

# Twenty-eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time

October 15, 2017

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**PRESIDER:** Father Thomas Karachira  
**Today's Mass Intention:** Parishioners and Families  
**Last Week's Offerings** Regular: \$230.00  
Second: \$ 32.00 — Parish Maintenance

**Thank you for your gifts of time, talent, and treasure.**

- **Second Collection:** Today's collection is for parish maintenance. Next week's collection is for World Mission Sunday. "May the Virgin Mother help us to say our own 'yes,' conscious of the urgent need to make the Good News of Jesus resound in our time. May she obtain for us renewed zeal in bringing to everyone the Good News of the life that is victorious over death." —Pope Francis
- **Friday Mass:** There will be Mass at Christ Our Hope on October 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. with Fr. Thomas.
- **Christ Our Hope Parish to Mission:** As we prepare to become parishioners of St. John Church, effective November 26, 2017, please pray for a smooth transition. St. John Church will expect us on holy days of obligation, including Christmas. We will have Easter Sunday Mass at COH, and other services, such as weddings and funerals, as needed.
- **Welcome Father Thomas!** Father Thomas is visiting the St. Marys' area through late October and would enjoy visiting with you. He is staying with Tom Staron (304-893-7796) while he is in town. Please feel free to call or come by and pick up Father to spend time with him. A covered dish dinner is in the planning stages for October 21 at St. John Church before he travels on.
- **Father Ron:** Father Ron will attend a Priest Retreat October 15-20, and Father Thomas will fill in for him. If you need to reach Father Thomas, his cell number is 337-246-1060. Father Ron will pray for us while on retreat and he asks for our prayers for him.
- **Ladies Retreat:** A Ladies Day of Reflection will be held on Friday, October 20, at the St. Thomas Center in Thomas, WV, beginning at 9:00 a.m. with Mass. The day will close with Adoration when confessions will be available with visiting priests. The event should end at about 4 p.m. The retreat will be run by the Dominican Sisters of Nashville. Lunch and snacks provided. Carpooling available. Contact Tammy Lloyd if interested at (304) 299-5115.

- **Prayer List:** Michael Velemirovich, Kelly Yeager, Flynn and Pennell families, Ruth (Janie) Snyder, Robert Wheeler, Richard Stroomer, Mary Ann Schoeny, all men and women in the military, Mark D'Anna, Margaret Hunter and her sister Rosie, Georgie's sisters, Mary Kiedaisch, the late Sarah Garrett's family, Sister Maureen, and Pat Bail. Please remember shut-ins with cards and visits. Pat Bail, Clarksburg Nursing & Rehab, Rm. A10, 801 Davisson Run Rd., Clarksburg, 26301. Sister Maureen Mylott, Sisters of Charity, PO Box 476, Convent Station, NJ 07961-0476, where she is awaiting back surgery on October 19<sup>th</sup>.

- **October Celebrations: Birthdays:** Susan Miller 2<sup>nd</sup>, Orlando Burgy 5<sup>th</sup>, Jessie Pennell 9<sup>th</sup>, Cindy Hilvers 12<sup>th</sup>, Margaret Hunter 24<sup>th</sup>, Eliza Mueller 29<sup>th</sup>.

- **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults:** Please continue to pray for our catechumen Kristy Hunter and encourage her on this journey to full initiation through the sacraments.

- **Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking: October Alert** - According to Covenant House, "each year in the U.S. as many as 2 million youth experience a period of homelessness, and every year more than 5,000 of these young people live their lives on the streets." MAKE A DIFFERENCE by learning about, and advocating for, youth in your area. See [sistersagainstrafficking.org](http://sistersagainstrafficking.org).

- **Bible Study:** Bible study group meets Mondays 4:00-5:30 p.m. at Christ Our Hope.

- **Great Adventure Bible Study:** Next session with Jeff Cavins will be on Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at St. John Parish from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. There will be no session this week on October 17<sup>th</sup>.

- **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?"-Bud Ozar

- **Pray the Rosary:** October is the Month of the Rosary. Please stay and join in praying the rosary after Mass today and during this month.

- **PACE Conference October 17-18:** Parish staff members and volunteers are invited to attend the 4th Annual PACE Conference at St. John XXIII Pastoral Center in Charleston on October 17 & 18. Go to [www.dwc.org](http://www.dwc.org) and click on Events for complete information and registration form.

## Be With Me Today

○ God, early in the morning I cry to you. Help me pray and gather my thoughts to you. I cannot do it alone. In me it is dark, but with you there is light. I am lonely, but you do not desert me. My courage fails, but with you there is help. I am restless, but with you there is peace. In me there is bitterness, but with you there is patience. I do not understand your ways, but you know the way for me. You have shown me so much goodness; let me also accept what is hard to bear from your hand. You make all things serve for the best. Lord, whatever this day brings, your name be praised.

—Dietrich Bonhoeffer: *Letters and Papers from Prison*