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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
 XXVII DOMINGO TIEMPO ORDINARIO

October 6 ~ 6 de Octubre 2013



CADA CRISTIANO UN TESTIGO

**MASS SCHEDULE ~ LA MISA**

Saturday 5:00 pm OLF  
 Sunday 9:30 am St. Gregory  
 Domingo 11:30 am San Gregorio

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## LITURGY ~ LITURGIA October 7-13 de Octubre

### Tuesday/Martes

9:00 am G Mass

### Wednesday/Miércoles

10:00 am Medical Care Facility

### Thursday/Jueves

5:15 pm G Willard Tate

### Friday/Viernes

9:00 am OLF Mass

### Saturday/Sabado

5:00 pm OLF Mary Morningstar

### Sunday/Domingo

9:30 am G Int. of Tom & Pat Schaner Anniversary

11:30 am G Familia Parroquiál



## October 7-13 de Octubre

<b>Sun/Domingo</b>	<b>G</b>	Coffee & Rolls	10:30 am
<b>Mon/Lunes</b>	<b>G</b>	Prayer Group	8:00-9:00 am
	<b>OLF</b>	Jr. High	6:30-8:00 pm
	<b>G</b>	Faith Sharing with Catechists	7:00 pm
<b>Wed/Miércoles</b>	<b>OLF</b>	Catholicism Video Series	10:00 am
		Food Pantry/Dispensa de Comida	3-5:00 pm
	<b>G</b>	1-5 Faith Formation	3:30-4:45 pm
	<b>G</b>	6-7 Faith Formation	6-7:30 pm
	<b>OLF</b>	K-6 Religious Ed	6:15-7:45 pm
	<b>G</b>	Catholicism Video Series	6:30 pm
<b>Thurs/Jueves</b>	<b>G</b>	Bible Study	7:00 pm
<b>Sat/Sabado</b>	<b>OLF</b>	Potluck	6:00 pm

**PRAYER GROUP:** You are invited to join a prayer group at St. Gregory's Chapel on Mondays, 8-9:00 am. For more information call Teresa 873-5753 or Sally 616-430-0687.



**WHAT IS CATHOLICISM?** The second video in this five week series continues this week on Wed, Oct 9 at 10:00 am at Our Lady of Fatima and 6:30 pm at St. Gregory. Sessions last 90 minutes, begin promptly, and refreshments will be offered.

You are welcome any or all weeks.

**OCTOBER POTLUCK:** Saturday, October 12 after the 5:00 pm Mass at Our Lady of Fatima. Bring a dish to pass and join the fun, food and fellowship.



**OLF NEWS:** HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Bob Markiewicz 10/9.

**DAILY PRAYER BOOKLETS:** *Give Us This Day* for October are available in the back of both parishes. Help yourself to a complimentary sample copy.

**CROP WALK:** Sun, Oct 6, beginning at Hart Wesleyan Church at 2:00 pm. It's not too late to walk or support a walker—and help reduce hunger. Call Veronica 231-450-2341 or Jane 616-540-8910.

**TOOTSIEROLL DRIVE:** K of C will be collecting for their annual drive next weekend after Masses—to benefit people with intellectual disabilities. Thanks for your support.

**DRAWING CLOSER TO JESUS THROUGH MARY:** DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN ANNUAL FALL SEMINAR. Tues, Oct 22, 9-2:30 at Ss. Peter & Paul, GR. Mass with Bishop Walkowiak. Register by 10/11 at 266-795-2590; \$12.

**OUR FRIEND'S HOUSE ADULT DAY CARE** offers caregivers a safe place for your loved one, support, understanding, time to do things for yourself, resources and info. Take advantage of a 4 hour free trial day for your loved one; 873-4488.

**RAILROAD SUPPER:** Cafeteria supper on Oct 10, 5-7:00 pm at Shelby Congregational Church. Call 861-4404 3-4:30 pm to order take-out.

**FAMILY VIDEO NIGHT AT UNLEASHED: DINNER WITH A PERFECT STRANGER,** Sat, Oct 12, 7:00 pm, 55 S State, Hart. Nikki Cominsky is a successful attorney, troubled by the fact that her life isn't perfect. One day, a mysterious invitation shows up on her desk that reads, "You are invited to Dinner with Jesus of Nazareth." Thinking it's a prank, she shows up, only to find herself in the middle of a whirlwind evening of debate and revelation, with the most unforgettable man she would ever meet. Suitable for all ages, no admission charge, free popcorn :) Questions: 873-5152.

**FAMILY PERSPECTIVE:** Faith is one of those things we just can't get enough of! In today's gospel the apostles asked Jesus to "Increase our faith." It is faith in ourselves, our spouse, our children and our parents which equips us to overlook annoyances and helps us to forgive and urges us to ask forgiveness. "Lord, increase our faith!"

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE/MINISTERIOS de la MISA October 12-13 de Octubre

### Ministers of the Word/Lectura

5:00 pm Walter Carrier  
9:30 am Marsha Mahynski  
11:30 am Sofia Escoto

### Ministers of the Eucharist/Comunión

5:00 pm P Poynter, R Setlak, R Pochyla  
9:30 am B Birkman, S Hedinger, V Griffen  
11:30 am A Contreras, P Morales, H Madrigal

### Altar Servers/Acolitos

5:00 pm T Cederquist, B Cederquist  
9:30 am J Wittman, J Vanderstelt  
11:30 am A Bernal, A Briones

### Ministers of Hospitality/Bienvenida

9:30 am H Schaner, L Schaner  
11:30 am Augstin Tudon y Familia

### Ushers/Colecta y Ofrendas

5:00 pm S Fell, D Lound, R Mather  
9:30 am Wiegand, A Bosse, Scahner, VanderZanden  
11:30 am Rolando Perea y Familia

## CONTRIBUTIONS - DONACIONES September 28-29 de Septiembre

Our Lady of Fatima		St. Gregory	
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**REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** Helen Lorenz, Carmen Garcia, David Adamczyk, Connie Navarro, Rachel Ybarra, Maria Lozano, Sharon VanderKooi, Melissa Galindo, Cathy Thocher Evans, Angie Setlak, Bernice Biggs, Heather Swiech, Ray Hanslits, Michelle Stovall, Bill Baranski, Tom Beaudoin, Ken Farquhar, Alberto Contreras, Mara Barco, Mero Davila, Oralia Davila, Jane Cooper, Alice Battice, Joe Merrill, Elba Ibarra, Mark Kessler, Mike Dold, Marshall Jorissen, Haley Gale, Barbara Foster, Julie Quinn, Alan Hoffman, Anthony Aerts, Gene Schaner, Jim Eckerle, Bernadette Eckerle



*When you pray for others, God listens to you and blesses them;  
Sometimes when you are safe and happy,  
remember that someone has prayed for you.*

My Dear Friends in Christ,

On October 6 we celebrate Respect Life Sunday, when our nation's Catholics will be called to renew their personal commitment to defend all human life, especially the most vulnerable members of the human family. Respect for human life encompasses a broad range of topics related to the promotion of human dignity and human rights, the first of which is the right to life. We must help our contemporary culture recognize the transcendent dimension in human life and the imprint of the creative work of God from the very first moment of conception to the final moment of natural death.

As we observed the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Roe v. Wade this past January, abortion remains a paramount concern, though certainly not an exclusive one. The nation-wide death toll since 1973 is staggering. During a meeting in Rome on September 20 with hundreds of obstetricians and gynecologists attending a conference sponsored by the International Federation of Catholic Medical Associations, Pope Francis stressed that "Every unborn child, condemned unjustly to be aborted, has the face of the Lord."

"Open your hearts to life!" has been a favorite theme of Pope Francis. It is a theme that has a particular urgency today, as the "culture of death" continues to gain an ever stronger foothold in our society. We open our hearts to life when we reject the killing of human beings by abortion; when we work to assure life-saving treatment for those with disabilities; and when we refuse to accept the hastening of death through assisted suicide and euthanasia. Opening our hearts to life means opposing the death penalty as well as human trafficking, terrorism, poverty and unjust war. All of these topics form part of the "seamless garment" that is life as God intends it to be.

As we mark the start of the Respect Life Program for the coming year, I encourage you to "open your hearts to life!" Through prayer, the celebration of Mass and the sacraments, we can come to know and love God more and more, which will lead to a greater love and care of our brothers and sisters in the human family. With God's help, may we become aware of the needs of those around us and open our hearts to all human life.

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Most Rev. David J. Walkowiak, Bishop of Grand Rapids



Queridos Amigos en Cristo,

El domingo, 6 de octubre celebramos el Día de Respeto por la Vida, día en que los católicos de nuestra nación serán llamados a renovar su compromiso personal de defender toda vida humana, especialmente los miembros más vulnerables de la familia humana. El respeto por la vida humana abarca una amplia gama de temas

relacionados con la promoción de la dignidad humana y los derechos humanos, el primero de los cuales es el derecho a la vida. Debemos ayudar la cultura contemporánea a reconocer la dimensión trascendental de la vida humana y la huella de la obra creadora de Dios desde el primer instante de la concepción hasta el último momento de la muerte natural.

Habiendo celebrado el cuadragésimo aniversario de Roe v. Wade el pasado mes de enero, el aborto sigue siendo una grande preocupación, aunque si no es exclusiva. El número de víctimas a nivel nacional desde el 1973 es asombroso. Durante una reunión del 20 de septiembre, en Roma, con centenares de obstetras y ginecólogos que asistieron a una conferencia patrocinada por la Federación Internacional de Asociaciones Médicas-Católicas, el Papa Francisco enfatizó que "cada niño no nacido, condenado injustamente al aborto, tiene el rostro del Señor."

"¡Abran su corazón a la vida!" ha sido un tema favorito del Papa Francisco. Actualmente es un tema urgente ya que la "cultura de la muerte" sigue ganando espacio en nuestra sociedad. Abrimos nuestro corazón a la vida cuando rechazamos el asesinato de seres humanos a través del aborto; cuando nos preocupamos por proveer tratamientos necesarios para las personas discapacitadas; y cuando nos negamos a aceptar la muerte prematura causada por el suicidio asistido y la eutanasia. Abrir nuestro corazón a la vida quiere decir oponernos a la pena de muerte, al tráfico de personas, al terrorismo, a la pobreza y la guerra injusta. Todos estos temas forman parte de la "túnica sin costura" que es la vida como Dios la sueña y la desea. Al inicio del Programa Anual de Respeto por la Vida, les exhorto a que "¡abran su corazón a la vida!"

A través de la oración, la celebración Eucarística y los sacramentos, podemos conocer y amar siempre más a Dios. Él nos guiará a un amor más profundo y una mayor atención hacia nuestros hermanos y hermanas en la familia humana. Con la ayuda de Dios, seremos más conscientes de las necesidades de cuantos nos rodean y abriremos nuestro corazón a toda vida humana.

Atentamente suyo en Cristo,  
Muy Reverendo David J. Walkowiak, Obispo de Grand Rapids

From the small world department: On Monday I went to Grand Rapids' Art Prize, catching up on the scene I have always attended. Visiting with friends from Grand Rapids I lost track of one final ten exhibit at DeVos Center.



I decided that two professionally dressed and sophisticated looking women might help me find the missing finalist, as no officials of Art Prize were around to ask.

One responded that she should know me. She asked who I am. Turns out, she is the daughter of OLF organist Judie McGovern, having visited her mother a couple of summer Sunday's and encountering me at mass. Within a matter of seconds she put me on to where to find the elusive final ten candidate, called "Taking Flight."

We all are linked, in one way or another. The thousands upon thousands on the streets in Grand Rapids these Art Prize weeks couldn't keep an OLF organist's daughter from telling me how to find my way.

How I found my way to her, to her mother at OLF, and to you, is beyond understanding; except in the realm of God, God's plan, and God's close-knit world. Glad being here with you.

Peace, Fr. Tom



## SAN FRANCISCO DE ASÍS

4 de Octubre

Dejó todo lo que tenía—una vida acomodada, amigos, posibilidades de diversión—por vivir una vida pobre siguiendo el evangelio radicalmente. Francisco de Asís, que era un joven rico y con ambiciones de éxito, tuvo una conversión y, contra la voluntad de su padre que quería que continuase su negocio, dedicó el resto de su vida al anuncio del evangelio y a la sencillez. En el siglo XIV la Iglesia estaba atravesando por graves problemas y Francisco sintió una llamada de Dios a reconstruir la iglesia, que no solo se trataba de los edificios, sino de un regreso al espíritu del Evangelio. Reconstruyó muchas iglesias deterioradas y, con un grupo de amigos, comenzó la Orden de Mendicantes, que ahora se conocen como frailes franciscanos. Años más tarde, con santa Clara de Asís, fundó la rama femenina, hoy conocida como Clarisas. Francisco es conocido también como gran amante de la naturaleza y por sus poesías y oraciones sobre la creación. Es patrono del medio ambiente.



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