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Sep 22 - Sep 29, 2019
Readings and Mass Intentions

Sunday, September 22	9:00am-Mass
Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8 [cf. 1a, 7b]/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13	
<i>Mass intention for the People of the Parish</i>	
Monday, September 23	4:30pm-Communion Service
Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Lk 8:16-18	
Tuesday, September 24	10:00am-Mass
Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [1]/Lk 8:19-21	
<i>Mass intention for Woody Landry</i>	
Wednesday, September 25	4:30pm-Mass
Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8 [1b]/Lk 9:1-6	
<i>Mass intention for Anthony Ferro, Sr.</i>	
Thursday, September 26	9:00am-Communion Service
Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Lk 9:7-9	
Friday, September 27	9:30am-Communion Service
Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4 [5]/Lk 9:18-22	
Saturday, September 28	4:30pm-Mass
6:30pm-Spanish Mass	
Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12a, 13 [cf. 10d]/Lk 9:43b-45	
Sunday, September 29	9:00am-Mass
Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31	
<i>Mass intention for the People of the Parish</i>	

Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor. (Ps 113)

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for: Bennie Mahaffey, Don Watt, Linda Dipuccio, Shirley Anderson, Ted Koch, Fr. Frank Rossi, Henry Rossi, John Dumesnil, Eileen Dumesnil, Cheyenne Courtney; Carol Richoux, Winter Sims, Debbie Graham, Tim Walker, Jim Hays, Jason Myers, Addison Stiltz, Irene Johnson, Sunny Cesarez, Audrey Douzat; Lois Cuccia, Red Doss, Treasure Jackson, Debbie Cook

Repose of the soul: George Oney; Corbet Landry

Names will remain on the prayer list for two weeks. Names written in the Prayer Book in the vestibule of the church will be offered as daily Mass intentions.

Questions for Family Discussions

Adults: Can cheating and deception ever be justified?

Children: If someone treats you unfairly, do you have the right to do the same to them?


Weekly Stewardship

Sep 14 & Sep 15 Weekly Offering	\$ 2,253.55
Average Weekly Cost	\$ 3,152.00
Excess/Deficit	\$ 898.45

Thank you for your generosity.

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Sun. Sep 22 <i>25th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Mon. Sep 23	Tues. Sep 24	Wed. Sep 25	Thurs. Sep 26	Fri. Sep 27	Sat. Sep 28
9:00am—Mass BLOOD DRIVE After Mass --1 pm Family Center	4:30pm— Communion Service	10:00am—Mass 6:30pm—Exploring the Catholic Faith	4:00pm—Rosary 4:30pm—Mass 5:00pm—Choir 6:00pm—CCE	8:30am—Communion Service 9:00am—Divine Mercy Chaplet	9:30am—Communion Service	3:45-4:15pm—Confessions 4:30pm—Mass 6:30pm—Spanish Mass
Sun. Sep 29 <i>26th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Mon. Sep 30	Tues. Oct 1	Wed. Oct 2	Thurs. Oct 3	Fri. Oct 4	Sat. Oct 5
9:00am—Mass Faith Formation following Mass	4:30pm— Communion Service	10:00am—Mass 10:30am—Senior Social 12:00pm—Lunch 1:00pm—Altar Society 6:30pm—Exploring the Catholic Faith	4:00pm—Rosary 4:30pm—Mass 5:00pm—Choir NO CCE	8:30am—Communion Service 9:00am—Divine Mercy Chaplet	9:30am—Communion Service	3:45-4:15pm—Confessions 4:30pm—Mass 6:30pm—Spanish Mass

FOOD FOR OUR CHILDREN 

Every Wednesday at 6:00 pm before CCE class our students are provided a light supper. Twyla Darder has the sign-up sheet.

QUESTIONS? Contact Twyla Darder, 409-384-0819.

If it is not possible for you to actively participate, consider making a donation. You can mark an envelope as children's meals and drop in the collection basket.

Exploring the Catholic Faith

Join us on our quest as we explore the Catholic Faith
Tuesday, September 24, 6:30 pm
Refreshments served

Opening prayer Luke 16:1-13
Introduction to the Catechism
The Creed: God Comes to Meet Us
Saint John Paul II
The Act of Faith

Presented by the RCIA Team

St. Francis of Assisi
 presents
2nd Annual Women's Conference
 October 11th - 12th
 Friday: 6pm - 8pm
 Saturday: 8am - 3pm

Free Admission
 4300 Meeks Dr. Orange, Tx

Doors open to all young ladies and women, 13yrs and up

Guest Speakers:
Sr. Michaela Martinez
Sr. Marie Hannah
 Dominican Sisters of St. Cecilia, Nashville, TN

Religious Articles

Browse on Saturday after Mass or while having coffee on Sunday mornings after Mass.

Come and see new items for sale.

Upcoming Events

October 7: Understanding Human Trafficking in Texas, Msgr. Kelly HS, Beaumont, TX, 6:00 pm

October 11-12: Catholic Women's Conference, St. Francis of Assisi, Orange, TX

October 13: Ecumenical Dinner & Faith Sharing, OLOP Family Center

October 19: Fall Festival, St. Catherine School, Port Arthur, TX, 11 am-3 pm

October 19: Music Festival Fundraiser, St. Martin de Porres, Beaumont, TX, 11 am—8 pm

October 27: Life Chain, Courthouse Square sidewalk, Woodville, Tx, 2:30pm - 3:30pm

The children of this world are more prudent. (Luke 16:8)

This is a troubling parable, isn't it? Why would Jesus make a dishonest servant the hero of the story? Perhaps some context will help. Jesus had just finished telling the parable of the prodigal son—a story about a father who forgives his son completely and throws a lavish party to celebrate his return (Luke 15:11-32). The father's extravagance is so outlandish that you would have a hard time finding anyone who acts that way in real life. But that's the point. The prodigal son is a parable about God's extravagant mercy toward us. Now, as a contrast, he tells a story about limited, self-motivated "mercy." He tells about a disgraced steward who uses shady means to forgive just a portion of the debt some people owe.

That's a far cry from the prodigal's father, isn't it? And Jesus knows it. He knows that forgiveness and mercy are in short supply in this world. But then, in his conclusion to the parable, Jesus says that his followers seem to be unable to match even the so-called "mercy" of this dishonest steward, "The children of this world," he says, "are more prudent . . . than are the children of light" (Luke 16:8). The steward was indeed prudent in his forgiveness of the debts. But Jesus is looking for something beyond prudence and shrewdness—and he wants to see it come from us. He is looking for true mercy—extravagant mercy that forgives with no strings attached.

Can you rise to Jesus' challenge? Can you forgive, especially when the other person doesn't deserve mercy? It isn't easy, but it is possible. It will come as you keep practicing it and asking for his grace to help you. Today at Mass, you will receive the highest expression of God's extravagant mercy: the Body and Blood of Christ, given for you. When you do, let his love flow into you. Let it melt your heart and make you as merciful as he is.

"Lord, teach me to forgive, and to do it extravagantly."

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Prayer Support for Our Pastor and Parish

Let's join together during this time by praying the Rosary and the Memorare daily at 4:00 pm. God's grace always remains with us.

ACTS

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