championship, came all the way back and won four straight games to beat the Yankees 4 games to 3! I asked Ted about the feeling in that fourth game when the Sox were down 0-3. He told me that they played loose and relaxed so relaxed Ted said, that they were drinking "shots." Yes, they were drinking from the same bottle of whisky.

My own opinion was that by drinking from the same bottle, they would "go down" together. They would lose together or by some miracle win together. Well, we all know that the miracle did happen and they won that game and then the next tree and then go to the World Series. Perhaps they did play "loose" and the Yankees played tight!

At a wedding, the bride and groom share the cup. They drink from the same cup. It means that they will share one another's destiny. Oh, the joy of that day; the joy of children; the disappointments with one another; the sorrows and challenges of family.

In the Gospel, Mark 10:35-45, we have another ego trip by two of the Apostles. James and John want to sit on the seats of honor when Jesus comes into his glory. See the motivation: using the early church for upward mobility! (I am sure glad Pope Francis has not made any new monsignors during his pontificate!)

So, Jesus poses the question: "Can you drink from the same cup I drink from? In other words, can you share in my suffering and sorrow? Are you willing to take the path of downward mobility? Can you also share in the destiny of your people? Will you cry with them? Will you listen to their tales of woe with your heart? Even then Jesus says, the places of honor are not guaranteed.

Isaiah has the correct motivation. Pain is redemptive and meaningful in itself when it is for others. Suffering is integral to salvation. Suffering is not beyond the purview of God's providence. The next time you come to Communion and share the cup (The Precious Blood), think of the One who shares His destiny with you and me. Let us pray about how we can better share our destiny with one another.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS



Trunk or Treat: Friday, October 25th at 7 PM: Please join us with your vehicle (and yourself, too) decorated and filled with goodies to give out to the children this night. In the past, we have lined up our cars with the trunks facing out and all decked out with Halloween finery. Then the children and their parents can walk around the parking lot stopping at each ve-

hicle to see the decorations and get their goodies! You do not have to decorate - it's just fun with you with to do so. We will line the children up at 7 pm. The children start to stroll around at 7:30 pm. In the past, we have had a lot of children. This is open to the public and will be advertised in the newspaper.

Fundraising 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** to plan some ideas for fundraising events. Please come and bring your ideas. We need your help.



All Saints Masses: Masses will be offered at Our Lady of Peace on Thursday, October 31 at 12:15 pm and Saturday, November 2 at 10:30 am.

Kairos Ministry Prayer Chain: Eileen Brennen will be participating once again in the Kairos Prison Ministry October 31-November 3. Part of the ministry includes an actual physical prayer chain containing names of everyone who will be praying for the Team. The list of names will be displayed in the main talk room during the first day as well as being added to a prayer scroll to let them know who is praying for them. These acts of agape love lets them know that God cares for them and has not abandoned them. If you would like to be a part of the prayer chain, please reach out to Eileen (abbasgirl24522@yahoo.com). (Don't forget, Kairos cookies are needed by Oct. 27.)

Birthday and Anniversary Lists: My lists are in dire need of updating, especially for our new parishioners. Please see me after masses or send me an email (bonnie3871@gmail.com) so I can be sure your special day is not overlooked.