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Worship Times  
Saturday Vigil Mass, 4:00p  
Sunday Mass, 11:15a, En español, 1:30p  
Daily Mass, Holy Days Consult Bulletin  
Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturdays, 3:00-4:00p

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Welcome, New Parishioners  
We are a Stewardship Community, sharing our time, talent, and treasure, in the most life-giving ways possible. Parishioners are expected to participate in weekly worship, in our community life, and in our service among our dear neighbors.

Sacramental Life ~ Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Matrimony  
For Sacrament preparation, you must be a registered, active member and attend preparation sessions.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)  
For those who desire to explore the Catholic Faith, spirituality, customs, and practices.

Anointing of the Sick  
For those with chronic illness or who are pre-surgery, contact Father John or Sister Janis

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
October 13, 2019
It used to be a societal norm to look at someone when in a conversation with them. It’s unlikely that a person can be trusted if they can’t look you in the eyes. Somehow, we have lost our desire or ability to look others in the eyes, to genuinely be present to them and to open to their presence.

Stopping to be present, to look another in the eyes, takes time and intention. Why do you avoid genuine face time? Is it based on your fear of an honest encounter, or perhaps someone may reveal your true self to you? Or is it a selfishness that your time is more precious than of the one who wants to speak with you?

It would be a gnarly experience to look at Naaman or the Ten Lepers. The visual horror of their appearance would naturally make your eyes divert away. Their disease has exploded inside out. Their sores are sickening to see. Their disease makes them outcasts in all venues of society. They can’t go home or to Temple, and they have no say in any political decisions. No one will look them in the eyes. They are The Excluded, The Unwelcome Outsiders.

Medically, leprosy is cured with medications. Spiritually, excluding others from your heart is cured only when you are healed of your dis-ease with yourself. When you are ill-at-ease, leprous from the inside out, you disabled your ability to see others as Christ does. By averting your eyes you miss the astounding, grace of a genuine face time encounter of Christ in others.

The Incarnation of Christ is the ultimate Face Time with humanity. His encounters with others were always radical:

- Not only did he look The Excluded in the eyes, he touched, embraced, and healed them!
- Inclusive love is radical. It requires face time.

Be a healing presence in any and all situations. Be open and powerless in the presence of The Excluded.

Be radical: Be the face of Christ for others. Be inclusive love.

LIFE. FAMILY. PARISH. MAKE THEM BETTER.

God’s blessings.
OCTOBER

13 28th Sun OT  CLOW
   FAMILY FAITH FORMATION  10:30-11:45

14 SSJA Christian Growth Group

15 SSJ Founder’s Day, 1650
   Communion Service, 12:15p; SSJAs, 7:00p, FLC

16 Choir, 7:00p; RCIA Inquiry, 7:15p

20 29th Sun OT  CLOW;  FFF 10:30-11:45a
   CommUNITY Picnic, Elkin Park, 1-4:00p

21 Ladies’ Guild, 7p
   Give Blood  Elkin Rescue Squad, 1:30-6:00p

22 Communion Service, 12:15p

23 Choir, 7:00p; RCIA Inquiry, 7:15p

27 30th Sun OT  CLOW;  FFF 10:30-11:45a
   Baptism: Liam Lopez

29 Communion Service, 12:15p

30 Choir, 7:00p; RCIA Inquiry, 7:15p

NOVEMBER

01 ALL SAINTS DAY, Mass, 7p

02 ALL SOULS DAY / Día de Muertos

17 RCIA Rite of Welcome

The Sisters of St. Joseph ~ Maxim 61

Seek union with God and let that pure love transform you.

♀ I make time for personal prayer.
♀ I ask to be transformed.
♀ I let Earth teach me the mystery of transformation.

Tri-C Donations  Store brands are best.

OCTOBER  Dish Soap
Thank You very much for your generosity!

14 Raquel Barrientos
18 Athena Spicer
   Betty Villarreal
22 Ty Keller
   Ruben Ramirez
25 Beth Altemueller
26 Ramona Doyle

25 Samantha & Andrew Ange

November 1 ~ Feast of All Saints
Mass 7:00p
In honor of the Saints, each household is asked to bring canned veggies for Tri–C

2020 Mass Intentions
To schedule a Mass for a deceased loved one, an anniversary, a loved one’s birthday, or a special intention, use the WHITE MASS INTENTION ENVELOPES posted on the lobby bulletin board. Clearly print the name and the intention on the front, insert the stipend of ten dollars. Use checks made payable to Fr. John or cash. Give the envelope to S. Janis.

SEPTEMBER Stewardship
~ Giving Out of Gratitude ~

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ENVELOPES

The amount of loose checks increased in our collection making recording your donation more unnecessarily tedious for the tellers.

If you have envelopes, please use them.

If you want envelopes, please sign up for them in the lobby.

If you’re not using envelopes, your check must be placed in the envelope shown, with your name, the name of the collection (Sunday, Endowment, Admin, Missions, etc.) and the amount.

These envelopes are found in the lobby.

Starting today, we are eliminating loose checks by only using this envelope or the boxed envelopes provided for registered parishioners.

DISH SOAP

Thank You very much for your generosity!