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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

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 29, 2023



Morning Church!

As our Liturgical Year winds down and we rewind our clocks back one hour next weekend (Nov 5), The Word, like the world, is fraught with a rising, tense hostility against Christ.

The most recent Mass shooting when 18 people were killed and dozens more were injured at a bowling alley in Lewiston, ME, clearly says our loving is not as whole-hearted as Christ desires. The Middle East war rages on, killing, dismembering, and displacing our Dear Neighbors there.

For the past two Sundays, the elders tried to publically ensnare Jesus with their trick questions on The Law. In today’s gospel, they openly confront Jesus with the central question of the Jewish faith tradition.

They mean to expose Christ as a blasphemer who has no standing in the community and is questionable as a Rabbi, a teacher of The Law.

Without hesitation, Jesus responds with an answer he knows and lives. Jesus proclaims God’s desire for all of us to Love with our whole heart, soul, and mind. For Christ Jesus, there is no ambiguity in the meaning of this core teaching of The Law and has shown in his own life how to live the spirit of The Law in inclusive love.

Our Liturgical calendar brings us to the Feast of All Saints and All Souls Day. Reflecting on these feasts we become very aware of our mortality, where we are on our faithjourney, and where Christ is calling us to a deepening of faith and generous service. Today’s a good day to pray on our *wholeheartedness*.



*Continue to hold in prayer all the participants of our **Synod** that they will walk together in faith and love, open to the Love Jesus*

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*Love
Is the Most Ancient Law*

A Blessing ~ Jan Richardson














Open to it	Spend it
and you will know	all—
how love is	this love
its own blessing	so generous
and most ancient	this love
of laws.	that goes out
	to each
Pursue it	it finds
entirely	this love
with everything	that gives itself
in you—	in lavish and
your heart	unimagined measure
(all)	everywhere and
your soul	to all—
(all)	
your mind	yourself
(all).	not least.



~ Reflecting and Acting on The Word ~

Who helps you to grow and deepen your faith in Christ?
What spiritual practice support your faithjourney?

Readings <https://bible.usccb.org/>

OCTOBER	
29 	30th Sun OT Family Faith Formation Parents & Youth, 10:30a
30 	Adult Faith Formation, 6:45p~ The Chosen (moved back one day)
31 	Adult Faith Formation, 10a ~ The Chosen Communion Service, 12:15p
NOVEMBER	
01	ALL SAINTS DAY ~ Mass, 7p
02	ALL SOULS DAY 
05  	31st Sun OT Family Faith Formation Parents & Youth, 10:30a SSJ CyberSisters Zoom, 7-8:30p
07 	Adult Faith Formation, 10a ~ The Chosen Communion Service, 12:15p Adult Faith Formation, 6:45p ~ The Chosen
08 	RCIA, 6:00p; Choir, 7p
11	Veterans Day
12 	32nd Sun OT Family Faith Formation Parents & Youth, 10:30a
14 	Adult Faith Formation, 10a ~ The Chosen Communion Service, 12:15p Adult Faith Formation, 6:45p ~ The Chosen
15 	RCIA, 6:00p; Choir, 7p
16 	Jesuit Martyrs in El Salvador; Julia Elba Ramos & 16 y/o daughter, Celina Mariceth Ramos Wise Ones, 1p Host: Gayle
18	Men's Breakfast, Cracker Barrel, 8:30a 

Spaghetti Dinner

...**Thanks** to our Ladies' Guild
for hosting our annual
Spaghetti Dinner
and to all who attended
our Parish Life gathering.



☪ Mass Intentions	
29	Denise Tuffner (Birthday); +Johnny Collins
01	+Geri Jones-Gilliam; +Lorraine Pasquale

Birthdays &



Anniversaries

02 Jackie Wagoner	18 Ania Trejo
03 Eric Barrientos Barbara Rhinehart James St. Cyr, Jr.	20 Reyna Hernandez 21 Newell Hauser Ronnie Krakovsky
04 Bill Bresse Arelis Hadfield	22 America Lopez Ryan St. Cyr
05 Shayla Ange	24 Dalilah Hernandez
07 Phil Martin	Lupe Hernandez
09 Debbie Parrish	25 Victor Bustos, Jr.
10 Richard Bernabe	26 Victor Bustos, Sr.
14 Veronica Trinidad	28 Stephen Faust
15 Jane Norman	29 Grace Jenkins

01 Leanne & Daniel Reikowsky	13 Ayda & Sheldon Chanes
04 Rosamelia & Matthew Kelly	16 Ramona & Jim Doyle
07 Rosa & Gerardo Parral	17 Epi & Julian Cortez



Pope Francis has encouraged
all faithful Christians
to **fast and pray for peace**
in the **Middle East**
Friday, October 27,
as the war between
Israel and Hamas
enters its third week.

Integrity means
what you thought,
what you said,
and **what you did**
are **all the same.**

Scott Hagan, PhD.





WALK A MILE in their SHOES



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!!**

Make a donation online:

www.changeforglobalchange.org

or by mail:

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



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



A Christmas Story: The Musical

December 10th, 2023 @ 3pm
Yadkin Arts Council Arts Center
Yadkinville

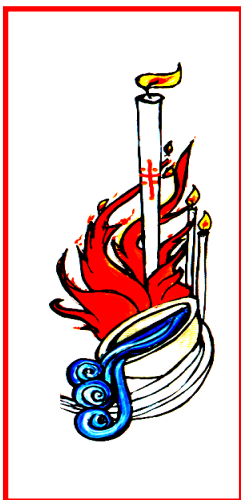
Cost is \$24 Adults & children
Show Only No Meal Serve

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

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
20 months

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 !!

OCT

Sm. dish soap

NOV

Bar soap

DEC

Dry beans

The Greatest Commandment

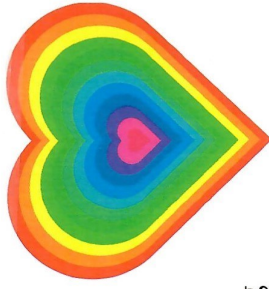
I WILL DO EVERYTHING TODAY FOR YOU, LORD!



What does Jesus say the greatest commandment is? At first you might think that the most important thing would be to not kill anyone, wouldn't you? But that's not what He says! The very most important thing is to love God with our whole heart and soul and mind! It means that we must do everything we do for love of God, and live our whole life completely for Him.

How can you love God with your whole heart?

You can love God by coming to Mass and Faith Formation every Sunday; say grateful prayers to God each day. Begin each morning by giving your day to God and asking God to bless you. Can you think of other ways you can show your love for God and others?



The second greatest commandment that Jesus tells us is that we should love others as much as we love ourselves. If we really love God then we will want to love other people too, because God loves them! If you don't love others, it shows

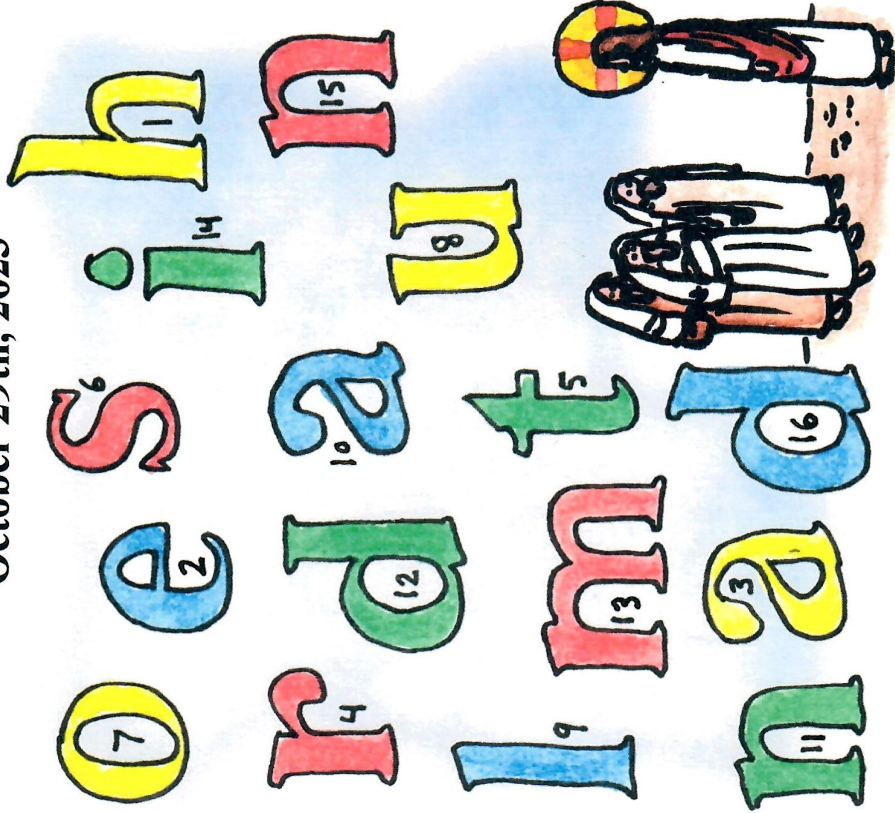


GOD WOULD WANT US TO BE KIND TO HER... that you don't really love God as much as you should. What can you do today to start loving God more?

Answers to Unscramble: greatest, Lord, heart, soul, mind, first, love, yourself, whole. TO LOVE GOD

The Kids' Bulletin

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 29th, 2023



How did Jesus say we should love God?
Put the letters in order by their numbers
to fill in the spaces and find out!

With all our _____, _____, _____,
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
10 11 12 13 14 15 16

Saint Wolfgang

October 31

WOLFGANG WAS BORN AROUND THE YEAR 934 IN WHAT IS NOW GERMANY. HE WAS FROM A FAMILY OF COUNTS AND WENT TO SCHOOLS RUN BY THE CHURCH.




God did not need to make us; He was already happy.

SAINT WOLFGANG BECAME A BENEDICTINE AND WAS ORDAINED A PRIEST.



HE WAS SENT TO TEACH THE MAGYARS, WHO WERE PAGAN WARRIORS THAT LIVED NEARBY.



Wolfgang will make an excellent bishop!

WHEN THE BISHOP DIED HE WAS MADE THE BISHOP OF RATISBON.



HE CARED FOR THE POOR AND REFORMED THE MONASTERIES.



HE WANTED TO LIVE A QUIET LIFE SO HE WENT INTO THE WOODS, BUT A HUNTER FOUND HIM AND BROUGHT HIM BACK!



I found the bishop!

ONE DAY WHEN HE WAS GOING DOWN THE RIVER, HE FELL ILL AND ASKED TO BE BROUGHT INTO THE LOCAL CHURCH. HE DIED THERE, IN A VILLAGE NEAR AUSTRIA.



SAINT WOLFGANG WAS ONE OF THE IMPORTANT PATRON SAINTS FOR THE PEOPLE OF NORTHERN EUROPE THROUGHOUT THE MIDDLE AGES. HE WAS THE TEACHER OF A FUTURE EMPEROR AND SEVERAL ARCHBISHOPS. HIS TEACHING KEPT THESE MEN CLOSE TO GOD AND HELPED THEM RULE WELL.

Unscramble The Gospel

Unscramble the words to fill in the blanks in today's Gospel reading, and use the letters in boxes to fill in the blanks at the end.

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a scholar of the law, tested him by asking, "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the ?" He said to him, "You

TRESAGET⁴

shall love the , your God, with all

DOLR

your , with all your ,

ARTHE OSUL

and with all your . This is the greatest

IDMN

and commandment. The second is

SRTFI

like it: You shall your neighbour as

OEVL

. The

ESUYFOLR LOHWE

law and the prophets depend on these two commandments.

What is the most important thing for us to ever do?

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

