

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

You cannot
serve both God
and mammon.

Luke 16:13

SEPTEMBER
22 2019

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SAINT SYMPHOROSA PARISH

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**FAMILY FEST
RESULTS ARE IN**

The Coins Have been Counted!!

It's hard to believe but the 2019 Silver Jubilee Family Fest was two months ago! All of the bills have been paid and prizes paid out, the final results are as follows:

the Parish made a whopping profit of
\$99,179

This is an amazing amount of money to be raised during our four day Fest! That includes over 15,000 cans of beer sold, more than \$38,500 of Grand Raffle tickets sold, almost \$16,000 received in Sponsorships/Cash Donations, over \$48,000 in Carnival wristband sales...the list goes on and on!

As we have often stated...the operation of a successful Fest of this size, requires countless man-hours by Parish Staff, faculty and volunteers. Many of our Committee members make significant sacrifices in their personal life to accommodate meetings, communications, visits, pick-ups, deliveries, problem solving, etc. Yet, at the end of the day, it is all done because of the undying love for St. Symphorosa Parish!

Virtually, everyone in the Parish contributes to the bottom line success of the Fest! Whether donating, volunteering or attending....all of these functions remain critical in the final result...creating a "family friendly" fundraising event that also generates significant financial resources, providing critical assistance to annual Parish operations!

Accordingly, half of the proceeds or \$49,500 will be provided to the school. These funds are utilized throughout the year to help provide the best Catholic education possible to our Parish and area families! Remember, these students represent our future!

Before we look ahead to next year... Fr. Idzi and the Parish offer one more thank you, to everyone who helped make this year's Fest a huge success, including our neighbors and nearby businesses. Undoubtedly, the crowds, noise and street closures create a temporary disruption in their daily life or business activity! However, please understand that the financial resources generated by the Fest are necessary! The Parish provides countless services and ministries, which pay dividends to the neighborhood throughout the remainder of the year!

Next year's Family Fest will be here before we know it. One final Question...How will "YOU" make an impact in next year's Fest? You have a few months to think about your answer!

Ken Hilliard
St. Symphorosa Director of Operations



*Offerings for the weekend of
September 15, 2019*

Weekly Budget (Est.): \$9,000.00

Contributions: \$5,547.51

Envelopes: 223

Thank you for your support & generosity!



Split the Pot

September 15, 2019

Received this week: \$295.00

Winning envelope: # 7007

*Reminder: A minimum of \$5.00 is
required to participate.*

Join us for Bible Study every
Thursday evening beginning at 7pm
in the Parish Office meeting room.
For more information please call the
office at 773.767.1523.

**HOLY
BIBLE**



The faithful all around the world are invited to join with Pope Francis for his special intention. Won't you join in? The intention for the month of September is for the Protection of the Oceans.

That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

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Parish Staff

Rev. Idzi Stacherczak
Pastor

Rev. Ted Bojczuk
Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Norman Trela
Retired Priest

Ken Hilliard
Operations Director

Deacon Raul Duque
Music Director

Magdalan Barry
Parish Secretary

Nancy Markham
Office Coordinator

Judy Banasiak
Religious Education
Coordinator

Kathy Berry
Principal

Chris Garza
Assistant Principal

Parish Office Hours

Monday through Friday
9:00 am—7:00 pm

Saturday
9:00 am—12:00 pm

Schedule of Masses

Sunday
7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am

Saturday Evening Mass
5:00 pm

Weekdays: 8:00 am
Monday through Saturday

Holy Days:
7:30am, 9:30 am and
7:00 pm

Sacrament of Penance

Monday - Saturday
after the 8am Mass

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Parish School

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**St. Symphorosa Parish Transformation Team
invites you to...**



WHERE:

St. Symphorosa Sharp Center
62nd & Mason, Chicago, IL 60638

TIME:

Sunday, October 13, 2019
Doors open at 12:30pm
Games begin at 1:30pm

PRICE:

\$20 at the door includes one set of game cards
& jackpot coverall game

DETAILS:

14 Regular Games – Pays \$50 each

Special Split the Pot Game

Requires separate card - \$2.00 each or 3 for \$5.00

\$100 minimum prize guaranteed

Jackpot Coverall \$300 Minimum Guarantee

Rises to \$400 at 75 players and \$500 at 100 players

(2) 50/50 raffles one drawing at halftime and the second before
the coverall game. \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00

Tickets for pull tab games will be available at \$1.00 each

Prize money varies by type of pull tab.

Must be 18 years of age or older to participate

Our Sanctuary Candle burning before the Blessed Sacrament for
the month of September is offered for the following intentions:

For health and all the Lord's blessings for Linda Mielnicki
given by Mary Mielnicki

For the repose of the souls of the Karbarz, Kowalski, Koziar &
Stacherczak Families given by Family

For the repose of the souls of Mr & Mrs Huber
given by a Friend

May this light which reminds us of Jesus' presence in the
Tabernacle help welcome our prayers into His eternal presence.



Join us on
Saturday, October 5, 2019 – 11:00am
St. Symphorosa Parish
Church Parking Lot
(62nd & Austin)

Grab a special treat for your furry friend
from the Fido To Go Food Truck, take a chance
on some great raffle prizes and grab a snack at
our concession stand.



ST. SYMPHOROSA SCHOOL CELEBRATES THE FEAST OF THE ARCHANGELS

St. Symphorosa School will celebrate the Feast of the Archangels on **Friday, September 27th at the 8am Mass**. We are inviting all **POLICE OFFICERS, FIREFIGHTERS, PARAMEDICS** and EMTs to join us in celebration and prayer. All police officers, firefighters, paramedics and EMTs in attendance are asked to begin lining up in our church gathering space at 7:45am for an opening procession. Uniforms are optional, but the students love seeing our special protectors in their finest! Please join us for this very special annual event.

ANOIDTING OF THE SICK

COMMUNAL ANOIDTING AND MASS FOR THE SICK SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2019 AT 3PM

WHO MAY BE ANOIDNTED?

- Anyone who is seriously sick and has not been recently anointed during the last six months.
- Anyone whose physical condition has worsened since their last anointing, no matter how recently.
- Anyone preparing for surgery in the near future.
- Anyone suffering from chronic (continuing) ailments, such as arthritis, diabetes, etc.
- Anyone who is growing older and feeling the weakening effect of growing older (especially senior citizens).

If you know of a neighbor or a friend who you think would like to participate, please do not hesitate to pass on this article. This Mass will fulfill your Sunday obligation for that day.

If you yourself are interested, please fill out the following form and return to the parish office or in the contribution basket at Mass. You may also register by calling the Parish Office at (773)767-1523. Pre-registration is not required but recommended. Thank you!

COMMUNAL ANOIDTING REGISTRATION FORM

Please return this form as soon as possible.

☐ I **WILL** attend the Anointing of the Sick.

☐ I am unable to attend but wish to receive the sacrament at **HOME**.

Full Name: _____ Age: _____

Telephone: _____



Renew My Church Prayer

Lord Jesus, you speak to us today,
as you spoke to holy men and women who have gone before us.
In every age and in our own time, you call to us and say: Renew My Church.

Pour out the gift of your Holy Spirit upon us, and so enable us
to hear you clearly
to listen to each other attentively
to imagine our future boldly
to discern your direction wisely
to persevere in your holy will courageously
to stay together in charity
to surrender our own plans readily
to embrace the greater good
to hand on your gifts to future generations.

May we remain in the holy company of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the apostles, and all the saints.

May their example and presence inspire us with patient confidence in the work of your grace. We ask this of you who live and reign with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.
Amen.

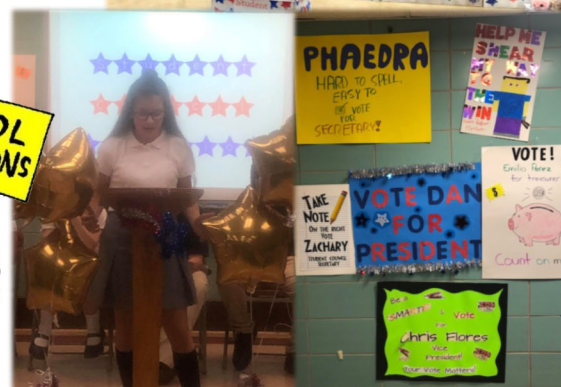


Welcome Back!

Our St. Symphorosa Religious Education program returned after summer break this past Saturday, September 14th. The students were greeted by our Religious Education Coordinator, Mrs. Judy Banasiak, and their catechists. I ask that you all join me in welcoming these students back for another wonderful year. I thank the parents for seeing a need to pass on their faith to their children. I also thank our catechists for volunteering their personal time to be here and help spread the good news of God. I wish everyone a wonderful school year this year and hope that your faith in God grows stronger with every day.

~Fr. Idzi

St. Symphorosa School held student council elections on Friday, September 13. Our student council is led by Mrs. Baisa and helps our students to develop strong leadership skills. Our school is committed to teaching students about government, campaigning, and the electoral process.



Catechetical Sunday 2019

This past weekend during the 9:30 Mass our parish celebrated Catechetical Sunday. This day is to honor those within our parish who have agreed to volunteer their time and knowledge to help our children to learn and grow within the Catholic faith tradition. We thank all of these fine Religious Education and School Educators for their constant support of our school, parish and community.



Eagle Scout Project

Ian Wojcik, a 2016 St. Symphorosa Graduate and member of Boy Scout Troop #1439, is currently working towards completing his Eagle Scout Project. He has chosen to help the Crisis Center for South Suburbia, a domestic violence agency. Ian is asking for LAUNDRY DETERGENT PODS (please no liquid or powder detergent and no fabric softener), PAPER TOWELS AND TOILET PAPER. These items will help those escaping dangerous situations that are in need within the crisis centers emergency shelter and transitional housing. Collection boxes will be located beginning next weekend in the gathering space of our church. Please look for Ian in his scout uniform on **Saturday, October 5th** and **Sunday, October 6th** with any questions or if you would like to make a monetary donation towards more household supplies.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, September 23, 2019

Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

8:00am †Chuck DeLauriea (Mr & Mrs. Ed Gesiakowski)

Tuesday, September 24, 2019

8:00am Health & all the Lord's blessings for Debbie Lipien
(Friends)

†Chuck DeLauriea (Darlene & Joe DeYoung)

Wednesday, September 25, 2019

8:00am †Amy Sneed (Arlene Scaletta)

Thursday, September 26, 2019

Saint Cosmas

Saint Damian

8:00am †Geri Norbut (Family)

Friday, September 27, 2019

Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest

8:00am Health & all the Lord's blessings on the 50th Wedding
Anniversary of John & Suzanne Anderer (Family)

Health & all the Lord's blessings for Cecilia Sandoval on
her 10th birthday (Family)

Saturday, September 28, 2019

Saint Wenceslaus

Saint Lawrence Ruiz

8:00am Health & all the Lord's blessings for Ela Battung
(Rosario Battung)

†John Shimkus (Barbara Rendak)

5:00pm For God's protection, health & happiness for
Channing Meng (Great Grandmother)

†Elaine Jawor (Senase Family)

†Colette "Cookie" Findysz (Mary Kruzel)

Sunday, September 29, 2019

7:30am †Roberto Rodriguez (Inez Rodriguez)

†Nick Bouzios (Janina)

9:30am †James Thorpe (Family)

†Caitlin van der Westhuizen (Beemsterboer Family)

†George "Al" Heinz (Joan Hamann)

11:30am †Jimmy Gillies (Bill & Mary Skowronski)

†Mickey Rahilly (Elizabeth Forde)



*There are in the end three things that last:
Faith, Hope, and Love, and the greatest of
these is LOVE.*

Ignatius Battiato
Dorothy Bogumil
Fr. Ted Bojczuk
Pat Carmody
Michael Clifford
Florence Comiso
Norma De Stefano
Chris Doherty
Juan Figueroa
Geri Gestaut
Carol Golab
Carol Gress
Suzann Gunter
Kathy Haars
Megan High
Dawn Hoyt
Heather Hradek
Denise M. Jandura
Rich S. Jandura
Joan Juris
Lee Karpinski
Dennis Kline
Antoinette Kloppman
Walter Kokoszka, Sr.
Claudia Kwilosz
Norman Kwilosz
James Lapsansky

Donna Lauritzen
Domenico Lepore
Debbie Lipien
John Martini
Lou Mackey
Lori McCarthy
Kathleen McAuliffe
Thomas Minnich
Christine Mosqueda
Genevieve Nagle
Ray Oracki
Baby Alexander J Pentz
Gi Gi Picciolini
Marie Pratt
Ann Robertson
Edward Robertson
Fr. John Rudnik
Joseph Rudnik
Gloria Schillings
Coltyn Schmidt
Kristyn Schmidt
Chalida Svatisalee
Terry Styka
Mary Thorpe
Nancy Webb
Barb Ziegler
Michelle

Due to privacy laws, names may only be added to our prayer list by immediate family.
Please let us know when to remove a name.

SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

Sgt. Jaime A. Acosta, USMC	Staff Sgt. Andrew Gaca, USAF
Sgt. Ted Bartelmey	Sgt. Michael Hough, US Army
CS-1 Joel Battung	Anthony Johanievicz, US Navy
1st Sgt. Chas. Berglund, USMC	Lance Corp. Tim Lisenko, USMC
Sgt. Naveen Bobba, USMC	Trevor Lutz, US Army
Sgt. Arthur A. Boruch, National Guard	Corporal Zachary Maderak, USMC
Hospitalman Blythe A. Cisneros, USN	Pvt1st Class Daniel Morales, US Army
Airman Carlos Cisneros, USAF	SPC Alex Ramos
Sgt. Frank Cisneros, USMC	Staff Sgt. Abel Sandoval, USMC
Corpsman Nicholas J. Cundari-USN	WO-1 Richard Sobeske, US Army
Captain Kevin Dobbyn, US Army	Sgt. 1st Class Kristina Stuhlmacher
Sgt. John Flores, IL National Guard	1LT Zachary White, IL Army NG

Let us pray...

*Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let
perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of
the faithful departed, through the mercy of God,
rest in peace. Amen.*

Lyndia Schwertfeger
Lawrence Wysocki

Calling All Vendors & Crafters

St. Symphorosa Parish Transformation Team presents the

6th Annual Holiday Extravaganza

Luncheon, Craft & Vendor Fair

Sunday, November 24, 2019

10:30am - 2:30pm (Sharp Center)

For information and table registration, please contact Monica
at 773-814-6116 or holidayext2019@gmail.com