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October 2019 Parish Bulletin

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CLERGY MASS SCHEDULE

All Mass Times 4:00 PM unless otherwise noted

October 6, 2019: Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Fr. Bob*
Mass Intention: Rudy & Joan Schmid – 65th Wedding Anniversary	
October 13, 2019: Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Fr. Carl
October 20, 2019: Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time	No Mass
Annual Synod at Mercy Center – St. Louis	
October 27, 2019: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Fr. Bill

***Our quarterly Healing Service will be held on Sunday, October 6, 2019, during the celebration of Mass. All are welcome to receive the Sacrament.**

Pastoral Staff:

Pastor: +Fr. Bob Catlett, 314.800.3456, pastor@sspp-eccusa.org

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Prayer Intentions

If you would like us to remember a special intention for you at Mass, please contact one of our priests.

If you or someone you know is in need of spiritual assistance (prayers, Sacrament of the Sick, etc.), please contact one of our priests.

Inquiries regarding the administration of Sacraments or services (Baptisms, First Communion, Marriages, and Funerals) are welcomed.

Scripture Reflections

Fr. Bill LaGrand, M.A.

October 6, 2019 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Faith is not a pie in the sky concept, not something available to a select few. Faith is a gift God offers to all. The key is to accept it and use it to give glory to God. (Luke 17: 5-10)

October 13, 2019 – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time: In our human frailty, we bear many wounds, some physical- but others emotional, mental, or spiritual. It is not our own willpower that will heal us, but rather God's power and mercy. For this we must be truly grateful. (Luke 17: 11-19)

October 20, 2019 – 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Prayers of petition or intercession are mysterious. However, expecting our infinite God to follow our finite rules consistently is futile. Relationship with God is faith, not geometry or algebra. Do we trust the love and benevolence of God? (Luke 18: 1-8)

October 27, 2019 – 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time: All of us are sinners in need of God's mercy. This Friday, we celebrate the feast of All Saints. Which of them is recognized as a saint because he or she prayed as the Pharisee did in today's gospel? (Luke 18: 9-14)



Pondering Peace

from: **Peace Therapy** by Carol Ann Morrow.

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Unclench your jaw and your fists and drop your weapons.
*When your posture is tense, guarded, and wary,
you are preparing for battle, not for peace.*
Let your body be a diplomatic envoy in a world seeking peace.

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Peace sees similarities among people,
not threatening differences that form barriers.

Identify a difference
-- a value, an attitude, a choice,
that threatens you.

Don't judge that difference, but seek to understand it.

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Use a gentle voice to call family members
to the telephone, for dinner, or for play.

*Invite rather than demand;
anticipate cooperation rather than resistance.
Be patient.*

Peace comes on soft wings,
not in a thundering stampede.

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*Be at peace with yourself:
even as God calls you to growth and progress,
God loves you as you are.*

**You have worth beyond measure,
for you are a child of God.**

From the Pastor's Desk

+Fr. Bob Catlett, M.Div.

Congratulations and Best Wishes to our parishioners who have special reason to celebrate this month:

Birthdays:

Becky Kaley:	10/1
+Fr. Carl Swaringim:	10/28

Anniversaries:

Rudy and Joan Schmid:	10/9 (65 years of marriage!)
+Fr. Bob Catlett:	10/23 (3 years – Episcopal Consecration)
Fr. Bill LaGrand:	10/23 (16 years - Ordination to Priesthood)

No Mass at Church on Sunday, October 20, 2019: On Sunday, October 20, 2019, parishioners are invited to celebrate the liturgy with our national church at the Synod at Mercy Center at 10:00 a.m. Mass will **not** be celebrated at church this afternoon.

Annual Synod/Retreat: Friday, October 18, 2019, through Sunday, October 20, 2019: Our Annual ECC+USA Church Synod and Retreat will be held at Mercy Center here in St. Louis. All parishioners are welcome and encouraged to attend. Contact +Fr. Bob for more information.