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Fr. Dijo Thomas, Pastor

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 20, 2024

Mass Schedule

(Also live streamed on YouTube at Holy Spirit Palmyra)

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm

Sunday Mass: 8:30am outside & 11:00am

Daily Mass:

Monday, Thursday: 9:00am

Wednesday: 6:00pm (Rosary 5:30pm)

Friday: 7:00am

Confessions: Sat 5—5:30pm; Wed 6:40—7:10pm

Adoration Chapel:

Monday: 10am—5pm

Tuesday: 6am—10pm

Wed & Fri: 12noon—5pm

Thursday: 10am—10pm

Saturday: 2am—9am & 7pm—9pm

Sunday: 12 noon—1pm & 6pm—10pm

For more information call 717-838-3369 x 111 or email adorers@hspalmyra.com.

Baptism: To schedule a baptism, contact our Parish office at 717-838-3369 or email church@hspalmyra.com.

Sponsor Forms: Certificates to be a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation can only be given to those who are registered and practicing members of the Parish.

Bulletin Deadline: Three weeks prior to publication. Please use the forms on our website for bulletin inserts, blurbs, or facility requests.

Benevolence: For financial assistance, please call 717-838-3369, x 112, and leave a message to set up an interview.

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Office Hours:

Monday & Wednesday: 12 noon—6pm

Tuesday: remote only for phone calls & emails

Thursday: 8:30am—3:30pm

Friday: closed

OUR MISSION

To seek to know the love of God revealed in Jesus Christ; to celebrate together as a Catholic family of faith; and to share our gifts and talents in loving service to others.

PASTOR’S MESSAGE

A Message from Deacon Jorge

This Sunday, we reflect on Mark 10:35-45, where Jesus teaches us a powerful lesson on humility and service. In this passage, James and John ask Jesus for positions of honor in His glory. However, Jesus redirects their ambitions by revealing that true greatness is found not in power or status, but in serving others.

Jesus reminds us that “the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many” (Mark 10:45). As followers of Christ, we are called to embrace this same spirit of selflessness and love for one another. Serving in small, unseen ways can make a big difference in the lives of others. One of the most profound ways we can serve is by lifting others in prayer, especially those struggling or needing healing.

My brothers and sisters, let us pray for the grace to put others before ourselves, serving our families, communities, and the world with hearts open to God’s will. May this Gospel passage inspire us in serving that is not about power or position, but about living out our faith through acts of kindness, compassion, and humility.

CALENDAR & INTENTIONS

The **Sanctuary Candle** will burn in loving memory of John Marino (From Family)

The **Chapel Candle** will burn in loving memory of Alina Check (From Rob & Kris)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

Eph 2:1-10; Lk 12:13-21
7:30am Padre Pio Pilgrimage
9:00am Mass

† Thomas Zajac, Sr.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

Eph 2:12-22; Lk 12:35-38
3:30pm Cenacle
4:00pm Shine Fitness
7:00pm Folk Group

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

Eph 3:2-12; Lk 12:39-48
9:30am Awaken Book Group
4:30pm Legion of Mary
5:30pm Rosary
6:00pm Mass
6:40pm Confessions
6:45pm Women at the Well
7:00pm RCIA

† Sam Rugalla

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

Eph 3:14-21; Lk 12:49-53
9:00am Mass
7:00pm Sunday Choir ; Knights of Columbus Meeting

† Edward Rogowicz

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

Eph 4:1-6; Lk 12:54-59
7:00am Mass
12noon Golden Hearts Luncheon

† Alina Check

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

Eph 4:7-16; Lk 13:1-9
4:00pm Mass
5:00pm Confessions
5:45pm Risser’s Hayride Jr. Youth Ministry

† Jill Longchamp

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

Jer 31:7-9; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52
8:30am Mass
9:30am CGS –6th Grade PREP
11:00am Mass
6:00pm 7th & 8th Grade PREP

† Harold Lynch’s Anniversary Mass

For the People of the Parish

Mass intentions are listed next to each Mass.

† Indicates intention for deceased person.



TITHING: GOD’S PLAN FOR GIVING

Last week’s offerings will be reported in the next week’s bulletin.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

3RD GRADE CHILDREN'S MASS
TODAY, OCTOBER 20, AT 11AM.

Disciple Maker Survey

The *Disciple Maker Index* is open and we need to hear from you! Complete the 10–15 minute survey as soon as possible. Visit our parish website and use the link there to access the survey. If you cannot access the online survey, paper surveys will be available. The DMI will only be available until November 24. As part of the Diocesan *Called for More* initiative, the survey will ask you to reflect on your own spiritual growth and on our parish's efforts to help you become the best disciple you can be. The information gathered will be used to plan for the future so we can become a more faith-filled, vibrant community. The greater the participation, the more reliable the information will be for effective decision-making. All responses will be confidential. Thanks for your help with this important request!

Bishop McDevitt's Fall Open House

Visit Bishop McDevitt High School on Sunday, November 3 for the Fall Open House! There are two sessions available starting at 12noon. Meet with staff and teachers, tour classrooms, and learn about clubs, activities, and athletic programs. Registration is required. To sign up, visit: <https://form.jotform.com/242686313392157>.

Beginning Experience Weekend

Beginning Experience Weekend will be held November 8–10 at Camp Kirchenwald in Lebanon, PA. This event is an approved Diocesan Ecumenical program for those experiencing the loss of a spouse through death, divorce, or separation. Visit <http://www.beginningexperience.org/> to register, or contact the Harrisburg Beginning Experience Team at 717-379-0800.

Pope's Monthly Intention

Let us pray that the Church continues to sustain a synodal lifestyle in every way, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, communion, and mission shared by priest, religious, and laity.

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World Mission Collection

This weekend we enter a special period of reflection and action for our Church's missionary efforts worldwide. This year's theme is "Go and invite everyone to the banquet." You're invited to kindle the flames of the Gospel and spread its warmth to mission territories all around the world. These funds support the pastoral and evangelizing work of the Church, including building churches, providing healthcare and education, and training future priests and religious people. In places where resources are scarce, your generosity makes a profound difference.

Remember your loved ones

with a Mass, candles, or altar flowers. The **Mass Intention Book** is now open through January, 2025, with limited availability. Candles and flowers are available for the entire 2025 year. Donations for Masses and candles are \$10, and \$75 for altar flowers. The altar flowers cost will change to \$80 on January 1, 2025. Stop by the parish office or call to reserve.

Holy Family Radio

Holy Family Radio, WHYF AM720 is holding their Fall Pledge Drive in October. The theme of the drive is "Be a Saint." You may make a pledge to support Holy Family Radio by going to their website at <https://www.720whyf.com/>, or by calling 717-525-8110. Donations may also be mailed to Holy Family Radio, POB 6028, Lancaster, PA 17607. Support Catholic radio in our area!

Caring Cupboard

Please return your filled canvas bag for this week. Thank you for helping our neighbors in need!



The Catechism of the Catholic Church states being an informed voter and voting is a moral obligation (CCC 2240). This Monday, October 21, is the last day to register to vote or make changes in your voter registration. This link: <https://vote.pa/plan> has the necessary information and links to register and to check if your registration is up to date, find your polling place, etc. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops on https://www.catholicvoterguide.com/#google_vignette lists different issues that Catholics should consider with current political issues. Another website: <https://www.vote411.org/ballot>, contains a sample ballot to see other candidates within your local area.

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