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**Pray for
Vocations**



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

"Lord, let your face shine on us"

Psalm 4

40 Hours of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Forty continuous hours of Adoration offered for a deeper understanding and devotion to the Holy Eucharist during the Eucharistic Revival



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Thursday, September 29

6:00 p.m.—Opening Mass

Reverend Paul Lesupati, *celebrant*

Confessions following Mass



Friday, September 30

6:00 p.m.—Mass

The Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki, *celebrant*
Reception to greet Bishop & Confessions following Mass



Saturday, October 1

8:45 a.m.—Benediction & Reposition

9:00 a.m.—Closing Mass

Reverend James Palakudy, S.A.C., *celebrant*



Visitors are welcome for Masses and Adoration!

WEEKLY BULLETIN: September 25, 2022

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 • *Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Anticipated*

4:00 p.m., Girard: Rita Jones (*Mr./Mrs. Don Jom*)

5:30 p.m., Auburn: Drew Keown (*Paw Paw & Grandma Maley*)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 • *Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:15 a.m., Auburn: Virginia Gasey (*Bettie Burtle*)

10:15 a.m., Virden: Brett Maguire (*Jeff & Becca Yemm*)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26 • *Weekday* • *Sts. Cosmas & Damian, Martyrs*

No Mass

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 • *St. Vincent de Paul, Priest*

6:00 p.m., Auburn: Dolores Landers (*Holy Cross Altar Society*)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 • *Weekday* • *St. Wenceslaus, Martyr* • *St. Lawrence Ruiz & Companions, Martyrs*

7:30 a.m., Virden: Berta Elisa de Herrera (*M/M Martin Jones*)

10:00 a.m., Eastland in Auburn: All Souls (*Mr/Mrs Steve Baker*)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 • *Sts. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels*

40 Hours of Adoration Opening Mass: 6:00 p.m., Virden: For an increase in Vocations

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 • *St. Jerome, Priest & Doctor of the Church*

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

40 Hours of Adoration Mass: 6:00 p.m., Virden: For Persecuted Christians

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1 • *St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church*

40 Hours of Adoration Closing Mass: 9:00 a.m., Virden: For the Poor Souls

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Anticipated

4:00 p.m., Girard: Bob Millburg (*Annette & James Bails*)

5:30 p.m., Auburn: Blanche Catteau (*Anniv. 9/18*) (*The Catteaus*)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2 • *Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:15 a.m., Auburn: Hank Bork & Logan Spears (*Jim & Sheryl Spears*)

10:15 a.m., Virden: Baines Family (*Matt & Amanda Maynerich*)



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.



SEPTEMBER INTENTION OF THE HOLY FATHER **Abolition of the Death Penalty**

We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SATURDAY (September 24)

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

SUNDAY (September 25)

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

MONDAY

No Mass
Parish Office Closed

TUESDAY

2:00–5:00 p.m., Parish Office Open
6:00 p.m., Mass—Auburn
Finance Council Meeting—Viriden

WEDNESDAY

7:30 a.m., Mass—Viriden
10:00 a.m., Mass—Eastland in Auburn
No Adoration
2:00–5:00 p.m., Parish Office Open
RCIA Classes Begin

THURSDAY

Parish Office Closed
6:00 p.m., 40 Hours of Adoration Opening Mass

FRIDAY

7:30 a.m., Mass—Auburn
Parish Office Closed to celebrate 40 Hours
6:00 p.m., 40 Hours of Adoration Mass

SATURDAY

8:45 & 9:00 a.m., Benediction & Closing Mass for
40 Hours of Adoration

PARISH MINISTRIES

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 AT 10:15 A.M.

Servers	John Rosier, Hunter Giller, Eli Travis
Reader	Tony Rothering
Greeter	Beth Smith
Ushers	Marty Jones Steve Maynerich Adam Edwards Volunteer



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2 AT 10:15 A.M.

Servers	Jackson & Lauren Pierce
Reader	Larry Travis
Greeter	Carol McGrath
Ushers	Matt Maynerich Lance Hickey Volunteers



CHURCH CLEANERS:

September 29: G. Jones

October 6: L. Baines, J. Murphy, N. Siudyla



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.

WEEKLY OFFERING

SEPTEMBER 18	<i>Envelope Donors: 17; Online Donors: 13</i>
	Regular Weekly/Holyday: \$1,688.26 Diocesan Special Collections: \$20.00 Building & Grounds: \$35.00 Vocations Builder: \$112.50 Parish Tithe: \$55.00

August Parish Tithe to the Diocese: \$1,078

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS IN SEPTEMBER:

September 18: Church in Africa

Every month:

Parish Tithe

Building & Grounds

Vocations Builder Collection

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS WEEK: We have a few announcements for this week:

- Because of the 40 Hours of Adoration from September 29 through October 1, we will not be having Adoration on Wednesday, September 28.
- We will have morning Mass as usual on Wednesday.
- We will not have Mass on Thursday morning. The Thursday Mass will be in the evening to open the 40 Hours of Adoration.
- Please check the 40 Hours of Adoration schedule for the list of Masses.
- The parish office will be open on Tuesday and Wednesday but will be closed on Friday for the 40 Hours of Adoration.

CONGRATULATIONS! This past Sunday was Catechetical Sunday. CCD classes began for our parish children. We also honored three from our parish who are involved in faith formation and have reached five year anniversaries—Deacon Rick & Annie Schnetzler for RCIA and Meghan Theel for CCD. We thank them for their continued dedication! **Please continue to pray for our catechists and the students!**

RCIA CLASSES BEGIN WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28:

The Rite of Christian of Adults (RCIA) is for both unbaptized persons and for baptized Christians who wish now to live their baptismal life in the tradition of the Catholic Church. **We are ready to begin the RCIA on Wednesday, September 28 at Sacred Heart Church, Virden in the school building.** If you are interested in learning more about your faith, please contact Deacon Rick.

Are the Rich in Trouble? Here, today, is the story of a rich man and a poor man, Lazarus (means, “My God helps”). The impoverished life of the latter and the sumptuous life of the former gets reversed in death and the life that follows. Are the rich in trouble? It depends.

- How will I keep one eye on heaven, my final home?
- How will I be generous today?
- How can I feed those who are hungry?

AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOTHER TERESA MOVIE: The movie “Mother Teresa: No Greater Love” will be shown in the Springfield AMC 12 theater on Monday, October 3 at Tuesday October 4 at 7:00 p.m. each evening.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: Springfield Right to Life is calling all prayer warriors to the next 40 Days for Life which runs from September 28 to November 6. Call 217-523-2700 to sign up to be part of the prayer vigil.

LIFE CHAIN: AN ANNUAL DAY OF PUBLIC WITNESS:

On Sunday, October 2 everyone is invited to join in the Life Chain from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Springfield. Pro-life prayer warriors will gather for the Life Chain and stand in quiet camaraderie in prayerful intercession to oppose abortion and promote adoption in the belief that life itself is truly a miracle from our Creator. There are four locations for the Life Chain around Springfield: at the Springfield Right to Life office on Bruns Lane, on Stevenson Drive near Little Flower Church, on Sangamon Avenue near St. Aloysius Church, and on MacArthur Blvd. from South Grand to Laurel Street.

MILITARY NIGHT ON OCTOBER 7: On Friday, October 7, the Elmer E. Vance American Legion Auxiliary, along with North Mac Schools, will be hosting a Military night at the football game against Gillespie. As part of the event, active military and veterans (living & deceased) from both Gillespie and the North Mac communities will be honored. Those who attend the game will be honored during half time and receive free admission to the game. To be recognized at the event, please submit information by Monday, September 26. Information on how to submit a name is available through the parish office.

ON THE LIGHT SIDE... “BETTER GRADE”

At a university in New England, the students operated a “bank” of term papers and other assignments. There were papers to suit all needs. Since it would look odd if a mediocre student suddenly turned in a brilliant essay, there were papers for A, B, and C grades. A student who spent his weekend on pursuits other than studying, went to the “bank” for a paper. He selected a paper for an inconspicuous C, retyped it and handed the work in. In due course he received it back with the professor’s comments: “I wrote this paper myself 20 years ago. I always thought it should have received an A, and now I am glad to give it one!”

OUR FAITH

40 HOURS OF ADORATION: SEPTEMBER 29—OCTOBER 1

Opening Mass

Thursday, September 29 at 6:00 p.m.
celebrated by the newly ordained Father Paul Lesupati
Confessions following Mass

Friday Mass

Friday, September 30 at 6:00 p.m.
celebrated by Bishop Paprocki
Reception to Greet Bishop & Confessions following Mass

Reposition & Benediction

Saturday, October 1 at 8:45 a.m.

Closing Mass

Saturday, October 1 at 9:00 a.m.
celebrated by Father James Palakudy

Following the opening Mass until the closing Mass,
Adoration will be continuous for 40 Hours.
It is a special honor to have a newly ordained priest,
Father Paul Lesupati, celebrate the opening Mass
and to have Bishop Paprocki celebrate the Friday Mass.

PRAYING

Come to prayer with no expectations. Be empty and expectant before Him. It is not up to you to manufacture the light; all you have to do is open your protective shutters and raise the blinds. Those who approach prayer with their intelligence only seem almost to expect to “conquer God,” like mastering the theory of relativity. But prayer is an opening of self, making a place for Him in your day and in your spirit, and calling God into that opening. When one does that, he or she often finds that God was already there, waiting to be noticed.

*Fr. Wm. O'Malley, S.J., Excerpt from [Meeting the Living God],
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Our 40 Hours of Eucharistic Adoration is coming this week! It will be held September 29—October 1. Everyone is invited to join us for Masses and for Adoration. If you are uncertain about what Adoration is or what to do during Adoration, we hope the following help you.

What about my kids and grandkids? Are they permitted to come to Adoration?

Not only are they permitted, but they are specifically invited!! It was our Lord who said, “Let the children come to me, and do not prevent them; for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these”. And don’t be afraid to walk them up to the front pews to kneel, to talk to and teach them about the Eucharist. Also, it is totally acceptable for a parent/grandparent to pray with a child in a subdued voice. Jesus loves seeing and being with the little ones! Bring a children’s Bible or saint story for them to read, pray the Rosary, go with them to light a candle and let them choose the intention.

Is there a certain kind of etiquette or posture during Adoration?

Yes. Generally, folks coming to Adoration maintain silence. There are some exceptions to this—for example, children communicating with a fellow adorer. The purpose of silence is for the sake of listening to the Lord who speaks to us in silence, and it is maintained out of respect for fellow adorers. Also, one should genuflect toward the Eucharist when entering and leaving the church for Adoration. A reverent, deep bow is perfectly fine for those physically unable to genuflect. When an adorer is in their pew, they are welcome to sit, stand, or kneel as they wish.



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