

Twenty -Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

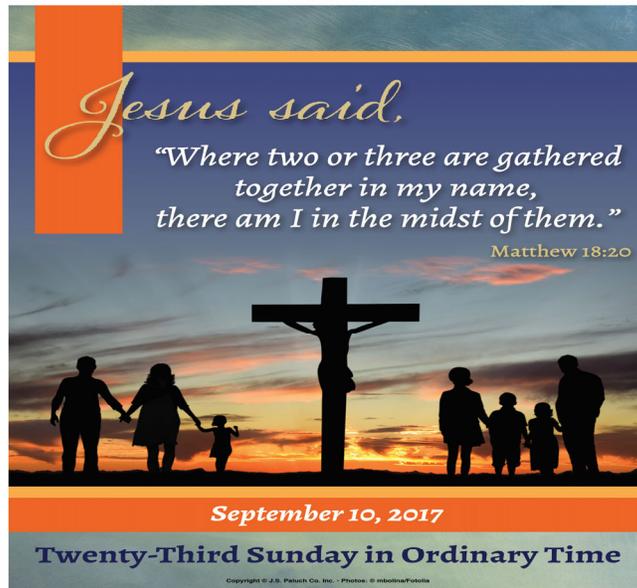
September 10, 2017

Holy Family Catholic Church

ESTABLISHED IN 1980 * 919 SPENCE RD., VAN ALSTYNE, TX. 75495

Parish Mission Statement

Holy Family is a Catholic community that unites for prayer and communion so that we may grow in our baptismal discipleship and share the good news of the Gospel.



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Fr. Eugene Azorji, Pastoral Administrator

Fr. Juan Carlos Marin, Parochial Vicar

Deacon Patrick A. Hayes

Mass Schedule/Misa Dominical

Sunday: 9:00 am - English Mass

12:00 pm - Spanish Misa

Thursday: 9:00 am - Daily Mass

St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church

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St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church

Weekend Masses

Vigil Mass Saturday - 5pm (English)

Sunday Masses / Misa Dominical

Sunday 8:00am & 11:30am)

Domingo 9:30am & 1:30pm

Weekday Masses

Mon., Wed, & Fri 8:00am

Tues. & Thurs. 5:30pm

Confessions Thursday

6:00pm - 7:00pm

Saturday 3:00 - 4:00pm

Blessed Sacrament

Thursday's at 6:00pm

Baptisms/Bautizos

Baptisms: 2nd Sunday of each month
 Bautizos: 1er Domingo del mes

Pre Baptismal Class Registration: Registration required by the Sunday before class begins. Classes are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. **Parents:** Bring copy of child's birth certificate. Both parents must attend class. **Godparents:** Must be practicing Catholics. Copy of marriage certificate through the Catholic church. Both godparents must attend class. **As a courtesy, please do not bring children to class.**

**First Communion/
 Primera Comunion**
 April 14, 2018 10:00 am
 First Friday Adoration

**Confirmation/
 Confirmacion**
 March 17, 2018 10:00 am
 6:00—8:00 pm

Sacraments/Sacramentos

Anointing of the Sick/Uncion de los Enfermos

Please call the Parish.

Confessions/Confesiones

Immediately following the 1st Mass-30 mins. Antes de la misa

Marriage/Matrimonio

Both must be free to marry in the Catholic Church. Arrangements should be made at least 6 months prior to planned Wedding date.

Holy Orders/Vocaciones

Talk to your Parish priest or call Father Edwin A Leonard, Vocations Director, at 214-379-2860.

Believe in the Power of Prayer (5/21/17)

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| Tony Grisolia | Georgia Grisolia | Barbara Heath |
| Ann Lageose Thomas | Andrea Thomas | Sara Carrieri |
| Chris Hayes | Brooke Roberts | Dottie Izzi |
| Deborah Grisolia | Audrey Benson | Rita Yzquierdo |
| Joan Polus | Karen Connor | Frank Connor |
| Holley Hartley Tiemann | | Carol Park |
| Fr. Eddie Fronski | David Guidry | Lucas Chappel |
| Ruben Villarreal | | |

Pray for the Repose of the Souls of deceased members of Holy Family and their Relatives:

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, September 10

8:30 am Rosary
 9:00 am Mass English
 Altar Serving Training Immediately After Mass
 12:00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday September 11

Tuesday, September 12

Wednesday, September 13

Thursday September 14

9:00 am Mass Bible Class Immediately Following
 7:00 pm Youth Choir Practice

Friday September 15

7:15pm Adult Spanish Choir
 6:00 -8:00 pm Adoration

Saturday September 16

11:00 am Quinceanera

Weekly Attendance/Offerings

Attendance :	September 3,, 2017	533
Offerings:	September 3, 2017	\$
Building	September 3, 2017	\$
Catholic Universities	September 3, 2017	\$
TOTALS AVAILABLE NEXT WEEK		

Knights of Columbus Carl Vogel #16047

The Knights are having a Rummage Sale here at Holy Family on October 7th. They have acquired a trailer for storage until the event takes place. Each Sunday after Masses they will have Knights to accept your contributions for the sale. If you need pick up's contact Zeb or any Knight to make arrangements. They request that no out dated items of technology not be donated. Old type TV's will not be accepted. Dishes, clothes, furniture in resalable shape, what knots, linens, lamps, outdoor furniture, tools, camping equipment and other items you wish to donate will be appreciated. **Thanks Knights of Columbus**

From The Office of the Bishop

In light of the expected extensive damage from the life-threatening Hurricane Harvey, please plan to take up a special collection to assist those impacted in the Texas Dioceses of Brownsville, Corpus Christi and Victoria as well as the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston. If you cannot take up this requested collection this weekend, please plan to do so on September 9-10 and follow the regular procedure of sending the check from the proceeds to the Business Office at the Pastoral Center. Please make sure to specify that it is for the Hurricane Harvey special collection. Today

Holy Family Quasi Parish

Welcome

Fr. Juan Carlos Marin:

Know you have anxiety coming to the unknown. May we assure you Holy Family is a close knit group both English and Spanish. Come join Fr. Eugene help us grow. We've been told by new comers that we are really friendly and make them feel comfortable from day one. Hope you have that same experience as you come for Mass.

We are excited about getting to know you. Join us for our Social after the 9:00am Mass. God Bless You

Holy Family's Library

Did you know we have a library?

Available are a fine selection of books of interest for those interested in the Liturgical History of our Catholic Church. Books of the Saints.

Betty Kennedy one of our founding Members has stepped up to organize the books in a librarians method.

Thanks to Susanne Hayes and Diane Durbin for answering the call.

PATIENCE

If you are patient in one moment of anger, you will escape a hundred days of sorrow.

—Chinese proverb

“Walking Together in Faith”

Dallas Ministry Conference | October 19-21, 2017

Make plans to attend the annual Dallas Ministry Conference, presented by the University of Dallas and co-sponsored by the Diocese of Dallas, scheduled for October 19th-21st at the Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center Dallas in Hall C. With over 100 sessions, there is a topic of interest for every Catholic. This year the Saint John's Bible will be at the liturgical art display. It's the first handwritten illuminated bible of its scale in over 500 years! Come listen to speakers and musicians, and experience the exhibit hall during this three-day conference. Find out more at udallas.edu/dmc .

“Caminando juntos en la fe”

Conferencia para los ministerios de Dallas |

Oct. 19-21, 2017

Haga planes para asistir la Conferencia para los Ministerios de Dallas, presentada por la Universidad de Dallas y la Diócesis de Dallas. Del 19 de 21 de octubre en el Centro de Convenciones de Dallas. Inscríbese pronto a un precio reducido. Se ofrecerán conferencias que cubrirán temas importantes de la fe. En la exhibición de arte litúrgico, será presentada la Biblia de Saint John's, la primera biblia manuscrita y con ilustraciones. Visite: udallas.edu/dmc 972-721-5105.

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Para más información llame al: 972-408 -7766

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There's a real difference between our achievements and our fruitfulness, between our successes and the actual good that we bring into the world.

What we achieve brings us success, gives us a sense of pride, makes our families and friends proud of us, and gives us a feeling of being worthwhile, singular, and important. We've done something. We've left a mark. We've been recognized. And along with those awards, trophies, academic degrees, certificates of distinction, things we've built, and artifacts we've left behind comes public recognition and respect. We've made it. We're recognized. Moreover, generally, what we achieve produces and leaves behind something that is helpful to others. We can, and should, feel good about our legitimate achievements.

However, as Henri Nouwen frequently reminds us, achievement is not the same thing as fruitfulness. Our achievements are things we have accomplished. Our fruitfulness is the positive, long-term effect these achievements have on others. Achievement doesn't automatically mean fruitfulness. Achievement helps us stand out, fruitfulness brings blessing into other people's lives. Hence we need to ask this question: How have my achievements, my successes, the things that I'm proud to have done, positively nurtured those around me? How have they helped bring joy into other people's lives? How have they helped make the world a better, more-loving place? How have any of the trophies I've won or distinctions I've been awarded made those around me more peaceful rather than more restless?

This is different than asking: How have my achievements made me feel? How have they given me a sense of self-worth? How have my achievements witnessed to my uniqueness?

It's no secret that our achievements, however honest and legitimate, often produce jealousy and restlessness in others rather than inspiration and restfulness. We see this in how we so often envy and secretly hate highly successful people. Their achievements generally do little to enhance our own lives but instead trigger an edgy restlessness within us. The success of others, in effect, often acts like a mirror within which we see, restlessly and sometimes bitterly, our own lack of achievement. Why? Generally there's blame on both sides. On the one hand, our achievements are often driven from a self-centered need to set ourselves apart from others, to stand out, to be singular, to be recognized and admired rather than from a genuine desire to truly help others. To the extent that this is true, our successes are bound to trigger envy. Still, on the other hand, our envy of others is often the self-inflicted punishment spoken of in Jesus' parable of the talents wherein the one who hides his talent gets punished for not using that talent.

And so the truth is that we can achieve great things without being really fruitful, just as we can be very fruitful even while achieving little in terms of worldly success and recognition. Our fruitfulness is often the result not so much of the great things we accomplish, but of the graciousness, generosity, and kindness we bring into the world. Unfortunately our world rarely reckons these as an achievement, an accomplishment, a success. We don't become famous for being gracious. Yet, when we die, while we may well be eulogized for our achievements, we will be loved and remembered more for the goodness of our hearts than for our distinguished achievements. Our real fruitfulness will flow from something beyond the legacy of our accomplishments. It will be the quality of our hearts, more so than our achievements, that will determine how nurturing or asphyxiating is the spirit we leave behind us when we're gone.

Henri Nouwen also points out that when we distinguish between our achievements and our fruitfulness, we will see that, while death may be the end of our success, productivity, and importance, it isn't necessarily the end of our fruitfulness. Indeed, often our true fruitfulness occurs only after we die when our spirit can finally flow out more purely. We see that this was true too for Jesus. We were able to be fully nurtured by his spirit only after he was gone. Jesus teaches this explicitly in his farewell discourse in John's Gospel when he tells us repeatedly that it's better for us that he goes away because it's only when he's gone that we will be able to truly receive his spirit, his full fruitfulness. The same is true for us. Our full fruitfulness will only show after we have died.

Great achievement doesn't necessarily make for great fruitfulness. Great achievement can give us a good feeling and can make our families and loved ones proud of us. But those feelings of accomplishment and pride are not a lasting or deeply nourishing fruit. Indeed the good feeling that accomplishment gives us is often a drug, an addiction, which forever demands more of us and sets loose envy and restlessness in others as it underscores our separateness.

The fruit that feeds love and community tends to come from our shared vulnerability and not from those achievements that set us apart.

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Holy Family Quasi-Parish

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Date: Sept 18, 2011

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Transmission Date / Time Tuesday 12:00pm

Special Instructions