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**Catholic Community Of
St. Stephen - St. Patrick
October 15, 2023**

Rev. James Serowik, Pastor

Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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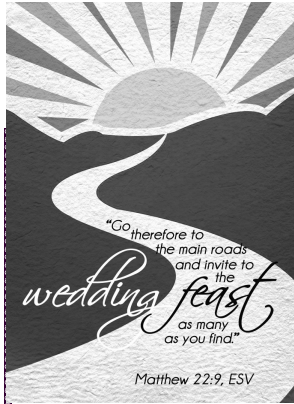
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Following Monday's 6:00PM Mass with Fr. Jim.

Please contact the rectory to make arrangements.



Pastor's Column

The Readings from Scripture this weekend speak to us about the banquet feast. Isaiah tells us about the heavenly feast where God will take care of His People. On that day, the Lord will destroy death forever. Isaiah paints the picture of God providing a great feast of all the best foods and choicest wines. God is truly providing for His People in Isaiah's vision. In the Gospel, Jesus tells us the story about a man

who had a banquet for His son and invited everyone. Many people had different excuses why they could not attend, but then all are invited and the hall is filled with guests. These readings speak to us about Eucharist. It is here that God provides a feast for His People. It is here that God speaks to us and we are nourished to go forth and be His witnesses in the world. It is here that we are changed into the Body of Christ for the world. Let us take some time this week to reflect upon this great gift that the Lord has given to us.

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Creation Care Tips: "On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines..." —Isaiah 25:6

God wants all people to be well-fed, but sadly, even as millions of people in our world are starving, one-third of food

(more than 1 billion tons) is lost or wasted globally.

Such waste contributes to eight percent of greenhouse gases emitted. This week, make an audit of your food consumption and waste.

Do you buy more than you can eat before it goes bad?

Do you let restaurant left-overs rot in your fridge while you make something new?

Clean out your fridge and cabinets, making use of all you've bought but haven't eaten yet.

Are you new to the Parish? Welcome to our church!

We are glad you are here!!! Feel free to ask questions, introduce yourself, pick up a Welcome Bag at the church entrance and read through our Volunteer Ministry Booklet. We have a lot going on for different age groups. We are looking forward to getting to know you better and have you participate in worship and events.



For those homebound, you can access our 8:30AM Sunday Mass: <https://www.youtube.com/c/CatholicCommunityofStStephenStPatrick>

Weekly Stewardship Report: Last Sunday, Oct. 8, 2023



Regular Collection: Envs: \$1,111. Loose: \$454 Electronic: \$145. Total: \$1,710.

Diocesan: RespLife-\$75. WorldMiss-\$10. Other Income: Fuel-\$155. Hosp-\$70. Flowers-\$15.

Because of your contributions we were able to pay the following this week: Altar: \$115. Ph/Int: \$250. Rect: \$98.

Mo.Tithing: \$483. (WPFoodPantry) Ch&RecGrounds: \$54. Salaries: \$1,000. Bills Paid This Week: \$2,000.

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2023 Assessment: \$ 18,174.00

Pledges To Date: \$ 5,570.00

Balance Remaining: \$ 12,604.00



THE CATHOLIC FAITH.
ON DEMAND.

We have a parish subscription to Formed.org. Enter our parish name and search for the titles.

St. Luke the Artist | Sacred Art - In this episode of Sacred Art, Taylor Kemp and Dr. Ben Akers

discuss Rogier van der Weyden's painting, "Saint Luke Drawing the Virgin," artistry and what it reveals about St. Luke the Evangelist.

Saint Teresa of Ávila: A Study in Perseverance - Both St. John of the Cross and his dear friend St. Teresa of Avila lived heroic lives of prayer. In honor of these spiritual masters, enjoy this film depicting the Carmelite way of life and the virtue of perseverance.

Saint Ignatius of Antioch | Catholic Saints - Learn about St. Ignatius of Antioch, a remarkable saint who died a martyr for his fidelity to Christ in this episode of Catholic Saints with Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp.



THE EUCHARIST

Great Things Are Happening! Eucharistic Revival - Our world is hurting.

We all need healing, yet many of us are separated from the very source of our strength. Jesus Christ invites us to return to the source and summit of our faith in the celebration of the Eucharist. The National Eucharistic Revival is a movement to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery here in the United States by helping us renew our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. Get involved and be a part of the Eucharistic Revival. For more information, visit: eucharisticrevival.org and nyseucharisticcongress.org.

As part of the National Eucharistic Revival, the bishops of the State of New York are hosting a state-wide Eucharistic Congress October 20th-22nd at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Martyrs in Auriesville, NY.

**St. Augustine's in Baldwinsville,
7333 Obrien Road**

will be hosting renowned international speaker, retreat leader, and author of **Spiritual Practices for the Brain: Caring for Mind, Body, and Soul** (Loyola Press), **Anne Kertz Kernion**, on Saturday, November 4th, 9:30AM-2:30PM, as she leads a special 5-hour spiritual retreat.

During the retreat, attendees will discover how faith encompasses the connection between their mind, body, and spirit to enrich their lives. Registration fee: \$25 (lunch included.) Scholarships are available for this exciting retreat! More details are available at staugustinesparish.org/akk

World Mission Sunday - Next Sunday, October 22nd, we will unite with the global Church in celebrating World Mission Sunday. This year, Pope Francis illuminates our path with the theme: "Hearts on fire, feet on the move." As we prepare to observe this special day, we are reminded to ignite our hearts with Christ's love and expend that warmth to the most vulnerable corners of our world. Your fervent prayers and upcoming generosity in the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith will bolster the missionaries working in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and certain regions of Latin America and Europe. Let us come together to support them in their mission of love and service. Thank you!

Laundry Love

The Last Thursday



of each month the Whitney Pt. Methodist Church sponsors an evening where community members can go to the Laundry Mat on Main St. and wash their clothes for free. The members of the church donate quarters to pay for the laundry. The use of this ministry has increased.

Let's join with them and contribute our quarters during the month of October to help with the cost.

Contributions can be placed in the jars at the church entrances of our Whitney Point Church.

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The theme this year is, **"Thy Kingdom Come, Thy Will Be Done: Preparing for His Eucharistic Reign."**

The event will include 3 renowned speakers, Mass with Bishop Lucia, confession, the rosary, Brown Scapular enrollment, Adoration, the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and shopping.

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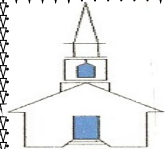
www.syracusecatholicwomen.org/conference. **→ Table of 10 form gets discount and you can sit with your fellow parishioners.**



Please Pray For Our Following Friends and Family in the Military: Pvt Ryan E. Eaton, 2ndLt. Trevor Jones, Sgt Avery Hull, Major Corrine Miller, PV2 Samuel Lilley, PV2 James McGill, Brett Hayes, A2C Derek Lescord, LtCol Major Joy Thomas, LCpl John Larkin, Jr., USMC, Devon McGill, SSgt Michael Hetzler, Major Caleb Miller, Sgt Heather Fox,

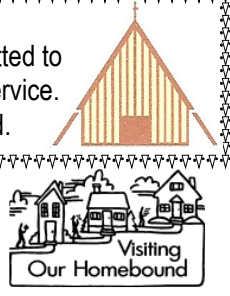
LtCol John Thomas, Daniel Morehouse USMC, LCDR Paul McDonald, 2ndLt. Emily Steele USAF, LCDR Maria Lescord, SSgt Dan Votra USMC, SSG Steven Gross, SSgt Justin Blaisdell, LCDR Marvin Joel Scott III, A1C Brendan Schneider, OS3 Jonathan Schneider,

Sgt Zachary Reardon USMC and PFC Isaac James Silvanic USMC **If you have a friend or family member serving our country and would like their name mentioned weekly in our bulletin, to be kept in our prayers, OR for any changes, please contact our parish office.**



Mission Statement for The Catholic Community of St. Stephen - St. Patrick

We are a Roman Catholic Community of faith, welcoming the strength found in diversity. We are committed to using our time, talent, and treasure in proclaiming the Kingdom of God through prayer, fellowship, and service. We experience our unity at the Eucharistic Table of the Lord, and our direction from the Word of God.



If you know of parishioners that have not been able to come to Mass because they are ill, hospitalized or homebound, please let the Parish Office know so our Hospitality Groups can provide contact with them through visits and cards, or any spiritual needs such as communion, and perhaps they would like to receive a copy of our bulletin.



If you know someone that is ill, facing surgery, or some other kind of difficulty, and needs our prayers, please call Dottie Angel at 656-9230 or Pat Canfield at pattycafe@yahoo.com. They will lead the Prayer Chain we have at The CC of St. Stephen-St. Patrick Church. Supporting each other with the Power of Prayer is the best medicine. If you are not on our Prayer Chain and would like to be, please call our Parish Office, 692-3911.



Our bulletin & OLPH's can be viewed online at www.ccsssp.com



Our face book page: www.facebook.com/ccsssp

Parish Council

Chairperson - Shelley Warnow, dongirl1956@aol.com
ViceChair - Dan Burke, dburke1114@gmail.com
Secretary - Sue Stevens
Trustees - Kathy Cusick, Ron Orzel
Parish Business/Office Manager - Mary Wied **Bulletin Deadline:** Tuesday, Noon - Phone, Mail or Email, ststephenstpat@syrdio.org

PARISH STAFF

Director of Faith Formation - Sherry Dee, 759-1876
Ministry Coordinator - Peg Orzel, porzel10@yahoo.com
Church Organist/Music Director - Jennifer Austin
Maintenance - (Please call parish office w/maintenance concerns)

Daily Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday, Oct. 15 **8:30 AM** Whitney Point for **Ann Ryan, 2nd Anniv.** by Ron & Jan Orzel
10:15 AM Marathon for **Mary Macauley** by CCSS-SP's Hospitality
12:00 PM OLPH...for **Prayers of Successful Surgery for Pat Fedele** by wife for **Mary Macauley** by OLPH's Altar Rosary Society for **James Drury, Nora Hain...** by Jean Drury
Monday, Oct. 16 **6:00 PM** Whitney Point...for **The People Of Our Parish**
Thursday, Oct. 19 **→ No Communion Service**
Sunday, Oct. 22 **8:30 AM** Whitney Point...for **John Halloran, Jr.** by Family for **Elsie Zelsnack** by Elsie Poyer
10:15 AM Marathon...for **The People Of Our Parish**
12:00 PM OLPH...for **James Drury, Nora Hain** by Jean Drury

Readings for Oct. 15 through Oct. 22, 2023:

Today: Is 25:6-10a; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14
Monday: Rom 1:1-7; Lk 11:29-32
Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25; Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Lk 10:1-9
Thursday: Rom 3:21-30; Lk 11:47-54
Friday: Rom 4:1-8; Lk 12:1-7
Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18; Lk 12:8-12
Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21

Mass Intention Offerings - The offering for all Mass intentions (both living and deceased) is \$15 per Mass. If paying by check, please make payable to: CC of St. Stephen-St. Patrick Church.



Whitney Point

Greeters: Earl Markham, Cris Broderick
Next Sunday: Anne Ballard, Cathy Shoemaker
Lector: Marcus Stevens
Next Sunday: Gene Jordan

Marathon

Kathleen Allen, Colleen Brown
Don Atwood, Bob Barry
Rose Ann Holland
Kathy Cusick
Shelley Warnow, Cindy Barry
Wayne & Carol Niggli
Mark Barry, Volunteer
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Oct. Ushers: Jim Russell, Bill McGovern

Eucharistic Ministers: J. Mihalko, E. Jordan, C. Shoemaker
Next Sunday: Ingrid Wennerod, John Mihalko, Emily Jordan
Tabulators: Ron & Jan Orzel
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→ New Ministry Schedules for Oct., Nov. & Dec. are available in our church sacristies. Thank you for serving in our parish.


→→→ We are in need of more Greeters and Eucharistic Ministers at our Marathon Church.

Please call our parish office if interested. Training will be provided.

RCLA  **Interested?** Are you, or someone you know interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? If so, contact our parish office, 692-3911, for Kathy Cusick.

WP Ecumenical Food Pantry: M-Th & Sat, 10AM-Noon, Closed Fridays, Holidays, & when school is closed for inclement weather.
FoodPantry Chairperson: John Mihalko
Oct's Pantry Need: Ramen noodles & Jello
WPClothing Bank: M,T & Sat, 10AM-Noon
The Mobile Food Truck is at Fairgrounds the **2nd Wednesday of each month.** Registration is required (begins the day before the truck) and is on-line or by calling the Southern Tier Mobile Food Truck Food Bank of the Southern Tier - NY (foodbankst.org) 607.796.6061

Funeral Planning Booklets are available at the church entrances if you would like to begin selecting the readings and music that you would like played at the time of your death. A member of the bereavement ministry would be glad to meet with you or the completed booklet can be returned to the office so it is available when needed.

RetireGuide  **A guide was created to Meals on Wheels** for seniors, covering what the program is, how to sign up, and what types of meals are offered. Please feel free to take a look: <https://www.retireguide.com/retirement-life-leisure/senior-housing/aging-in-place/meals-on-wheels/>

→ If anyone notices any kind of church maintenance need from needing a bulb or battery for something, if something has fallen or is broken, to any major need, please call our parish office, so it can be taken care of asap.

This Week In Our Parish

Wednesday, Oct. 18th 9:30AM - Hospitality Committee Mtg-Whitney Pt Ch Hall

Thursday, Oct. 19th NO Communion Service

Sunday, Oct. 22nd 9:20-11:00AM-Faith Formation Classes-Whitney Pt Ch Hall

Consider coming to **Coffee Hour** after mass in Marathon to visit/meet fellow parishioners and visitors. Coffee, milk, juice, and baked goodies are there for your enjoyment. Free will offering.



Whole Community Catechesis Readings and Questions for Discussion

Reading 1 - Isaiah 25:6-10a
The Lord will provide richly for his people.

Reading 2 - Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20
Paul tells the Philippians that God provides whatever he needs.

Gospel - Matthew 22:1-14
(shorter form Matthew 22:1-10)

Jesus compares the kingdom of heaven to a wedding feast.

Adults: What will you do this week to show God that you understand the relationship between faith and works?

Children: What three things can you do this week to show that you are a follower of Jesus?



A Family Perspective

Today's gospel speaks about "unworthy wedding guests." What makes a "worthy" guest? Presence and presents are not enough. The greatest gift we can give is support to the couple as they voyage through life together because marriage naturally contains within it the fields of disappointment. Think of the weddings you have attended. Have you been a "worthy guest?"



During **October** we are collecting **Ramen noodles & Jello** for the Whitney Pt Ecumenical Food Pantry. Please place your donations in designated baskets at the entrances of our churches. Thank you for your food and monetary donations that help to feed those less fortunate in our community.

Hospitality Holiday Bazaar - Clean out your closets... what may be trash to you, may be someone else's treasure. Please begin saving items for our White Elephant Sale for our Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, November 18th, 8:30am-4pm. New or gently used Items (no clothes or baby items, please) can be brought to our Whitney Pt Church Hall

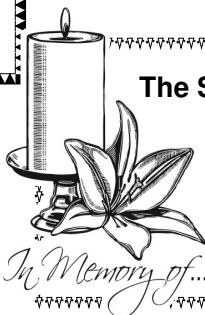
November 13th-17th, 9:00AM-3:00PM.



ST. STEPHEN'S/ST. PATRICK'S HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

meets on the third Tuesday of every month in our Whitney Pt Church Hall.

Our next meeting for October only is Wednesday, October 18th, 9:30AM, due to a conflict with use of church hall. We invite young and older, male and female and from all three church locations to join us.



The Sanctuary Candle Burning for the Month of October

in our Whitney Pt Church is *In Memory Of:*

Einer & Grace Erickson
by Ron & Jackie Burroughs

First Friday Holy Hour with Dc. Tony. Our next one is Friday, Nov. 3rd at St Stephen's.



Thank you Dc. Tony for all you do for us!

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☆☆ We welcome to the family of The Catholic Community of St. Stephen-St. Patrick Church:☆☆
☆☆ Nancy Benson☆☆



Vocation View: “

Go out, therefore, into the main roads, and invite to the feast whomever you find.” In this passage today, the Lord is asking us to go out and invite everyone to the feast. The altar of the Lord is the most sacred thing on this Earth, so invite everyone to this most sacred feast. If you feel a very special calling to celebrate this feast, then you might be called to the priesthood. Call Fr. Jason Hage (315)470-1468, or vocations@syrdio.org.



Christian Fellowship Church on River St.,

Lisle is hosting a Vendor Sale on Saturday, November 4th, 9AM-4:30PM.

There will be various vendors selling their products. If you are interested in being a vendor you can contact Rosie at 607-761-2157 by October 21st.

Rental Cost: \$15. for a small table and \$25. for a big table.



The Ecumenical Peace Garden

The order of engraved bricks that was placed at the end of August has arrived and we have placed them in the garden. If you have any questions, or would like them placed in a different spot, please contact either Ken or Sylvia Bates at 607-237-9762 or 607-743-6317.

We can place one more order for this year if we receive enough applications by October 21st. We have a few new symbols that the company has offered us (Celtic Cross, Cross with Music Notes wrapped around it and Wedding Rings that are intertwined). Applications are available in the vestibule or by contacting the Mary Wied at 607-692-3911.

WEEKLY JUSTICE CHALLENGE: The Sunday Gospel describes the wedding banquet to which the groom's father invited his family and friends. But the invited guests chose not to come. In frustration, the father welcomed people beyond his immediate circle, even reaching out to people on the fringes of society. And they came! Jesus' message is clear: through him, God has given us a new understanding of who the Chosen People are. They are not only people born into the Jewish community. The chosen people include anyone who says yes to God's call. Your challenge this week is to look at someone who is not Catholic, a person you don't know very well. It might be someone you pass on the street or in the grocery store, perhaps a person whom you consider different or wrong, scary or mean. Can you view the person through God's eyes, seeing them as part of God's chosen people? Can you name one way in which the person has said yes to God? In the coming week, commit yourself to a change of attitude or heart about this person.

The background features a warm, golden-brown color palette. In the center, a bright light source creates a starburst effect with numerous thin, white lines radiating outwards. Two hands are visible, one on the left and one on the right, reaching towards each other as if to meet or hold hands. The overall atmosphere is one of hope, invitation, and divine light.

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	<u>OLPH</u>	<u>Marathon</u>	<u>Whitney Point</u>
<i>Weekday Mass:</i>	No Mass	No Mass	6:00PM Monday Evenings
<i>Sunday Masses:</i>	12:00PM	10:15AM	8:30AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation: As announced or by appointment.

Mission Statement for Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church

"To advance the Kingdom of God by living a Community Life of Love & Worship,
Telling the Good News of Jesus Christ."

OLPH PARISH STAFF: Parish Council President-Linda Crowley, 863-3574 Vice-President-Terri Fedele Secretary-Lisa Holt
Pastoral Care Lay Minister: Linda Crowley, lcrowley@zfastest.net
Secretary-Mary Wied-For bulletin announcements please call 692-3911 or ststephenstpat@syrdio.org by Wed.

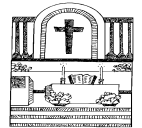


Baptisms – Please call OLPH's Seton Hall or Whitney Point Office.
Weddings – Please call OLPH's Seton Hall or Whitney Point Office at least 6 months in advance.
Sick/Infirm–If you have someone who is sick or in the hospital, please **notify our Pastoral Care Lay Minister, Linda**, so they can be pastorally attended to.

TWENTY EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME **OCTOBER 15, 2023**

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Today, 10/15/23 12:00PM Prayers for a successful surgery for Pat Fedele by wife
for **Mary Macauley** by OLPH's Altar Rosary Society
for **James Drury** by Jean Drury
for **Nora Hain** by Jean Drury
Sunday, 10/22/23 12:00PM for James Drury by Jean Drury
for **Nora Hain** by Jean Drury



Lector: Sharon Constantino **Eucharistic Minister:** Betty Carter, Sue DeMonte **Gift Bearers:** Evelyn Scanlon, Mary Wied
Next Sunday: Hugh Cook **Next Sunday:** Lisa Holt, Sharon Constantino **Next Sunday:** Bob & Linda Crowley
Ushers: John & Sue DeMonte **If anyone is interested in becoming a Lector be on the ministry schedule contact Betty Carter at chopwood2@hotmail.com.**



OLPH's Coffee Hour –Everyone please join us every Sunday in Seton Hall, following 12PM Mass, for some coffee or something cold to drink with some snacks and good fellowship.

OLPH's Coffee Hour–If you are interested in hosting Coffee Hour after Sunday Mass, please see sign-up sheet on bulletin board in Seton Hall. All that is required to bring is any type of light snack, such as cheese and crackers, veggies and dip, etc. You may bring baked or store bought goodies. Coffee, milk and sugar are provided by church. There is also the option to donate to the coffee can during Coffee Hour and someone will make sure to provide for Sundays that no one signed up for.



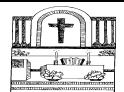
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We will be having Nametag Sunday on the 29th. This will allow the Bishop to know who we are, as well as let the rest of us learning the names of our fellow parishioners whom we know by sight but not by name. Tags will be available for everyone in the entrance of the church.

➔To access our 8:30AM Sunday Mass, you can now use <https://www.youtube.com/c/CatholicCommunityofStStephenStPatrick>

Daily Message from Pope Francis “In a world full of noise, we are no longer accustomed to silence; indeed sometimes we struggle with it, because silence forces us to face God and ourselves. Yet it lies at the foundation of the word and of life.” ~Pope Francis **Note:** Sign-up for daily messages from Pope Francis at Missio.org.

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2023 Assessment: \$ 2,530.00

Pledges To Date: \$ 1,010.00 (5 pledges)

Balance Remaining: \$ 1,520.00

➔ Out of our 65 registered parishioners of OLPH there are only 5 pledges, if the rest of us would just donate any amount we would be closer to our goal and not reached by the same few parishioners.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help’s Prayer Chain - If you know of someone in need of special prayers and would like them listed on OLPH’s Prayer Chain or if you’re not on our prayer chain list of calls and would like to be, please contact Betty Carter at 607-863-3163 or email: chopwood2@hotmail.com.



Weekly Collection – Last Sunday, Oct. 8, 2023: **Regular Collection:** Envs: \$168.76 Loose: \$70. Total Reg.: \$238.76
Diocesan Collections: *RespLife*-\$65.61 **Other Income:** Fuel-\$5. Votives-\$39. **Bills Paid This Week:** \$770.00
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at www.syracusecatholicwomen.org/conference.

Table of 10 form gets discount and you can sit with your fellow parishioners.

Rural Services’ Food Pantry is always in need of non-perishable food items. Their biggest demand is for peanut butter & jelly and pasta & sauce. Items can be brought on Sunday when you come to Mass & put in the marked basket at the entrance of our church. Monetary donations are also welcome and can be marked “Rural Services” and placed in collection basket, or mail to Rural Services, P.O. Box 57, Cincinnatus, NY 13040.

Today, October 15th is also the celebration of the St. Teresa of Avila’s feast day.

St. Teresa was known for her spiritual writings and poetry.

One of the most famous pieces speaks to us about our call. How does this speak to you?

How are you being called into the body of Christ? How is Jesus inviting you?

In today’s parable of the wedding banquet, Jesus is giving us insight into history and to the future.

The king (God) is holding a wedding feast for his son (Jesus). The servants (prophets and ministers of God) go out and invite guests. But these guests mistreat the servants. This is a condemnation of how Israel, and the Jewish leadership in particular, treated God’s messengers. So next the king sends out his servants to invite everyone, good or bad, to the feast. This is an indication that we are all invited, regardless of our “worthiness”. But then something disturbing happens. One of the guests is under dressed for the feast. He is thrown out of the banquet.

This can seem unfair, especially since this guest was invited off of the street. He probably wasn’t expecting to go to a wedding. But he was missing something. He was caught unprepared. Young-catholic.com

Newcomers & Current Parishioners: WELCOME! If you would like register, receive contribution envelopes, Catholic SUN, have a change in address, marital status, etc., please fill out small blue form by the bulletins & drop it in collection basket.

