

# TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## ***Masses for the Week***

### **Sunday, September 12**

7:30 A.M. Elfrieda Anderson

10:00 A.M. Karen MacIntyre

### **Monday, September 13**

7:30 A.M. **NO MASS**

### **Tuesday, September 14**

**NO MASS**

### **Wednesday, September 15**

7:00 P.M. **NO MASS**

### **Thursday, September 16**

7:30 A.M. **NO MASS**

### **Friday, September 17**

7:30 A.M. **NO MASS**

### **Saturday, September 18**

5:00 P.M. June Koontz

### **Sunday, September 19**

7:30 A.M. Special intention: Madailein

10:00 A.M. Mary Agnes Johnson

**LITURGICAL MINISTRIES** *September 18 & 19*

#### **LECTORS:**

5:00 p.m. Rosemary Travis

7:30 a.m. Joe Peters

10:00 a.m. Stephen McGovern

**NOON NO MASS**

#### **EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

5:00 p.m. Diane Romary

7:30 a.m. Cindy Trahin

10:00 a.m. Tom McGovern

**NOON NO MASS**

#### **GIFTS**

5:00 p.m. volunteers

7:30 a.m. volunteers

10:00 a.m. volunteers

**NOON NO MASS**

#### **USHERS**

5:00 p.m. volunteers

7:30 a.m. volunteers

10:00 a.m. volunteers

**NOON NO MASS**

#### **SERVERS**

5:00 p.m. to be scheduled

7:30 a.m. to be scheduled

10:00 a.m. to be scheduled

#### **CHURCH CLEANING**

September 18 Beth Fiato, Elfrida Anhaeuser

## **IT'S ALL ABOUT CONTROL**

*I will walk before the Lord,  
in the land of the living.*

-Psalm 116

From toddlerhood to old age, we grow in mastery of our own lives, our bodies, and our destiny. This mastery is hard won, and we don't let go of autonomy easily. Much of this self-mastery involves the avoidance of pain or discomfort, so when we hear things like "take up your cross" and "lose your life," we tend to resist the message.

James says that faith without works is dead. Ouch! That is really a direct message! One way to look at this, as well as the part about losing our life to find it, is that faith is a process of more and more openness to God's direction of our lives. It is very hard for us to give up control, but perhaps what we are being asked to do is not to become passive and babyish, but to allow God to direct where our self-mastery will lead and what it will accomplish. We are asked to relinquish the need to control the results of our efforts; to risk, as Jesus did, the loss of everything we are working to achieve. We are asked to let God take the lead and to control the results, even though we may never see those results.

September 12, 2021

### **Updated Liturgical directives**

**Masks** – Masks or face coverings are now optional at public liturgies but individuals that are unvaccinated should still wear masks.

**Social distancing** – Strick social distancing is no longer required in churches. An area in the back of church still will be specifically set aside with social distance seating and wearing masks for those who want to continue going that way.

**REMINDER:** Anyone (whether vaccinated or not) with a cough or fever, or who may otherwise be feeling sick, should **NOT** come to church for Mass.

**Confessions** will be on Saturday afternoons from **4:00-4:45pm**.

**NO WEEKDAY MASSES** until **October 11** when Fr. Tad returns.

**Pro-life:** “No Life is unworthy of being lived!”

**Religious Education Classes** will begin on **Sunday, September 12 from 8:30-9:45 am** for 4-year-old thru High School. Registration forms are at the church entrances.

**Adult Education Classes** will be held on Sunday mornings from **8:30-9:45 am** during Religious Education Classes beginning on **Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup>**. Please come and join us on our continuing faith journey.

**Coffee & Donuts on Sunday, September 12 after Masses.** Free will offering.

**RCIA Classes** (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) will begin this fall for any adults who wish to learn more about the Catholic Faith through the RCIA program. Please contact the parish office if interested.

**Fort4Fitness!** Bishop Dwenger is a charity partner with Fort4Fitness! If 100 people sign up to run for Bishop Dwenger on **September 18**, they receive 10% of the registration fees.

**Pro-Life Meeting** will be on **Monday, September 13 at 7pm in the parish hall.**

**Knights of Columbus Meeting** will be **Thursday, September 16 at 7pm** in the old school hall.

**Are you interested in joining 4-H Club in Allen County?** This year our Club will explore Geology, Arts & Crafts and Gardening! Enrollment opens soon! Contact Stefanie Umberg at 260-452-8437, for more information about the Southwest Stewards 4-H Club of Allen County!

**Collection for Bishops Emergency Disaster Fund** next weekend at all the Masses. This collection will provide money for CRS, Catholic Charities USA, and the local dioceses for emergency needs and long-term rebuilding and recovery needs. Catholic Relief Services is providing humanitarian relief and will be with the affected Haitian communities suffering from the devastating effects of the recent earthquake in Haiti.

**Redeemer Radio Fall Sharathon September 14-17 on-air from 8am – 6pm!** We ask you to pray, pledge and listen to 95.7FM/106.3FM! You can also watch LIVE or on demand on Facebook and YouTube! Go to Redeemerradio.com/Sharathon or call or Text “Give” to 260.436.9598 to make a pledge! Thank you!

**Father/Son Retreat for the Year of St. Joseph Boys ages 13-17** and their fathers/male relatives are invited to join Bishop Rhoades for a special retreat to celebrate the Year of St. Joseph! **The retreat will be on September 19 from 2-8 pm at St. Patrick’s County Park in South Bend.** The cost is \$20 per family includes entry fee to park, snacks, dinner and a keepsake crucifix. More information and registration available at <https://diocesefwsb.org/joseph-retreat>.

**Dive Coach Needed** at Bishop Dwenger for the winter season. Dive experience is necessary. Please contact Athletic Director Greg Slee at 496-4733, [gslee@bishopdwenger.com](mailto:gslee@bishopdwenger.com) for more info.

**A Fall Life in the Spirit Retreat** will begin on **September 13** and continue for seven consecutive Mondays until October 25 from 6:30-8:00 pm in the Cathedral Hall Lower Level. Please call to register 385-5717. Suggested \$10 donation for materials.

**40 Days for Life (Sept 22 -Oct 31) Opening Day Rally on Wednesday, September 22 from 1-2pm** at the Right-of-Way in front of the Planned Parenthood (2930 Lake Avenue). Special guest Mayor W. SuzAnne Handshoe, the first female mayor of Kendallville. Fr. J. Steele will open the campaign with a blessing. **Mark your calendars for St. Patrick’s prayer date on Thursday, September 30 from Noon-8pm.** Sign up sheets at the church entrances.

**Join us on Wednesdays** for prayers at Planned Parenthood on Lake Avenue from 9am – Noon. Help babies, moms and families. – *Pro Life Committee*

**New Maintenance/custodial staff** needed for Bishop Dwenger High School. One full-time day shift and one full-time second shift and two part-time positions. Visit <https://theapplicantmanager.com/careers?co=df>.