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September 8, 2024 • The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and
5:30 p.m.

Nursery

Nursery is available for children ages
nine months to kindergarten during the
Sunday morning Masses

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday-Saturday 8 a.m.

Confessions

Saturdays: 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Wednesdays: 5:15-6:15 p.m.

Sign Up for Email!

If you are not receiving our emails, the
sign up link is on hnoj.org under the
contact us information.

Anointing of the Sick or Funeral

Please call the parish office at
763-473-7901 to schedule. Or for an
emergency, call 763-233-0259.

Adoration Schedule

Sign up at hnoj.weadorehim.com

Monday 8:30 a.m.-9 p.m.

Tuesday 8:30 a.m.-9 p.m.

Thursday 8:30 a.m.-9 p.m.

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-4 p.m.



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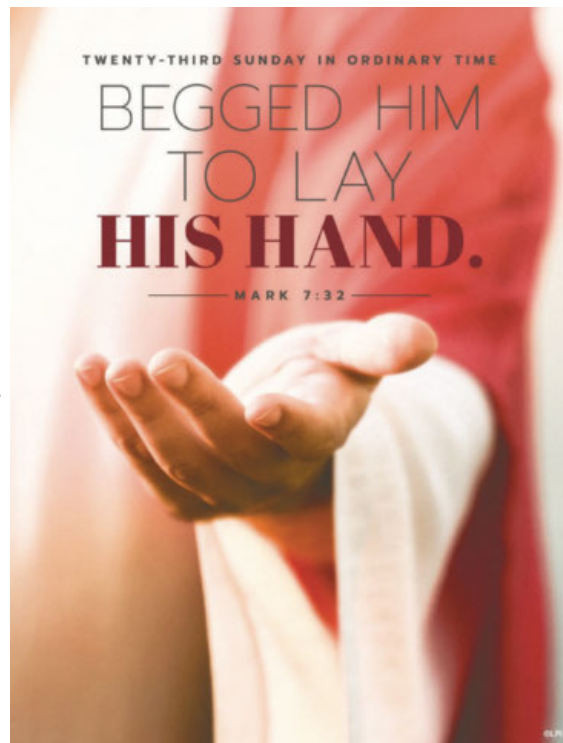
A Gospel Meditation

By Fr. John Muir
@LPi

One of the most touching
YouTube videos I've ever
seen is one in which a deaf
woman receives new
technology to heal her
hearing. She hears her
husband's voice for the first
time – and her own, too –
and bursts into tears of
overwhelming joy. It must
have been like an
immovable wall between her
and her loved ones came
tumbling down.

We are all like this woman,
to some degree. We believe
in the presence of God's
love, but we can't hear Him.
We can't speak well about
Him. The deaf man who
can't speak properly in the
Gospel today is an image of
what God wants us to
experience again and again.
Jesus takes the man aside
to a private place away from the crowd, touches his ears and tongue, and
says, "Ephphata!" The man's ears are opened, and he speaks clearly.
Contact with Christ has this effect on us.

This experience happens to us in our Baptism, almost exactly. It happens to
us in the liturgy. It happens in our private prayer. It happens when we hear
the voice of God in our conscience. The more we engage these privileged
channels of Jesus' healing, the more we are empowered to hear and speak
of the presence of God's perfect love.



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Saint Paul Speaker Series

How well do you know St. Paul, the Apostle? Most of us know that he was a persecutor of Christians until he had an encounter with Jesus. From that encounter, he became a zealous preacher of the faith, spreading the Good News to the Gentiles. We hear his letters read at Mass even to this day.



That is what we know, but there is more to St. Paul than meets the eye. Fr. Wratkowski will be doing a three-part series on St. Paul where he will discuss St. Paul the person, his time in Philippi and his time in Corinth. Attend some or all the sessions to learn more about St. Paul.

These talks are free to attend. There will be hospitality and childcare for ages nine months to kindergarten is available. Please register today to reserve your spot at hnoj.org/stpaulseries

St. Paul, the Man
Friday, Sept. 13, 6:30-8 p.m.

St. Paul and Philippi
Friday, Sept. 20, 6:30-8 p.m.

St. Paul and Corinth
Friday, Sept. 27, 6:30-8 p.m.

Faith Formation Volunteers Needed

We need your help! In order to have a successful Faith Formation program, we need volunteers.



Here are some areas where we need volunteers on Wednesday nights:

1. Elementary Faith Formation catechists
2. Middle school small group leaders
3. Wednesday night substitutes
4. Hallway monitors

Sunday night and retreat volunteers:

1. Confirmation senior high small group leaders
2. Retreat chaperones

To learn more, please go to hnoj.org/FFVolunteer or contact the following.

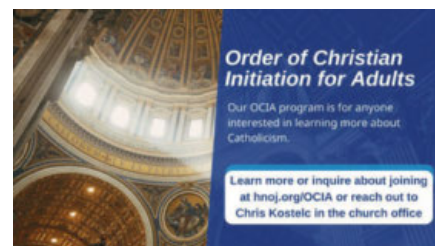
Elementary: Jennifer Wendt at jwendt@hnoj.org.
Middle school: Luke Klavins at lklavins@hnoj.org.
Senior high: Eve Anders at eanders@hnoj.org.

All our volunteers must complete the VIRTUS: Protecting God's Children training.

OCIA

Not Catholic and want to learn about Catholicism?

HNOJ's OCIA program is for anyone interested in learning more about Catholicism.



People join OCIA for various reasons:

- Seeking to become Catholic
- Raised Catholic but was never Confirmed
- Getting married and want to become Catholic
- Baptized or unbaptized and want to learn about Catholicism

Learn more or inquire about joining at hnoj.org/OCIA or email Chris at ckostelc@hnoj.org.

Join Adult Choir this Fall

There are openings for singers in the Adult Choir. Anyone from high school age through adults are welcome to join us. Please mark your calendars with the dates of the first rehearsal for the year (see below), and for the first Sunday the choir returns to sing. Contact Kraig Windschitl for more information at kwindschitl@hnoj.org or 763-745-3490.



First Rehearsal: Wednesday, Sept. 11, from 7-8:30 p.m.
First Sunday: Sunday, Sept. 22, at 10:30 a.m.

Small Group Leaders Needed

We are looking for people to lead small groups this fall. Don't worry, we have training!

Please join us for one of our small group leader trainings (Chipotle meal provided too):

1. Monday, Sept. 16, from 6-9 p.m.
2. Sunday, Sept. 29, from 12-3 p.m.

Attend one of these sessions to prepare you to lead your very own small group. You will become versed in the seven-step method, learn how to manage a group through the different challenges that arise and ultimately lead with grace and joy in what Archbishop Hebda has called the "key to growth" in the local Catholic Church.



For any questions, you can contact Tim Lyngdal at tlyngdal@hnoj.org. Please register at hnoj.org/smallgroupministry

Sunday Night Lectors Needed

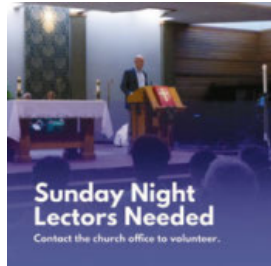
"The Spirit of the Lord speaks by me, his word is upon my tongue." (2 Sam 23:2)

Do you have a desire to speak the Word to God to others? Do you feel called to become a lector at Mass?

We are in need of volunteers to help proclaim the readings at Mass especially the Sunday evening Mass. This is a vital part of our Mass and if God is calling you to this ministry, please consider signing up.

Lectors are scheduled for the Mass time(s) that they are available and there is rehearsal the Monday night before you lector.

If you are interested and 16 years or older, please contact Jan at the church office at 763-473-7901.



Big Small Dinner

Sometimes it's difficult to make connections at a church as large as Holy Name of Jesus. That's why we are hosting the Big Small Dinner on Tuesday, Sept. 24. It's a chance to make small connections at a big church. This event is geared toward all new parishioners as well as those who have never attended before and want to get more connected.

We provide dinner and both nursery-age and school-age care as well as dinner for the kids. The Big Small Dinner is an opportunity to meet some of your fellow parishioners, come to know why Holy Name of Jesus is a special place and get to know our parish priests.

There is no cost to attend, but registration is needed. Find out all the details at hnoj.org/bigsmalldinner. Please contact Tim Lyngdal with questions at tlyngdal@hnoj.org.



Scripture of the Week

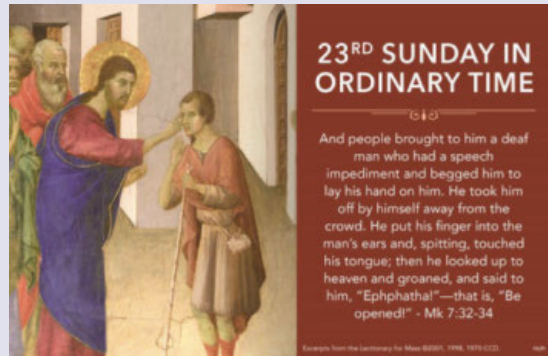


"Show no partiality as you adhere to the faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ." (James 2:1)

We begin our readings this week with Isaiah's encouragement to those who live in fear to know that God is near and is coming. He will open the eyes of the blind, the ears of the deaf and the tongue of the mute. Our Psalm picks up the same theme, adding food for the hungry and freedom for captives.

In our Gospel, we see Jesus the deaf and mute man, restoring both hearing and speech to him. A familiar miracle which Jesus then tells those present not to tell others. And immediately we hear that all who were present were proclaiming it to others. Do we recognize the miracles from God in our daily lives? Do we proclaim them to others? If not, it is never too late to start!

Weekly reflections by parishioner Jon Hickman.



Fall Festival Tickets for Sale This Weekend

Please join us for our annual Fall Festival which will be held on Saturday, Sept. 21, from 4-9 p.m. Kick off the Festival with Mass on the Grass. Only once a year do we offer an opportunity to enjoy Mass in the great outdoors. Again this year, Mass will be on the grass opposite the school playground to allow for more shade, easier access and timing. Bring a blanket or lawn chair. We will have golf cart transportation for those with limited mobility (pick up by the school doors).

This annual family-fun event includes:

- Outdoor Mass
- Live music - we are kickin' it country this year with music by Coyote Wild
- Kids carnival games and inflatables
- Amazing food options
- Outreach Ministries tent
- Classic car show
- Sweepstakes
- And so much fun!

Ticket Sales - Avoid Lines, Buy Your Tickets Early!

Avoid the long lines at the ticket booth. Fall Festival tickets will be available for purchase after all the Masses this weekend, Sept. 7-8. Tickets will also be available for purchase at the parish office during normal business hours from Sept. 7-20. Tickets are used for food, beverages and kids games at Fall Festival. Tickets are \$1 each for food/drink/games, but entrance to Fall Festival is free.



In Our Parish and Our Community

Fall Festival Volunteers Needed

Like any event, it's smooth operation relies upon having enough volunteers. There are so many ways you can help, if even for just an hour. Here are some examples:



Help with setup: set up tables and chairs, hang signs and run electrical.

No experience is needed.

Sales: meet some of our own Knights of Columbus and Auxiliary members by helping out with food sales or at the Country Market. If you are 21 or older, you are needed at the beer tent. If you are not quite 21, help with soda sales or at our ticket booths!

Kids Games: great for teen volunteers, age 14 and older.

Train Operator: if you are 21 or older, spend an hour driving the kids dragon train in the evening. If not quite 21, you can volunteer as an assistant.

Tear down and clean up crew: one of the most important jobs of putting on a parish event is clean up!

Find a link to our [SignUp Genius page at www.hnoj.org/fallfest](http://www.hnoj.org/fallfest). Or look for a sign up sheet in the Gathering Space during the ticket sales weekend.

Cana Small Groups for Men and Women

Are you a mother or father looking to get plugged in at Holy Name of Jesus and grow in your faith? Cana small groups will begin in September and are a great way to meet people in our large parish. Groups meet twice a month, read scripture, study the teachings of the Church and grow in faith and fellowship. For more information, please email Holy Name of Jesus's Cana Coordinator at jon@CanaFamilyInstitute.com.



Parenting Act II

Are you praying earnestly for your adult children? Worrying about their lifestyle choices? Hoping for their return to Mother Church? Wishing you could help them through hard times and difficult circumstances? All parents of young adults do, even those whose kids seem to be doing well!

Parenting Act II is a small group that meets monthly from September to May to pray for our grown children, support each other and learn more about parenting in the empty-nest phase of family life. We meet on the third Monday of each month at 6:45 p.m. (except for January due to the MLK holiday, when we meet on the fourth Monday.) Each year, we choose a book to guide our study and begin conversation. This year we will be reading and discussing *You and Your Adult Child: How to Grow Together in Challenging Times* by Lawrence Steinberg, PhD.

You are welcome to join the group, either as a couple or solo parent. You are free to share as much or little as you like about the tribulations of your family. All worries shared with the group are completely confidential. If you are too busy to read some chapters we will understand and we know you may not be able to attend all sessions and that's okay!

Our first meeting will be on Monday, Sept. 16, at 6:45 p.m. in the St. Scholastica meeting room at HNOJ. Want to participate? Questions? Need to know more? Contact Karen Karn at kekarn@comcast.net or 612-709-8412. Please feel free to just drop in! No sign up needed.



Interfaith Outreach Items Needed

Pull-Ups (size 3-4 and 4-5)
Baby wipes and baby diapers (size 5 and 6)
Adult diapers
Canned chicken
Feminine hygiene products (especially pads)
Bottled water
Reusable grocery bags

Learn more about our Food Shelf "SuperShelf" at iocp.org/outreach-services/food-shelf.

September Senior Event, Sept. 18

Seniors 55+ please join us on Wednesday, Sept. 18, from 1-3 p.m. for a presentation. Michelle Hudlow, Director of Information Technology at HNOJ, will present "How to Recognize and Respond to Scams." She will share how to protect yourselves against email, phone call and text scams. Coffee, water and cookies will be provided. No cost to attend. Please sign up at the welcome desk in the Gathering Space.



For questions on any senior activity or if you need assistance, please contact Karen Hayes at 612-991-0669.

Elevate Life Gala

Looking for a great night out and the opportunity to make a difference in the lives of women facing unplanned or difficult pregnancies? Elevate Life invites you for drinks, appetizers and dinner. Invocation by Auxiliary Bishop Micheal Izen, and a talk from April Higashi of Students for Life and the podcast Unapologetic. The 50th Anniversary gala is Thursday, Sept. 26, at the Plymouth Community Center. The social hour is at 5:30, followed by dinner and speaker at 6:30. To learn more and get your tickets, go to ElevateLifeUSA.org/gala.

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Parish Prayer Line:
As a parish community we hold each other in prayer and commit to praying for those in need. To share your prayer requests confidentially or to join the Prayer Line Email: prayerline@hnoj.org or call Lee Ann Silver 612-790-3114

Mass Intentions:
Call to have a Mass offered for the intention of a deceased loved one
Front Desk 763-473-7901

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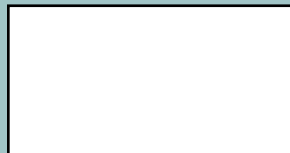


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