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Sharing God's Blessings

Date	Oct. 18 & 19, 2025
Collection	245 + 1,773
Mass Attendance	20 & 15 + 54
World Mission Col.	30 + 175

Thank you for your contribution

Liturgy Schedule

RISEN LORD CHURCH

SUNDAY MASS: **8:30am**

Liturgy Schedule

ST. THOMAS PARISH

ROSARY: Sunday **10:30 a.m.**

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday **4:00 p.m.** (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday at **11:00 a.m.**

WEEKDAY: Tue & Wed-4:00 p.m.

Thursday & Friday: 8:00 am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Every Tuesday at **4:00 p.m.**
 prior to Mass

RECONCILIATION:

- Any time 30 minutes before or after daily Mass, After Sunday Mass
- *Other days by appointment*

October is the Month of Holy Rosary

A Month of Prayer with Mary

Pope Leo XIV invites all the faithful to pray the Rosary each day in October for peace.

The **ALL SAINTS DAY**, this year, will be on Saturday, Nov. 1, 2025, and it is NOT considered as the Holy Day of Obligation in our diocese.

ALL SOULS DAY is on Sunday, November 2, 2025. Please write the name of the Deceased in the **BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE** at the back of the church.

Fr. Dominic Pham, SVD will be happy to do the Blessings of Graves on Saturday, November 1, 2025 in between 9:00am to 11:00am or on Sunday, November 2, 2025 in between 3:30pm-6:00pm. Please let Fr. Dominic know by this coming Wednesday, October 29, 2025 if you would like to have Blessings of the Graves. Thank You.

CCD Classes in October and

November, 2025

9:30am

Sunday, Oct. 19 and 26

Every Sunday in November

- * Sunday, Nov. 9:
 Practice for Children Mass
 Have Safe Environment Lessons
- * Sample safety lessons and opt out sheets will be in the parish hall this week.

October 26 — 30th Sunday in Ordinary

Vocation Views:

Be humble and allow God to do great things through you.

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Date	Readers	Bring up the Offertory Gifts	Extraordinary Ministers
October 26	Mac Bailes	Candy & Tom Teubert	Pat McPherson / Jennifer Knowles
November 2	Dot Shimko	Kari & Fred Friend	Candy Teubert/ Mac Bailes
November 9	Children	Harmans/ Children	Pat McPherson/ Freddie Friend
November 16	Jennifer Knowles	Carpenters	Tom Teubert / Mac Bailes

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — C

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The message from last Sunday's gospel parable (Luke 18:1-8) encouraged us to pray unceasingly, drawing inspiration from the persistent widow who sought justice from an indifferent judge. This week's gospel parable, found in Luke 18:9-14, offers a different perspective. Here, Jesus teaches His disciples to pray with humility and a God-centered heart, rather than with self-righteousness or contempt for others.

In the parable, Jesus describes two men who come to the temple to pray: a Pharisee and a tax collector. The Pharisee stands confidently and prays, "O God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of humanity – greedy, dishonest, adulterous – or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, and I pay tithes on my whole income." In contrast, the tax collector stands at a distance, unable to lift his eyes to heaven. He beats his breast and implores, "O God, be merciful to me, a sinner."

Whenever we gather for prayer, let us do so with humility, always giving praise and thanks to God and seeking His mercy and blessings. Prayer is a sacred time to unite ourselves with God, and through this union, we join in communion with all the saints—both the living and the departed.

Through prayer and service, may we draw closer to God and open ourselves to receive His mercy, blessings, healing grace, and guidance. May prayer should never be a time for self-promotion, ego-building, or creating separation between ourselves, others, and God. Instead, it is a means for us to grow in God's humility, holiness, mercy, love, and goodness in all aspects of our daily lives and in our acts of service. Amen.

SPECIAL RETREAT

As the Church continues to minister to **all survivors of abuse**, the Archdiocese of Washington is offering **retreats for survivors**.

The archdiocese will offer a **women's retreat on April 25 —26, 2026**.

In partnership with the Archdiocese of Atlanta, a **men's retreat** will be held **June 12 — 14, 2026**.

This retreat is an occasion for survivors to reflect on God's plan for their lives and for healing through prayer and the sacraments.

For more information go to <https://adw.org/the-way-retreat/>.

To register email: mcdonald@adw.org

Risen Lord Family Night

Thursday, October 9, 2025



Risen Lord Food Pantry

Thank You,
Thank You !!!

to Benefactors & Volunteers
for Food Pantry:

Mike Mance, Ann Hall, Ray and Wendy Price, Vicky Grose, Cheryl Hensley, Kathy and Larry Schoonover, Bruce Bienvenue, Rick Allen, Tom Tuebert

Our friends from Weirton: Cindy Hess, Mike Koenig, Yvonne Santin, Ann Stipe, Lori Ballato, Michael Veltri, Frank Merenda, Ray Gajtka.

Your gracious support, sacrifice and service made it possible to pack the food packages on Wednesday, October 22

and to serve 310 families

on Thursday, October 23, 2025

at Risen Lord Catholic Church in Clay, West Virginia.

May God's richest blessings and grace
pour upon you, your families and friends.

