










2023 St Stephen Parish



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Holy Mass 11:15 Catechism 10:00 Confirmation Class 10:00  Saint Theresa of the Child Jesus	2 PPC Meeting (Didsbury) 7:00 Holy Guardian Angels	3 Holy Mass 6:30	4 Holy Mass 9:00 SFO Meeting 7:00  Saint Francis of Assisi	5 CWL Meeting 6:30 (Didsbury) Father Nilo is on pilgrimage to Greece October 5 - 15 Saint Faustina Kowalska	6 Holy Mass 9:00 24 Hour Adoration Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary (Sundre) 10:00 Adoration (Sundre) 1-6:00 Holy Mass (Sundre) 7:00 Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher Saint Bruno	7 Holy Mass 5:00 Reconciliation 11:00  Our Lady of the Rosary
8 Holy Mass 9:00 No Catechism No Children's Liturgy	9 Thanksgiving ~Office Closed~ Saint John Leonardi Saint Denis and Companions	10 Holy Mass 6:30 	11 Holy Mass 9:00 Saint John XXIII	12	13 Holy Mass 9:00 Living Rosary after Mass Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary (Sundre) 10:00 ROSARY RALLY 7:00	14 Holy Mass 5:00 Holy Mass (Didsbury) 7:00 Sacramental Prep 9:00-Noon
15 Holy Mass 11:15 Catechism 10:00 Confirmation Class 10:00 Saint Teresa of Jesus	16 Adoration (Didsbury) 9-2:00  Saint Marguerite d'Youville	17 Holy Mass 6:30 PPC Meeting (Olds) 7:00 Saint Ignatius of Antioch	18 Holy Mass 9:00 Saint Luke	19 PPC Meeting (Sundre) 7:00  Saint Paul of the Cross	20 Holy Mass 9:00 Living Rosary after Mass Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary (Sundre) 10:00 Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque Saint Hedwig	21 Holy Mass 5:00
22 Holy Mass 9:00 Catechism 10:00 Confirmation Class 10:00 Dedication of Consecrated Churches Saint John Paul II	23 Saint John of Capistrano	24 Holy Mass 6:30  Youth Night 7-8:30 Saint Anthony Mary Claret	25 Holy Mass 9:00 Coleslaw Making 10:00	26 	27 Holy Mass 9:15 Living Rosary after Morning Prayer Divine Mercy Chaplet & Rosary (Sundre) 10:00 Dressing Making 10:00	28 Holy Mass 5:00 Saint Simon and Saint Jude
29 Holy Mass 11:15  FALL TURKEY SUPPER 4-6:30	30 	31 Holy Mass 6:30 Halloween				

The month of October is dedicated to the **Holy Rosary**. The Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated on October 7. October falls during the liturgical season known as **Ordinary Time**, which is represented by the liturgical color green. This symbol of hope is the color of the sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection. It is used in the offices and Masses of Ordinary Time.



October 18

St. Luke

St. Luke was a physician from Antioch and a disciple of St. Paul. He is the third Gospel and of the Acts of the Apostles. In his Gospel he highlights the universality of salvation.



Let us imitate what they contain so as to obtain what they promise.

Activity of the Month Sacrifice Beads

As a child, St. Thérèse the Little Flower had "sacrifice beads," which were a small string of beads to help her count the "presents" she offered to God. Each time she would make a sacrifice such as letting someone else have their way, St. Therese would secretly reach into her pocket and "pull a bead" to Jesus on the Crucifix. Find out more about the sacrifice beads and implement the practice in the family.

The feasts on the General Roman Calendar celebrated during the month of October are:

1. **Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Memorial**
2. **Holy Guardian Angels, Memorial**
5. **St. Faustina Kowalska, Opt. Mem.**
6. **St. Bruno; Bl. Marie Rose Durocher, Opt. Mem.**
7. **Our Lady of the Rosary, Memorial**
14. **Callistus I, Opt. Mem.**
15. **Teresa of Jesus, Memorial**
16. **St. Hedwig; Margaret Mary Alacoque, Opt. Mem.**
17. **Ignatius of Antioch, Memorial**
19. **Paul of the Cross, Opt. Mem.**
22. **John Paul II, Opt. Mem.**
23. **John of Capistrano, Opt. Mem.**
24. **Anthony Mary Claret, Opt. Mem.**
28. **Simon & Jude, Apostles, Feast**

St. Jude

The sailing vessel here represents the Church, which St. Jude (also known as Thaddeus or Lebbaeus) carried to many ports as he journeyed as a missionary.



St. Simon

The companion of St. Jude on many missionary journeys, St. Simon was known as a great fisher of men through the power of the Gospel.



St. Ignatius of Antioch

A convert of St. John, reputedly consecrated Bishop of Antioch by St. Peter, St. Ignatius was an important link between the first and second centuries of the Church. He was the writer of seven epistles as he proceeded to his martyrdom when condemned by Trajan.



St. Francis

St. Francis, the father of the Franciscan Order, for two years before his death bore the marks of the Lord's Passion upon his hands, feet and side. The tears on the cross represent the marks of the stigmata.



All Hallows' Eve or Halloween heralds the month of November with emphasis on the Communion of Saints, especially the Church Suffering (the Poor Souls in Purgatory) and the second coming of Christ or *Parousia*. This last day of October on the secular calendar is second only to Christmas in commercial preparations. The secular festivities center on ghouls, witches and devils, but the Christian counterpart focus on the communion of saints. As Christians living a "Catholic Culture", we should try to explore the Christian roots of the **Halloween** festivities.



St. Teresa of Avila

A Carmelite nun who left her cloister at Avila and set up a reformed Carmelite Order in Spain and Portugal. She endured much suffering with a joyful heart.

