



*St. Dominic
St. Francis Xavier
Catholic Church*

Our Lady of Snows Shrine



September 23, 2018

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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SACRAMENTS

WEEKEND MASSES

5:30 pm Sat. Vigil @ St. Dominic
8:00 am Sun. @ St. Francis Xavier
10:30 am Sunday @ St. Dominic

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tue. 8am @ St. Francis Xavier
Wed. 8am @ St. Dominic
Thu. 8am @ St. Francis Xavier
Fri. 8am @ St. Dominic
No Mass Mon. or Sat.. Morning

RECONCILIATION

30 Minutes prior to
5:30 pm and 8:00 am Mass
Anytime by appointment

MARRIAGE

Contact the parish 9 months prior to
preferred wedding date

BAPTISM

Contact the office after
birth of the child

REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD

The disciples may have been a bit slow to understand how Jesus was re-defining the Messiah he was going to be, but they were not stupid on all accounts. They picked up on the reaction Peter got when he rebuked Jesus for talking about suffering rejection and death. So, when Jesus brought up the subject for a second time in today's Gospel, they just listened politely, then dropped back out of earshot and changed the subject to a more pleasant one—themselves, and who was the greatest.

Things must have gotten quite animated because when they got home, Jesus asked about it. Their silence surely disappointed him, since he could surmise what had engaged them. But like a good teacher, he tries another way to make his point. There must have been a child nearby, because he calls her over and places his arms protectively around her, and says to them, "If you want to be first, then be last. If you want to be in charge, then serve. When you take in the least, you take in not only me but my Father." Class dismissed.

It has proved a hard lesson to learn. Or maybe few of us really want to learn it. When you look out at the world, most seem to want to be first, the greatest, the one with the most and best toys, a wielder of power and influence and authority. Choosing to serve the least doesn't make the top ten on most people's "to do" list.—James A. Wallace, C.Ss.R.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

September 16, 2018

St. Dominic:

Envelopes* \$ 1,925.92
Plate \$ 254.05
Total: \$ 2,179.97

Week of Sept. 9 \$ 2,580.01
Week of Sept. 2 \$ 4,663.47

Average weekly expenses for this fiscal year: \$2,719.11

St. Francis Xavier:

Envelopes* \$ 1,025.00
Plate \$ 101.00
Total: \$ 1,126.00

Week of Sept. 9 \$ 2,220.51
Week of Sept. 2 \$ 1,706.75

Average weekly expenses for this fiscal year: \$1,971.04

**Thank you for your
continued generosity**

Eucharistic Ministers for the weekend of September 29-30th
Homebound: Annette Schrieber
Nursing Homes: Wayne Leiker

**Ministry Schedule for the
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

St. Dominic Sept. 29th~ 5:30 pm	St. Francis Xavier Sept. 30th~ 8:00 am	St. Dominic Sept. 30th~ 10:30 am
COMMUNION Larry Tanking Alberta Tanking D'Ann Decker Pat Doyle Jean Lierz	COMMUNION Mary Lou Koch Larry Larkin Mike McClaskey Merlin Nelson Damon Putnam	COMMUNION Dave Schmitz Gail Schmitz Michele Haverkamp Karen Leiker Zach Lancaster
LECTOR Barb Heideman	LECTOR Marceta Reilly	LECTOR Malea Zeller
ACOLYTE Jordan Reith Abigail Schlodder Elizabeth Schuster	ACOLYTE Caroline Hanson Alyssa Berns Noah Blanchard	ACOLYTE Richard Zeller Sam Zeller Matthew Lierz
MUSIC Cathleen Reed Mark & Vickie Pruett	MUSIC Joan Hood Wayne Berry	MUSIC Mary Gerstner Jenea Chartier
GREETERS / USHERS Dan Doyle Pat Doyle Larry Tanking Tom McAsey	GREETERS / USHERS Larry Reilly Marceta Reilly Ed Hrenchir Ray Zeller	GREETERS / USHERS Gary Kelly Debbie Kelly Mike Meerpohl Roger McAsey

LITURGY SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS

The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY, September 22nd~
 St. D 5:30 PM Andrew Grollmes (D)
 SUNDAY, September 23rd~
 St. F 8:00 AM Gerald Seematter (D)
 OLS 8:30 AM
 St. D 10:30 AM For All Parishioners
 TUESDAY, September 25th~
 St. F 8:00 AM NO MASS
 WEDNESDAY, September 26th~
 St. D 8:00 AM NO MASS
 THURSDAY, September 27th~
 St. F 8:00 AM NO MASS
 FRIDAY, September 28th~
 St. D 8:00 AM NO MASS

The 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SATURDAY, September 29th~
 St. D. 5:30 PM For All Parishioners
 SUNDAY, September 30th~
 St. F 8:00 AM Joel David Barta (D)
 OLS 8:30 AM
 St. D 10:30 AM Mary Doyle Fitch (D)

CHURCH CLEANERS:

Sept. 24-30 Becky Grollmes, Clara Child
 Oct. 1-7 Reith Family
 Oct. 8-14 Gary & Annette Schreiber
 Oct. 15-21 Bertulfo Family
 Oct. 22-28 Karen Leiker, Kay Ludvick

Please contact the office ahead of time and let us know when you are planning on cleaning so that the church will be unlocked and the lights can be turned on for you.

Thank you for your service to your parish. You can still volunteer by calling the office at 364-3262

Jackson County Pastoral Council

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 Barbara Berg
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 Marie Burdick
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 Karen Leiker
 Jackie McAsey
 Merlin Nelson
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Greg Watkins—Chair
 Carolyn Koger
 Jane Coverdale
 Pat Doyle

St. Francis Xavier Finance Council

Elsie Beam—Chair
 Bill Haug
 Chris Everts
 Larry Larkin
 Kay Andler
 Damon Putnam

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

ST. DOMINIC:

- RelEd Classes PreK-8th, Wednesday, September 26th 6:30-7:45pm,
- RelEd Classes PreK-8th Wednesday, October 3rd, 6:30-7:45 pm

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER:

- RelEd Classes PreK-8th, Sunday, September 30th, 9-10:15 am
 - RelEd Classes PreK-8th, Sunday, October 7th, 9-10:15 am
- 9th Grade Confirmation Retreat, Sunday, October 14th**

On Sunday, October 7th at 7 p.m. at Most Pure Heart of Mary in Topeka there will be a Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and rosary for Church healing and guidance for Church Leaders in response to the sexual abuse in the Church with Archbishop Naumann. The Archbishop will also give a brief catechetical talk on Mary as Mother of the Church. All are welcome.

NCYC GARAGE SALE:

St. Dominic High School youth who are planning to attend the National Catholic Youth Conference in Indianapolis in 2019 will be having a garage sale fundraiser September 28-29 at St. Dominic's Hall. Sale times are Friday 4-6:00pm and Saturday 8am-2:00pm. Donations are greatly appreciated, please contact Jackie McAsey at 785-851-0571 to donate or for more information.



RCIA – The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults!

Everyone is welcome. **Tuesday**

Sept. 25, 6:30-8:00 pm at St. Dominic Church Offices

Topic for the evening: **Transmitting the Faith**

If you or someone you know may be interested please contact a member of the RCIA Team:

Margaret Blevins – 785-220-4677,

mblevins817@gmail.com

Barbara Berg – 785-364-3262,

barbaracberg@hotmail.com

Boyd & Helen Murphy Plankinton – 785-364-4816,

hmurphplank@gmail.com

An Introductory Session to the Creighton Model System of Natural Family Planning will be held Monday, October 1 at 6:30pm at the St. Dominic Parish Office. Contact Katrina Larkins, FCPI at 785--294-2948 or larkinsfarms@gmail.com for more information or to sign up. If no one sign up the class will be canceled.

CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE: November 17-18, 2018. Topeka Plaza Hotel for Grades 9-12. Conference includes speakers, breakout sessions, evening social, mass, prayer and adoration. Registrations due by October 15th. For more information or to register go to: archkck.org/rural-outreach; ruralyouth@archkck.org or 785-221-2644.

PARISH PRAYER CONCERNS

Kent Askren (nephew of Cletemae Brown); Carol Barton (Friend of Dean & Ramona Robinson); Sonya Bergman; George Bolz; Angela Brewer; Estelle Danner; Dick DeVader (Brother of Ramona Robinson); Sharon DeVader; Steve Devlin; Sheila Fernkopf; Brad Fiedler; Dennis Fiedler; Sam Gerry; Brad Gould; Carly Grant (great granddaughter of Joan Hood); Jenny Harigan; Jared Harris (grandson of Mary Harris); Mary Harris; Pat Hasenkamp; Jerry Huftles (father of Jackie McAsey); Frank Hulsing (Father of Shannon Henry); Charles Kennedy; Adrian Koch; Rheva Korte; Shari Lott (sister-in-law of Russell Schuetz); Rita Martin; Mike McClaskey; Mary Morford; Don Morris; Lynne Mulroy; Luisa Munoz (sister of Anna Alvarez); Erin Norwood and daughter Bailey (Larkin Family Members); Kristina Oates (granddaughter of Gene Schiefelbein); Calvin Page; Carolyn Reicherter; Cameron Renfro; Amy Reese (daughter of John & Susan Stallbaumer); Mary Riniker (Sister of Regina Butts); Ronna Rowe (Family Member of Hilda Hrenchir); Shelly Russell (daughter of Karen McClaskey); Peggy Sanderson (friend of Mary Morford); Lonnie & Helen Sands (brother and sister-in-law of Joan Hood); Brad Schiefelbein (son of Gene Schiefelbein); Chris Schiefelbein (brother of Gene Schiefelbein); Laura (daughter of Gene Schiefelbein); Emma Schirmer; Easton Shelton (son of Eric and Stephanie Shelton); Special Intentions of Sheila Springer; Nancy Versch Stereit; Evelyn Sullivan; Janie Teetzel; Melinda Wareham; James Wecker

We pray for those among us who are ill, their families and for their care-giver, those experiencing a hardship or difficulty; and for those in the Armed Forces protecting our freedom.

To place someone's name on the prayer list or to remove a name, please call the Parish Office (364-3262)

Scripture Insights~

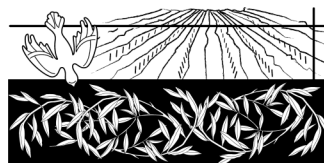
What is authentic, selfless ambition? Today's liturgy issues God's call to avoid jealousy and selfish ambition, and to cultivate sincerity, humility, and peace (James 3:13-18). The Gospel illustrates this message especially clearly. As Jesus continues to journey toward Jerusalem, he makes a second prediction that his journey will end in his Death and Resurrection.

As with the prediction last Sunday, the disciples fail to understand its meaning. They are so preoccupied with their own ambitions that they have failed to confront Jesus' reality—so in conflict with their expectations: "They had been discussing who was the greatest." Jesus uses this opportunity to illustrate true discipleship: "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." True leadership, says Jesus, is servant leadership!

Taking a little child, Jesus draws everyone's attention to this child. A child is vulnerable and powerless with no influence at all. Especially in the society of Jesus' day, a child was considered to be at the lowest level of society's hierarchy. Children are dependent and need things done for them. In this way Jesus shows that his kingdom values are very different. Instead of promoting one's own prestige, the focus must be on the other, on the most vulnerable members of society—the poor, those who have no wealth or power, those who need things done for them—like little children.

In reaching out and caring for the most vulnerable members of society (like children), one is, in reality, receiving Jesus himself and ultimately welcoming God. Jesus repeats this same message later in his final sermon in Matthew's Gospel on the judgment of the nations where he says: "Whatever you did for one of these least brothers [and sisters] of mine, you did for me" (Matthew 25:40).

- How does today's Responsorial Psalm add to the meaning of today's readings?
- What does the disciples' self-centeredness and lack of empathy teach you about the importance of listening to the one who is speaking?
- How can you, or do you exercise servant leadership in your own life?



The fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace.
— James 3:18

Children, especially, set their watches by our clock.
—Anonymous

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

How long have there been parochial schools in the United States? Longer than you may imagine. The Jesuit fathers opened Saint Mary School in Philadelphia in 1782 in the first light of independence. Catholic and Protestant squabbles about the nature of education forced the Fathers to make this risky and innovative venture in the heart of the city. The school was closed by a devastating fire in 1902, but reopened in 1968 as St. Mary Interparochial School, the first example of a shared parochial school. It is also the only Catholic school within the confines of a national park. This is the "Mother School" of this uniquely American institution. Many parochial schools, especially in "national parishes," were established to preserve the culture and language of the "old country," and also to protect young people from prejudice.

In other countries, Ireland for one, the Church is authorized to run national schools, sometimes under the sponsorship of a parish. In still other places, such as Quebec, publicly-funded "separate schools" were administered by the Church. Wherever the state funds Catholic schools, normally enrollment is guaranteed to all applicants. The Quebec system was dismantled in 1998 when the state decided to reorganize schools along linguistic lines rather than religious affiliation. Parochial schools require considerable sacrifice, but they endure as a distinctive treasure of the Church in the United States.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Autumn days come swift like the running of a hound upon the moor.

—Seumas MacManus

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, Sept. 24th		Tuesday, Sept. 25th		Wednesday, Sept. 26th		Thursday, Sept. 27th	
St. Dominic	K of C Meeting ~ 7:00 pm	Eucharistic Adoration 2-6:00 pm RCIA 6:30-8:00 pm Church Office		NO MASS RelEd Classes PreK-8th 6:30-7:45pm			
St. Francis Xavier		NO MASS				NO MASS Eucharistic Adoration 2-4:00 pm	
Friday, Sept. 28th		Saturday, Sept. 29th		Sunday, Sept. 30th		Tuesday, Oct. 2	
St. Dominic	NO MASS	5:30 pm Vigil Mass		10:30 am Mass		Eucharistic Adoration 2-6:00 pm RCIA 6:30-8:00 pm~ Church Office	
St. Francis Xavier				8:00 am Mass RelEd Classes PreK-8-9-10:15 am 8:30 am Mass OLS		NO MASS	
Wednesday, Oct. 3rd		Thursday, Oct. 4th		Friday, Oct. 5th		Saturday, Oct. 6th	
St. Dominic	NO MASS RelEd Classes PreK-8th 6:30-7:45pm			NO MASS		5:30 pm Vigil Mass	
St. Francis Xavier		NO MASS Eucharistic Adoration 2-4:00 pm					

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