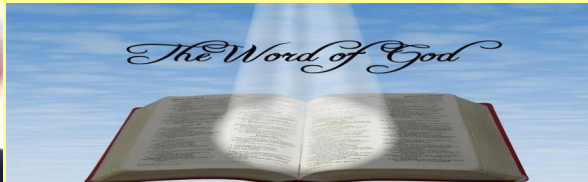


Pastor's Corner



Dear People of God,

As we approach our Stewardship Covenant Sunday next week, we consider the readings of today and the expressions of blessings and mercy granted by God. The hope is that this serves as inspiration to join in or maintain a commitment in the vineyard. It's better to have a productive vineyard with purpose than to wish in hindsight that we could have or that we used to. Thoughts about God's allowance to us help such as this quote from our Archbishop:

"We need to experience God's mercy before we make any progress in the spiritual life or in our ministries. Our efforts depend on a personal relationship with Jesus – and that relationship starts with mercy.."

– Archbishop Robert J Carlson
Jesus Christ – the Divine Physician

Your pastor and brother in Christ,

Fr. Art

Stewardship

Financial Summary For Weeks of September 24 and October 1, 2017

Parish	September 24	October 1
Offertory 8:15 Mass	\$ 974.62	\$ 920.18
Offertory 10:30 Mass	\$ 1,297.00	\$ 2,289.00
2nd. Collection Diaconate Office	\$ 0.00	\$ 324.77
Mass Intentions	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Shrine & Altar Candles	\$ 0.00	\$ 69.00
Donations	\$ 90.00	\$ 100.00
Total Offertory & Other	\$ 2,361.62	\$ 3,702.95
Mail-ins	\$ 0.00	\$ 200.00
Skating/ Events	\$ 525.00	\$ 576.00
Total Parish Deposit	\$ 2,886.62	\$ 4,478.95

Thank you for your faithfulness in giving back!
Stewardship is returning a portion of our gifts to
GOD
The gifts we return are our
Time, Talent, and our Treasure!



8-October Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	15-October Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:15 a. m. Lector: Delesha George Lector: Jackie Nicks	8:15 a. m. Ella Scott Tim Pekarek
Eucharistic Ministers: Lawrence McHaynes Tim Pekarek	Jackie Nicks Gianna Shockley
Hospitality: Valada Ellis	Pam Randall
10:30 a.m. Lector: Sharonda White Lector: Rashonda Roundtree	10:30 a.m. Alice O'Bryant Kalila Jackson-Leachman
Eucharistic Ministers: Albert Washington John Fleming Lynn Wheeler Eloise Grimes	Glenda Hardin-Miller Don Elston Eloise Grimes Jayne Thompson
Hospitality: Monica Feaman Evelyn Haney-Gammon	Albert Washington Charles Feaman
Commentator: Cantor	Cantor
Altar Servers: Jalen & Kalen Prince	Kelvin Boyd & Kameron Player

Church Announcements



We will have a Protecting God's Children class soon for all the new volunteers that have signed up for the skating program.

Skating volunteers need to check the date that you signed up to volunteer on calendar in back of church. Stewardship of your time and talent is greatly appreciated.

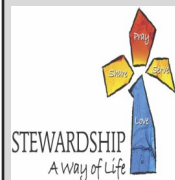


2nd collection **October 22nd** for World Mission Sunday.



Ladies Sodality will meet **today, October 8th** after 10:30 a.m. Mass.

Beginning the week of **October 15th** there will be boxes in back of Church for food drive for Thanksgiving baskets.



Next Stewardship meeting will be on **Wednesday, October 11th, 6:30 p.m.** Please mark your calendars.

Sunday, October 15th is Covenant Sunday please mark your calendars to attend and submit your covenant card.



LWANGA CENTER NEWS

LWANGA CENTER BIBLE STUDY

Through September and October we will be alternating sites between the Lwanga Center and St. Nicholas. We will explore and pray with the Books of Ezra and Nehemiah. **See the schedule in the back of church.**

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

Special greetings to our friends and visitors who have come to pray and worship with us today. Whether you are just having a look, or searching for a permanent place to worship, we are glad to have you here. We trust that the worship will be joyful and encouraging to all and hope you find a warm welcoming community here at St. Nicholas Parish.

We would love to follow up with you as well, so please sign our guest book, complete one of the visitors cards and return it to one of the ushers.

Thank You... And may the Blessings of God be with you.



You are invited to submit Mass Intentions to the Parish Office or to Fr. Art for weekday or Sunday scheduling. Only one submission is accepted for each Mass. The submission should include **\$5.00** for each Mass intention. We will list them in the bulletin for that upcoming week.

Tuesday, October 10th Joseph Giljum 12:15 p.m.

Thursday, October 12th Joseph Giljum 12:15 p.m.



We appreciate those that continue to help around the Parish by maintaining the building inside and out. A congregation that works together as well as prays together will stay together. Gods continual blessing on each and everyone of you.

Stewardship of your time and talent is greatly appreciated, for maintenance of our Parish.

Sick, Elderly, Home Bound & Prayer Requests

Kenecia Allen
Charlean Armstead
Vera Baird
Anne Brown
Virginia Cavitte
Brenda Cole
Ervin Crosby
Sr. Antona Ebo
John Grant
Frankie Jackson
Gregory Jenkins
Reign Brown-Jones
Sylvia Jones



Audrey Holloway
Katie Johnson
Lucinda Kaid
Mary Elizabeth Lloyd
Janice Myers
Stanley Peterson
Derrick & Marilyn Ross
Ruth Shannon
Arunice Sharpe
Mildred Washington
Mary & Herbert Wheeler
Advertis Williams
Carole Willis
Ernest Young

Please continue to pray for the sick, elderly, homebound, nursing home residents, and all of the vulnerable throughout our community.