

# 30th Sunday of Ordinary Time, October 28, 2018

## COLLECTIONS

What is God asking of me?

Our response to the Lord last week

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### UPCOMING PARISH & SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

#### October

- 28 KC Breakfast
- 29 RCIA—6:30 p.m. (1st Gr. Classroom)

#### November

- 5 Facilities Mtg—7 p.m. (Library)
- 5 RCIA—6:30 p.m. (1st Gr. Classroom)
- 6 Youth Engagemnt Mtg—7 p.m. Library
- 7 Mass at Greene Place—2 p.m.
- 8 Deacon Phan's Wkly Reflection—6:30
- 12 "Thanks for Giving" PCCW Dinner
- 12 Spirit Mtg—7 p.m. (Rue 6)

## ALL ARE INVITED

**TODAY**  
**Oct 28**

5:30—7:30

RUE 6

**GATHERING**

Appetizers & Drinks

\$10 for food. Drinks on your own

Everyone invited! 4 square groups can use this as their monthly gathering! Msgr. Tucker said he would be there.

## A LETTER FROM MONSIGNOR

Dear Parishioners,

I know last weeks' letter seemed a little ominous as I spoke about the responses to the survey and the need to make some changes in the way that we do things in the parish. The parish survey covered a lot of areas of parish life including the liturgy, education, music, and adult education. There is so much information, that it is going to take some time to sort through everything and for me to reflect upon it, before making some decisions.

One thing that we have recently done that ties into decisions for the future is that we conducted a parish census. The Diocese has asked us to do this for a number of years. Every year the Diocese sends information to the Conference of Bishops about the Diocese. There are questions to answer about the number of Catholics, converts, schools, religious, priests and recently they have asked for weekly Mass attendance. So, for a number of years we have taken two weekends in October to count the number of people attending Mass. The first year we did this in the Diocese 65% of the Catholics were attending Mass on Sunday. Since then, which has been about 6 or 7 years, the percentage has dropped and we are currently at 51%. This is a significant number and is something to be concerned about.

In a stewardship meeting we were talking about the proposed changes to the sanctuary and one person said that there needs to be more than a new look in the Church to draw people back to the Catholic faith. He was not saying that we shouldn't look at renovating the sanctuary, but that a renewal in the Church and a Church that is alive, will attract others to the Church. Only 51% of the Catholics in Seward are attending Mass on a regular basis and there are a lot of children in the city that are not being educated in the faith. I'm not real old, but I have been thinking that if we are not educating the young in the faith and preparing a new generation to lead the Church then it won't be long and our Churches will be empty.

When I look at the responses to the survey with this mindset, I see the need to focus on education, liturgy and evangelization. As I pray about these survey responses and talk with the parish leaders this will be the focus of our discussions. Last week when I attended the Empty Bowl event at the Fair Grounds I met so many new people and had so many talks about the Church. Being present in a visible way in the community and talking about our faith with others is an important way to evangelize and it is an important way to communicate that our parish is alive and active, and this will attract others to our Church. These efforts and efforts in the areas of education and liturgy need to be clearly formulated and are the changes we need to work together on to help our parish grow. God Bless you.

Msgr. Tucker



Please check front page for weekly Mass schedules

### First Friday Devotion & Donuts Attention Grades 5-12!

First Friday Devotion is this **Friday, November 2nd**. We will meet for Mass at 7 a.m. After Mass we'll go to the Social Hall for donuts and juice. Rides will be available afterwards for anyone who needs a lift to the Middle or High School.

### Eucharistic Family Rosary Crusade

As Part II of the Eucharistic Family Rosary Crusade, Bishop Conley is leading a diocesan-wide Eucharistic Procession on Sunday, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> at 3:00pm around the State Capitol. The goal for the event is 5500 participating. Last spring there were 4000 that participated in the Rosary around the UNL campus. 2018 First Communicants, 2 servers from each parish (with cassock and surplice), as well as all priests are especially invited to process with our Lord.

### "Thank-you-for-Giving" Celebration

Ladies of the parish: Sign up for the 1st annual "Thank-you" Celebration to be held Mon, Nov 12th at 6:30 in the social hall. It will be a catered meal to thank you plus recognition of Honorary members. Invitations and RSVP cards have been mailed to Honorary members. (age 75 and better) Use the sign up sheet in the Narthex so adequate food is prepared. This replaces the December supper of past years.

Questions? Call Linda Wentink @ 402-641-5997 or Sandy Shaw @ 402-643-0681.

Thank you.

### Seven Sisters

If you are interested in being a part of the Seven Sisters Apostolate and pray for a priest, please call Judy Vandenberg at 402-643-4117.

### Priesthood Sunday

Priesthood Sunday is today, Oct. 28! Please join the Serra Club of Lincoln as we pray for all priests and seminarians not only in this great Diocese of Lincoln but around the world. Thank you!

### Bishop's Appeal for Vocation

Parish Assessment: \$15,480.00

Amount Received: \$9,616.00

NO CCD-GP on October 31 due to a Vigil Mass for All Saints Day. Please take your family to one of the scheduled Holy Day Masses.

### Mass for the Deceased Alumni of Pius X

On Friday November 2, 2017 Pius X will be hosting an all school Mass for the Deceased Alumni of Pius X. Families of the deceased alumni are invited to join us for the 9:20 a.m. Mass in memory of their loved one. Please RSVP to Kristin Heath at [Kristin.heath@piusx.net](mailto:Kristin.heath@piusx.net) or 402-488-0931 Ext. 56132 if you plan to attend. You are asked to arrive early for parking on the East side, and to view the alumni slide show of our deceased alumni with their yearbook photos before Mass. Roses will be provided to bring up at offertory for your loved one. A breakfast and social reception will follow in the Pius X Commons after Mass.

**THE SPIRIT COMMITTEE NEEDS 10-12 PEOPLE TO HELP WITH GETTING DONATIONS FOR SPIRIT. PLEASE CALL JUDY VANDENBERG 402-643-4117 AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THANK YOU!**

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

### LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR HOLY DAY

#### WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 31 | 7:00 PM


ACOLYTE Terry Wehrs, Dan Pernicek  
SERVERS **VOLUNTEERS**  
LECTOR Paula Gooder  
GREETERS **VOLUNTEERS**

#### THURSDAY NOVEMBER 1 | 6:45 AM

ACOLYTE Deacon Phan  
SERVERS **VOLUNTEERS**  
LECTOR Paul Hughes  
GREETERS **VOLUNTEERS**

#### THURSDAY NOVEMBER 1 | 7:00 PM

ACOLYTE Keith Wintz, Jeff Krenk  
SERVERS **VOLUNTEERS**  
LECTOR Ellen Jirovsky  
GREETERS **VOLUNTEERS**  
CANTOR Beth Peery

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**MASS TIMES:**

FOR DAILY MASS TIMES PLEASE CALL (402) 643-3421  
 SATURDAY 5:30 PM | SUNDAY 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

**CONFESSION TIMES:**

MONDAY THRU FRIDAY 20 MINUTES BEFORE 7:00 AM DAILY MASS  
 SATURDAY 20 MINUTES BEFORE 8:00 AM MASS & 4:30 TO 5:20 PM  
 SUNDAY 7:30 TO 7:50 AM & 9:30 TO 9:50 AM

**MASS INTENTIONS:**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 29**

7:00 AM : †Kathleen Rector/ Shirley Sloup  
 8:10 AM : †Mildred Solis/ Jim & Marcie Sklenar

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30**

7:00 AM : †Jeramie Schoepf/ Leroy Fiala  
 8:10 AM : †April Rubesh/ Keith & Nicki Wintz Family

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 31**

7:00 AM : **NO 7 AM MASS**  
 8:10 AM : †Arlene Mohlman/ Genevieve Behne  
 7:00 PM : †Ted & Madeline Nave/ Dan Frisbie Family

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1**

6:45 AM : †Delores Kunert/ Alice Policky  
 7:00 PM : †Jack Holmes/ Rita Rummery

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2**

7:00 AM : †For Forgotten Souls/ Linh Nguyen  
 8:10 AM : †Libby Policky

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3**

8:00 AM : Attendees of Healing Mass  
 5:30 PM : †Adeline & George Kraska/ Joyce Kraska

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4**

8:00 AM : For All Parishioners  
 10:00 AM : †Mark Hardesty/ Mary Hardesty

**LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE:**

<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 3   5:30 PM</b>
ACOLYTE	Mike Volnek, Chris Greisen
SERVERS	CJ & Quinton Hibbert, Will Ratkovec
LECTOR	Paula Gooder
GREETERS	Bob & Christi tenBensel
CANTOR	Karen Coufal
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 4   8:00 AM</b>
ACOLYTE	Carl Jirovsky, Peter Ruhl
SERVERS	Luke, Matthew & Nicholas Wegman
LECTOR	Ellen Jirovsky
GREETERS	Ron & Kathy Herley
CANTOR	Lynette Pallas
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 4   10:00 AM</b>
ACOLYTE	Chad Peery, Tim Dworak
SERVERS	Andy Marshall, Hunter & Connor Towle
LECTOR	Ryne Seaman
GREETERS	Mitch Marshall Family
CANTOR	Beth Peery

**(SEE HOLY DAY SCHEDULE INSIDE)**