

ORDINARY TIME

4 October 2015

TODAY

- Elementary Religious Education 9am
- Joy of the Gospel (PC LL #4) after 8:30am Mass
- Nursery (Room #102) during 10:30 Mass
- Parish Town Hall Workshop (DH) after the 10:30 Mass
- MS Edge (DH) 5:30pm

MONDAY | Oct. 5

- Jon 1:1-2:2, 11/Lk 10:25-37
- Men's Bible Study (Room #101) 7am
- Prayer Shawl Ministry (McDuffee) 5:30pm
- Novel Readers Book Club (McDuffee) 7pm

TUESDAY | Oct. 6

- Jon 3:1-10/Lk 10:38-42
- Mass in Chapel (+Monte Jesnek) 8:30am
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Chapel) 9am-7pm
- Catholic Divorce Support Group (PC LL #4) 6:30pm
- Journey Through Grief (PC LL #1) 7pm

WEDNESDAY | Oct. 7 | Our Lady of the Rosary

- Jon 4:1-11/Lk 11:1-4
- Elementary Religious Education 4 & 6pm
- Evening Prayer in Chapel 6:30pm
- Journey of Faith for Teens (Youth Room) 6:30pm
- Cantor Practice 6:30pm
- Choir Practice 7pm

THURSDAY | Oct. 8

- Mal 3:13-20/Lk 11:5-13
- Ladies Bible Study (DH) 9:30am
- Catholic Inquiry (PC LL #4) 6:30pm
- Catholic Renewal (Library) 6:30pm

FRIDAY | Oct. 9

- Jl 1:13-15, 2:1-2/Lk 11:15-26
- Morning Prayer in Chapel 8:30am
- Crossroads Staff Day ~ Offices Closed
- Wedding Rehearsal (Church) 6pm

SATURDAY | Oct. 10

- Jl 4:12-21/Lk 11:27-28
- That Man Is You (DH) 6am
- Wedding: Andrew Smith & Christine Hendershot 2pm
- Reconciliation/Confessions 4-4:45pm
- Contemporary Choir Practice 4:30pm

LORD'S DAY LITURGIES | October 11, 2015

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 7:7-11 / Heb 4:12-13 / Mk 10:17-30

5:30pm Saturday

Parish Family

8:30am Sunday

+Fred Ressel +James Gray

10:30am Sunday

+Thomas Rainey (first anniversary) Mary Tracey & Family

St. Pius X ~ October 10 & 11

A Weekend with Something for Everyone

Presented by Crossroads Parishes

- Men's Breakfast | 10/10 ~ 8am
- Middle School | 10/10 ~ 3-7pm
- High School | 10/10 ~ 5:15-9pm
- Adult/High School Youth | 10/11 ~ 3-5pm
(see pg. 3 for more details)



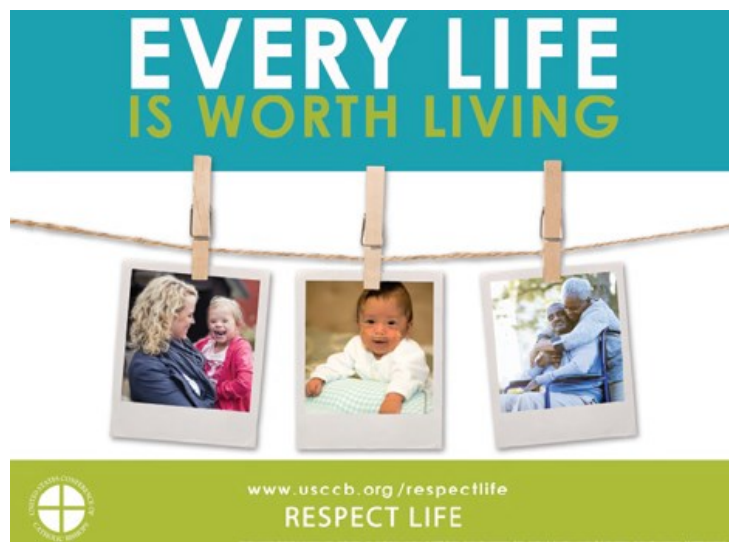
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empowered by the Holy Spirit
to grow our relationship with Jesus Christ
and with one another
as we worship, pray, learn and serve.



FAITH CHAT

Sunday's gospel unfolds in two interrelated situations. The Pharisees approach Jesus to test him about his stance concerning marriage and divorce; the disciples rebuke the people for bringing their children to Jesus. In both situations, Jesus upholds human relationships as fundamental to embracing the kingdom of God; the faithful ones are embraced and blessed by God. Jesus exposes the hardness of the Pharisees' hearts and challenges us to look deep within our own hearts.
How does the Kingdom of God challenge me?

Family Together: Jesus embraced and blessed the children in today's Gospel story. Begin a practice of blessing your children. Search the library or internet for Catholic blessings and prayers suitable for families.

Prepare for next week: Read and reflect on The 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (beginning on p. 390 in "Living Liturgy" missal).

ST. PIUS X CATHOLIC PARISH

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Parish & Formation Office Hours:

9-Noon; 1-5pm Mon-Thurs 9-Noon on Fridays

Parish Book of Prayer — This book near the main church entrance is for your prayers of intercession or gratitude. They are part of the intentions at Mass.

Parish Membership — Count yourself in! If you worship with us regularly, kindly register as a parishioner. You'll receive parish mailings, and it will help us provide pastoral care should you need it. Contact 532-9344; or parishoffice@spxcatholic.org.

Infant Baptisms are celebrated at various times throughout the year. If you believe raising your child in our Catholic faith is one of your most important duties as a parent, call the parish office.

Sacrament of Marriage — The lifelong covenant between a man and a woman is a sign of God's covenant with us. At least six months of prayer and preparation are needed before entering this commitment. Please contact Fr. Chris as soon as you are engaged. Couples celebrating an anniversary ending in a "0" or "5" may request a special blessing.

OTHER MARRIAGE RESOURCES: www.foryourmarriage.org/

Pastoral Care of the Sick — If you or a loved one are seriously ill, homebound, or anticipating surgery, please contact Marjorie Flores or Fr. Chris in the parish office. The hospitals do not contact us.

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Respect Life Month | Every Life is Worth Living

BISHOP DAVID WALKOWIAK
Diocese of Grand Rapids



My dear friends in Christ,

The theme of Respect Life Month this year is "Every Life is Worth Living." Whether it lasts for a brief moment or for a hundred years, each of our lives is a good and perfect gift. At every stage and in every circumstance, we are held in existence by God's love.

Our relationships on earth are meant to help us and others grow in perfect love. We are meant to depend on one another, serve each other with humility and walk together in times of suffering. Pope Francis reminds us of the profound nature of our connections as human persons when he wrote his encyclical *Laudato Si*, "The human person grows more, matures more, and is sanctified more to the extent that he or she enters into relationships, going out from themselves to live in communion with God, with others and with all creatures."

An elderly man whose health is quickly deteriorating; an unborn baby girl whose diagnosis indicates she may not have long to live; a young boy with Down syndrome; a mother facing terminal cancer — each may have great difficulties and need assistance, but each of their lives is a good and perfect gift.

In recent months, we have been reminded with often shocking imagery and language that the "business" of abortion providers has no regard for the sanctity of unborn life. Pope Francis has called abortion the product of a "widespread mentality of profit, the throwaway culture, which has today enslaved the hearts and minds of so many." We must renew our efforts to prayerfully and peacefully act on behalf of these most vulnerable unborn babies, embracing life and remembering that every life has worth.

I am grateful to the parishes and schools throughout our diocese who participate in the Respect Life program during October and who make our respect life efforts a priority throughout the year. I invite everyone in our diocese to continue to pray and witness to our commitment as Catholics to being people of life.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ David J. Walkowiak



Heavenly Father, thank you
for the precious gift of life.

Help us to cherish and protect
this gift, even in the midst of fear,
pain, and suffering.

Give us love for all people,
especially the most vulnerable,
and help us bear witness to the
truth that every life is worth living.

Through our words and actions,
may others encounter the
outstretched hands
of Your mercy.

We ask this through
Christ, our Lord. Amen



Faith Formation | Religious Education

ELIZABETH POST
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ELEMENTARY FAITH FORMATION classes have begun! If you need to register your children for classes, please contact the Formation Office at 538-2600.

NO FORMATION CLASSES on Oct. 11 to give families time to attend the Crossroads event with Chris Padgett at 3pm. Please register online.

SACRAMENTS RETREAT: Our first retreat for all those preparing for First Communion is Sunday, Oct. 25 at 11:50am.

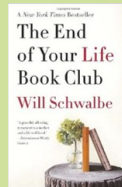
UPCOMING EDGE is TONIGHT (10/4)...we are starting our series on John Paul II's Theology of the Body!

EDGE ~ OCT 10 & 11: Middle Schoolers will be attending the Chris Padgett event on Saturday, Oct. 10 at 3pm; Mass and dinner included. No Edge on Sunday, Oct. 11.

MIDDLE SCHOOL INTERVIEWS: All 7th & 8th graders need to sign up for an interview with me. Please email me or call 538-2600.

YOUNG ADULTS will meet at 7pm on Oct. 12 & 19 in the lower level of the Parish Center. We will begin a study on the Mass. Please email me for more information.

NOVEL READERS BOOK CLUB will meet at 7pm on Monday, Oct. 5, in the McDuffee Room to discuss *The End of Your Life Book Club* by Will Schwalbe. Contact Linda Stray (lindastray@yahoo.com or 249-8034) or Mary Boehm (meb2904@aol.com or 538-9635) with inquiries.



YOUNG ADULT RETREAT: Singles & Married ~ Ages 18-40
The Joy of the Gospel: Walking Together As Disciples
Oct 10 ~ 9am-5pm ~ Dominican Center at Marywood
Explore the life and message of Pope Francis' challenge to be "missionary disciples." Walking together we will reflect, share, pray, and celebrate our call to follow Christ. Register by Oct. 5 online at grdominicans.org.

A Weekend with Something for Everyone!

Offered by the CROSSROADS Parishes
at St. Pius X Parish, Grandville

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10TH

MEN'S BREAKFAST • 8:00AM
Being a Man

YOUTH RALLY

Abundant Living: Picked, Prepared, Protected

7TH - 8TH GRADE • 3-7PM*

9TH - 12TH GRADE • 5:15-9PM

***Includes Mass and dinner**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11TH

(RESERVATIONS REQUIRED BY 10/1)

Communication: Prayer Matters?

ADULTS/HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH • 3 PM

**Special Activities for children/youth
K-6th & 7th-8th (childcare available)**

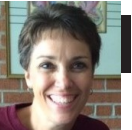
DINNER FOR ALL!



FEATURING
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High School Youth Ministry

MERRY HASS
mhass@spxcatholic.org



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct. 4~Noon-2pm | Parish Workshop (Confirmed and older for those who RSVP'd)
- Oct. 10~5:15-9pm | Crossroads Youth Ministry Fall Kickoff with national guest speaker Chris Padgett
- Oct. 17-18 | Fall Retreat (see flyer below)
- Oct. 25~7-8:30pm | Sunday Night Live

Visit the parish website for the complete Youth Ministry Calendar.



Open to all High School teens who inquire to learn more about the Catholic faith in a small group setting. Meet in the Youth Room every other Wednesday from 6:30-7:30pm (RSVP appreciated). Dates are Oct. 7, 21; Nov. 4, 18; Dec. 2.

Full Filled

St. Pius X
Catholic Parish

High School Fall Retreat

Oct. 17-18

at Gull Lake Ministries

Cost: \$45.00 and a snack to share
~or~
*\$30.00 and a snack to share
*if registered by Oct. 4th!

Begins Saturday 8am - breakfast served. Departure 1pm Saturday returning to SPX 6:30pm Sunday. Mass included on retreat!
See permission slip for more details.

Sign up online or at the SPX Formation office.
Contact Merry with questions at mhass@spxcatholic.org or 538-2600 x137.

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK: We have an active presence as St. Pius X Catholic Parish. "LIKE" us for updates on parish events and for resources and articles to help you grow in faith.





Parish Life

ANDY REBOLLAR
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MEN OF ST. PIUS X: Join over 50 fellow parishioners participating in **That Man is You!** Don't miss out on this fast growing program for all men of the parish. The program meets on Saturday mornings at 6am in Danner Hall. You can register at the door or at thatmanisyou.org. Give it a try!



Steadfast Leadership will be discussed on Oct 10:

- Clarity of Thought and Integrity of Action
- King Solomon's Rise and Fall
- Remaining Steadfast in Thought and Action
- Mother Teresa as an Example
- Saints Have to Start Somewhere

PICNIC EVALUATION ~ Your Feedback is Needed: We want to hear about the good as well as the places we could improve. Whether you came or not, we'd like to hear from you. Take some time to fill out an evaluation online by visiting bit.ly/15picnicsurvey (case sensitive) or by going to the parish website.

TRUNK OR TREAT: Celebrate fall with cider, apple juice, donut holes, and trunk or treating following the 5:30 Mass on Saturday, Oct. 24, in the parking lot behind Danner Hall. We invite parishioners to bring candy, decorate their cars, and dress up. Contact the parish office if you plan on passing out candy!



50+ FALL COLOR TOUR on the Coopersville/Marne Railroad will be on Wednesday, Oct. 21 at 11:30am. Sign up by **Oct. 7**; we need at least 30 people to make this a go. Tickets for the train are \$11.50 per person and an additional \$6.50 for a box lunch. Contact the parish office to RSVP and feel free to invite your friends.

Next 50+ Event: Nov. 19 ~ Jenison Historical Museum & Lunch

Mass Assignments for Oct. 10 & 11

JOIN AN USHER TEAM: A few friendly parishioners are needed to complete a team for the 8:30am Mass; you would serve one month every three months. Training is provided and you can give us a trial run before committing. Please contact the parish office and we will connect you with the recruitment team. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

Mass Coord.	5:30pm	8:30am	10:30am
	Diane Remenak	Mike & Brenda Grandy	Frank Cegelis
Greeters	Mike & Karen Hill	Rita Feeney Volunteer Needed	Tom & Tonya Francis
Servers	Mckenna Brink 2 Volunteers Needed	Andrea Courtade Peyton Snidanko Volunteer Needed	Emily Sarjeant Jackie Sundstrom Loren Wilkie
Eucharistic Ministers	Mary Cook Nancy Hoekstra Rosemary Holzgen Debbie Jones Steve LeQuia Debra Neff Diane Remenak 2 Volunteers Needed	Betty Cole Amanda London Jerry London Janine Skavnak Michele Stutzky Karen Tinning Paul VanGessel Randy Wright Volunteer Needed	Monique Bassett Joe Burdick Connor Fischer Ann Foltice Ed Foltice Dolores Jesnek Kathleen Kelly Jim Kohmescher Sharon Love Meg Lyons Chris Marsh Jen Meyering Jacob Ruemenapp
Lector	Janine Skavnak Jerry Hoogterp	Christy McMeans Brian Courtade	Rachel Provost Helena Signore
LWC			Andy Kovac
	Ushers: Team I	Ushers: Team E	Ushers: Team J

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT is Oct. 23-25 in the Grand Rapids area. If you are struggling after abortion, you may feel very alone. You may have experienced abortion many years ago and never told anyone or are struggling with a more recent abortion. Regardless of the circumstances, healing is possible. If you or someone you know has been involved in an abortion experience, we can help. Please contact Maggie at Project Rachel by calling 616-340-1824 or emailing mwalsh@ccwestmi.org. All inquiries and services are confidential.



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Growing in Christ Weekly Stewardship Report

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT: In today's Gospel, Jesus teaches us about the sacredness of marriage; a covenant that is a gift from God. Our relationships with our spouses, family, friends, coworkers, and those in our community of faith are all gifts from God. Jesus reminds us today that it is the hardened heart that damages or breaks up relationships. Good stewards understand the holiness of relationships and pray for the love, patience, understanding and kindness necessary to sustain those relationships. Take time out to prayerfully reflect on your relationships this week. Is your stewardship of these relationships as God intended? What relationships need to be healed and reconciled? *from the October 2015 ICSC Catholic Stewardship e-Bulletin.*

Time and Talent

MASS ATTENDANCE

September 26 & 27: 5:30pm— 256 | 8:30am— 273 | 10:30am—489

THANK YOU Fr. Chris and Marjorie for the wonderful and thoughtful service for Fred. There are not enough words to adequately express our gratitude to all the people who helped us organize the funeral, the beautiful choir, and all who generously helped prepare and serve the luncheon. Also, to every person who supported us during this difficult time...we thank you. *Dawn Featherly and Family*

K OF C ANNUAL BABY DRIVE will take place this weekend and next. Items needed are new and GENTLY used baby clothing, blankets, etc. Diapers and formula are desperately needed. As a reminder, we cannot take any cribs. If you have any questions, contact Mike Sartorius at 662-3698 or jansartorius1953@yahoo.com.

Treasure

PARISH SUPPORT Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Week 13/52	Last week 9/26 & 9/27	Year to Date	Prior Year to Date
Adult Envelopes	\$ 9,552	\$ 148,652	\$ 161,446
Electronic Giving spxcatholic.org	\$ 3,460	\$ 53,646	\$ 48,768
Youth Envelopes	\$ 1	\$ 20	\$ 63
Loose Offerings	\$ 656	\$ 8,175	\$ 7,257
Total Contributions	\$ 13,669	\$ 210,493	\$ 217,534
Budget Overage/(Shortfall)	\$ (4,694)	\$ (26,248)	
OTHER GIVING			
Master's Mission	\$ 387	\$ 7,009	\$ 8,065

St. Pius X has 1,013 registered households. Last week, 295 contributed either by using an offertory envelope or electronically. Every gift is gratefully received as a sacrifice united with Christ's own self-offering in the Eucharist to share God's love.

Our prayer list for healing

Please continue to pray for the following and all the sick in our Parish, their families and friends, those hospitalized and home-bound, and those in care facilities. To be included on the Prayer Chain (separate from this bulletin list), call Jason George at (231) 736-7487.

Jenny Walsh	Gerry Dekkinga	Bob Brock	Frank Cegelis
Kenneth Schumacher	Mary LaSarge	Jennifer Cook	Erika Yonker
Kelsey Gibson	Joe Tuszyński	Bernard Trost	Marie Nevins
Pat Deuling	Catherine Cesare	Diane & Mary Prindle	Andy Wierzbicki
Vera Bartz	Henry Visscher	Betty DiTrapani	Claudia Shaub
Beverwyk Family	Joe & Margaret Grandy	Rose Reilly	Judy Wojtas
Anthony McAndrew	M. Forrester	Laurie Bialik	Sally Thome
Nicole Tullio	Marty Schumacker	Mike Roskamp	Pat Chichester
Terry Freybler	John Stoddard	Carol Guffy	Bob & Holly Ann Ott
Pat & Nancy Krupp	Derek Bull	Shannon Olman	Diane Austin
Rich Hubbard	Stephen Meurer	Dorothy Rennager	Linda Meagher
Kathy Maslowski	Scott Holzgen	Patrick Bartz	Ilene Topolinski
Deb Russo	Tom & Becky Hoffmann	Ellen O'Toole	Sarah Johnson
Catherine Owens	Mike Connell	Edward Kaminski	Justin Vriezema
Jeff Zylstra	Mary Jebb	Markell Barnhart	Josina Galaszewski
Fred Keller	Mary Beth Jensen	Pat Rummer	Robert Ryzanca
Cindy Cole	Megan Reynolds	Lloyd & Caroline Skaya	Mary Benson-Slosser
Amanda Charboneau	Wendy Charboneau	Leo Raap	Lois McCarty
Nell Wouters	Lorraine Lutker	Bernita Stegewsans	Martha VanDyke
Brianne Bassett	Tucker Potter	Roberta Hagen	Jackson & Lauren Peters
Tom Wojtas	Winnie Kulaga	Jonathan Kolenda	Tracy Woodruff
Kerry Deboer	Noah Ziegler	Mike Sartorius	John Blanchard
Sr. Jean Marie Wojtas	Pat DeJong	Norm Pokora	Linda Wood
Terri Bernott	Clara Jo Braybrook	Barbara Barney	Zachary Matzke
Ann Berg	Jane Voss	Chuck Seguna	Pam Willemstein
George & Virginia Bieber	Gisela Foote	Judy Perrin	Bob Bagin
Matt Rich	Judy Clinger	Allen Mulligan	Karen Bourassa
Christina Geldersma	Donna Waters	Sandy Ressel	

Outreach & Pastoral Care

MARJORIE FLORES

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DAY OF SERVICE: Let's make this the best year yet! Past participants and first-timers are invited to... "Love One Another" (John 13:34) for our third annual Day of Service on **Saturday, Oct. 17.** This is a day for everyone in the parish to join in love, service, and prayer around our local community. Habitat for Humanity, Love INC, In the Image, Kids Food Basket, and Brookcrest are only some of the locations where we will be sharing God's love with others...something for everyone! Sign up at spxcatholic.org or call the parish office.



VOLUNTEER AT KIDS' FOOD BASKET: St. Pius X Parish will be at Kids' Food Basket on a regular monthly basis. Our service of helping with sack supper food prep will be from 6-8pm on Tuesday evenings (7 people per night are needed). St. Pius X group schedule is: Oct 6, Nov 3, Dec. 1, Jan. 5, Feb. 2, March 1, and May 3. If you would like to sign up for any of these dates, please contact Deb Shereda at 450-0391 or dshereda@nhaschools.com.



SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK will be celebrated for all in need on Saturday, Oct. 24 at the 5:30pm Mass and on Sunday, Oct. 25 at the 8:30am Mass. This Sacrament is for anyone with serious chronic physical or mental illness, those undergoing major surgery, or those who are aged. The grace of the Sacrament unites us to the passion of Christ, strengthens peace and courage, forgives sins, and restores health—if it is in the will of God and for the salvation of the soul.



RED MASS will be celebrated by Bishop David Walkowiak on Monday, Oct. 19 at 6pm at the Cathedral of St. Andrew. This is for all members of the legal profession and their families and friends to gather in prayer for guidance, strength, and recommitment to the highest principles of their profession. Immediately following Mass, a dinner event will be held featuring guest speaker Sister Veronica Schueler, FSE, a senior staff attorney with Catholic Charities of Galveston-Houston and co-director of the St. Frances Cabrini Center for Immigrant Legal Assistance. The dinner will be held on the second floor of Cathedral Square (360 Division Ave. S). Tickets for the dinner are \$55 per person. To make your reservation email Andrea Rule at arule@wnj.com.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS are conducting a membership drive on Oct. 10 & 11 after all Masses. If you are interested in joining the largest Catholic men's service organization, members will be available to answer questions. **Homemade Caramel apples** will be on sale Oct. 24-25. The proceeds will go towards reimbursing the parish for the cost and installation of the new benches at the front of the church and outside Danner Hall.

When choosing which businesses to patronize, please choose those who advertise in this bulletin. Their support pays for this publication.

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We offer the sympathy, love, and prayers of our parish to the family of:

JANET COOK

sister of Laurie (Roger) Bialik

Congratulations to our RCIA women who celebrated the Sacrament of Acceptance and Welcoming last weekend. Please continue to pray for them and help them feel welcome:



Catechumen: Marsha Doxey
(sponsored by Linda Czarnik)

Candidate: Roseanne Bloem
(sponsored by Erma Schneider)



1140 AM – Strong Faith, Strong Families

Coming Soon

**SUNDAY
OCT. 11**

Tools for Catholic Living a Crossroads event at St. Pius X featuring **Chris Padgett** 3-5pm with dinner following.



**SAT.
OCT. 17**

Parish Day of Service begins at 8am



**OCT. 24
& 25**

Anointing of the Sick at 5:30pm & 8:30am Masses



