The KINGDOM of GOD will be given to a PEOPLE that vill produce its FRUM MATTHEW 21:43

MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH

FAIRBORN, OHIO

OCTOBER 8, 2023



Welcome to all who celebrate the Mass with us today. May God's grace and peace fill us all so that we can serve one another in unity and love.

TWENTY- SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



There is a game sometimes played in childhood, which involves saying "no" so that the person asking the question will be forced to insist... "Would you like a cookie, my dear?" "No, thank you." "Oh, go ahead. Please take a cookie." "Well... OK!" God is not very good at our childish games. He asks us to accept his Son, but our "no" is far more brutal and far more dreadful than "No, thank you." Our "no" involved the death of God's Son. We

rejected the keystone of the structure of life and somehow thought to keep living. God could, by all the rules of the game, declare our lives forfeit. He has not chosen to do so. He insists: "Choose life!" "Live according to what you have learned and accepted...then the peace of God will be with you."

This Sunday the readings are: (1) Isaiah 5, 1-7 (2) Philippians 4, 6-9 (3) Matthew 21, 33-43. Gather # 1170 Year A

Next Sunday the readings will be: (1) Isaiah 25, 6-10 (2) Philippians 4, 12-14 and 19-20 (3) Matthew 22, 1-14.Gather #1173Year A



SAT: 4:00PM Bill Lott, off: Grace Lott SUN: 8:30AM For the Parish MON:9:00AM Melissa Christensen White, off: Gerald & Linda Hoke TUE: 9:00AM Velma Hobbs, off: Teri Hobbs & Family SAT: 4:00PM Dorothy Parchinsky, off: Bernie Lanham SUN: 8:30AM For the Parish

STEWARDSHIP/ FINANCE **Collections for October 1, 2023**

Regular Collection & loose cash & envelopes Capital Improvement Donations

\$15.461.00 620.00 \$16,081.00

\$149,619.95

Church Renovation Project Total Donations and Pledges as of October 1, 2023

Total collections for October 1, 2023

Respect Life Collection \$3,053.00

THANKS FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY

PLEASE REMEMBER MHC IN YOUR WILL

When considering which charities to include in your will or trust, we hope you will remember Mary, Help of Christians. The parish gratefully accepts donations of stock. A tax deduction for a gift of appreciated securities to a charity equals its full fair market value.



From The Pastor's Desk

Fr. Bedel

Beloved in Christ.

Since we are in the three-year Eucharistic Revival heading toward the Eucharistic Congress next summer, I wanted to write about something Eucharistic. Some of our parishes have candles, not just near, but actually on the mensa, the top of the altar. What spiritual realities could that help call to mind?

top of the altar. What spiritual realities could that help call to mind? We begin by taking a look at history. We have already mentioned the altar, a necessary fixture for the celebration of the sacred mysteries. Since there is always an altar, we could say that the priest, standing at the altar, is always offering Mass ad altare, toward the altar. For many centuries of the Church's history, churches were built to facilitate the priest and people facing East during Mass: ad orientem: toward the East. Why East? The rising sun is a daily reminder that Jesus will come in glory on the clouds of Heaven, like the sun rising in the East. Moreover, this provided the priest and people with a direction in their prayer. It reminded them that they were a pilgrim people, actually going somewhere. Joseph Ratzinger, who later became Pope Benedict XVI, wrote a chapter about the importance of direction in his book: Spirit of the Liturgy. The way I understand it, the priest is leading the people of God through the fire swamp of life to the glory of the Risen Son on the other side. Airline pilots would be a modern example. We want the pilot facing our destination as he leads us to it. While we can pray in a circle, or any other formation for that matter, priest and people facing the same direction contained this rich symbolism. During his papacy, Benedict XVI, placed a crucifix and six candles on the front of the altar, symbolic of our directional prayer in liturgy. Some people called this arrangement of the altar "The Benedict Option" long before someone wrote a book under that title, on a completely different topic, named after a completely different Benedict. Finally, I just mentioned the crucifix. For the vast majority of the Church's history, having a crucifix near the altar has been the norm, which is still the case today. And for most of that history, the priest and people faced the same

been the norm, which is still the case today. And for most of that history, the priest and people faced the same crucifix during Mass. Ad crucifixum, toward the crucifix, was the norm. Since newer churches are now usually arranged with the priest facing the people, versus populum, a crucifix on the front of the altar provides the priest with a view of a crucifix while the one the people can see is likely behind him.

Thanks for your prayers. Be assured of my daily prayers for you.

God Bless. Fr. Bedel



The 53rd MHC Holiday Bazaar will be on Saturday, November 4 and Sunday, November 5 continuing our over 50 year tradition of our Holiday Bazaar being held on the first weekend in November. Please mark your calendars for this annual event. If you would be interested in helping with a booth please contact Julie Sewell @ 937-878-8353. We are always happy to receive new items for our basket donations that can be raffled. Or create your own themed gift basket. If you have anything that you would like to donate please contact Julie Sewell @ 937-878-8353 to make drop off arrangements. Your help would really be appreciated. Bring in your Christmas items to the Parish Center.

A beautiful quilt donated by: Kim Gros, "Nature's Bounty" pattern, will be raffled along with a lovely handmade oak blanket/quilt chest donated by: Don Dunn.

We had so much success last year with the Silent Auction of Longaberger baskets we would like to try it again. If anyone would like to donate a Longaberger basket or a special figurine Hummel or Precious Moments please call the parish office @ 937-878-8353.

We will also have the Jewelry Booth again this year. So if you have any vintage or costume jewelry in good condition that you would like to donate please contact the Parish Office @ 937-878-8353. (We could use help with the Jewelry Booth this year if you are interested please let us know.)

There will be other specialty raffles including many gift baskets for everyone on your Christmas list. Anyone still wishing to donate a raffle item or any other donation should drop it off at the rectory during the week or at the Parish Center on Friday, November 3 from noon till 5:00PM.

This year's Bazaar offers an excellent selection of craft items including: Holiday Booth Items – Dated Porcelain Figurines from Home Interiors. Needlework - pillows, baby quilts, wall hangings, etc.; jewelry, vintage jewelry and many other wonderful items; and a great selection of grab bags which are always a hit with the children; also some *Beanie Babies* for kids or a collector. Some vintage toys and much more.

There will be a Craft Closet with many yarns, some fabric remnants, floral items, plants, and slightly used decorations, too many to list.

The Baked Goods Booth will have homemade cakes, pies, cookies, bread, candy, jams and jellies and more...

On Saturday the Café will offer homemade soups, sandwiches, walking tacos, desserts and beverages. To-go orders, and inside seating. Starting at 10:30AM-5:30PM

Sunday, Nov. 5th, the Knights of Columbus council 3724 will serve a sausage/pancake breakfast from 9:00 – 11:00a.m. Cost will be per serving \$5.00–adult, \$2.50– children under 12.

There will be something for everyone at this event, which is free and open to the public. Plan to get a start on your Christmas shopping at the MHC Holiday Bazaar on Sat. & Sun., Nov.4th and 5th. For more information please contact Julie Sewell @ 937- 878-8353.

BAKED GOODS NEEDED FOR THE BAZAAR

Baked goods – cookies, cakes, cupcakes, breads, pies etc., candies, jams and jellies are needed for the Baked Goods Booth. Please try to donate at least one item and drop it off between noon and 4:00PM in the Parish Center, on Friday, November 3th or on Saturday, November 4th starting at 8:30AM.

We are always happy to receive basket donations that can be raffled. If you have anything that you would like to donate please contact Julie Sewell @ 937-878-8353 to make arrangements. Your help would really be appreciated.

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OCTOBER 8, 2023





Sunday, November 5, 9:00AM-1:00PM

53rd MHC Holiday Bazaar







Holiday items, needlework, craft closet, baked goods, handmade quilts, handmade oak blanket/quilt chest, specialty basket raffles, Longaberger basket silent auction, jewelry, lunch and more...

Mary, Help of Christians Parish Center Hall / APF 934 N Maple Ave Fairborn, Ohio



ANY3 THINGS PODCAST



 "Fr. Ambrose has launched a podcast for our family of parishes! Any3
Things will talk about what's going on each week, and highlight different

staff and events. Second Special Episode of our Any3 Things podcast is now live! Do Catholics have to oppose Issue 1 this November? In this Special Episode, Fr. Ambrose answers potential objections to Archbishop Schnurr's call for all Catholics to oppose the proposed amendment to Ohio's Constitution. Listen on your favorite podcast app, or click here:

https://www.podbean.com/eas/pb-5fbi5-



"THE WILD GOOSE" SERIES



"The Wild Goose" by Fr. Dave Pivonka. Michael Barclay will be showing "The Wild Goose." This high quality video series on the Holy Spirit will run for seven weeks after Tuesday morning Mass in St. Francis Hall. This series promises to free our hearts, minds and lives to live more boldly in the Holy Spir-

it! We are taking a two week break! Next session will be Tuesday, October 10.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY



World Mission Sunday 2023

There will be a Second Collection for World Mission Sunday at all Masses. On Saturday and Sunday, October 21 and October 22, 2023. We join Catholics around the world

for the celebration of World Mission Sunday. We are called to offer our prayers and financial help for the Church's missionary work in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands and parts of Latin America and Europe. For the Society for the Propagation of the Faith for the Missions. www.IAmAMissionary.org.

World Mission Offerings: Thanks to everyone who so kindly donates to World Mission Sunday. Your gifts are greatly appreciated! Please note that if you are using a check to make your donation, your check should be made payable to Mary, Help of Christians (with "mission" noted on the memo line) and not to "World Mission" or any other name. We consolidate the donations and write one check for the Mission. Again, thanks so much for your generosity!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER & NOVEMBER ARE READY



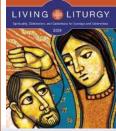
Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Sacristans and Ushers

The new Ministers Schedule for October & November are in the sacristy. It will be mailed later this week. If you have any questions please call the parish office. Thanks for your continued involvement in this ministry. Please pick up a schedule today.

If you are unable to serve on your scheduled date and time please call and find a sub.

Thanks! 😳

ORDER LIVING LITURGY



Living Liturgy Order

Anyone wishing to order a **Living Liturgy Book 2024** for the next liturgical year can call Julie @ 937- 878-8353 before October 31.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CORPORATE COMMUNION



Knights of Columbus Corporate Communion

There will be a gathering of parish Knights of Columbus and their families at the 8:30AM

Mass Sunday, October 29, 2023 Knights, their wives and families will sit together to celebrate Mass.

Beginning at 8:00AM the Knights of Columbus will lead the rosary before Mass. All are invited.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR KITCHEN AT BINGO



Make friends, meet new people! The Wednesday Bingo Kitchen is in need of volunteers. Duties include serving prepared refreshments to bingo customers and other duties as assigned by the Kitchen Captain. Hours required one Wednesday a month

from 4:30PM- 9:00PM. Volunteers must be 18 years or older. Call or text Amanda 937- 620-0701 to volunteer or to get more information.

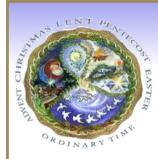
REST IN PEACE

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all our parishioners, relatives, and friends who have died, especially, Jerry Wonderly, brother of Debbie Patrick.

All parishioners are invited to discover the power of Eucharistic Adoration!

We will now have Adoration every Monday evening at 7:00PM in the Church. Please join us Monday, October 9.

ART & ENVIRONMENT



Art & Environment Help Needed:

The Art & Environment Committee is in need of a co-chairperson/ organizer as well as additional volunteers. This ministry entails decorating for the Christmas and Easter Seasons, as well as decorating

for other Liturgical feasts and seasons throughout the Church year. The goal is to enhance our worship with beauty while maintaining an emphasis on the Liturgy. Planning schedules, training and mentoring will be required and available to help with learning about this wonderful ministry. If your gift is in this area, please consider giving your time and talent to the Lord in this ministry. One on one training with the current Art & Environment Co-chairperson for the next liturgical year will make this transition easy. For information call Julie Sewell @ 937-878-8353 or Denise Wetzel @ 937-878-3450.

THE MHC MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT THIS WEEKEND

Stop by and visit the MHC & The Knights of Columbus Blood Drive table this weekend in the gathering space to find out more about this ministry. Give the Gift of Life.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BINGO



The Fairborn Knights of Columbus has BINGO every Wednesday night in the Parish Center. Doors open at 5:00PM and Instants start selling at 5:00PM. 24 games. Packages start at \$13.00 (12 faces). A portion of the

profit is donated back to our parish. For more information or if you would like to volunteer to work one night a month call Eric Rogalinski @ 937-657-6958. Updates and more information call @ 937-878-2909.

MAYER CHAIN

PRAYER CHAIN

After many requests Mary, Help of Christians has started an MHC PRAYER CHAIN. This consists of a group of people who pray individually in their homes for special Prayer requests received by fellow parishioners. The power of prayer is tremendous!

If you would like to join our MHC PRAYER CHAIN or have a special prayer request, contact Julie at jsewellmhc@gmail.com or call the parish office 937-878-8353.

We can get you signed up through Flocknotes.

All Saints' Day

ALL SAINTS' DAY REMINDERS



Wednesday, November 1, is All Saints' Day, a Holyday of Obligation. Please note the Mass schedule: Tuesday, October 31, Vigil Mass is 7:00PM and Wednesday, November 1, Holy Day Mass is 9:00AM.

The parish office will be closed on Wednesday, November 1.

We will have Morning Daily Mass Tuesday, October 31 at 9:00AM.

IDEA FOR THE WEEK BE GRATEFUL OF GOD'S GRACE IN YOUR LIFE !



PARISH WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGE LINKS

Visit the parish website at: www.mhcparish.org



Visit our Facebook page at: https://www.facebook.com/fairbornmhcchurch/

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D OF I EVENT

The Daughters of Isabella Fall Crazy Cards!

Attention: All ladies of the Parish and friends. It's time for the D of I annual

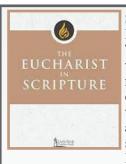
afternoon of Crazy Cards. The date is Saturday, October 14, 2023 at 12:00 noon in St. Francis Hall . We will start with a pot luck lunch (bring your favorite dish to share). We will then play Crazy Cards, (no card playing skills necessary). Call Barb Burdette, 937-849-6024 to make a reservation by Monday, October 9th.

Hope you can join us for this fun event!

CHECK OUT THE NEW TIME AND LOCATION.



NEW FALL BIBLE STUDY OCTOBER 10.



Starting October 10 we will begin the Little Rock Study

The Eucharist in Scripture. This is a 5 week study and you will need to register so I can purchase books for everyone. I'll have a signup sheet when we meet or you can email me anytime and I will put you on the list. We have selected this study because the "Year of Diocesan Revival" was from June 19,

2022, to June 11, 2023 – diocesan events centered around Christ's true presence in the Eucharist. Year of Parish Revival from June 11, 2023, to July 17, 2024 – parishes will coordinate events for deeper encounters with Christ through Adoration, Mass, and enrichment.

The Eucharist in Scripture explores the biblical theme of meals shared in faithful fellowship and in covenant relationship with God. Old Testament meals and promises provide a foundation for gospel meals with Jesus, culminating in the Last Supper as it is understood throughout the New Testament.

Even if you haven't been with us for a while, please feel welcome to join us for sessions this Fall. If you know someone who might be interested, please invite them.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



PSR News:

Our Parish School of Religion program began on September 17. We are having sessions in the Parish Center from 9:45-11:00AM. It is not too late to register. If you will be new to our program or need to

register today please come a little early so we can get you signed in. If you would like an information packet mailed to you please call 937- 878-8353 and leave your name and address so we can send you the information and registration forms.

Outdoor Parish Family Rosary:

All parishioners are invited to join us!!

Each year the month of October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. All are welcome and invited to help us commemorate this with an outdoor parish family rosary on Sunday, October 15th at 9:55AM after Mass in the parking lot in front of the Parish Center by the Mary Statue. Please join us and our PSR Families and Catechists for this outdoor parish family rosary event. All parishioners are invited. Please join our youth for this special walk. After the Rosary we will have donuts & fellowship inside the Parish Center.

YOUTH OPPORTUNITY

2023 NATIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE: Fully



Alive (November16-18, Indianapolis, IN) NCYC is a national Catholic youth event that gathers High School aged Catholic teenagers for a life-changing encounter with Christ. At NCYC, teens pray, build

community, learn more about their faith, and are empowered to live out their faith. Our team of speakers and artists will help our teens reflect on how they, too, are made in the image and likeness of God and are called to be Fully Alive in his presence. If interested in attending, please contact Michael at <u>mbarclay@mhcparish.org</u>. More information at: https://youtu.be/ymGPT9fmDV.

BEACONS OF LIGHT



BEACONS OF LIGHT Our NE-3 Family of Parishes continues to work towards bringing our six parishes together as one. Information about the work ahead is available on the Pathways website:

https://www.pathway.catholicaoc.org

All are invited to learn more about the process, to better understand the work being done in our Family, and to learn how you can contribute.

FAIRBORN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS **REVERSE RAFFLE**

FAIRBORN KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL FALL **REVERSE RAFFLE**



Your Knights of Columbus Council's annual Fall Reverse Raffle RAFFLE will be on October 21st. Doors open at 5:00PM. The first ticket out will

be at 6:00PM. Tickets are \$40 which covers 2 adults admission, heavy hors d'oeuvres, soft drinks and a chance to win prizes. A cash bar will be available. No one under the age of 18 is permitted to attend. The first ticket drawn wins \$100, last ticket drawn wins \$2250. Additional prizes will be awarded throughout the drawing. You need not be present to win. For tickets call PGK Frank Minnick @ 937-522-0866 or email FMINN@aol.com or any of our members PGK Jim McCoy @ 937-879-3570 or any of our members. You can also purchase tickets by mail. Just send a check for \$40 per ticket to us and we will send your stub back to you. You can send it to: K of C 3724 Reverse Raffle Attn Frank Minnick 934 N Maple Avenue Fairborn, Ohio 45324

Please Make Checks payable to: Fairborn K of C 3724

BULLETIN DEADLINES CHANGING

We will have a new policy for submissions for articles in the bulletin. Please submit your articles for the bulletin twelve days prior to the Sunday that you would like the information to be in the bulletin. This new policy will begin with

the Sunday, November 5 bulletin, which will be due to Julie Sewell on or before October 23. This means your articles or information needs to be submitted almost two weeks before it will be in the bulletin. Thanks for your help in meeting the deadlines. If you have questions please call Julie in the parish office. bulletinmhc@gmail.com or jsewellmhc@gmail.com

FAMILY ROSARY MONDAY EVENINGS

Family Rosary Every Monday

Please join us this Monday, October 9 @ 6:00PM.



ROSARY SATURDAY AFTERNOON BEFORE MASS



Rosarv Saturday Afternoon before Mass In The Church. Please join us @ 3:30PM.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASSES

Baptismal Preparation Classes At MHC The next Baptismal Preparation Class for parents seeking baptism for young children is being held on Sunday, November 12, 2023 at 9:45AM in the Church. Please call the parish office @ 937-878-8353 to advise us if you will be attending this class.

THE MHC HOLIDAY CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

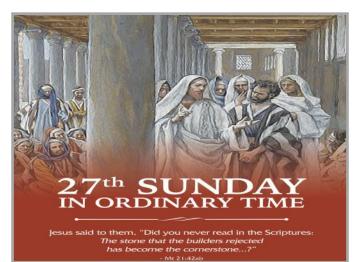


Holiday Bazaar Work Has Started

We have started working on the Holiday Bazaar if you are interested in helping with our Bazaar please contact the parish office for more information. All donations and help are gladly accepted and appreciated.

We are busy getting booths stocked for the bazaar in November. Please join us.

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SPEAK LIFE



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AND MHC PARISH BLOOD DRIVE



Why donate my blood? Because one donation can

Because every 3 seconds someone needs blood! How else can you save three lives in less than one hour? Only 5% of the population donates 100% of the blood supply. Consider giving the gift of life at MHC's Blood Drive, it will be held in the Parish Center APR room on Saturday, November 11, 2023from 8:30AM-12:15PM. Remember to bring a picture ID with SS# and eat a nourishing breakfast beforehand. Appointments are requested. To schedule an appointment visit www.donortime.com or call 1-800-388-4483.

MHC CEMETERY LOTS



MHC Cemetery Lots

Just a reminder that Mary, Help of Christians has a section in the Fairfield Cemetery here in Fairborn. Heading southwest on Broad Street, turn right on Clover Street at Goodyear and proceed;

you will find our section in that first area on your left. Each lot is \$400. Please feel free to call the parish office @937-878-8353 if you have an interest.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL



Food Donations for St. Vincent de Paul.

It has been requested that we put an item or two in the bulletin each week that St. Vincent de Paul could use to help defray some of the ever rising food expenses. Each week we will have different items that are needed. You can still bring any

items that you would like as well. Can of Your Favorite Pasta or Ravioli

ANY BRAND



You can drop off your items at the in the Church gathering space on right side by usher's room door we will have a blue bin marked Food.



St. Vincent de Paul collects monetary donations at the doors after Mass on the 3rd weekend of every month. Look for baskets at each of the doors marked for St. Vincent dePaul. St. Vincent volunteers will be holding the baskets.

St. Vincent de Paul Furniture Needed



We are looking for furniture, the need is surprisingly high. Couches, beds/ mattresses, tables and chairs. Please contact Dave at 937-825-3576. We will be glad to arrange free pick-up. Thanks for your help and support. Quality Rule: If it is okay for your mother-in-law, it is okay to donate.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST



K of C Parish Breakfast on Sunday, **October 8, 2023**

Our next breakfast will be this Sunday, October 8. We will start serving in the Parish Center Cafeteria

at 9:30AM and will continue until 11:00AM. We will be featuring our same popular menus of scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, pancakes, hash browns, toast, omelets made to order, biscuits and gravy. You'll get all this for \$10 for adults, \$5 for children under 10. Come and join your fellow Knights and Parishioners for some good food and even better company.

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

Mary, Help of Christians/Ministry Spotlight

The Daughters of Isabella Regent - Amanda Kempf



The International Order of the Daughters of Isabella is a charitable organization of Catholic women founded in 1897 in New Haven Connecticut as an auxiliary to the Knights of Columbus. Today, it is one of the largest

Catholic women's organizations consisting of women from the United States and Canada. Following our motto: Friendship, Unity and Charity, there is opportunity to meet new friends, enhance your spiritual life and minister with love respect and justice to all humanity. The Daughters of Isabella, Marian Circle 911 here at MHC is very active. One of the many things our D of I group does is sponsors our Giving Tree at Christmas each year. The tree is filled with tags with the names of children and parents who need help, and the D of I and our wonderful parishioners meet these requests for help. Each year nearly 40 families are assisted at Christmas.

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHTS



Mary, Help of Christians has more than 50

ministries that meet the diverse needs of its members and the

community. Over the next few months we are presenting a series of these ministry's profiles. These Ministry Spotlights highlight the wide variety of opportunities to serve and be served at Mary Help. Our hope is that somewhere in these 50-plus ministries is one that's just right for you! A Ministry Spotlight is a celebration of the work of the Church. It is a time to learn about the programs, ministries and services of the parish, as well as an opportunity for all parishioners to consider their God given talents and gifts and to discern how those gifts can be of service to others.

Now is the time for you to reflect upon your gifts and how they might be of service to the community. This can help you grow in your relationship with God and with each other, for we are all called to be good stewards of our lives. Highlighting the ministries and activities of the parish will help all of us witness the vast treasures of gifts and talents within our faith community. We have all been gifted by God, so as to use our gifts for the good of the others. Please pray to discern your gifts and talents and how you might use them for the common good. Watch for a table in the gathering space where these ministries are being highlighted.

OCTOBER 14 & 15 WE WILL SPOTLIGHT THE DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

ADORATION

Holy Hour and Eucharistic Adoration: You are invited to spend a holy hour of prayer with



adoration every **Monday each** week from 7:00-8:00PM in the church. *All Welcome*!

Join us Monday, October 9th.

JOY CLUB JUST OLDER YOUTH



Add JOY to your life this fall! All adult parishioners and friends are invited to attend JOY Club Just Older Youth which will meet this Monday, October 9th at 1:00PM in St. Francis Hall. JOY Club meets on the 2nd and 4th

Mondays from September through June from 1:00PM-3:00PM. Come to **enJOY** an afternoon of cards, games or bingo along with fellowship and refreshments with your fellow parishioners and friends. Come feel the **JOY!** We would love you to join us!

FROM THE ARCHIVES OF EARTH TIPS BY MHC GREEN

Earth Tips By MHC Green

Nature's Own Mulch



Help your lawn, garden and finances by

using shredded leaves as mulch. This mulch protects same as other mulches. It keeps the ground warmer in winter, cooler in summer, helps keep area moisture in and helps prevent weeds. The nitrogen rich grass particles and carbon rich leaves add beneficial microbes to soil as it breaks down.

To mulch leaves, use any rotary action lawn mower adjusted to a three inch height. Add mulch to lawn and cover to one inch as you mow. If you want to add shredded leaves to garden, add a bagger attachment to the

mower to catch the leaf mulch. Empty bag on garden to three inch depth. Do not pack leaves on the lawn or garden as it prevents air circulation.

This is an easy, economical way to use fall leaves.



Happy Mulching!



