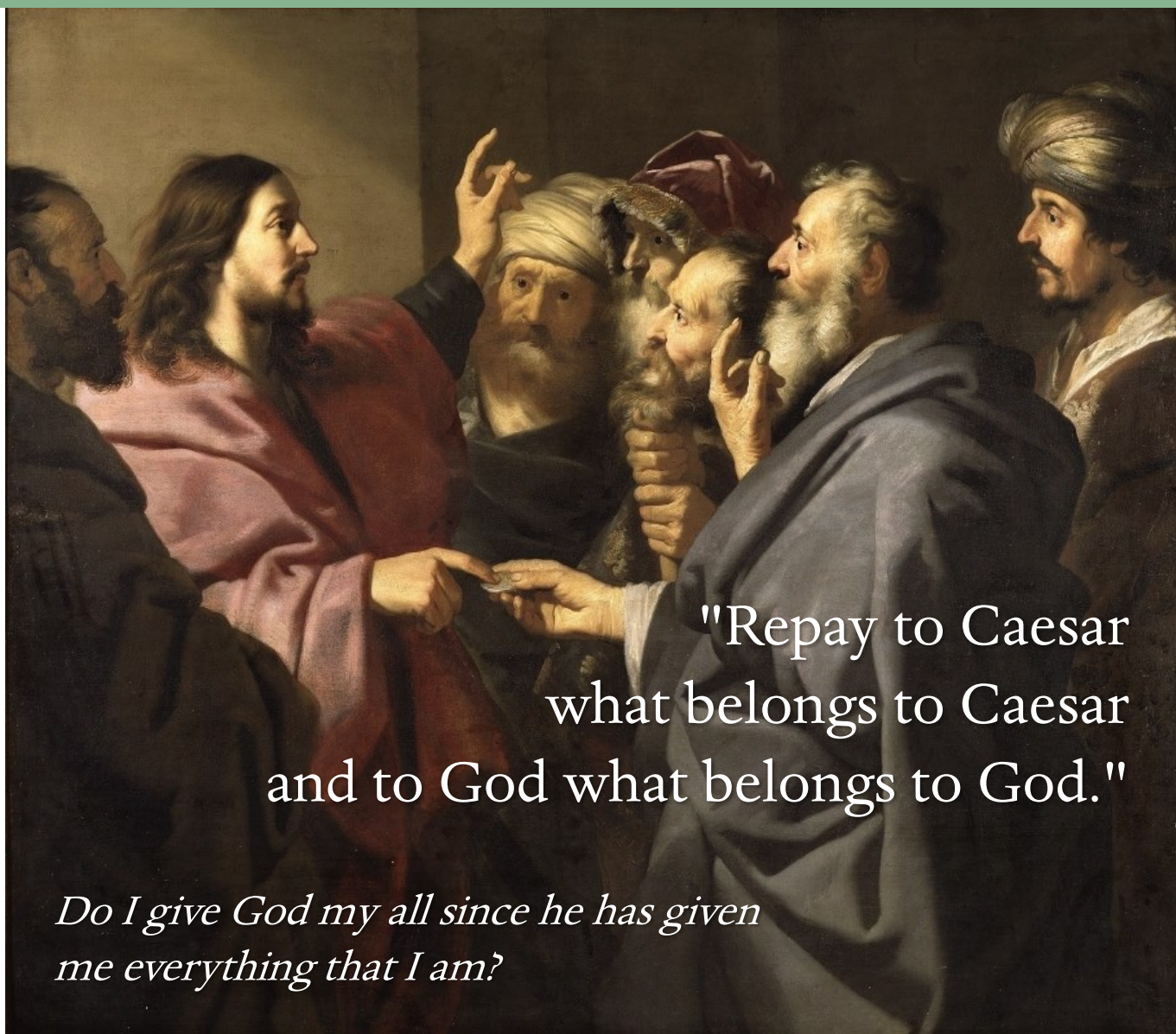


OCTOBER 22, 2023 | 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"Repay to Caesar
what belongs to Caesar
and to God what belongs to God."

*Do I give God my all since he has given
me everything that I am?*

THE PARISHES OF

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21

5:00 pm St. Mary: The People of Our Parishes

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

8:00 am St. Raymond: Marge Held

10:00 am St. Maurice: Kayla and Alli Bethard

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24

8:00 am St. Mary: Danny Millburg

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25

8:00 am St. Raymond: Tucker & Powley Families

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27

8:00 am St. Maurice: Bert Clark

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28

No Mass due to the Eucharistic Congress

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29

8:00 am St. Raymond: The People of Our Parishes

10:00 am St. Maurice: Dennis White and
Bernard "Doc" Millburg

-HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION-

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31 - ALL SAINTS DAY EVE

There will be no 8 am morning Mass

5:30 pm St. Mary: Fr. Florent Kanga

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1 - ALL SAINTS DAY

8:00 am St. Raymond: Patricia Weitekamp

7:00 pm St. Maurice: The People of Our Parishes

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAYS

3:00-3:30 pm St. Maurice

4:00-4:30 pm St. Mary

SUNDAYS

7:00-7:30 am St. Raymond

ADORATION

ST. RAYMOND

8:30 am Wednesday - 8:00 am Thursday

ST. MAURICE

8:00 am - 10:00 pm Wednesday

FATHER'S COLUMN

Jesus said to them, "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

We are often divided over what belongs to whom. For example, property rights, national borders, child custody, inheritance, and as kids, even toys. Sometimes these divisions are so serious that they bring a lot of harm and even destroy lives, either morally, emotionally or physically. At other times these divisions can be quickly resolved through legal action or parental intervention. In our Gospel this Sunday, some religious leaders present Jesus with what in reality is a false division that he dispatches rather cleverly: tax to Caesar and our hearts to God.

What belongs to Caesar is a tax, a coin, an image and inscription, all inanimate objects, all external to the heart of things. What belongs to God is the tax of acting "in accordance with the truth," the coin of living in "the way of God," and our hearts are stamped with the image and inscription of God. We are created in the image and likeness of God. What belongs to God is our undivided hearts devoid of malice, hypocrisy, and self-importance. What belongs to God is our whole selves united with the very heart of God.

Our hearts are to be given over in loving obedience to the ways of God. Giving over our hearts means changing all ways within us that oppose the truth of God. It means allowing Jesus to heal what in our hearts divides us from God and from one another. It means repaying God for everything by giving him everything: our undivided hearts on which his name and image are imprinted.

YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST REFLECTIONS

Who is the Lamb of God?

Jesus Christ is the Lamb of God (Agnus Dei). St. John the Baptist spoke to his followers when Jesus approached him at the Jordan, saying: "Behold the Lamb of God Who takes away the sins of the world." Jesus is the Lamb of the New Covenant.

Drawing from the symbol of the lamb sacrificed in the Passover of Israel from Egypt, Jesus is the new Lamb. We pray to Jesus, the Lamb of God, for His mercy and peace, just before receiving Him in Communion.

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

ST. MARY

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Oct 21 - Glenn Rovey
 & Mary Jane Schmidt
 Oct 28 - Mary Ann Rimini
 & Glenn Rovey
 Nov 4 - Patty Clarke
 & Mary Ann Rimini
 Nov 11 - Mary Jane Schmid
 & Patty Clarke

LECTORS

Oct 21 - Dan Martin
 Oct 28 - Kathy Rovey
 Nov 4 - Carol Hupp
 Nov 11 - Mary Jane Fuchs
 Nov 18 - Tony Krager

ST. RAYMOND

NOVEMBER

LECTOR Neil Wagahoff
 CANTOR Tim Mizera
 HOSPITALITY Gabe Pope
 EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
 Dianne Hampton
 Larry Weitekamp

HOMEBOUND MINISTER:

Oct 22 - Noller/Morehouse
 Oct 29 - Dick Lyons
 Nov 5 - Mary & Julie Krager
 Nov 12 - Dick Lyons
 Nov 19 - Carl Marten
 Nov 26 - Noller/Morehouse
 SERVERS:
 Oct 22 - Avery & Luke Pope
 Oct 29 - Morgan Hampton
 Nov 1 - TBD
 Nov 5 - Denny Held
 Nov 12 - Dan Held
 Nov 19 - Avery & Luke Pope
 Nov 26 - Morgan Hampton

ST. MAURICE

OCTOBER 22

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
 Charlie Golitko
 Larry Goebel
 Ed Goebel
 LECTOR Dale Brockamp
 USHERS Ed Voorhees
 Linda Voorhees
 Mark Langen
 SERVERS Macie Ferrill
 Adelaide and Gentry Dunkirk

OCTOBER 29

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
 Gerry Goebel
 Dale Brockamp
 Catherine O'Connell
 LECTOR Ed Goebel
 USHERS Ed Voorhees
 Linda Voorhees
 Mark Langen
 SERVER
 Lucas, Noah, and Emma Grundy

NOVEMBER 1 - ALL SAINTS DAY

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
 Ed Goebel
 Gerry Goebel
 Dale Brockamp
 LECTOR Rita Sloan
 USHERS Ed Voorhees
 Linda Voorhees
 Mark Langen
 SERVER
 Lucas, Noah, and Emma Grundy

OUR PRAYER CORNER

Abby Sinnard, Janet Locander, Steve Mundhenke,
 Margaret Jenkins, Bernard Jenkins, Mikah Marten,
 Brant Weitekamp, Vickie Norris, Chuck Sale,
 Martha Reed, Ron Cole, Billy Dean Murphy,
 Rosanne Olinger, Callie Jones, Larry Goebel,
 Gary McKinnie

To add a name to the prayer list, please email Kateri at kmarten@stmr.org and specify how many weeks you'd like that name to appear for (1 week up to a maximum of 12 weeks). You're always welcome to re-add the name at the end of this period if the need for prayer is still present, but this will help keep the list focused and fresh.

If you know of a parishioner that you'd like added to Father's visitation list, please let him or Kateri know.

COLLECTION TOTALS FOR OCTOBER 14/15

St. Mary: \$1,400

St. Raymond: \$1,631

St. Maurice: \$2,237

Family of Faith Update

The first class has been postponed, more information to come.

Trivia Night Hosted by the Farmersville K of C

Saturday, October 28
Doors open at 6:30 pm
Tables set for teams of 8, \$15 per person.
Includes chili & hot dogs, bring your own beverages.
For information or to sign up, call:
Al Rimini - 217-825-3948
Rory Rossi - 217-306-0094

The Eucharistic Congress

Saturday, October 28
at the BOS Center in Springfield.
Will include nationally recognized Catholic speakers, a Catholic Marketplace, motivating videos, adoration, Confession, and Mass.

Registered for the Eucharistic Congress but don't have your ticket?

All registered attendees will receive a ticket via their email or text message. If you have not received your ticket, please first check your spam folder. Then contact Kateri at kmarten@stmrm.org

You can still get tickets for the Eucharistic Congress

Go to dio.org for free tickets and more information.

St. Raymond Pro-Life Prayer Group

Friday mornings at 9:00 am

Project Rachel

Help for women and men to heal from the pain of abortion.
For assistance call 1-877-RACHEL-5

Baby Bottle Fundraiser

There's still time to fill up a bottle and get your donation in! If your parish ran out of bottles you can participate by dropping your donation in the collection basket marked "Loving Arms". Please return bottles and make your final donation by next Sunday, October 29.



Morrisonville K of C Join the Challenge!

The Morrisonville K of C Council will match the challenge from the Raymond K of C Council and match up to \$1,000 in donations from St. Maurice's in the baby bottle fundraiser.

As of last Sunday, St. Raymond passed \$1,000 in donations for Loving Arms, so the Raymond K of C Council will be contributing their \$1,000 capped match.

Adult Faith Formation Registration Ends Today!

What We Believe

THE BEAUTY OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH

What is the Catholic Church all about? What does it mean to be Catholic? What do Catholics actually believe? Join us to find out!

Starting on November 7, we will meet on Tuesdays with 2 options for location/time:

- 10 am @ St. Mary
- 6:30 pm @ St. Raymond.

This study is 10 sessions so we should finish the end of January 2024.

Please register by October 22 so that we can order materials by using the sign up sheet in the back of church, or by emailing Kateri at kmarten@stmrm.org.

St. Maurice's Turkey Bazaar News Update

Work lists are now posted in the back of church. Chairpersons should be receiving their lists in the mail and contacting committees.

Cash donations can be placed in the collection marked "Bazaar" or mailed to St. Maurice; Attn: Bazaar; PO Box 45; Morrisonville, IL 62546. Your generosity is appreciated! Please provide turkey roasting pans to the K of C Hall clearly labeled with your name by 8:00 am Saturday, November 4 (lids not needed).

Sunday, November 5, DRIVE THRU ONLY, serving from 2 to 4 pm at the K of C Hall. Meal is \$18 for turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, slaw, and cranberry salad (no substitutions).

For questions, contact Kendra at 217-899-8741 or 217-526-3458.

Email Bulletin

If you would like to receive our weekly email bulletin, please let Kateri know at kmarten@stmrm.org



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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We, the Catholic bishops of Illinois, write with a sense of urgency. Unless the General Assembly acts to renew the Invest in Kids scholarship program, more than 9,000 children currently relying on this program to attend a non-public school may have their educational path disrupted. Without an extension of the program in Illinois law now, no scholarships will be awarded for the school year that will begin in September 2024. Most of these children will have to leave the school their families determined was their best chance to receive a high-quality education in a safe and wholesome learning environment. This is an injustice that should and can be avoided, but only if the General Assembly acts when it reconvenes on October 24, 2023.

Invest in Kids has proven to be a beacon of hope for thousands of Illinois students and their families. Children receiving Invest in Kids scholarships come from lower-income families who could not otherwise afford tuition at the Catholic or another non-public school that is the best fit for their child. Childhood is a limited time in the life of a human being and primary and secondary education is not something that can be put off to some future date when it is convenient for adults. This is our one chance to offer these Illinois children a good start. Please help keep education options available and a brighter future possible by contacting your state senator and state representative and telling them to continue the Invest in Kids Program.

Since its inception six years ago, Invest in Kids has generated overwhelmingly positive results. Nearly 40,000 scholarships have been awarded to students attending non-public schools across Illinois. Demand for scholarships is very high - for every scholarship granted, three students are turned down due to lack of funds. Contrary to what you may have heard, this is not a voucher program, nor does it take state funds away from the public schools. These scholarships are funded through contributions from donors who receive a tax credit for their donation on their Illinois state income tax.

What can you do to help? Please contact your state senator and state representative to let them know of your support for extending the Invest in Kids tax credit scholarship program in Illinois. We also encourage you to urge your fellow parishioners to do the same. Our collective voice is vital to the continued help for Illinois families. Please visit the Catholic Conference of Illinois website at www.ilcatholic.org or call the Springfield office at (217) 528-9200 for further information on how to locate your elected officials, request sample wording for a message to your legislator, or for information about how to donate to this program.

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Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki
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Bishop of Belleville

Most Reverend David J. Malloy
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Most Reverend Louis Tylka
Bishop of Peoria