Masses

Daily: Mon.-Fri.
8:00 am & 5:30 pm,
Sat. 8:00 am
Sat Vigil: 5:00 pm
Sunday:
7:30 am, 9:00 am,
10:45 am, & 5:00 pm
Confessions:
Sat., 8:30 - 9:00 am
or by appt.

Fill us at daybreak
with your kindness,
that we may shout for joy
and gladness all our days.

— Psalm 90:14

Very Reverend Thomas R. Lafreniere, V. F., Pastor

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Rev. Daniel Devore, Assisting
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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7
5:00 PM  † John Gintoli by Frank & Dottie Chris

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8
7:30 AM  The Intentions of our Parishioners
9:00 AM  For the intentions of
  The Burgess-Lammert Families
10:45 AM  † Fred Ihrig by his daughter, Wanda
5:00 PM  † Miguel DeLaCruz by his family

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9
8:00 AM  For the intentions of Kathleen Aquilino
  by Edith Smith and the money counters
5:30 PM  † Brian Hughes by Marion & Jay Twyman

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10
8:00 AM  † John Miltenis by his family
5:30 PM  † Mary Wrighte by Eileen Connolly

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
8:00 AM  † David Meyer
  by Charles & Faith Meyer
5:30 PM  † Edna Gaffney
  by Charles & Roseanne Hofmann & family

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
8:00 AM  For the intentions of Bonnie Papes
  by Edith Smith and the money counters
5:30 PM  † Rory Neill by Karen Saied

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
8:00 AM  † Mariann Matlia by Terry Bruno
5:30 PM  † Ron Rainone by Kay Fallon

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
8:00 AM  † Fred Ihrig by his daughter, Wanda
5:00 PM  † Leona & Peter Zuk by Eileen Ruda

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
7:30 AM  † Christine Benotti
  by Michael, Kathleen & Joseph
9:00 AM  The Intentions of our Parishioners
10:45 AM  † Byron Jackson
  by Barbara & Gerald Caliendo
5:00 PM  † Jeff & Cei Babin
  by Patti & Tim Wengierski

The Mass intentions for Sunday, Sept 1st at 5 PM, Monday and Tuesday, Sept. 2nd & 3rd at 8 AM and 5:30 PM and Wednesday, Sept. 4th at 8 AM were prayed for by Fr. Tom and Fr. Nadeem.
This week, September 9th at a glance...

Monday:
8:30 AM  Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help
2 PM  Yarn & Rose Knitters
5 PM  Sandwich Makers
6:30 PM  Document Meeting

Tuesday:
8:30 AM Legion of Mary
9 AM  Hospitality Ministry
10 AM  Christ Child Society Meeting
6 PM  Kairos Team Meeting

Wednesday:
6 PM Legion of Mary
6 PM  Knights of Columbus Patriotic Rosary
6:45 PM Choir Practice
7 PM A Biblical Walk Through The Mass - Fr. Tom facilitates
7 PM Knights of Columbus Meeting

Thursday:
6:30 PM  Knights of Columbus Meeting
7 PM  LIFT
7:30 PM  Charismatic Prayer Meeting

Friday:
9 AM - 5 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
12:30 PM  Monthly Staff Meeting - Office closed until 2 PM

Saturday:
8:30 AM All Paul’s Men
9 AM  Contemplative Prayer Group
10 AM  Baptism Instruction

Sunday:
8:30 AM - 12:30 PM  Coffee, Donuts & Fellowship
9 AM  Story Keepers
9 AM  CIA Session
5 PM Confirmation I & II, Middle School Mass, Dinner and Class

Looking forward to, in the near future:
Mondays 5:30 PM Al-Anon Meeting; 9/22
Knights of Columbus Parish Breakfast; 10/19
St. Paul of the Cross Parish Family Day

FOR SEPTEMBER 14/15
LECTORS
Sat., 5:00 PM - Nancy Anderson
Sun., 7:30 AM - Justine Carron
9:00 AM - Helen Bloodgood
James Hook
10:45 AM - John Troxel

SUNDAY, September 1st
Maintenance and Improvements
Both collection totals will be posted next weekend.

God bless you and thank you
for your generosity in supporting your church!

SECOND COLLECTION this weekend is the Diocesan collection for Respect Life and Migrant Ministries.
SECOND COLLECTION NEXT weekend is a special collection for Catholic Relief Services for assistance needed in the Bahamas.

For assistance
Call 1-800-348-2886, Ext. 611 or
go to osvonlinegiving.com/611

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Marriages
Arrangements should be made at least six months prior to the wedding date. Please call the Parish Office.

Our beautiful Ave Maria Banquet Hall (capacity 325) and our St. Joseph Hall (capacity 175) are available for rental for approved adult receptions and gatherings for occasions connected with church events.

Baptisms
Celebrated on the second Sunday of each month at 12:00pm. Parents are encouraged to attend instruction class prior to the birth of their first baby. Please call the office to register.
Next Baptism Class is Sat., Oct. 12th
TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
POST-SUMMER CHALLENGES
With any luck, summer delights will continue a while past last weekend’s Labor Day: refreshing recreation (with maybe an occasional swim) or enjoyable relaxation on the deck (with tasty outdoor grilling). Truth is, for some of us, this year’s Labor Day came way too early. With many schools back in session for a while already, mealtimes and driving schedules needed readjustment to coordinate youth sports with adult commitments. Some religious education and parish programs resumed, too. No surprise, then, that this weekend’s scriptures sound a little like post-summer challenges. For instance, Wisdom reminds us that believers in God can never be content with “timid deliberations” and “unsure plans.” Paul challenges longtime friend and follower Philemon to “let the good you do be voluntary.” Jesus instructs “great crowds” traveling with him—including us—on three things necessary for all true disciples to accomplish. On this early autumn weekend, our scriptures describe disciples’ lifelong labors.

Readings for the Week

Monday: Col 1:24 — 2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday: Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1b-2, 8-11; Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday: Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3, 10-13ab; Lk 6:20-26
Thursday: Col 3:12-17; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 6:27-38
Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Lk 6:39-42
Saturday: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

To prepare for the Readings of Sept. 14/15
First Reading — “Why should your wrath blaze up against your own people, whom you brought out of Egypt?” (Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14).
Psalm — I will rise and go to my father (Psalm 51).
Second Reading — The grace of our Lord has been abundant (1 Timothy 1:12-17).
Gospel — There is great rejoicing in heaven and among the angels when a sinner repents (Luke 15:1-32 [1-10]).
How Great is our God!

Last week, we discussed how the Creed follows a Trinitarian format because it first explains our beliefs about the Father, then the Son, followed by the Holy Spirit. We spent a good portion of our last column discussing our monotheistic belief in one God.

Moving forward, we see that the remainder of the first paragraph of the Nicene Creed states, “[I believe in one God,] the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.” This statement expresses two beliefs that we have about God the Father. First, it expresses that God is all-mighty or all-powerful. Second, it expresses that we believe that God is the Creator of all things – in heaven and on earth.

Our discussion last week about there only being one God logically leads us to the belief that the same God is also all-powerful. Even when the early Hebrew Scriptures allowed for the existence of other gods, they always expressed the relative power of the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Near the end of his life, Moses praises the God of his fathers in these words, “Lord GOD, you have begun to show to your servant [Moses] your greatness and your mighty hand. What god in heaven or on earth can perform deeds and powerful acts like yours?” [DT 3:24] David praises God with similar words, when he expresses in one Psalm, “Your way, God, is holy; what god is as great as our God?” [PS 77:14]

In the Catechism, the term “Father almighty” is taken together and explained this way, “God is the Father Almighty, whose fatherhood and power shed light on one another: God reveals his fatherly omnipotence by the way he takes care of our needs; by the filial adoption that he gives us [i.e. We are His sons and daughters through Christ. (cf. Eph. 1:5 & Rom. 8:15)]; finally by his infinite mercy, for he displays his power at its height by freely forgiving sins.” [CCC, 270]

Although many acts of God show his great power, one such act is the act of creation, the very first action that is recorded in Scripture. “In the beginning, when God created the heavens and the earth…” [GN 1:1, cf. GN 1:1-2:3] The Catechism goes on to explain how God’s power of creation and His power over creation are related. “If God is almighty ‘in heaven and on earth,’ it is because He made them. Nothing is impossible with God, who disposes His works according to His will. He is the Lord of the universe, whose order He established and which remains wholly subject to Him and at His disposal.” [CCC, 269] As expressed in the quote from Genesis above, God not only made earth, but He made Heaven as well. In the Creed, we say that He created “heaven and earth” and we also say that He created both what we can see here on earth (visible) and what remains to be seen in Heaven (invisible) [cf. Col 1:15-16].

Having explored some of what we believe about God the Father, as it is expressed in the Creed, we will move forward to begin our exploration of what we believe about Jesus Christ, the Son of God next week.
Faith Formation NEWS

CIA - Religious Education for 1st - 5th grade, Sunday's 10:15 - 11:45 AM including First Communion Prep. 2nd Sundays Family Mass and Session

CIA Session today. Sept. 8th Family Mass at 9 AM. Service Project in St. Joseph Hall (parents welcome to help) - please bring bologna, cheese and bread, then pick up from classroom at 11:45 AM.

Next session Sept. 15th and 22nd

Confirmation I & II, 8th & 9th graders and Middle School, 6th & 7th graders Sundays 5 PM Mass & 6 PM - 8 PM, dinner and class

Class TODAY. Sept. 8th. See you at Mass! Next class Sept. 15th, and 22nd

STORY KEEPERS - Children infants to age 5 are welcome to come to the St. Gabriel Building Room 109 during the 9 AM Sunday Mass. This program is ongoing and free of charge. Hope you can join us!

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

Are you...or is there anyone you know...interested in becoming Catholic or receiving the Sacraments of Holy Eucharist or Confirmation?

Please contact the Parish Office, 626-1873. Classes begin in October!

NEXT SESSION

Saturday, September 14th
8:30am
All Saints Room

THE BATTLE OVER THE BRIDE

“Walking with Purpose”
Women’s Group & Catholic Bible Study

Thursday Evenings at 7 PM (except the 2nd Thursday for LIFT) St. Gabriel Bldg: Prayer Lounge

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PICK OF THE WEEK

Drawing Strength from Our Lady of Sorrows
by Kimberly Hahn

“Speechless...I have cried so many tears hearing this.”
—Charity L., Anderson, SC

Walk with Mary

Kimberly reflects on the joys and sorrows that Mary prayerfully experienced during her time on earth, and shares how her example leads us closer to Christ.

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CATHOLIC SOCIAL

In the lead up to "World Day For Migrants and Refugees" on Sept. 29th, we pray today's Psalm:

Psalm 90: "In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge."

“I would like to ask you all to see a ray of hope as well in the eyes and hearts of refugees and of those who have been forcibly displaced. A hope that is expressed in expectations for the future, in the desire for friendship, in the wish to participate in the host society also through learning the language, access to employment and the education of children.”— Pope Francis, Address to Participants in the Plenary of the Pontifical Council for the Pastoral Care of Migrants and Itinerant People, May 24, 2013

Challenge Question: How does the above quote by Pope Francis challenge my own perception of those seeking refuge across the globe, especially at our own borders? How am I, as a Christian, called to respond to those who come here with hope in their "eyes and hearts", that they will be welcomed?
THANK YOU GOD!
For all You have given, Thank You God.
For all You have withheld, Thank You God.
For all You have withdrawn, Thank You God.
For all You have permitted, Thank You God.
For all You have prevented, Thank You God.
For all You have prepared for me, Thank You God.
For having created me to love You for eternity, Thank You God.
For all those still in harms way and those recovering please Lord, watch over and protect them, Thank you God! AMEN!

A second collection will be taken to support the efforts of Catholic Relief Services in the Bahamas after the recent devastation of Hurricane Dorian.
In gratitude and thanksgiving for being spared a tragedy in our own parish and homes please be as generous as you can be. This collection will be taken next weekend, September 14th and 15th. Thank you and God bless you!
If you would like to donate sooner, please go to crs.org.

Kairos Torch Mission - WE NEED YOUR PRAYERS
Several of your fellow parishioners are starting a new mission, Kairos Torch #01. Torch is a Christian outreach program for incarcerated teens. Please set aside time each day to pray for the teens & our team members for the Glory of Jesus to enter each of their hearts. Complete the (prayer chain) strip to the right and bring it to the office or drop off at the church Welcome desk. Thank you and God bless you!

Torch Meal Ticket Donation
Meals & snacks are provided to all residences of Torch. Your $10 donation for each meal ticket will help support this important program.

This meal provided by:
First Name: ________________________________
City/State: ________________________________

For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink. Matthew 25:35
The Columbiettes cordially invite the women of the Parish to a ‘Fresh Start Happy Hour” on Wednesday, September 18th from 5 to 6:30 PM in the All Saints Room. Let’s get together for some fun & fellowship!

Knights of Columbus general meetings are on the 2nd Wednesday of the month; the next meeting is Wed., Sept. 11th (officers meet on the 1st Wed., the next meeting is October 2nd) at 7 PM.

Please consider joining the Knights of Columbus at St Paul of the Cross Parish. Contact Jonathan Knaus at 561-603-8303 or email jonathan.Knaus@kofc.org

Knights of Columbus Memorial Golf Classic
Father Andrew Doherty Assemble #0155
September 28th Golf Tournament at PGA National Resort & Spa, $160 per player.
Start time: 8:30 AM (Breakfast and Practice begins at 7:30 AM)
For more info please call 561-236-8313

9 AM Sunday Choir will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, September 11th at 6:45 PM in the St. Gabriel Building, Room 209
If you are interested in participating please call the Parish Office or contact Jeanne Clark, jeanne.clark@paulcross.org

DIOCESAN PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS
Father you call each one of us by name and ask us to follow you.
Bless your church by raising up dedicated and generous leaders from our families and friends who will serve your people as Sisters, Brothers, Deacons, and Priests.
Inspire us as we grow to know you, and open our hearts to hear your call.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Our Lord, Amen.

Visit the Religious Shop in the vestibule of the church. You can find a large selection of books (new titles have just arrived) and dvds. There are many cards and gifts for most occasions.
And you thought Christmas in July was over!? Not a chance! Christmas items are still 20% off!!
Shop is open Mon – Fri from 8:30 AM - 1 PM and Sat. 8:30 AM - 5 PM. Sundays after Masses.
Thank you for dropping your dollar bills and loose change in the poor boxes. God bless you!

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September 12th
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Whether or not we are present at Church, we remain one in the Lord. Please keep the following members of our parish family in your prayers: Kathy Megna, and


PLEASE NOTE: Please call the Parish Office if you are being admitted to the hospital or know of someone in our parish who requests a visit from a priest or Eucharistic Minister. Names will remain on the prayer list for two months, unless notified.

PLEASE PRAY for the men and women in our armed forces stationed overseas, for the military commanders who lead them, for President Trump and his advisors and for...


Merciful Father, You desire the welfare of all your children. Stretch out Your protecting arm over our men and women in the service. Shield them from every danger to body, soul and mind. Comfort them in loneliness, sustain them in hardship, give them the courage they need to fulfill their duty and so do Your will in all things. Bestow on our leaders and the leaders of the world the wisdom and prudence which will bring peace and justice to all.

This we ask through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord. Amen. Mary, help of Christians, pray for us.