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Worship Times

Saturday Vigil Mass, 4:00p Sunday Mass 11:15a; En español, 1:00p Daily Mass, Holy Days Consult bulletin Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturdays, 3:00-4:00p

Sunday Mass 9:00a
Communion Service Tuesdays, 12:15p
Holy Days 7:00p
Sacrament of Reconciliation
By appointment

Welcome, New Parishioners

We are a Stewardship Community, sharing our time, talent, and treasure, in the most life-giving ways possible.

Parishioners are expected to participate in weekly worship, in our community life, and in our service among our dear neighbors.

Sacramental Life ~ Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Matrimony

For Sacrament preparation, you must be a registered, active member and attend preparation sessions.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

For those who desire to explore the Catholic Faith, spirituality, customs, and practices.

Anointing of the Sick

For those with chronic illness or who are pre-surgery, contact Father John or Sister Janis

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 22, 2023



find out what belongs to whom and give it back.

Morning Church!

The oil and water of God and government is about justice. To live like Christ, gospel justice is essential. Jesus, who is the Justice of God, reminds us that all relationships, including government, must be based on gospel justice: so pay your debts and pay your taxes. The true believer does not default on financial responsibilities, nor do they renig on relationships.

Today's Word holds up Justice as an interface of all our relationships: family, *all* who live in God's Neighbors, and all of Creation. For the true believer, Justice is two-sided coin with Charity. Justice and Charity are the most concrete expression of gospel living.

Who and what have claims on our personal and financial assests is wholly relationship-based. Jesus gives great stress on recompense when it comes to relationship. Our connectivity to one another and all of Creation is undeniable. God has made it so. The *rendering* in all our relationships demands that we honor our Covenant with God and one another \sim and reconcile our financial and spiritual debts.

Gospel Justice says:

Find out what belongs to whom and give it back.

Our *recompense*, our *rendering* is as global as: Russia needs to give Urkraine back or our Neighbors in the Middle East need to come to a just compromise. It means more than unjust land-grabs.

For us, Find out what belongs to whom and give it back
Includes not taking someone's reputation and dignity by churning up
rumors or speading falsehoods about them. Russia has no right to take Ukraine.
We have no right to take another's reputation and dignity.

To live as true believers we *give back* and *pay it forward* in all our relationships. We gratefully acknowledge that all that we are and have are God's gifts! We proclaim our abundant blessings by living gospel justice and charity. We journey in faith by generously sharing our time, talent and treasure. We *find out what belongs to whom and give it back*.

God's blessings.

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** HEARTwork

** Reflecting and Acting on The Word

What gospel justice is God inviting you to restore?

Readings https://bible.usccb.org/

OCTOBER	
22	29th Sun OT Anointing of the Sick Family Faith Formation Parents & Youth, 10:30a PROCLAIMERS' Formation & Information 10:30a
24	Adult Faith Formation, 10a ~ The Chosen, FLC Communion Service, 12:15p
25	RCIA, 6:00p; Choir, 7p
26	SSJ Governance ZOOM, 3:00p-5:00p
28	Spaghetti Dinner, 6:00-7:30p, FLC
29	30th Sun OT Family Faith Formation Parents & Youth, 10:30a
31	Adult Faith Formation, 10a ~ The Chosen, FLC Communion Service, 12:15p

	₩ Mass Intentions
22	Missionaries
29	Denise Tuffner (Birthday)

Birthdays &



Anniversaries

22 Ty Keller 22 Ruben Ramirez 23 Lellany Garcia

25 Beth Altemueller 26 Ramona Doyle

22 Liza Go & Jeff Harris 25 Samantha & Andrew Ange



Spaghetti Dinner

October 28 6:00-7:30p Family Life Center Tickets: Adults ~ \$8 Children 3-10 ~ \$3











+S. Margaret Richard Farrant, SSJ

Born January 11, 1933
Born to Eternal Life October 15, 2023
in the 72nd year of religious life

+S. Mary E. Corbett, SSJ

Born January 2, 1934

Born to Eternal Life October 21, 2023

in the 71st year of religious life



SYNOD "Walking Together"

Synodality, is defined as listening and deliberating together (Francis is fond of "encounter"), is precisely the point of the synod. It in-

volves not only cardinals, bishops, and priests \sim also lay people, including women — a *huge* step for a church that privileges male power.

The People of God are not static: they are on the move, in direct reference to the etymology of the word *synod*, which means "walking together". The people are united by the same common dynamic that this Tree of Life (logo above) breathes into them, from which they begin their walk. Pray for those who gather at the Synod. Keep up with the synod news and the public resistance or the passivity to the synod by some U.S. bishops who have refuse to accept and support Vatican II's 62 year old reforms.

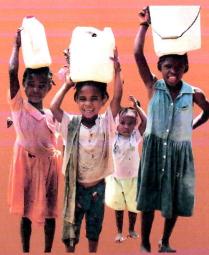




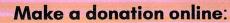
1st Annual "Virtual" Walk-a-thon

October 4 - Feast of St. Francis to

October 24th - International Day of Climate Action



- In villages where there is no access to clean water, villagers walk an average of 6K (almost 4 miles) to fetch water every day
- Help Change for Global Change fund sustainable water projects in places like these by pledging to walk 4 miles "in their shoes"
- Walk as an individual or as part of a team
- Walk 4 miles in 1 day or spread it out over 4 days or even 4 weeks
- Ask friends, families, co-workers to donate in support of you!
- Can't walk? Please make a donation. Any amount will help!!



www.changeforglobalchange.org
or by mail:

Change for Global Change 9701 Germantown Avenue Philadelphia, Pa 19118-2694







Come and join us for the St. Stephen Ladies Guild

SEVENTH ANNUAL SPAGHETTI SUPPER



Saturday, October 28 6 pm to 7:30pm Family Life Center

MENU
Spaghetti and Meatballs
Green Salad
Italian Bread
Dessert
Coffee (Decaf) or Juice
Bring your own wine





TICKETS
\$8.00 for adults
\$3.00 for children (3 to 10 years)
Tickets must be bought in advance
available after Masses
October 15 and 22

Cardboard CITY 2023



257 Standard Street Elkin, NC

Saturday, November 18, 2023

5:00 - 6:30 pm

Spread the word and **plan** to join us for our annual *Get Out of the Box* fundraising event.

Volunteer participants agree to be *in the box* until a **minimum** of \$500 is raised for the shelter. The Ark provides housing and supportive services for homeless families and single women.

Amanda Brewer, Event Chairlady

Contact info: amandavbrewer@gmail.com

To volunteer, donate, or get more information:

theark.director@gmail.com

www.thearkelkin.org



Ticket prices include all taxes & fees
Tickets are non-refundable
Seating is general admission
Available upon request ADA accessible seats

A Christmas Story: The Musical

December 10th, 2023 @ 3pm
Yadkin Arts Council Arts Center
Yadkinville
Cost is \$24 Adults & Children
Show Only No Meal Serve

Tickets must be purchased by:

September 24 Sign up at church

or contact

Julie Colglazier (336) 353-822

The venue is small, so first come, first serve





CARE for CREATION
RECYCLE INK CARTRIDGES
Recycle containers
are in the lobby.



Adult Sacraments

First Communion Confirmation

Sacrament of Matrimony

For couples who would like to marry or who are married civilly and would like to have your marriage blessed in the Church.

Anointing of the Sick

Offered to the hospitalized or homebound

R.C.I.A

For Adults desiring to explore the Catholic Faith.

For more information, call S. Janis (336) 835-4542

We pray for our sisters and brothers in Maui, Morocco, Middle East, and Libya.



Our Lady of Protection
Ukrainian Madonna

FEBRUARY 24, 2022 20months

Ukrainian Catholics dedicate their country to *Our Lady of Protection*, interceding to Mary to wrap their country with her mantle of loving protection.

With the fast pace of communications these days, it's easy to become overwhelmed and wearied by the barrage of news.

As Catholic Christians, you realized you are intimately tethered to every Dear Neighbor locally and globally.

When you're feeling overwhelmed and weary, think of and pray for your Ukrainian sisters and brothers who are overwhelmed and wearied by the barrage ~ not of news ~

but by daily bombings, death, family separation, and the other forms of collateral damage of war since February 24, 2022.

Our Lady of Protection, pray for us!

Do you know the number of U.S. Mass shootings and gun-related deaths so far in 2023?



WHEN IS ENOUGH, ENOUGH?







Tri-C Almsgiving Thank you so much !!
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Invitation to the Wedding Feast

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Imagine that you live in a great kingdom with a king and queen and many other great people. You hear that the king's son is going to get married and there will be a great wedding feast. All the lords and ladies and rich land owners are

the servants go out to call the guests to the wedding, but all those important people refuse to go! They say they are too busy with other things, and can't be bothered to go!

Now imagine that you are one of the children in a poor family that lives down a back street. Suddenly you hear people calling out that the king has invited your family to the feast! What excitement! Everybody puts on their best clothes and goes to

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puts on their best clothes and goes to the castle. In a little while the king comes in and you see him pointing to a man who isn't dressed neatly, and hasn't washed his face or brushed his hair. He sends the man out of the hall.

This is the story that Jesus told about the kingdom of Heaven.

Many important people have been invited, but they have decided that they were too busy with other things. But the King has invited us too! We should rejoice and "dress"

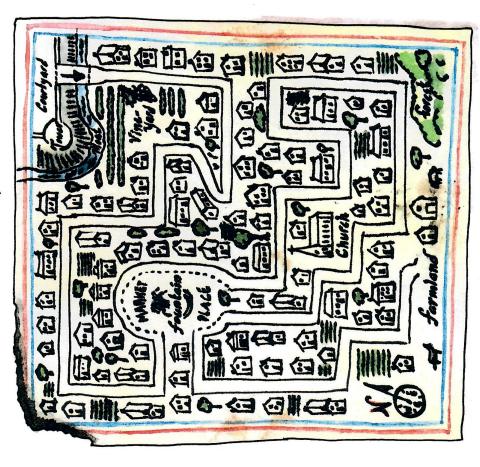
by being the best we can be! Don't be a half-hearted Christian!

Answer to front page: Everyone's invited! Answers to True or False: 1.false 2.true 3.true 4.false 5.true 6.true

YOU PROPERLY DRESSED?

The Kids' Bulletin

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time October 15th, 2023



The king sent his servants to call all the people in the street to his son's wedding. Follow the road on the map from the castle's courtyard all the way to the farmland. The people in the houses next to the road you pass are invited to the wedding.

You can colour in the houses if you like. Who was invited to the feast?

Saint Luke October 18













LUKE WROTE THE THIRD GOSPEL AND THE ACTS OF

THE APOSTLES.

SAINT LUKE NEVER MET JESUS. HE LEARNED ABOUT HIM BY TALKING WITH HIS FRIENDS AFTER JESUS HAD ALREADY GONE INTO HEAVEN. STILL SAINT LUKE KNEW ENOUGH ABOUT HIM THAT HE COULD WRITE A GOSPEL! WE CAN LEARN FROM SAINT LUKE HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO HAVE FRIENDS WHO LOVE GOD!

True or False:

Who is Invited to the Wedding?

In today's Gospel reading, Jesus compares the kingdom of Heaven to a king giving a wedding feast for his son. What happened in the story? See if you know which of these are true statements and which are false:

- The first time the servants went out to call those who were invited, all the guests came. True or false?
- 2. When the king sent out the second group of servants, some people didn't come, but went off to their farms and businesses. True or false?
- Some people mistreated and even killed the servants. True or false?
- 4. The king decided that nobody else was worthy to come to his son's wedding. True or false?
- 5. The king decided to send his servants out into the streets to call everyone to come to the wedding. True or false?
- 6. When the servants called the people in the streets, they all came and filled the banquet hall. True or false?
- 7. When the king came in to look at his guests and found one that wasn't dressed for the wedding, he had him thrown out of the place. True or false?

