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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4pm

Sunday: 8am, 10am, 12 noon

Tues: Noon

Wed and Fri: 8am

Thurs: Noon and 5:30pm

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00—3:45pm

Sunday 7:00-7:45am

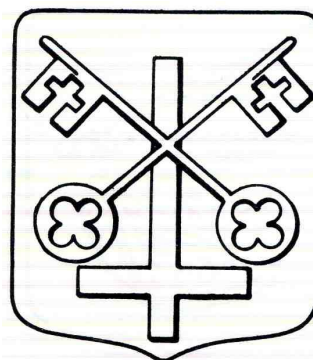
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Save the Date!

Sunday, October 12th

Oktoberfest!

11am-3pm, St Albert Catholic

Sunday, October 26th

Trunk or Treat Event

4-6pm Corpus Christi parking lot

Saturday, November 1st

All Saints Day Mass

9am, St Peter's Church

Saturday, November 8th

Cemetery Mass for deceased

12 noon, St Joseph's Cemetery

Fri-Sun, Nov 14th-16th

Seminary visit

Conception, MO

From Father Jacob

October is the month of the Rosary!

Last week we celebrated the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, and this whole month of October we are especially encouraged to pray the rosary. We are praying the rosary together before our weekend Masses this month.

Why do Catholics pray the Rosary? We pray it for a lot of reasons!

We pray the Rosary because we want to spend time with Mary, our mother in heaven. People often think of holding the rosary beads as “holding Mary’s hand”. Just as I should spend time with my earthly father and mother, so I should spend time with the mother God has given me in the order of grace: Our Lady Mary.

We pray the Rosary because we need God’s help and Mary’s guidance in our lives. Giving our time and attention to the Lord will always have a reward from our good God, who specifically instructs us to be persistent in our prayer. Neither the rosary nor any other prayer ever “makes” God do anything, but our Lord is so good to us that he loves to use our prayers for good!

Most importantly, we pray the rosary to keep the events of Jesus’s life close to our lives. Since God has joined me to Himself through the human life of Jesus Christ, I want Jesus’s life to be part of my life. Through the Rosary I can have Jesus’s birth on my mind while I go for a walk; I can have his crown of thorns on my mind while I wait at the doctor; I can have his resurrection on my mind in my chair at home. Mary, who “kept all these things, pondering them in her heart” is the privileged person to lead us to ponder these things too.

Let’s pray the Rosary this month! If you haven’t prayed the Rosary much before, start with one decade today.



I am so excited for Oktoberfest this Sunday, October 12th, 11am-3pm.

Remember:

Masses: our 10am Mass will be at St Albert. We will not have noon Mass this Sunday.

Raffles and Drawings:

Parish Raffle: 1 ticket for \$5 or 5 for \$20

\$2000 grand prize and several great consolation prizes!

A&R Quilt Raffle: 1 ticket for \$5 or 5 for \$20

Check out this year’s beautiful quilt!

Silent Auction:

Great auction items to bid on. Be sure to check back through the day to make sure you stay on top!

Contests:

We will have stein holding contests for men, women, teens, and kids. Check the posted competition times at the door.

We will have a family stein race at noon. Fastest and steadiest family wins!

Above all:

THANK YOU to our volunteers and donors!

October 12, 2025
Twenty-Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time

	Saturday 4:00pm Mass	Sunday 8:00am Mass	Sunday 10:00am Mass	Sunday 12:00pm Mass
	Oct 18, 2025	Oct 19, 2025	Oct 19, 2025	Oct 19, 2025
Altar Servers	Bianca Cihacek Ellianna Cihacek	Connor McGrath Elle McGrath Addie McGrath	Grade Level Mass for 3rd, 4th, 5th & 6th Grades	Ben Johnsen Keegan McCaffrey Evelyn Duitsman
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Ushers	Jack Gross Linda Bonham Fred Schaben Mark Assman	Sue Brownlee George Garst Mike Rosloniec Oliver Juranek		Chris Olson Trevor Yanovich Rob Peters Mason Olson

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, 10/14

12:00 pm - Molly Ann McGinn †

Wednesday, 10/15

8:00 am - Christine Fink †

Thursday, 10/16

12:00 pm - Rob Mahoney †

5:30 pm - Dorothy Snook †

Friday, 10/17

8:00 am - Lisa Gerjevic †

Saturday, 10/18

4:00 pm - Catherine Megel †
William E Roarty †

Sunday, 10/19

8:00 am - Frank & Ruth Holzer †

10:00 am - St Peter's Parish

12:00 pm - Richard Corrin †

READINGS FOR: Sunday, October 19, 2025

1ST READING: Exodus 17:8-13

2ND READING: II Timothy 3:14-4:2

GOSPEL: Luke 18:1-8

The World According to Bob

Son: "Dad, I heard in some countries a man doesn't know his wife until he marries her! Is that true?"

Dad: "Son, that happens in every country."

The most effective way to remember your wife's birthday is to forget it once.

I broke up with my girlfriend Lorraine because I was seeing another girl named Claire Lee. It was tough, but the good news is that I can see Claire Lee now, Lorraine is gone.

Father's Thought for the Week

When I look at everything people have done to make Oktoberfest a success, I am struck by how generous our parishioners are! People have given money in sponsorships and prizes, the work of their hands, and a great deal of time to make all of it happen.

May we give for love of God, so that our generosity will have a reward in Heaven!

What to know about the Rosary

- The Rosary is "the Bible on a string". By praying the rosary consistently a person meditates on the life of Jesus from its beginning at the Annunciation to eternity at the right hand of the Father!
- The Rosary as we would recognize it has been prayed since the 1200s, but Catholics have been meditating using prayer beads since at least the 300s.
- Most Catholics are buried with a Rosary in their hands as a sign of devotion to prayer and to Our Lady. Hopefully your last time holding one won't also be your first time!
- The world's largest rosary is 1965 feet long and is in Beirut, Lebanon. It is made of large concrete "beads", each one the size of a car!
- St Albert school just installed a beautiful new rosary walk by the front entrance. It was an Eagle Scout project. :Look for it when you go to Oktoberfest this weekend!
- The Rosary for 800 years had three sets of five mysteries, making 150 Hail Maries, the same number as Psalms in the Bible. That way people who couldn't read or go to the monastery during the day could join the monks and nuns in praying the psalms in praise of God. Pope St John Paul II encouraged use of the Luminous Mysteries starting in 2002.

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