

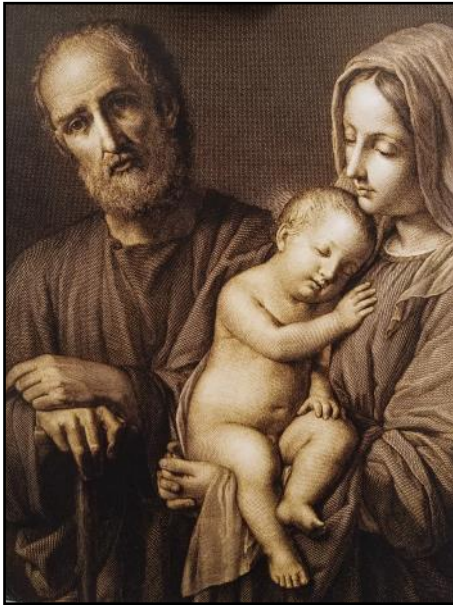
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*We warmly welcome new parishioners and ask them to register at the Parish Office. Individuals interested in becoming Catholic may contact Fr. Daniel Gifford or call the Parish Office.*

**Weekend Mass Schedule:**

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:15 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

**Outdoor Communion Sundays: 9:45 - 10:00 am**

**Reconciliation:**

Monday & Tuesday 8:45 am; Thursday 5:00 pm

Saturdays 3:30 - 4:30 pm

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# Mass Intentions

**MONDAY, October 4**

8:00 am Hector Poelvorde+

St. Francis of Assisi

**TUESDAY, October 5**

8:00 am Rachel & Francis VanMeenen+

Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos

**WEDNESDAY, October 6**

8:00 am Ed Colman+

9:00 am Winnie Stocks+

Bl. Marie Rose Durocher

**THURSDAY, October 7**

5:45 pm Mary Hughes+

Our Lady of the Rosary

**FRIDAY, October 8**

8:00 am No Mass - Communion Service

Weekday

**SATURDAY, October 9**

5:00 pm People of the Parish+

Vigil Mass 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

**SUNDAY, October 10**

8:15 am Shawn Egert+

10:30 am Msgr. Richard Soseman

Twenty-eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time



**Weekend Mass Schedules:**

**St. Anthony/Atkinson**

4:00 pm Saturday

9:30 am Sunday

**Sacred Heart/Annawan**

8:00 am Sunday

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## READINGS FOR SUNDAY - October 10, 2021

1st Reading: Wisdom 7:7-11

*I deemed riches nothing in comparison to wisdom.*

Responsorial: Psalm 90

*R./: "Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!"*

2nd Reading: Hebrews 4:12-13

*The word of God discerns reflections and thoughts of the heart.*

Gospel: Mark 10:17-30

*Sell what you have and follow me.*



# Weekly Calendar

## Monday, October 4

St. Francis Pet Blessing 3:30 pm (Mahoney Shelter)

## Tuesday, October 5

The Bible and the Virgin Mary Study 9:00 am YM  
Circle 14 1:30 pm in the Youth Room  
Social Justice Committee 4:00 pm CR

## Wednesday, October 6

School Mass 9:00 am  
K-5 CCD 3:30 pm-4:45 pm  
Oasis 6:30pm-8:00 pm  
6th & 7th Grade CCD 6:30 pm-7:45 pm

## Thursday, October 7

7th/8th Grade Youth Ministry 6:30 pm-8:00 pm  
The Bible and the Virgin Mary Study 6:30 in the CR

## Sunday, October 10

Outdoor Communion 9:45 am-10:00 am  
Confirmation 8th & 9th 6:00 pm-8:00 pm  
The Bible and the Virgin Mary Study  
after the 8:15 am Mass in the Youth Room  
Childcare provided in the hall/gym

## St. Francis Pet Blessing



**When:** 3:30 PM on Monday, October 4th  
(The Feast of Saint Francis)

**Where:** Mahoney Shelter

**How:** Just bring your pet to the shelter!



## Eucharistic Adoration

Monday 3 :00 - 8:00 pm

Thursday 4:30 pm

(8:30 am on the 1st Fridays & 1st Saturdays)



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## St. Malachy Rosary Makers Annual Rosary Rally

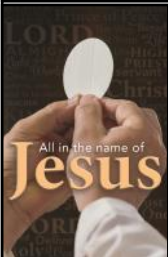
Saturday, October 16, 2021 at noon

This event occurs outdoors as we gather at the main entrance to St. Malachy Church, near the Ogden Street sidewalk. Bring lawn chairs. In case of inclement weather, the Rosary will be prayed in the church. For more information contact : Jolene Thompson at 309-269-8944

Do you have extra **Christmas Cards** to donate to the **St. Malachy Social Justice Committee** for distribution to local assisted living and nursing care facilities? Please place them in the Christmas box in the Narthex during October for distribution in November. Your donations will help residents of these facilities send cards to their families and friends at Christmas.

## 2021 ADA

Thanks to all who made a pledge to the Annual Diocesan Appeal. Currently we have pledges of \$26,240.00 toward our goal of \$85,185.00. We have received pledge cards from 40 parishioners. A gift to the ADA, no matter how great or small can go a long way. A pledge of \$10 or \$20 a month can add up. Even a one-time gift is helpful to the cause. To those who have contributed, we are most grateful. If you have not yet made a gift to the ADA, we invite you to do so today. There are pledge cards in the Narthex. Every dollar raised to make our goal supports important diocesan services and every dollar raised over our goal will be kept in the parish.



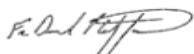
October 3, 2021

## *A Note From the Pastor*

Dear St. Malachy Parishioners,

"Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her..." (Matthew 1:20(b)). These words from the beginning of Matthew's Gospel may prompt us to ask Saint Joseph to intercede for us, as we reflect upon all that Jesus is telling us in this weekend's Gospel (Mark 10:2-12). When asked about divorce, Jesus wants to point us toward the beauty of God's plan for marriage and the family. In calling a man and a woman to make a lifelong commitment to one another, entering into a union of love that is to be free, total, faithful and fruitful, God is laying the firm foundation for a stable home into which children are welcomed and in which they grow to become the next generation of saints. So, it is indeed quite fitting that the very next thing Mark records Him telling us is, "Let the children come to me; do not prevent them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. Amen, I say to you, whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it." This is one of the most direct Scriptural sources for our Spiritual Theme for the year, which I introduced to the parish in last weekend's homily: **Follow Jesus with the Faith of a Child**. It also is a fitting Gospel message for this week's **Respect Life Sunday**, which kicks off Respect Life Month. As Catholics, we must recognize that the Lord's call to let the children come to Him echoes into our souls and calls us all to embrace the pro-life mission. This is truly NOT a political matter. It is an important part of how we respond to the Lord's own concern for His children. The pro-life movement, then, motivates our loving concern for both the children and the parents, which is why its work is not simply about preventing abortions, but also about supporting expecting parents in need, through the work of groups such as Women's Choice Center and Pregnancy Resources, and also about helping individuals who are hurting after an abortion experience find hope, healing and reconciliation, especially through programs like Rachel's Vineyard. But, even all of this is only the beginning, because our love for life lasts from womb to tomb, as they say. Thus, the dignity of all human life and the respect for life becomes the fundamental building block for all Catholic Social Teaching. It is intimately tied to our love for all of the poor, the weak and the vulnerable. Thus, if we are to devote ourselves to these needs *beyond the womb*, our concern for the vulnerable must begin within the womb. For this reason, it can be very confusing, misleading, and scandalous when we see public figures, whether it be an entertainment celebrity or a president or other politician, who both profess Catholicism and speak of seeking to meet these social needs, yet they also promote abortion and even try to defend it as a "right" and perpetuate the lie that it is a form of "healthcare." As Catholics, we must know that such examples are not to be followed because they do not represent Catholic faith, nor do they represent living in truth, and we must pray for ongoing conversion for all. Ultimately, what we must turn our hearts toward on Respect Life Sunday is the infinite and perfect love that God has for every human soul. Thus, it is with great joy that I begin now to elaborate (each week for the next five weeks) on a point I made far too briefly in last week's homily: If we are to follow Jesus with the faith of a child, we must begin with rebuilding the habit of praying to Him as a child, focusing on simply elaborating a bit on some of those basic phrases we learned as children: I Love You Too, Thank You, I'm Sorry, Please, and Yes, (that simple word that helps children develop the habit of listening and obeying with a cheerful attitude). As we begin by focusing on the first phrase, we come across the most simple four word prayer, which causes us to call to mind God's infinite and perfect love for each human soul, beginning with our own: **I Love You Too**. Why do we pray at all? So that God will grant our requests or give us consoling feelings? No. We pray because we love God and because He loved us first. Our choice to lift our hearts and minds to Him in prayer is our response to His Love for us. Take time today to remember God's perfect love for you. And tell Him that you love Him too. *Saint Joseph, Most Courageous, Spouse of the Mother of God, pray for us!*

In Christ through Mary,  
Fr. Daniel P. Gifford



St. Malachy, Pray for us



## Respect Life Committee

Life Chain Sunday is October 3, from 2:30 pm-3:30 pm.

To Participate, please meet in the Narthex at 2:00 pm to choose a sign to hold in this peaceful, public witness, silently praying for our nation, and an end to abortion.

We will position along State Street by the City Park from 2:30 pm-3:30pm. Hope to see you there!

Oasis is in need of a couple of volunteers for the school year. For more information, or if interested please contact: Darci, at [dharrison@stmalgeneseo.org](mailto:dharrison@stmalgeneseo.org) or leave a message at the Parish Office.



### 7th & 8th Grade Youth Ministry

Meets every Thursday from 6:30-8:00 pm in the Youth Room. The students have decided to name the group, "The Rock," based off of Psalm 18:2 & will seek the patronage of St. Patrick & St. Teresa of Calcutta. Please pray for the students as they grow closer to Christ in fellowship and service.

## Liturgy Leanings for October 2021

October is "Respect Life Month," as well as the "Month of the Most Holy Rosary." Sunday, October 3, is "Respect for Life Sunday," and October 24 is "World Mission Sunday." "Pennies for Life" will be collected this month.

### Saints whose memorials are observed during October:

- 10/1**—Saint Therese Martin— "The Little Flower," or "Therese of Lisieux:" her "little way" of doing small things with great love has inspired millions; died of tuberculosis in 1897 at age 24; a Doctor of the Church
- 10/2**—The Holy Guardian Angels: traditionally believed that each person has been assigned an angel guardian, because every soul is precious to God
- 10/4**—Saint Francis of Assisi: Born in 1182, died in 1226; In his youth he renounced his family wealth and dedicated his life to God, living in poverty, simplicity, and peace; founded an order of nuns.
- 10/7**—Our Lady of the Rosary: Our Lady appeared to Saint Dominic and gave him the rosary as a way to convert those who were not Christians; Dominicans are credited with developing devotion to the rosary
- 10/11**—Saint Pope John XXIII: Called Vatican Council II in 1959; visited the imprisoned in Rome, reached out to the sick, welcomed visitors of every faith and nation, modeled the Good Shepherd; Canonized July 5, 2013, by Pope Francis
- 10/15**—Saint Teresa of Jesus, also known as Saint Teresa of Avila: a Carmelite known for her reforms of the Order, adopting a life of poverty and abstinence; her writings offer spiritual wisdom for a deeper union with God and neighbor; a Doctor of the Church
- 11/16**—Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque: experienced visions of Christ and called attention to devotion of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
- 11/18**—Saint Luke, the Evangelist: a Gentile, author of a gospel and the Acts of the Apostles; patron saint of physicians and artists
- 11/19**—The North American Martyrs: Saint John de Brebeuf (1647) and Isaac Jogues (1648), Jesuit priests, who worked among the Huron nation in North America, where they were martyred
- 10/22**—Saint Pope John Paul II: His holiness was reflected through his humanity and as a tireless, charismatic leader of the Church; started World Youth Day; visited the United States three times; canonized April 27, 2014, by Pope Francis



### 7th & 8th Grade Youth Ministry News

Members of the 7/8th Grade Youth Ministry would like to thank the St. Malachy' parishioners for their donations for the Women's Choice Center. We were able to collect nearly \$900 in diapers, baby wipes, bottles, formula, and clothes. We also collected 69 books. With your donations we were able to help the Christ Child Society of the Quad Cities to put together 83 mini layette sets for the Women's Choice Center as well as 130 literacy packets for the Head Start Pumpkin Festival.



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### Week 13 - September 26, 2021

	Weekly Budget	Weekly Actual	Variance	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Variance
General Collection	\$13,000	\$6,937	(\$6,063)	\$169,000	\$147,877	(\$21,123)
School Endowment	\$750	\$190	(\$560)	\$9,750	\$10,314	\$564
Paraclete Fund	\$750	\$195	(\$555)	\$9,750	\$6,285	(\$3,465)
Capital Improvement	\$750	\$220	(\$530)	\$9,750	\$6,365	(\$3,385)

### ADA

GOAL	PLEGGED	VARIANCE	COLLECTED	VARIANCE	GOAL	# FAMILIES	VARIANCE
\$ 85,185	\$ 26,240	\$ (58,945)	\$ 20,940	\$ (64,245)	233	40	(193)



### Upcoming Cursillo Weekends

October & November weekends postponed due to Covid

New Date, Men's: February 24-27, 2021

New Date, Women's: March 24-27, 2021

For more information visit: <https://nwcursillo.com>

### Upcoming TEC Weekends



Oct. 9-11, 2021 (Girls)

Dec. 4-6, 2021 (Boys)

Feb. 19-21, 2022 (Girls)

April 2-4, 2022 (Boys)

June 25-27, 2022 (Girls)



For more info, visit [www.northwest-tec.com](http://www.northwest-tec.com)



### DAILY PRAYERS FOR VOCATIONS

Please Pray for these  
Seminarians:

*Patrick Wille Daniel Dionesotes*  
*Jacob Hopper JohnPaul Stedwil*  
*Nicholas Conner*

*Ignacio Cardenas Moran*

Are you feeling called to serve as a  
priest or other religious?

If so, contact Fr. Chase Hilgenbrink:

309-671-1550 or email him: [fr\\_hilgenbrinck@cdop.org](mailto:fr_hilgenbrinck@cdop.org)

*He took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body."*

### Circle 14 News

Circle 14 will meet on Tuesday, October 5th, at 1:30 pm  
in the Youth Room. See you there!

### JP II Experience

Are you looking for a fun and faith filled overnight retreat for an  
8th -10th grader? We have a great opportunity for teens to learn  
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**What:** John Paul II Co-Ed Retreat

**Who:** Boys and Girls, 8th-10th grade.

**When:** Sat. Nov. 6th - Sun. Nov. 7th

**Where:** Believers Together Center at Christ the King:  
3209 60th St., Moline.

**Cost:** \$30

**Registration** Now open on the [www.olgsilvis.com](http://www.olgsilvis.com)

**Questions:** Mike Wilshusen (309) 269-7686 or email

[STJP2EXP@gmail.com](mailto:STJP2EXP@gmail.com)

## WINTER COAT COLLECTION

**Does your family have lots of great coats that they haven't worn in years and you don't know what to do with them?**

**Did Grandma send your child a snowsuit that was two sizes too small last Christmas and you didn't have the heart to return it?**

**Are you addicted to buying coats on Amazon and need some room in your closet?**

If you answered "Yes" to any of these questions, we have a solution for you. The **St. Malachy Winter Coat Collection** will be held the entire month of October. The new, and like new, adult and kids coats collected will be donated to the Geneseo-Atkinson Food Pantry. Look for the donation box in the Narthex.

Thank you, from the St. Malachy Social Justice Committee.



## **October LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE**

### **GREETERS**

**5:00 pm** - Mary Anne Peterson & Karen Humbert (Front); Eric & Sue Gray (West)

**8:15 am** - Ellen Scranton (Front); Ilene Hamer (West)

**10:30 am** - Bob & Shauna Thoene (Front); John & Irene Kemmis (West)

### **USHERS**

**5:00 pm** - Gene Dodd, Barry Hager, Mark & Amy Roberts

**8:15 am** - Dick Mattan, Rich Bassier

**10:30 am** - Tim Laleman, Willis Andel, Ted McAvoy, Dick Taets

### **LECTOR/COMMENTATOR**

**5:00 pm** –Chuck & Mary LoGiudice (L/C)

**8:15 am** – Kathleen Repass (L); Cynthia Wells (C)

**10:30 am** - Theresa Walck (L); Winnie Kane (C)

### **EMHCs**

**5:00 pm** – Pat & Chris Boelens

**8:15 am** - Kathy Hanford, Ryan Wilson

**10:30 am** - Shannon Carroll, John Kemmis

**\*If you cannot fulfill this assignment, please check the sub list attached to the email**

## **OCTOBER ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, October 2 – 5pm**

**Sunday, October 3 - 8:15** Noah & Kiera Disterhoft **10:30** Jenna & Jonathan Freadhoff

**Saturday, October 9 – 5pm**

**Sunday, October 10 - 8:15** Wilson girls **10:30** Tim Sebastian & Joe Venneberg

**Saturday, October 16 – 5pm** Trace Hager & Julia Lewis

**Sunday, October 17 - 8:15** Savannah & Joselyn Reisner **10:30** Joseph & Beth Mroz

**Saturday, October 23 – 5pm** Jackson & Allison Reade

**Sunday, October 24 - 8:15** Emma & Hannah Stone **10:30** Roemers

**Saturday, October 30 – 5pm** Noah Schrader & Joseph Versluis

**Sunday, October 31 - 8:15** Noah & Kiera Disterhoft **10:30** Micah & Joey Thoene



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