



Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
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Growing together in Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit, leading others to Him; striving to become saints.

Welcome! If interested in becoming a member or becoming a Catholic, contact Fr. Kubista.

Baptism: Contact Fr. Kubista at least 3 months before the birth to attend a class and set a date.

Faith Formation for grades K-Confirmation Wednesday evenings from Sept 11th-April

First Confession & Holy Eucharist: Register for 2nd grade Faith Formation classes.

Confirmation: Register for 9th & 10th grade Faith Formation classes.

Marriage: Contact Fr. Kubista at least six months before the planned

wedding date.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: If you move to a nursing home or care facility and would like a priest to visit, or if unable to attend mass and would like communion at home, contact Fr. Kubista.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact Fr. Kubista when seriously ill or near death.

Funerals: Contact Fr. Kubista

Eucharistic Adoration - First Friday of every month 9-10am (including Confessions, Benediction) and Wednesdays 9am-6pm.

First Saturday devotions start 35

minutes prior to 4pm Mass.

Mass Intention Requests may be placed in the collection plate. Please enclose them in an envelope along with instructions (i.e., desired dates, number of masses, etc). Or contact Sue Roskowiak at 612-414-4705.

Bulletin Items by Thurs noon: kmotzko@stmarydelano.org

Hall Rental: Contact Mary Kay Swartzter.

Safe Environment Coordinator: Kathleen Motzko kmotzko@stmarydelano.org

Formed.org sign in under St. Boniface.

MASS SCHEDULE / Intentions		
Sat 18th	4pm	St Mary's Living & Deceased
Sun 19th	8:30am	Bruce Bogenrief+
Tues 21st	6:30pm	Delores Schaust+
Wed 22nd	8:30am	Mike Leuthner+
Thur 23rd	8:30am	Ronald Motzko+
Fri 24th	8:30am	NO MASS
Sat 25th	4pm	Joe Zimmerman+
Sun 26th	8:30am	St Mary's Living & Deceased

Reconciliation Times: One-half hour before each Mass or by appointment.

Rosary Times: starts 16 min before each weekday Mass and 20 min before Sat & Sun Masses

Divine Mercy Chaplet and Liturgy of the Hours after each weekday Mass (the iBreviary app may be used for the LOH)

Lector and Sacristan Schedule	
Oct 18th	Dickhausens (L/S), Jim & George (U)
Oct 19th	Theisens (L/S), Jim O' & Gene G (U)
Oct 25th	George R (L), Sue (S), Don G & volunteer (U)
Oct 26th	Huns V (L), Deb D (S), Jim Otto & Joe N (U)

Thank you to all our Rosary leaders. It's been a blessing to have you lead our parish in praying the Rosary before weekend Masses.

A Message from Fr. Kubista:

One of the important things we are called to do is to defend our faith. The term that is used to define this is apologetics.

What is a more detailed definition of apologetics? From the Catholic Dictionary: *“The science that aims to explain and justify religious doctrine. It shows the reasonableness of such doctrine in the face of the objections offered by those who refuse to accept any religion, especially Christianity and more particularly Roman Catholicism. Also called fundamental theology as the science that establishes the credibility of Christian revelation on the evidence of miraculous phenomena and the testimony of unbiased history. (Etym. Greek apologetikos, a defense.)”* From Catholic Answers: *“The very word “apologetics” is derived from the ancient Greek word apologia, meaning a formal defense of one’s position. Just as a lawyer defends his client, apologetics is the rational case we build for our Catholic faith—explaining and defending the truth of Christianity, and more specifically, Catholicism.”* So apologetics is the art (science) of defending the faith.

The Vatican II document, Decree on the Apostolate of the Laity, says that the laity are called to defend the faith. *“Since, in our own times, new problems are arising and very serious errors are circulating which tend to undermine the foundations of religion, the moral order, and human society itself, this sacred synod earnestly exhorts laymen—each according to his own gifts of intelligence and learning—to be more diligent in doing what they can to explain, defend, and properly apply Christian principles to the problems of our era in accordance with the mind of the Church.”*

We are to be the hands and feet of Jesus, to spread and defend the faith. Jesus has instructed us to do so when he told his disciples before he ascended into heaven: *“But you will receive power when the holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”* (Acts 1:8) Jesus assures us that we will be helped in sharing our faith through the power of the Holy Spirit. It is important to pray to the Holy Spirit to help us accomplish this important mission.

We are to have confidence in the Holy Spirit who will teach us and help us to defend the faith. The Holy Spirit gives us the gifts of wisdom, understanding, knowledge, counsel, courage, piety, and fear of the Lord, all of which help us to defend (live out) the faith. Wisdom helps us to see all things in light of the Divine, realizing that all things are ordered to God. (We are wise in the ways of the Lord.) Understanding helps us to deeply grasp divine truth. (We understand what we must do.) Knowledge helps us judge rightly the truths of the faith so we can act in accordance with them. (We know what we must do.) Counsel is being directed by God to follow His way. (We do God’s will.) Courage is that we fulfill the act of doing God’s will especially in difficulty. (We persevere in God’s will.) Piety is that we know that God is with us. (We walk in God’s presence and guidance.) Fear of the Lord is we do not want to be separated from God. (We always desire and strive to walk closely with God.)

Jesus tells his apostles at the Last Supper how the Holy Spirit will teach them. *“The Advocate, the holy Spirit that the Father will send in my name—he will teach you everything and remind you of all that [I] told you.”* (John 14:26) Sometimes we can get so flustered and shy away from defending our faith because we do not feel we can or we do not know what to say. It might be that we just have to be there and allow the Holy Spirit to inspire us, to direct us so that we say what He moves us to say. Jesus tells his disciples: *“When they take you before synagogues and before rulers and authorities, do not worry about how or what your defense will be or about what you are to say. For the holy Spirit will teach you at that moment what you should say.”* (Luke 12:11-12) (Continued next week...)

October is Respect Life Month

Join Catholics nationwide praying a special novena for the protection of human life from conception to natural death October 22-30. Get daily intentions, brief reflections, and more. Sign up at respectlife.org/celebrate!



A Prayer for Hope

Heavenly Father, in the sacrament of Baptism, you have given us the gift of new life. Through your son our Lord Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, you have made us your own.

Help us to recognize the gift of human life as a sign of hope in our world.

Reveal to us the places where your precious gift of life is most in need of protection and strengthen us to defend life in all stages and circumstances, from the child in the womb to the elderly and dying.

Guided by your Holy Spirit, guard us from discouragement and give us the grace to be messengers of hope, filled with confidence that nothing can separate us from your love. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The weekly Class on God led by Fr. Kubista will resume Oct 28th (no class on the 21st due to council meetings) All are welcome to join in even if you haven't attended previous classes.

How to Build a Culture of Life

Read the full version at respectlife.org/culture-of-life.

Watching the news and reading the headlines, we may feel helpless seeing the heartbreaking lack of respect for human life. *How do we respond?* Changing the culture is a process of conversion that begins in our own hearts. When we encounter Christ, experience His love, and deepen our relationship with Him, we become more aware of our own immeasurable worth and that of others. His unchanging love is the source of our God-given dignity, which, therefore, cannot be taken away. When someone is facing great trials, we need to walk with them on their journey, intercede for them, and be open to sharing Christ's love however He directs. We simply need to follow where He leads.

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Coffee and Conversation fall session meeting weekly on

Thursday mornings after Mass. Together we share the ways God has blessed us, learn from a teaching provided by Fr. Kubista, and offer intersessions for friends, family and community. The teaching this fall is a continuation of the study on prayer. Coffee and Conversation offers ways to grow closer to Jesus together. The Monday night small group plans to resume on the first Monday in Advent (Dec . 1st)



Our Sacrificial Giving	
<i>We offer unto you, O Lord, our sacrificial giving. Thank you.</i>	
Average weekly collection income need	\$3,315.00
10/12/25: Weekly Envelopes/Autobanking	\$2,006.00
Weekly Plate collection	\$934.00
Stole Fee	\$100.00
Funeral	\$250.00
Utilities and Building	\$75.00
Collection Total for 10/12/25:	\$3,335.00
Festival*	\$140.00
Budgeted Collection Income YTD**	\$49,725.00
YTD Weekly Collection (as of 10/12/25)	\$56,431.90

* Not included in Collection Total

** Does not include income from festival

Parish Events

- **Oct 18th/19th—World Mission Sunday second collection**
- **Oct. 21st at 7:10pm—Parish Councils meet**
- **Oct 22nd at 6:30pm—Faith Formation**
- **Oct 23rd after Mass- Coffee & Conversation small group**
- **Oct 28th at 7:15—Class on God**
- **Nov 1st —First Saturday Devotions**
- **Nov 2nd—Donut Sunday**
- **Nov 4th at 7:15pm—Cemetery Committee meeting (tentative)**
- **Nov 7th—First Friday Mass, Adoration, Confessions, Benediction**
- **Nov. 18th at 6:30pm—Memorial Mass**
- **Nov. 22nd—Family Fun Night & Bingo**

World Mission Sunday Oct 18th/19th—we join Catholics around the world to pray and offer support for the missionary life of the church. It also gives us the opportunity to renew our own missionary call according to our own state in life. Funds collected will go toward supporting the pastoral, catechetical, charitable and evangelizing work of the Church in over 1,100 mission dioceses in over 100 countries.

OCIA Classes Starting—If you or anyone one you know are interested in becoming Catholic, please have them contact me, Fr. Kubista. I have started the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) classes and so if anyone is interested, they are welcome to join. Again, please contact me. Thank you. Fr. Kubista

Thank you sponsors! If you are interested in placing an ad, please contact Kathleen at kmotzko@stmarydelano.org

Keep In Your Prayers

Col. Andy Swartzter (Military),
Kaleb Anderson (Military)
Elizabeth Roszkowiak, Sandy
Hendrickson, Kolby Mills,
Heather O'Brien, Karen Otto,
Tom & Pam Bruzek, Kent
Stassen, Jo Jackson, Annalisa
Klein, Bob & Mary Lynn
Swartzter,
Charlene Brady, Leon
Kaczmarek, Julie Bromley, Karla
Powell, Lennie Fitzsimmons,
Jim Kittock, Helen Jude, Richard
Otto, Bruce Hendrickson,
Jessinya Reyes, Kay Gabrelcik,
Brandon Matter,
Jim Fasching, Jennifer & Shaun
Smith

*Heal your servants, O Lord, who
are sick, and who put their trust in
you. Send them help, O Lord, and
comfort them from your holy place.*

Amen

Radio Rosary

11:00 am Sundays

KRWC - 1360 AM Buffalo

Oct 19th—for priests and religious—St
Timothy's CCW, Maple Lake

Oct 26th—for an end to the Middle East
conflict—St Michael's CCW, St Michael

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