

October 13, 2024 • Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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A Prayer for Life

to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament

O Jesus, you came that we might have *life*—and have it in abundance. Together with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you form us in our mothers' wombs and call us to love you for all eternity.

As your most precious gift of human life is attacked, draw us ever closer to your Real Presence in the Eucharist. Dispel the darkness of the culture of death, for you are the light that shines in the darkness, and the darkness cannot overcome it.

By the power of your Eucharistic Presence, help us to defend the life of every human person at every stage. Transform our hearts to protect and cherish all whose lives are most vulnerable.

For you are God, forever and ever. Amen.

Pray for Vocations



Please pray that those called to the priesthood, religious and consecrated life will respond to a joyful, "Yes!"

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12 • *Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Anticipated*

4:00 p.m., Girard: Randy Coleman (*Ryan Smith*)

5:30 p.m., Auburn: Sheila Menietti (*Friends*)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13 • *Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:15 a.m., Auburn: David King (*Phoebe Olivier*)

10:15 a.m., Virden: + Danny Hickey (*Josephine & Lance Hickey*)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14 • *St. Callistus I, Pope & Martyr*

No Mass

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15 • *St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church*

6:00 p.m., Auburn: + Sandy Spoon (*Mr/Mrs Vic Goeckner*)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16 • *Weekday* • *St. Hedwig, Religious* • *St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin*

7:30 a.m., Virden: + Robert Seelbach

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17 • *St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr*

7:30 a.m., Virden: + Donna Sharp (*Susan Mathias*)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18 • *St. Luke, Evangelist*

7:30 a.m., Auburn: *Pro Populo*

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19 • *St. John de Brebeuf & Isaac Jogues, Priests, & Companions, Martyrs*

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Anticipated

4:00 p.m., Girard: Gerry Neff (*Wayne & Cindy Dorner*)

5:30 p.m., Auburn: Bill Bolletta, Sr. (*Family*)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20 • *Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:15 a.m., Auburn: Travis Clem (*Dave & Barb Farris & Family*)

10:15 a.m., Virden: + Robert Dodd (*Birthday*) (*Family*)



Morning Offering Prayer

O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer you my prayers, works, joys and sufferings of this day in union with the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass throughout the world. I offer them for all the intentions of your Sacred Heart: the salvation of souls, the reparation for sin, and the reunion of all Christians. I offer them for the intentions of our bishops and of all Apostles of Prayer, and in particular for those recommended by our Holy Father for this month. Amen.



OCTOBER INTENTION OF THE HOLY FATHER

For a shared mission

We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SATURDAY (OCTOBER 12)

4:00 p.m., Mass—Girard
5:30 p.m., Mass—Auburn

SUNDAY (OCTOBER 13)

CCD Classes
8:15 a.m., Mass—Auburn
9:45 a.m., Rosary—Viriden
10:15 a.m., Mass—Viriden

MONDAY

No Mass

TUESDAY

1:00—4:00 p.m., Parish Office Open—Viriden
6:00 p.m., Mass—Auburn

WEDNESDAY

7:30 a.m., Mass—Viriden
24 Hour Adoration
8:00—11:00 a.m., Parish Office Open—Viriden
10:00 a.m., Bible Study—Auburn

THURSDAY

7:30 a.m., Mass—Viriden
8:00—11:00 a.m., Parish Office Open—Viriden

FRIDAY

7:30 a.m., Mass—Auburn

SATURDAY (OCTOBER 19)

5:00 p.m., Movie Night—KC Hall

UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER 22

Parish Finance Council Meeting

OCTOBER 31

6:30 p.m., Holy Day Vigil Mass—Girard

NOVEMBER 1

7:00 a.m., Holy Day Mass—Auburn
6:30 p.m., Holy Day Mass—Viriden

NOVEMBER 3

CHICKEN DINNER!!

PARISH MINISTRIES

OCTOBER 13 AT 10:15 A.M.

Servers	Trace Baines Lauren Pierce
Reader	Tony Rothering
Greeter	Volunteer Needed
Ushers	Matt Peregrin Volunteers



OCTOBER 20 AT 10:15 A.M.

Servers	Jim McGrath Andrew Rosier
Reader	Larry Travis
Greeter	Jane Maguire
Ushers	Rick Maguire Volunteers



CHURCH CLEANERS:

October 17: L. Hacker, S. Pierce, T. Sharp, R. Sexton

October 24: S. Goeckner



PRAYER LINE:

If you or someone you know is in need of prayers, you may contact the prayer line. Call or text Marcella at (217) 503-5034.



SPECIAL COLLECTIONS:

Every month:

Parish Tithe, Building & Grounds, &
Vocations Builder Collection

September:

October 20: World Mission Sunday

WEEKLY OFFERING

OCTOBER 6	Regular Weekly/Holyday: \$2,866 Hurricane Helene: \$385 World Mission Sunday: \$10 Building & Grounds: \$36 Vocations Builder: \$69 Parish Tithe: \$36
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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

REMEMBERING WITH LOVE BABIES LOST BEFORE BIRTH:

During October, the month of Our Lady of the Rosary, we remember with love the loss of those precious little ones of ours whose coming into being at conception was warmly welcomed but did not come to birth, and the loss of those whose life was all too brief. On Sunday, October 20 we will have a special remembrance at Mass for these babies. If you have experienced miscarriages or loss of a child before birth (or know someone who has experienced this loss) and wish to have the infant(s) remembered, please submit the number by Thursday, October 17 (you may contact the parish office or drop a note in the collection basket at Mass—you do not need to submit your name). At Mass on October 20 we will have a flower and candle for each baby that you remember with love. After Mass, you are invited to take the flower(s) for the babies you remember home with you. All of us join in prayer with you and for you, dear parents, relatives and friends, who mourn, sometimes even after many years, the loss of your child.



UPCOMING TRAVELING MADONNA HOST FAMILIES:

October 13: Sara Goeckner

October 20: MaElena Nunez

UPCOMING WEDDING: Please offer prayers for Jacob Poorman and Marissa Tate who will be married in our church on Saturday, October 26. We praise you, Lord, for your gentle plan draws together your children in love for one another. Strengthen their hearts, so that they will keep faith with each other, please you in all things, and so come to the happiness of celebrating the sacrament of their marriage.

ALL SAINTS' DAY: A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION:

The Mass Schedule is as follows:

Thursday, October 31, Holy Day Vigil Mass

St. Patrick, Girard - 6:30 p.m.

Friday, November 1, Holy Day Mass

St. Benedict Church, HCP, Auburn - 7:00 a.m.

Sacred Heart, Virden - 6:30 p.m.



Saturday, October 19

at the Virden Knights of Columbus Hall

Food starting at 5 p.m.

Movie starting at 6:30 p.m.

Hamburgers ★ Hot Dogs ★ Chips ★ Drinks ★ Popcorn

Provided by the Virden Knights of Columbus

Bring your lawn chairs ★ Rain: inside KC Hall

PRAY FOR OUR COUNTRY: The elections are quickly approaching (November 5)!

In his recent column in the Catholic Times, Bishop Paprocki closed with the following comment,

...please pray for our country. Mary is the patroness of our country and our diocese. Turning to her intercession as our country faces this important election is something we should all do. May God give us this grace. Amen.

With this thought in mind, we will be holding a time of prayer for the election on Monday, November 4 from 4 to 8 p.m. The church will remain open during this time for anyone wishing to drop in for prayer. We will also offer a Rosary on each hour.

4 p.m.: Joyful Mysteries

5 p.m.: Luminous Mysteries

6 p.m.: Sorrowful Mysteries

7 p.m.: Glorious Mysteries

We are in need of volunteers to help lead the Rosary—please contact the parish office.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SACRED HEART CHURCH, VIRDEN
AND VIRDEN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
COUNCIL #2321

Fried Chicken Dinner

Sunday, November 3, 2024

11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

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Dine-in or Carry-out!

(Carry-outs at rear door)

Adults & Carry-outs \$13 Desserts available separately	Fried Chicken Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Green Beans Cole Slaw Roll Beverage	Children 5-12 \$6 50/50 Drawing at 2 p.m.
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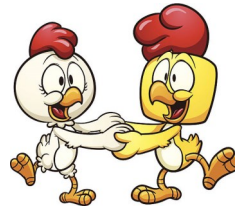
Volunteer to help at the dinner!



Bake a dessert!



Bring a friend to the dinner!



Pray for the success of our dinner!

We are so excited to be partnering with the
Viriden Knights of Columbus to host a Fried Chicken Dinner this year!

MANY WORKERS ARE NEEDED: Call Annie Schnetzler at 801-8148 if you can help! *Reminder to helpers:* Food handlers should wear a cap and all workers are asked to park away from the building.

CHICKEN CLEANING: Chicken cleaning will take place on the afternoon Friday, November 1 at the KC Hall. Anyone is welcome—if you have cutting tools or scissors, please bring them. Please contact Annie Schnetzler in advance of that day if you will be able to help.

DESSERTS: Please consider baking two desserts this year and dropping them off the day of the dinner. The desserts are always a big hit, so we need your support in this area!

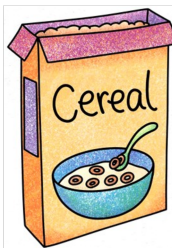
YOUNG PEOPLE NEEDED!! Our young folks are always appreciated and receive many compliments on their respectful service while busing tables and carrying trays. Once again, we need their help! Please consider adding your family to the list of workers to bus the tables!

PRAY FOR OUR PARISH: All are invited to join us in praying the Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus directly after the Rosary on Sunday, October 27. *We will be praying for the success of our Chicken Dinner* and for the financial/spiritual health of our parish, and for the continued support of our Capital Campaign for the repair of our church ceiling.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

WITNESS TO LOVE: Thank you to Taylor and Adrianna Smith for sharing information about their new ministry in our parish last Sunday. If you would like to learn more about the Witness to Love Marriage Preparation Program, you are welcome to pick up leaflets available in the vestibule. Please pray for Taylor and Adrianna as they assist couples through the preparation for their vocation to the married life.

PARISH YOUTH COLLECTING FOR VIRDEN FOOD PANTRY: During the month of October, the parish youth are collecting cereal for the Virden Food Pantry. If you would like to help them in their efforts, a box is available in the hallway by the restrooms. Thank you for your support!



OCTOBER COUNT: During the month of October, the Diocese asks that all parishes count the number of people attending each weekend Mass. Why? They use these figures for pastoral planning—deciding where to send priests and deacons and deciding what resources may be needed in a particular area. Not only is this useful for Diocesan reporting, but it is an important time for those in leadership of our parish to take stock of who is in regular attendance and who might need ministry. So if you are wavering about where to go to Mass on a Sunday in October, consider coming “home to Sacred Heart”!



REMEMBERING ALL SOULS BEFORE MASS ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10: November 2 is All Souls Day. Normally, we would have our parish All Souls Remembrance on the Sunday closest to that day. However, that Sunday also happens to be the Sunday of the Chicken Dinner! **We will be remembering all our deceased loved ones in a special way before Mass on Sunday, November 10.** The names of all those from our parish who have died in the past year will be read. In addition, all names submitted for this remembrance will also be read.

If you have loved ones who you would like to be part of this remembrance, please submit names in the following ways:

- Your envelope packet contains an “All Souls’ Day” envelope—fill out the back of the envelope and drop it in the collection basket.
- Contact the parish office by email or phone to submit the names.
- This week, we will be adding an All Souls’ Remembrance form on our website—you may use this form to submit names.

All donations to offset the cost of the candles are appreciated!

ROSARY WALK AT VIRDEN CEMETERY: On Thursday, November 7 at 10:00 a.m. everyone is invited to a Rosary Walk at Virden Cemetery. This Rosary will be offered for the faithful departed. Come prepared for the weather as it is usually windy and cold. You may gain indulgences for first 9 days of November when you visit a cemetery and pray for the faithful departed. All the usual conditions required to gain a plenary indulgence apply. You may obtain the indulgence for yourself or offer it for a departed soul.

NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK IS COMING SOON! National Vocations Awareness Week is November 3-9. In honor of this national event, we are beginning our Annual Adopt a Seminarian Campaign where you are invited to choose a seminarian to pray for during the upcoming year. You may also sign up to offer a Mass for an increase in Vocations during the 2025 calendar year. Check out the display at the back of the church.

How do I “adopt” a seminarian? To adopt a seminarian, simply choose a card of one of the seminarians and pray for him!

SUPPORT HURRICANE HELENE DISASTER RELIEF

CCUSA, as the official domestic disaster relief agency of the Catholic Church in the United States, has launched a dedicated Helene disaster relief campaign. All donations received for disaster aid will be allocated to the Catholic Charities agencies providing critical relief – including shelter, food and other humanitarian aid – to those most in need.

Envelopes are available in the pews for this collection.
If you wish to make an online donation, you may do so via our parish website (sacredheartvirden.com).

This fund is available for donation on our NEW ONLINE GIVING system—PUSHPAY.

*So when you go to the “Donate Online” Tab—
click on the ORANGE BUTTON.*

**Because this is a pressing need,
please make your donations as soon as possible.**

A LETTER FROM OUR BISHOP

October 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On October 20, as we observe World Mission Sunday, we stand in solidarity with the Missions of the Church, to proclaim the salvation of Christ to all nations. Pope Francis reflected on this year's theme: "Go and Invite Everyone to the Banquet" Matthew 22:9. The invitation to the banquet is linked to the Eucharistic table, where believers share the Body and Blood of Christ, anticipating the final Banquet.

Participating in World Mission Sunday is a tangible way for Catholics to live out the Great Commission, bringing the message of Christ to every corner of the earth. It's an expression of solidarity with missionaries and a means to share Christ's love universally.

Founded by French laywoman Blessed Pauline Jaricot in 1822, the Society for the Propagation of the Faith is an essential source of aid for the Church's missionary work. In the United States, we benefited from these donations: up until 1908, we received close to 7 million dollars, the equivalent of over 250 million today. Those dioceses in our country, considered mission territories, continued to receive subsidies. Fairbanks, Alaska, was the last of those dioceses and received its final subsidy payment just last year!

The World Mission Sunday collection assists the Holy Father to meet his Petrine obligation to build up the Church in over 1,100 dioceses and territories that are too young and/ or too poor to sustain themselves. Offerings support the formation of seminarians and religious men and women, assist in the construction of schools and orphanages, and enables missionaries to build churches in remote and resource-limited areas, and to meet essential works to proclaim the Gospel and celebrate the Sacraments.

Embodying this year's theme of World Mission Sunday, I urge you to keep your hearts aflame with the word of God, open the eyes of others to Jesus in the Eucharist, and your feet moving inviting everyone to walk together on the path of peace and salvation.



Your prayers are invaluable, and your financial support provides life-giving aid to our brothers and sisters in the world's most vulnerable communities.

Gratefully in the Lord,
Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki
Bishop of Springfield in Illinois

Donations to World Mission Sunday may be made using your envelopes or online via our parish website.

AROUND THE AREA

FAMILY FEST! – Join other families across the diocese for an experience of exciting activities, bonding games, as well as Mass, adoration, and delicious food!

Date: Sunday, Oct. 20; **Location:** Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception for Mass at 10 a.m. and then the Villa Maria Retreat Center, 1903 E Lakeshore Dr., Springfield, IL 62712; **Who:** Families in the diocese; **Meals:** Dinner provided (bring a lunch); **Cost:** \$20 per family; **Time:** 10 A.M. – 6 P.M.; For questions about the event, please contact Daniel Heffernan at dheffernan@dio.org. Register at dio.org/events/.

ATTEND SPECIAL HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS IN SPRINGFIELD NOV. 10 – Come pray for holy vocations to the priesthood, religious life, and marriage during a holy hour at Christ the King Church in Springfield on Sunday, Nov. 10 at 6:30 p.m. There will be adoration before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament and confession will be available. You can pray vocation-specific prayers, a *Rosary*, or whatever you like. *Benediction* will close the Holy Hour. A short homily on discerning vocations will also be given.

ATTENTION LADIES: The Jerseyville Deanery CCW will meet on Wednesday, November 6th at St. Raymond, Raymond, IL. 9 a.m. Mass for deceased members followed by the Rosary. Registration after the Mass in the parish center (\$6). We will be honoring our Women of Distinction and Joyce Taylor will speak about her mission to Africa.



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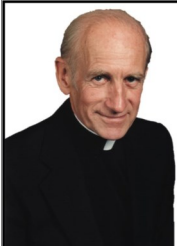
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