29th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

“A widow in that town used to come to him and say, ‘Render a just decision for me against my adversary.’” — Lk 18:3
Save the Date

THE FINAL RETURN OF

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 15TH AT 9:00 PM

BRINGING BACK THE MEMORIES OF THE "ROCK TIL YOU DROP" PARTIES

70's - 80's Rock
A ST. MARY'S FUNDRAISER!!
October 20, 2019 • 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Widow Wins

This Week’s Readings at Mass
- Exodus 17:8-13 - Battle with Amalek
- 2 Timothy 3:14–4:2 - Apostolic charge
- Luke 18:1-8 - The corrupt judge

In first reading, the Israelites defeat Amalek’s forces on their way to the Promised Land. This time, Moses and his staff can’t do it alone—Moses needs the support of Aaron and Hur during the long battle. Likewise, the second reading from 2 Timothy encourages readers to remain steadfast in their faithfulness, persisting “whether it is convenient or inconvenient.” The parable of the dishonest judge concludes this cycle of teaching about the need for persistence without growing weary.

Right at the outset of the Gospel reading, Jesus tells us the “moral of the story” before sharing the parable of the unjust judge. The point, he says, is to “pray always and not to lose heart.” Upon hearing this, some of us may immediately lose heart, knowing that realistically we can’t “pray always.” However, the original Greek sense of this phrase is to practice consistent prayer, not continual and perpetual prayer. The second half of the phrase, sometimes translated as “without becoming weary” or “not to lose heart,” has the connotation of not giving up or stopping because of discouragement. Surely this kind of prayer is possible for all of us: consistent and determined, even when we grow weary or discouraged. The widow’s story certainly bears out this description.

In ancient Israel, widows were due particular care and concern from the authorities because they were one of the most vulnerable classes of people. In fact, kings and leaders were judged by their treatment of widows. Many Old Testament passages called for the special protection of widows. “Cursed is anyone who withholds justice from the foreigner, the fatherless, or the widow” (Dt. 27:19). Immediately, Jesus’ hearers would have been on the side of the widow, and concerned about the cold-hearted judge who cared nothing for her or God’s laws. Probably they were delighted by her courage and persistence, and humored by the possibility that she might actually sock it to him and give him a black eye (as the original Greek suggests!). If a poor, powerless woman had the pluck to keep demanding justice from an unfair judge, certainly the disciples can learn persistence from her, trusting that God cares for them far more than the judge cared for the people under his jurisdiction.

Questions of the Week
- Does it make a difference for you to understand Jesus’ teaching as one of praying consistently without giving up instead of praying perpetually? Is that possible for you?
- When have you experienced—or heard of—a vulnerable person or class of people clamor for justice until they won?

Word of the Week
Published by the Pastoral Center

“Proclaim the word; be persistent whether it is convenient or inconvenient.”
If we want to know what Jesus’ parable is about in today’s Gospel, it seems that we don’t need to work too hard because Saint Luke tells us right at the beginning: “Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart.” This parable has often been used to bring comfort to us about our prayer life. But could there be a more challenging message for those who take stewardship seriously? Widows were the poorest and most vulnerable of people in Jesus’ time. Oppressive legal and economic structures were the norm. Jesus embraced with great compassion the poor and the marginalized. Could it be that we are also encouraged to pray persistently for the poor, the weak and the vulnerable as we hear their cry for justice? And that we must not lose heart that we can effect change in their lives?
Rain tried to slow us down ...laying the mesh for the concrete for the gym floor...rain coming down hard on the prepared mesh floor prior to laying concrete...completed concrete floor in the gym. We are now set. This will allow work crews the solid floor necessary to begin the inside of the building.

The ironwork and beams are now in place to hold the new roof.

Top picture is looking from the faculty lounge east to the new Activity Center area. These doors are wood with a glass center (which is covered right now) looking into the new area. Dark doors on the right are a new storage area. Below, the same doors looked at from the vestibule into the main hall of the school. Right wall was the kitchen pass through in the past, a new display wall for the future.
MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2019
6:15 AM - Janie Thompson

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2019
6:15 AM - Bill Divane req. Divane Family
8:00 AM - Cathy Duffy req. Mike & Mary Signer

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2019
6:15 AM - Ruth Palczynski
8:00 AM - Betty Batten req. Groberski Family

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2019
8:00 AM - Mary Smrz req. Smrz Family

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2019
6:15 AM - Dorothy Briscoe req. Ken & Esther Boese
8:00 AM - Edward Maci req. Mike Maci

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2019
8:00 AM - Frank & Martha Fetta req. Daughter
Sophie Stephan req. Carl & Rita Lukowski
4:30 PM - Jerry Papievis req. Mary Ann Papievis

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2019
8:00 AM - Dorothy Miriani req. Jan Miriani
Timothy Brodin req. Brodin Family
10:00 AM - Joseph Karlinski req. Karen & Emil Mudra
12:00 PM - Charles Degironne req. Graczyk Family
Jean & Joe Kmiec req. Kmiec Family
6:00 PM - People of the Parish

TODAY’S READINGS
First Reading — As long as Moses kept his hands raised up, Israel had the better of the fight (Exodus 17:8-13).
Psalm — Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth (Psalm 121).
Second Reading — Remain faithful to what you have learned and believed (2 Timothy 3:14 — 4:2).
Gospel — Will not God secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? (Luke 18:1-8).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday: Rom 4:20-25; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21; Ps 40:7-10, 17; Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18; Ps 124:1b-8; Lk 12:39-48
Thursday: Rom 6:19-23; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 12:49-53
Friday: Rom 7:18-25a; Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94; Lk 12:54-59
Saturday: Rom 8:1-11; Ps 24:1b-4ab, 5-6; Lk 13:1-9
Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18; Ps 34:2-3, 17-19, 23; Tm 4:6-8, 16-18; Lk 18:9-14
**Presider Schedule for Saturday, October 26th and Sunday, October 27th**

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SMG XC FINISHES UP THE SEASON

We had our Championship meet on Saturday 10/5 at Lewis University. SMG Boys finished 2nd (out of 10 teams) in Division AA. SMG Girls finished 3rd (out of 10 teams) in Division AA. The following kids finished in the top 15: 5th Gr Girls - Allie Austin - 4th, 5th Gr Boys - Colin Doyle - 14th, 7th Gr Girls - Julia Fremgen - 8th & Rylie Cieplak - 12th, 8th Gr Boys - Curtis Mysliwiec - 13th

Our sectional teams are: Girls: Ella Reise, MaryKate Casey, Rylie Cieplak, Julia Fremgen, Natalie Garlan, Peyton Farrell, Liz Laverty, Alternate - Grace Fremgen, Boys: Curtis Mysliwiec, Danny Peterson, Billy Tierney, Jack Reiser, Tanner Sebben, Colin Doyle, Rory O’Connor, Alternates: John Ericson, Graham Reiser

BOYS 5A1 VOLLEYBALL TEAM WON HILLTOPPER CLASSIC TOURNAMENT

Congratulations to our team!

Aiden Casey
Mac Cieplak
Colin Doyle
Gavin Durkin
Dylan Palmer
Josh Rouzan
Brayden Walsh

Senior

Katie Bukovsky Finishes 15TH In The GCAC & Achieve All Conference Honors For Golf

Montini Catholic congratulates senior, Katie Bukovsky, for finishing 15th in state for the Girls Catholic Athletic Conference (GCAC). The Broncos team ended their season at the Conference Tournament (placing 8th) on October 2nd at Green Garden Country Club in Frankfort, Illinois. Katie was also named All Conference.

Katie is from Downers Grove and an alum from SMG!
The following persons have requested prayers from our parish community:

- Pat Metzger Noonan
- George Drobney
- Kevin Sullivan
- Edward Menghini
- Marilyn Gaughan
- George Metzger
- Amanda Weaver
- John Sommer
- Spencer Mehr
- John Rudey
- Fran Boland
- Kathy Di Iorio
- Donna Miciunas
- Jaclyn Golly
- Pat Burton
- Karli Brown
- Anna Bandur
- Candy Cameron
- Michael Kay
- Helen Davy
- Mark Gowgiel
- Dan Juris
- Sally Moll

In Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy to the family of
Roberta Olp

To request to have your name, or with permission, the name of another, on the bulletin prayer list, please contact the Parish office. Names will be listed for four weeks and then removed automatically. You will need to call for an additional four weeks.

Pray for our Military

Let us pray for all of our military personnel, especially the men and women of our parish who are serving in harm’s way:

- Kevin Braasch
- Christopher Fountain
- Timothy Randazzo
- Maggie Benhart
- Michael Martel
- Nathan Kijowski
- Kevin Hanlon
- Michael Martel
- Nathan Kijowski
- Kyle Ng
- Kevin Hanlon
- Natalya Brechlin
- Bob Lang
- Christopher Randazzo
- John Svoboda
- Zachary Frana
- Joe McSweeney

St. Mary of Gostyn Ministry to the Homebound

Do you have a homebound family member, friend, or neighbor who would like to receive the Eucharist on Sunday mornings?

If so, please have them contact Deacon Bob at the Parish Center at 630/969-1063, ext 244. A Minister to the Homebound will be happy to visit them.

First Friday visits are also offered.

Nursing Home/Hospital Visitation

If you or a family member would like to have a pastoral visit while in a healthcare facility, please contact the Parish Office at 630-969-1063 to arrange. Without such notification, there is no method of knowing who wishes a visitation. Due to privacy laws, hospitals, nursing homes and rehabilitation facilities are unable to contact St. Mary’s directly.

Rosaries Available

In the month of October, we pray for Respect for Life and honor the Blessed Virgin Mary. Through the generosity of a parishioner, rosaries are available at the Faith Network Desk in the narthex on the Prairie Street side of the church.

Please stop by and take home a Rosary for yourself or someone you know.

The only request is that if you take a Rosary, you will pray it regularly.
Religious Education Dates

- Oct 20  Sponsor/Candidate Meeting 1pm in Church
- Oct 23/25  RE class ** Parent social at all sessions **
  - 8th grd Patron Saint Reflection due
- Oct 27  RE Saint Fair after 8am, 10am and 12pm Masses
- Oct 30/31  NO RE class
- Nov 6/7  RE class
- Nov 12/13  First Reconciliation 6:30pm in Church
- Nov 13/14  RE class  class ** Parent social at all sessions **
  - ** 2nd grade does not have class this week due to First Reconciliation **
- Nov 20/21  RE class - Thanksgiving Mass at all sessions
- Nov 27/28  No RE class - Happy Thanksgiving!

Confirmation Reminder
Patron Saint Reflection
is due
Thursday October 24th.

First Reconciliation

Tuesday Nov. 12th at 6:30pm
Wednesday 4:30 2nd grd students
&
Thursday 4:30 2nd grade students

Wednesday Nov. 13th at 6:30pm
Wednesday 6:30 2nd grd students
&
All SMG 2nd grd students

RE Saint Fair

Please join us on Sunday October 27th for the annual Religious Education Saint Fair after the 8am, 10am and Noon Masses in the Gathering Place. Come learn about the Saints!

Grade 8 will serve refreshments at the "All Saints Café"
Youth Ministry

**Youth Group Wish List:**

- Salty & Sweet Snacks (Candy, chips, popcorn, fruit snacks, cookies, etc...)
- Drinks (Pop, flavored seltzer water, capri sun)
- Baked goods! & Gift cards for Pizza

Items can be dropped off at the Parish Center

Thank you in advance!! :)

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**SUMMER TRIPS!!!**

**CATHOLIC HEART WORK CAMP**
July 19th–25th, 2020

**SAVE-THE-DATE!**

Steubenville Youth Conference
**JUNE 12-14TH, 2020**

- Registration will open soon!

**March for Life**
with the Diocese of Joliet
In Washington, DC

**Wednesday, 1/22 - Sunday, 1/26/2020**

**Highlights of Pilgrimage**

- Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception
- "Life is VERY Good!" Rally and Mass
- Annual March for Life
- Celebratory dinner after the March for Life
- Visit monuments & museums or attend the Students for Life of America Conference

Grow in love for God and others * Be inspired to share the Gospel of Life

**Cost of Pilgrimage**

- **High School/College Student**
  - Quad Occupancy: $355
  - Double Occupancy: $400
- **Chaperone**
  - Double Occupancy: $420
- **Adult**
  - Double Occupancy: $230
  - Adult/Chaperone Single Occupancy: $336

- **Special Notes**
  - Price includes transportation by bus, lodging for two nights, and most meals.
  - Departure/Return location: Blanchette Catholic Center, 16555 Weber Road, Crest Hill, IL

**HOW CAN I REGISTER?**

Online at:
http://www.diocesejoliet.org/happiness
Respect Life Ministry
(815) 223-6251
Email: profile@diocesejoliet.org

**Due by November 1, 2019**

Online registration with $100 non-refundable deposit. Financial assistance form with written letter

**Final Payment Due by:**
Monday, December 2, 2019

Let Claire know if you would like to attend!
The ONE topic ONE night aims to provide our parish community a platform to foster dialogue, cultivate enriching ideas, and continue an appreciation of learning as an active and lifelong process.

**One topic. One night. One faith.**

**Date:** Oct 24th at 7:00pm

**Topic:** Meet our newest Saint!

John Henry Newman—A Saint for our times too.

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"Love does not consist in gazing at each other but in looking outward together in the same direction." (Antoine De Saint-Exupery)

The Little Prince knew something of marriage.

Look out over your life. What is your most cherished common goal?


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**Parents: U2!**

**THIS WEEK: PARENT SOCIAL**

Drop your child off at RE, then join other parents in the main hallway for refreshments.

Once a month, You Too –U2! is an opportunity for parents to

• discover faith resources for your family,
• grow your own faith and
• meet other parents

while your child is at their RE class. The U2! gatherings and presentations encourage conversation, provide support and resources in a friendly, open and informal environment.

You too—U2!—parents connecting to meet together, ask questions and share your point of view.
**Around the Community**

**Reflections from Spiezio and Affiliates, counseling services:**

We live in a time and place, where it is becoming “natural” to expect quick answers, quick fixes, quick results…short-cuts, and the like. The fact is, most things of true value, take time. When we look at the growth of a child, the beauty of art, the growth of a garden, the creation of the stories of our lives, the passage of a beloved relationship from life to death - we see that none of these most beautiful components of life, can be rushed or pushed to a quick result.

“Only God could say what this new spirit gradually forming within you will be. Give our Lord the benefit of believing that his hand is leading you and accept the anxiety of feeling yourself in suspense and incomplete. Above all, trust in the slow work of God.”

*Pierre Teilhard de Chardin, S.J.*

Spiezio and Affiliates counseling services are available here in your parish community. As we navigate through changes, often we have to deal with some anxiety, depression, addiction, grief, marital issues or health issues. You can visit our website to contact us at [spiezioandaffiliates.org](http://spiezioandaffiliates.org)

“Above all...trust in the slow work of God.”

Peace be with you all.

**Traveling Statue of Our Lady of Fatima**

- Our Lady calls you by name.
- Bring Her into your home for two weeks.
- Pray the Rosary together every day or evening.
- Invite family, neighbors, or friends.

- Receive Her into your home and witness the many blessings and graces that She brings.

We will bring Our Lady to your home from Saturday to Saturday and provide the Rosary materials. Please call Diana @ (630) 971-1026 and reserve your week with Our Lady.

**Tree of Light Memorial Mass**

**Sponsored by The Office of Family Ministry**

**Diocese of Joliet**

**November 3, 2019**

2:00 p.m. Tree-Blessing Ceremony

Preceding Mass. Reception following.

Blanchette Catholic Center, 16555 Weber Rd. Crest Hill

This special Mass remembers infants lost through miscarriage, stillbirth, other pregnancy losses and infant or early childhood death.

To register, or to have a baby remembered please call 815-838-5334 or register online:


**Come and See - Vocation Discernment Retreat**

**October 25-27, 2019**

An opportunity for Catholic men between the ages 18 to 45 years to discern how God is calling them while participating in the monastic life at St. Procopius Abbey. During the retreat, presentations are given about the Benedictine monastic life and there are opportunities for discussions and questions, silent prayer, reading and reflection.

Contact Fr. James Flint at vocations@procopius.org for more information or to reserve a spot at the next Come & See Retreat

**Villa St. Benedict Fall Showcase**

**Thursday, October 24th**

1:30 - 2:30 PM

RSVP 630-852-0345

Venture through an “orchard” of information from various clubs, departments and outside vendors. Learn about new opportunities, programs and services. 5450 Subiaco Drive, Lisle
**This Week**

**Monday / 21**
- 2:30 PM Jr. Troop #51979
- 4:30 PM Altar Server Training
- 6:30 PM Boy Scouts
- 6:30 PM Rosary

**Tuesday / 22**
- 2:30 PM Jr. Troop #55103
- 4:30 PM Altar Server Training
- 6:00 PM Prayer Group
- 6:30 PM Youth Ministry ALPHA
- 6:45 PM Legion of Mary
- 7:00 PM Finance & Admin.
- 7:00 PM Grief Support

**Wednesday / 23**
- 4:30 PM R.E. Classes
- 4:30 PM U2
- 6:30 PM 6PM Choir Rehearsal
- 6:30 PM U2
- 7:00 PM R.E. Classes

**Thursday / 24**
- 9:00 AM CAFÉ Women’s Bible Study
- 1:15 PM Small Christian Communities
- 4:30 PM R.E. Classes
- 4:30 PM U2
- 5:45 PM Children’s Choir
- 7:00 PM 10:00 AM Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 PM One Topic One Night

**Friday / 25**
- 5:00 PM PADS

**Saturday / 26**
- 12:00 AM PADS

**Sunday / 27**
- 8:00 AM Children’s Choir
- 8:00 AM Children’s LOW
- 8:00 AM RCIA
- 9:00 AM Saint Fair
- 10:00 AM Children’s LOW
- 10:00 AM RCIC
- 1:30 PM Communal Baptism
- 4:30 PM 6PM Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 PM Youth Ministry

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:** 630-969-1068

**Pray Always, Pray Always**
NEW PARISHIONERS: We are happy to welcome new members to our community, and encourage you to register either in person at the Parish Office, or register online through our website, www.stmarygostyn.org.

BAPTISMS: St. Mary of Gostyn offers baptismal preparation sessions on a monthly basis. If this is your first child, you will need to participate in a baptismal preparation session before you can receive a date for your baby’s Baptism.

Parents are the first and primary educators in the practice of the Faith. Godparents play an important role in the faith life of your child. While considering godparents for your child, be aware that at least one must be a baptized and confirmed Catholic who is active in his/her faith. Please call the parish office at 630-969-1063 to register for a preparation class and to schedule a baptismal date.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process of welcoming and preparing adults for the Sacraments of Initiation - Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation - for full membership in the Catholic Church. Unbaptized adults, adults baptized in another Christian faith, and baptized Catholics with little or no formal religious education are invited to participate. Please call the Parish Office for further information.

ANNULMENTS: We are available to help anyone who is in need of information about how to apply for an annulment. Please contact the Parish Office at (630)969-1063.

LITURGY of HOURS: Morning Prayer (Lauds) is prayed Monday through Saturday following the morning liturgies.

SACRAMENT of ANOINTING: The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is available at regularly scheduled liturgies throughout the year, or by appointment. You may ask the presiding priest before any Mass for an anointing. Communal Anointing Masses are held on the 1st Saturday of the month in August, December and April at the 8:00 AM Mass.

The Eucharist will also be brought to those who are ill, upon request. Please notify the Parish Office if members of your family are in the hospital or homebound.

FUNERALS: Arrangements are usually made by the Funeral Home or by a family member. A member of our Bereavement team will meet with you to plan the Funeral Liturgy. Eulogies can be given at the Wake Service, Interment at the Cemetery or at the Funeral Luncheon, but not at the Mass of Christian Burial.

MARRIAGES: Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance to provide ample time for preparation of this sacrament.

PRAYER GROUPS: Monday evenings at 7:15 PM in the Parish Center; Tuesday evenings at 6:00 PM in the Parish Center chapel.

ROSARY DEVOTION: Monday through Saturday, 7:30 AM in the church; Rosary will begin at 6:30 PM on Monday evenings in the church.

RECONCILIATION: Confessions are heard Saturday, 3:30 to 4:30 PM in church. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is also available by appointment. Please call the Parish Office (630-969-1063) to arrange to have your confession heard by a priest.