

# 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Worship Schedule

### Saturday, 11 October

3:30 pm ... Confession & Reconciliation

3:35 pm ... Rosary

4 pm ... †Jim Fitzgibbons (1st Anniv.) by Kerri Stanley

### Sunday, 12 October      **28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 am ... †Romain & †Louise Marcoux by Diane Gallant

9:30 am ... †Donald J. Leclerc by Esther Leclerc

4:30 pm ... Confession & Reconciliation

5 pm ... †William & †Carole Thomas by Sean Thomas

### Monday, 13 October      **HAPPY COLUMBUS DAY**

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9 am ... Our Parish Family

### Tuesday, 14 October      **Saint Callistus I**

12 pm ... †Jeannie Canty Barnett by Jack & Colleen Byrne

### Wednesday, 15 October      **Saint Teresa of Jesus**

11:30 am ... Confession & Reconciliation

12 pm ... †Annette Morneau by Pauline Morneau

12:35 pm ... Rosary

### Thursday, 16 October      **Sts Hedwig & Margaret Mary Alacoque**

8:30 am ... Edith C. Clark (living) by Anne Clark

### Friday, 17 October      **Saint Ignatius of Antioch**

5:30 pm ... Confession & Reconciliation

6 pm ... Poor Souls in Purgatory by the Pereira family

### Saturday, 18 October      **Saint Luke, Evangelist**

3:30 pm ... Confession & Reconciliation

3:35 pm ... Rosary

4 pm ... †Harold & †Anne Magarian by Charles Magarian

### Sunday, 19 October      **29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 am ... †Doris Oliver by Jack & Nancy Healy

9:30 am ... Ancient Order of Hibernians and †Alberta Sullivan by Alan Heidenreich

4:30 pm ... Confession & Reconciliation

5 pm ... Our Parish Family

### Sunday, 12 October

9:20 am ... Children's Religious Education—Parish Hall

10:45 am ... The Catholic Faith Explained—School Library

10:45 am ... Children's Choir—Parish Hall Classroom

### Tuesday, 14 October

6:30—8:30 pm Youth Ministry/Grades 9-12—Library

7 pm ... Pastor's Class—Parish Hall Classroom

### Thursday, 16 October

7 pm Book Discussion Group—Church Conf Room

### Friday, 17 October

5 pm ... Ashley Boie Benefit Dinner—Parish Hall (See enclosed flyer)

### Saturday, 18 October

5 pm ... Oktoberfest—Parish Hall (See enclosed flyer)

### Sunday, 19 October

10:30 am ... Hibernian Breakfast—Parish Hall

## "Knowing the Faith"



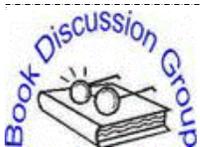
As part of our parish RCIA program but open to all who would like to attend, Saint Raphael Parish will be holding a 10-week video and discussion series **following the 9:30 Sunday Mass and beginning Oct.**

5. This series will look at all the basic elements of our Catholic faith; each week builds on previous sessions but can be viewed independently as well.

The series explores topics such as God's revelation throughout history, salvation and the Paschal Mystery, Mary and the Communion of Saints, and is a wonderful way to refresh your knowledge and get to know some new people in the parish. Please call Therese Dame at 647.2283 or Anna Wallich 623.2604 x.3 if you are planning on attending!



**Sanctuary candle** The sanctuary candle burns this week for †Mary & †Frank Kenney by Anne Kenney.



Parish Book Discussion: On **Thursday, October 16th, at 7:00 pm**, the parish book discussion group will meet to discuss the Gospel of Luke. Written with the devotion and tenderness of the man Taylor Caldwell has called "dear and glorious physician," Luke's Gospel contains the infancy narratives and parables that reveal Jesus as Savior and gentle, patient teacher. Come and explore this beautiful text with us, just days before the Church celebrates the Feast of St. Luke. We will meet in the church conference room. Readers are asked to bring their own copies of the Gospel.

## From abortion and despair, Julia Holcomb Misley rises to champion life

When I was growing up, few rock bands excited teenagers more than **Aerosmith**. It is easy to understand why members of the band could turn heads and elicit sighs from girls, and why they could make guys want to pound out music and hit the road the way they did. As with many bands, however, the lifestyle off stage was pretty rugged.

One young woman found herself on the road with **Steven Tyler**, Aerosmith's lead singer, a road that would lead not simply to



“sex, drugs and rock and roll,” but to abortion, a lifetime of regret, the discovery and embrace of Catholicism – and a commitment to the pro-life movement across the U.S. **Julia (Holcomb)**

**Misley** (inset photo above), now the chairwoman of the **Silent No More** campaign, was the featured speaker at the annual **New Hampshire Right to Life** banquet Oct. 2.

Julia, a rather tall, statuesque woman, speaks gently in detailing her life. She betrays no sense of bitterness or anger, stridency or recrimination. “God’s grace is bigger than our worst sin,” she asserted softly. At the age of 17, and more than five months pregnant with Tyler’s child, Julia was persuaded into having a saline abortion; “coerced” might be a better word.

Now an accomplished artist, married and the mother of seven, she is determined to unveil abortion’s **devastating effects** not only on the pre-born children destroyed in the womb but on their mothers and on society in general. Detailing her painful experiences in her memoir, *The Light of the World: The Steven Tyler and Julia Holcomb Story*, she reveals that the **resources of faith in Christ**, long buried, and the witness of religious practice and healing love from family and friends enabled her to climb out of despair and isolation.

Julia met Tyler, then 25, through a friend of hers in 1973, and in short order she was on a plane with him to Aerosmith’s next gig. She told her audience that **her family had begun disintegrating**. Her father had left his wife and children. Religious practice had ended. Her mother took her, at age 16, to the airport to join Tyler. Later, in order to keep Julia with him and legally cross state lines, Tyler obtained court authorization to serve as her guardian. For a time, Julia and Steven (photo at left) lived



the bohemian life of the rock circuit, but within a year, she found herself pregnant, without an income even to buy groceries and alone in his apartment in **Boston**. She had not yet completed high school.

One winter day, Julia said she greeted one of Tyler’s friends, a former band member, whom he had asked to visit her and assist her while the band continued touring. Julia told her *Right to Life* listeners that she remembers only awakening and realizing the apartment was **engulfed in flame**.

With exits blocked by fire, she said she recalls seeing a picture of Jesus, the Light of the World, a print her grandmother had given her years earlier. Somehow, Julia recalled the advice that **air pockets** could be found in a **fireplace** if the flue were opened. She crawled into the tiny space, and that’s where Boston firefighters found her – alive, pregnant and amazed at her own survival.

Tyler returned to Boston immediately and, according to her memoir, was **snorting cocaine** in her hospital room when he wasn’t insisting she have an abortion. The child might be damaged from drugs and the impact of the fire. Julia was too young. He was on the road. A rock band was no place for a child. Despite her opposition, Julia had no means of support without Tyler, and he clearly was unwilling to welcome a child. She caved.

Later, she learned that she had been carrying a little boy. **Regret overwhelmed her**. Her relationship with Tyler fell apart. She knew she had to extricate herself from the situation.

Happily, her aunt and uncle, members of a Baptist church, took her into their home. They encouraged her to complete her GED and enroll in college. “I started to think differently about my life,” said Julia, “and I began to pray, working my way through Jesus’ **Sermon on the Mount** in Matthew 5-7.

In college, she met **Brad Misley**, a chemical engineering student on a football scholarship. Julia said that she knew she would have to reveal her past as their rela-

tionship developed, and “he told me that he loved me, that I had become a new person in Christ.”

The couple eventually **encountered Catholicism**, drawn to it “because of the Church’s strong defense of life, although I am grateful for my Protestant roots because that’s where I first met Christ.”

The young couple began the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) program, Julia said, “**but I dreaded my first confession.**” **To her relief, she met a priest who simply asked whether she forgave Tyler** and the others who pressured her to have the abortion, her parents and others?

“Do you believe God forgives you?” the priest asked. “I don’t think I’m deserving of it,” Julia replied. “You’re not. No, you don’t deserve it. Neither do I. None of us does. **God’s forgiveness is a gift, paid for with Christ’s life,**” he said., **and we need to accept it.**”

For a number of years, Julia was happy to keep her story quiet, but Tyler himself had a **change of heart** about his lifestyle and activities. He recounted his own story in his first book, *Walk This Way*, but never mentioned Julia’s name. Later, his second book, *Does the Noise in My Head Bother You*, referenced Julia and her abortion specifically. That, in turn, prompted Star magazine to publish a photo spread that included Julia (at her canvas, photo at left) One of her sons, a 6’2” senior on the high school football team and wrestling squad,

read about his mother.

“My children have been raised as Catholics. I had been doing a sidewalk ministry [counseling women] outside the local **Planned Parenthood** facility. He just looked at me

blankly. I had been so frightened of what my children might discover. I had killed their brother. But he threw his arms around me and said, ‘I love you and I forgive you.’ After that night, I knew I could speak out – and **give glory to God** for rebuilding my life.”

The web site for Julia’s campaign is [www.silentnomoreawareness.org](http://www.silentnomoreawareness.org)

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# October 12, 2014

## Readings for the week of October 5, 2014

**Monday:** Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31 — 5:1; Ps 113:1b-5a, 6-7; Lk 11:29-32

**Tuesday:** Gal 5:1-6; Ps 119:41, 43-45, 47-48; Lk 11:37-41

**Wednesday:** Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:42-46

**Thursday:** Eph 1:1-10; Ps 98:1-6; Lk 11:47-54

**Friday:** Eph 1:11-14; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13; Lk 12:1-7

**Saturday:** 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Lk 10:1-9

**Sunday:** Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 7-10; 1 Thes 1:1-5b; Mt



We are still looking to increase our group of altar servers **especially for the 4 pm Saturday Vigil, 7:30 am, and 5 pm Sunday Masses.** Typically, candidates are considered as soon as they reach third grade and have made their First Communion.

**If you are interested in training to be a server, please contact Kerri Stanley in the rectory at 623.2604 in order to set up a training session.**

## Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians

The Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians is an organization of Catholic women of Irish descent that promotes friendship, unity and Christian charity. We help foster the ideals and perpetuate the history and traditions of the Irish. Meetings have featured an Irish tea, Irish singers and dancers, updates on current Irish events, Catholic activities, as well as food, laughter and fun. If interested in LAOH, please attend our **Oct. 27** meeting at the Sweeney Post, 51 Maple St., Manchester at **7pm**. Please call



## Ancient Order of Hibernians Breakfast

Please join us following the 9:30 am Mass on Sunday, October 19 for breakfast in the parish hall in honor of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. Guest speaker this year will be Professor Robert Perreault.



**If you have a family member who is currently serving in any branch of the Armed Forces, we would like to include them in our bulletin so that parishioners can include them in their prayers. Please contact the parish office at 623.2604. Please keep in your prayers:**

**Danielle Wells  
Kenneth Breuder  
Philip Breuder**

## Weekly Collection

**October 5, 2014**

Offertory Regular	\$ 3,244.00
Offertory Make-Up	\$ 922.00
Offertory Loose	\$ 572.25
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 4,738.25</b>
<b>Stewardship</b>	<b>\$ 115.00</b>
<b>Food Pantry</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>

*Thank you for your generosity!*

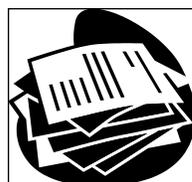


## Saint Raphael Food Pantry

This past Monday, October 6, the Food Pantry served **21** families, and gave out **30** bags of groceries. We need cereal, canned fruit, canned vegetables, baked beans, and brown and plastic shopping bags. Thank you!



Our parish has raised **\$14,960** of **Catholic Charities** **SRP's goal of \$30,000** towards Catholic Charities. **Thanks to a generous friend who will match each new contribution up to our goal, we will extend the drive through November.** Please consider a donation and help us reach our goal! Thank you!



**EVERY ENVELOPE COUNTS!** Please remember to **return your weekly contribution envelopes** for the times when you have been away from Saint Raphael this summer. The need to fulfill our obligation to **support our parish** is clear, and regular expenses occur whether we are in the pews here or not. Your help in this effort will be appreciated a great deal!



**CRAFTERS WANTED:** St. Anthony School is accepting reservations for a Craft Fair to be held on **Saturday, November 22, 2014.** We offer booths for hand-made products or home-party items. Booth rentals are \$50.00 including an 8 foot table if needed. We limit the number of crafters of similar items, and home party vendors are limited to 1 per company. Reservations will be accepted on a first come/first serve basis. For more information please call St. Anthony School at 622-0414 or visit our website at [www.stanthony-school-nh.com](http://www.stanthony-school-nh.com) to download an application.

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## Annual Men's Evening of Reflection

Gentlemen, mark your calendars for this year's evening which is planned for **Thursday, Oct. 30 at Saint Anselm College**. The evening will begin with Mass at 5:15pm followed by dinner and a discussion and conclude with vespers with the monks. Please call the rectory or email us to RSVP. Encourage a friend to attend with you!



Saint Raphael Parish is forming a **Children's Voice and Bell Choir** under the direction of parish member Susan Paminsik. Susan has been actively involved in music and child education for many years. No previous experience in singing or bells is needed—only a desire to have fun and learn something new! The choir will meet each **Sunday after the 9:30 am Mass** in the parish hall classroom.



if you would like to be a part of our Prayer Line, please call the rectory or email us and we will be

happy to add your name to the list of parishioners who pray for those in need. Likewise, if you would like us to pray for you or a loved one, let us know.

## Parish Giving

Don't forget we have implemented the online giving option for your

convenience. You can access the link via our website, [www.saint-raphael-parish.com](http://www.saint-raphael-parish.com) and follow the steps to register for automatic payments or even a one time donation if you prefer. Have questions? Call the rectory at 623.2604 and we will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

**Coffee hour** is available after the 9:30 a.m. Sunday Mass. Many thanks to those who faithfully serve in this ministry—please come downstairs to join us!



## The Sacraments: A way of Life, A way to Life

Please join us for the fall session of The Pastor's Class when P. Jerome, O.S.B., pastor, will discuss the seven sacraments of the Catholic faith: **Tuesday, Oct. 14** – Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist; **Tuesday, Oct. 21** – Eucharist; **Tuesday, Oct. 28** – Penance and Anointing; **Tuesday, Nov. 4** – Holy Orders and Marriage. All classes will be held at 7 pm in the Parish Hall Classroom. Please call the rectory at 623.2604 or email [secretary@saint-raphael-parish.com](mailto:secretary@saint-raphael-parish.com) if you would like to sign up.



First time visitor? Welcome!

There are cards in the pews for you to fill out with your contact information should you want to register. We'd love to have you! Cards may be placed in the collection basket during Mass.

## Trinity High School

If you want your son or daughter to have the very best in education, invest some time at Trinity High School's Open House on **Tuesday, Oct. 21st, at 7 pm**. Trinity combines a proven curriculum with dynamic teachers and innovative technologies in a caring Catholic learning community. Thanks to small classes that average 14 students, no one gets lost in the crowd. Students come from 40 different communities and graduates historically have a 100% college acceptance rate. 84 of last year's 111 graduates were offered a total of \$12.5 million in academic scholarships. Students grow in faith, scholarship and character at Trinity which is located at the intersection of Bridge St. and Mammoth Rd. in Manchester. To learn more, attend the open house or call 668-2910.

## Open House



## Holy Family Academy

a private, Catholic school located in Manchester, will be having a Fall Open House for prospective students on **Sunday, Oct. 26 at 2 pm**, at the Academy. Interested students will have the opportunity to learn more about the Academy by interacting with faculty and students. Come and hear about the Academy's program of excellence in classical education and solid formation in the Catholic faith. Holy Family Academy is currently accepting qualified students in grades 7—12 for the 2015-2016 academic year. For further info., please call 644.7247.