

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SUNDAY - Sept. 14**  
 8:30 am - JAMES POTTER † by Theresa Potter  
 DOUGLAS PARADEIS † by Joan Paradeis  
 In Thanksgiving (INT) by M/M Davy Tolentino  
 11:00 am - INTENTIONS OF THE PARISH  
**MONDAY - Sept. 15**  
 8:00am - GUY FIDELIE † by The Fidelie Families  
 BETTY JANOTA †  
 by Catholic Daughter of America  
 FRANKLIN TOLENTINO †  
 by Deacon & Mrs. Vincent Blake  
**TUESDAY - Sept. 16**  
 8:00 am - Liturgy of the Hours  
**WEDNESDAY - Sept. 17**  
 10:00am - ND School Mass  
 6:15 pm - NGUYEN TAN TAI † by To Nguyen  
 ROLAND SIGLER, Sr. †  
 by Deacon & Mrs. Jim Bindel  
 In Thanksgiving - CHRISTIAN FRANDO (INT)  
 by M/M Virgil Frando  
**THURSDAY - Sept. 18**  
 8:00 am - ANTONIO TONGSON †  
 by M/M Feliciano Bucag  
 LAWRENCE HOLUB † by Shirley Holub  
 IRENE BINDEL † by Lois Baldrige  
**FRIDAY - Sept. 19**  
 8:00 am - JEAN MARIE KEHOSKIE †  
 by Kehoskie Children & Grandchildren  
 PAUL MORATH, Jr. † by MaryAnn Morath  
 In Thanksgiving - CHRISTIAN FRANDO (INT)  
 by M/M Virgil Frando  
**SATURDAY - Sept. 20**  
 6:00 pm - MILAN and FRANCES SARCHET †  
 by OLQP Sixers  
 SHIRLEY SHORT † by M/M John Horn  
 RUTHIE BOOTH † by M/M Cyril Renner  
**SUNDAY - Sept. 21**  
 8:30 am - DONNA BRESKE † by Stan & Kevin Breske  
 PAUL MORATH, Jr. † by M/M John Horn  
 STEVE KEGLEY † by Lois Baldrige  
 11:00 am - INTENTIONS OF THE PARISH

**DAILY READINGS**

Mon: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33 \* Jn 19:25-27  
 or Lk 2:33-35  
 Tue: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a \* Lk 7:11-17  
 Wed: 1 Cor 12:31—13:13 \* Lk 7:31-35  
 Thu: 1 Cor 15:1-11 \* Lk 7:36-50  
 Fri: 1 Cor 15:12-20 \* Lk 8:1-3  
 Sat: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49 \* Lk 8:4-15  
 Sun: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 55:6-9 \*  
 Phil 1:20c-24, 27a \* Mt 20:1-16a

*Those For Whom We Pray*

Parishioners, Family & Friends

Kelsey Diana Allen, Tammy Allen, Lois Allison, Nicholas Allison, Vic Allison, Dennis Anderson, Wanda Baker, Wanda Baltine, Elizabeth "Beth" Bater, Joan & Robert Baumann, Al Belgrado, Dick Belgrado, Shirley Bennet, Tommy & Sheryl Berend, Jeanette Bilbay, Deacon Jim Bindel, Anna Bogart, Cyndi Boone, Glen Borgman, Ed Boulware, Erica Bowers, Rocky Bray, George Brosche\*, Jo Bybee, Ivy Cadotte, Sonja Calliste\*, Shirley Chancellor, Laiken Choate, Marge Conklin, Joan Cook, Jeff Conrady, Grace Ann Crocker, Mike Crumpton, Joe Cuba, Johnnie & Nellie Deal, Brandi Dickey, Faye Dominy, Mark Dreher, Carol Faustina, Jathan Fields, Johnnie Fields, Jerry Fletcher, Mary George, Lola Clyde Greaves, Courtney Shook Gysell, Dustin Hall, Adell Hanvey, Jean Hoing, Don & Jean Isbell, Ray Jackson, Nelda Jansen, Pat Jentsch, Eve Johnson, Jeremy Johnson, Angela Kemper, Dick King, Bonnie Kocher, Anita Kortbawi, Ron Ladeau, Casey Lane, Jeff Langen, Bernard & Marion Lauer, Brandi Lawson, Marife Lee, Fred Lentz, Art Litteken, Shirley Litteken, Abel Mahesh, Eloise Majewski, Rusty Maley, Ryan Maley, Clara Mathe, Mike & Virginia Michonski, Dale Minniear, Kaden Moisant, Carolyn Morath, George Morath, Steve Morath, Clyde Morbitzer, David Musil, Stephen Musil, Dorothy "Dot" Myers, Irene Myers\*, Jan McElroy, Julie Newberry, Billy Newberry, Jennifer Newberry, The Parker Family, Geneva Pennartz, Joe Petz, Joe Petz, Jr., Nina Peysen\*, Karen Poirat, Betty Pond, Trinity Rayne, Aubrey Reaves, Lori Ross, Chuck Ryan, Nelda Schreiber, Charles Simons, Bette Skurkey, Jeff Smith, Kathy Spyra, Danny Steed, Audrey Stephens, Greg Stevens, Stacey Stowe, Sister Devota Sweeney, Johanna Sweeney, Ida Toth, Dorothy Ward, Renea Ward, Josie Wheeler, Jan Wiggins, Kinzey Wilson, Mary Wilson, David Wright, Jr., Diane Wright, Signe Yelland, Adam York, Dan York, Marian Geary\* & Lucy York.\*New this week

Because of space limitations, names will be taken of the prayer list after 3 months.

Please call the church office if you would like the name returned to the list. Thank you for your understanding.

**PRAY FOR PRIESTS THIS WEEK**

9/8 - Rev. John Stasiowski  
 9/9 - Rev. Robert Strittmatter  
 9/10 - Rev. Juan Diego Sutherland, CFR  
 9/11 - Rev. John Swistovich  
 9/12 - Rev. Msgr. Francis Boakye Tawiah  
 9/13 - Rev. Robert Thames  
 9/14 - Rev. Ouseph Thekkaumihala

*Eternal Father, we lift up to You these and all the priests of the world.*

*Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them into the likeness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to You. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.*



O God, in Whom we live and move, and have our being, grant us rain, in due abundance, that, being sufficiently helped with temporal, we may the more confidently seek after eternal gifts. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER - for September**

**Universal:** That the mentally disabled may receive the love and help they need for a dignified life.

**For Evangelization:** That Christians, inspired by the Word of God, may serve the poor and suffering.

The Sympathy and Prayers of our parish are with the Family and Friends of  
**Veronica Smith** (sister of Susie Devereaux)  
**Bernard Lauer** (father of Mary Kapraun)  
**Robert Lisle** (father of Sharon Anderle)  
 Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.  
 And let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen.

**WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS**

Sept. 7: ..... \$13,029.00  
 Special Collection: ..... \$195.00

**Faith Direct**

August 4: ..... \$22,298.47  
 August 15: ..... \$16,678.83  
 Priest Care Fund: ..... \$906.00

[www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) (church code: TX420)

Thank you for all the generous gifts that you provide for our parish. Please consider using our secure electronic giving program Faith Direct. Faith Direct will automatically process any offertory or second collection donations of your choosing. It is the most convenient way to make sure that the parish receives your gift regularly. No more checks to write or envelopes to worry about. You can sign up online at [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) using our church code: TX420, or by mailing a paper enrollment form available in the parish office.

**SUNDAY - Sept. 14**

Christ Renews His Parish Weekend  
 9:30am - (K-6<sup>th</sup> grades)Religious Education/NDHS  
 (7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grades)Discovery/NDHS

**MONDAY - Sept. 15**

**TUESDAY - Sept. 16**

9:30am - Prayer Shawl Ministry/SJR  
 3:00pm - Chaplet of Divine Mercy/HFC

**WEDNESDAY - Sept. 17**

3:00pm - Chaplet of Divine Mercy/HFC  
 4:00pm - Adoration/HFC  
 5:30pm - Rosary/HFC  
 7:00pm - Verso L'Alto/PH

**THURSDAY - Sept. 18**

3:00pm - Chaplet of Divine Mercy/HFC  
 7:00pm - R.C.I.A. /NDE Cafeteria  
 C.R.H.P. (M)/PH  
 Prayer Shawl Ministry/SJR

**FRIDAY - Sept. 19**

3:00pm - Chaplet of Divine Mercy/HFC

**SATURDAY - Sept. 20**

Christ Renews His Parish Weekend  
 4:00pm - Reconciliation/HFC

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 9:30am - (K-6<sup>th</sup> grades)Religious Education/NDHS  
 (7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grades)Discovery/ NDHS

(SJR)-St. Joseph Room; HFC-Holy Family Chapel; PH-Parish Hall; NDE Cafe-Notre Dame Elementary Cafeteria; CR-Conference Room; WR-Workroom; BR-Brides Room; MR-Music Room)

## PARISH ACTIVITIES

**The Roof is Up!** Please continue to pray for the safety and success for this wonderful project that will help to grow the needs of our parish family. If you have not made a pledge, we ask that you prayerfully consider making a commitment. We hope that everyone will participate in this endeavor to build a space that help to increase the needs of our parish and community.

To increase or extend your pledge, please use the blue Pledge Increase-Extension cards located in the Narthex. Thank you to those who have given additional above their pledged amount. If you are pledging for the first time, please use the white Pledge cards also located in the Narthex.

**PLEDGE UPDATE as of: September 7, 2014**

**GOAL: \$3,000,000**

**AMOUNT PLEDGED: \$2,792,976.68 (Includes \$825,000 received in Grants)**

**AMOUNT COLLECTED: \$2,149,045.57**

**# of Families Pledged: 448**

All E-Giving will be done through 'Faith Direct' our online giving program. Online enrollment forms are available in the Narthex. Or go directly to [www.faithdirect.net](http://www.faithdirect.net) to enroll. For the Capital Campaign online enrollment, use Church Code: **TX508**. To afford the greatest tax benefits for our parish, Campaign gifts are processed through the Diocese of Ft. Worth Advancement Corporation.



### OLQP Parish Picnic - One Family of Faith Sunday - October 12, 2014; Noon until 4pm (ND Elementary School and school grounds)

Noon-2pm: Hamburgers, Cheese Burgers, Hotdogs and all the fixings  
(provided by Knights of Columbus Council #1473)  
Physical Arrangements organized and provided by the OLQP Men's Club  
Drinks and Chips provided by OLQP  
BINGO and Desserts provided by the Altar Society  
Interactive Games provided by the Youth Ministry  
OLQP t-shirts available at the church office: \$5 each (limited sizes available)

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

Tuesday mornings - Sept. 16 at 9:30 a.m.  
Thursday evenings - Sept. 18 at 7 p.m.  
In the St. Joseph Room

### Religious Education (K-6th Grade)

Sunday's 9:30-10:45am at ND elementary school  
Registration Form and calendar online at [www.olqpwf.org](http://www.olqpwf.org)  
Sept. 14th at NDHS on Lansing  
Sept. 21st at NDHS on Lansing  
Sept. 28th at ND elementary on York  
For information contact Sr. Ginny in the office.



### First Annual Tuition Assistance Meal (Enchilada Plate)

**in Honor of Roland Sigler, Sr.**

Sponsored by the OLQP Men's club

Sun., Sept. 28 (OLQP Parish Hall)

10:30am until 2:00pm

\$10 per Adult & \$5 per Child under 12 yrs. old

Dine-In or Take-Out

Raffle for Door Prizes

### Pilgrimage to TURKEY and GREECE April 18-28, 2015 (\$2,799)

Led by Fr. Sojan

Visiting Istanbul, Troy, 7 Churches of Revelation (Pergamum, Thyatira, Smyrna (Izmir), Sardis, Laodicea, Philadelphia, Ephesus) Pamukkale, Corinth, Athens plus an Aegean Sea Cruise (Ports: Patmos, Crete, Santorini, Piraeus)

Registration forms available in the Narthex, Chapel entrance and at the church office.

### Prayer for Peace in Iraq

Lord,

The plight in Iraq is deep and the suffering of Christians is severe and frightening.

Therefore, we ask you Lord, to spare our lives, and to grant us patience,

And courage to continue to our witness of Christian values with trust and hope.

Lord, peace is the foundation of life.

Grant us the peace and stability that will enable us to live with each other without fear and anxiety, and with dignity and joy.

### Men in Christ

Men of the Parish: Do you have a desire to grow as a Christian man? Come join the MEN in CHRIST as we pray, explore Scripture together and support one another in our Christian walk. Meet us in the Conference Room each Saturday (except 2nd Saturday of the month) at 7:30am. Call Jack at 696-0741.

### OLQP Men's Club

Next Meeting: Monday, Sept. 8

ALL Men of our Parish ages 18 and older are members and are highly encouraged to attend monthly meetings. (First Monday of the month @ 7pm in the Parish Hall). NO Membership Fees.

Call Mike Carlton, President for more info: 696-9162

## Parish Announcements

### CAPS of LOVE

(National Council of Catholic Women Service Project)

NCCW has been a longtime advocate to the need to RECYCLE plastic and other materials in an effort to be good stewards of GOD's earth. This a fun and easy way to fulfill that mission and help provide wheelchairs for disabled children! Start with your Council of Catholic Women members—include your school-aged children, parish scout troops, high school teens and preschoolers—everyone should be involved!

Which caps should you save? **HARD PLASTIC CAPS!** — From laundry detergents, hand sanitizers, beverage bottles, toothpaste, shampoo, spray paint, hair spray, tennis ball can lids, grated cheese, cream cheese, salad dressing, peanut butter, medicines and so many others. **COLOR IS NOT AN ISSUE!** — Save them ALL!

**NO METAL!!!** Please remove All paper inserts and send only caps!!!

“Caps of Love” is the only US affiliate of the International Charity “Bouchons D’Amour”, dedicated to helping the disabled. Recycling plastic caps raises money to buy wheelchairs for disabled children. This also has an environmental benefit as discarded caps are put in our landfills or incinerated which harms the earth in not recycled. Plastic caps are a different grade of plastic from the bottles and are valuable in bulk. They can be sold to companies using recycled “post-consumer” plastic to created new products such as plastic shipping pallets, park benches, plastic paint cans and many other items. For more information, visit: [www.capsoflove.com](http://www.capsoflove.com) or contact Nan at 544-2243 or Judy at 723-5288.

**Bottle caps can be dropped off at the Home Depot service counter.**



### October Retreat for Women: “Seek Ye First the Kingdom”

given by Sister Patricia and Sister Ginny  
**Saturday, Oct. 11**

from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in Parish Hall  
Mark your calendar to spend that day growing in your prayer life.

You may register by e-mailing Sister Ginny: [srginny@olqpwf.org](mailto:srginny@olqpwf.org) or by calling her at the office: 696-1253.

### The Catholic Medical-Dental Guild of Wichita Falls

#### An Evening with Bishop Michael Olson

Saturday, Oct. 25 at Sacred Heart Church  
5:00 PM Mass with Special Intention for Healthcare Workers followed by Dinner, Music and Keynote  
Address on Healthcare Ethics by Bishop Olson  
(One hour of Continuing Education credit in Ethics for healthcare providers will be available)

Net proceeds to benefit Fort Worth Catholic Charities - Northwest Deanery

Tickets \$40 each or Table of 8 for \$400  
Ticket Reservations available at Sacred Heart Catholic Church Parish Office: 1504 10th Street, Wichita Falls TX 76301 or by contacting [catholicmedwf@gmail.com](mailto:catholicmedwf@gmail.com). You do not have to be a healthcare provider to attend.

### SAVE THE DATES!!!

#### Thu., Sept. 25: Red Mass

For all attorneys, judges, public officials, and their families and staff  
Info - [www.fwdioc.org](http://www.fwdioc.org)

#### Sat., Sept. 27: A Celebration of LIFE

The Bishop's 10th Annual Catholic Respect Life Gala  
Info - Yolanda Newcomb, (817)560-2452 ext. 118 or [ynewcomb@advancementfoundation.org](mailto:ynewcomb@advancementfoundation.org)

#### Sun., Oct. 5: LIFE CHAIN - LIFE is Priceless!!!

27th Annual Life Chain from 3-4pm; corner of Callfield & Midwestern Parkway  
Info - Deacon Jim at the church office

#### Thu., Fri. & Sat., Oct. 23-25: “Walking Together in Faith”

8th Annual University of Dallas Ministry Conference  
Info - [www.udallas.edu/udmc](http://www.udallas.edu/udmc)

### A Charismatic Prayer Meeting

Sunday afternoons at 4:00  
Youth Ministry chapel at Sacred Heart Church (upstairs in the Pastoral Annex)  
call Jack at 696-0741 or Manuel at 322-5958

### Safe Environment Sessions for 2014 Wednesday, Oct. 1 at 7pm - First Time Saturday, Oct. 4 at 9am - Update

All sessions will be held in the Church office conference at 4040 York St.  
Contact the parish office at 940-696-1253 for more information or to sign-up.  
All parish volunteers MUST maintain current status to continue in their ministries.

### INTERFAITH MINISTRIES

**Current Needs:** Cereal, Canned Vegetables, Dried Beans, Jelly, Peanut Butter, Pasta (dry), Rice, Canned Spaghetti Sauce, Mac & Cheese.

**Toiletries:** Body Soap, Laundry detergent, deodorant & toothpaste.

**Paper Products:** Toilet Tissue, Paper Towels, Kleenex

**Eyeglasses:** prescription or reading glass that you don't need. These items go fast. Place items in the basket located in the Narthex. Every bit helps families with real needs in Wichita County and Holliday.

### JOB Opportunities:

Part-Time Cafeteria Worker  
Director of Enrollment (see website for details)  
Applications available at the Upper Campus.

### St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store

1516 Beverly Drive (723-4971)  
Come see the great selection of items that are available. Like us on Facebook: Wichita Falls St. Vincent De Paul Thrift Store.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Come learn about our Northwest expansion, programs and services. Find out how **YOU** can get involved.

### Information Lunch Session Wednesdays, September 3 & 17

12 pm - 1 pm - Lunch will be provided - RSVP required (unable to attend, I will come to you or your organization)

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Come be a part of our outreach to the Wichita Falls community in our efforts to End Poverty in our diocese. Ask how you can help! **Carry Hope Tote & Home in a Box Projects**

### Disaster Response Volunteer

Severe weather safety tips, safety plans/kits/local recovery efforts

**Contact: Susan Cronin (940) 716-9669**  
**all events are in the Parish Hall of Sacred Heart**

**Catholic Charities invites you** to find out more about their expansion in the Northwest area of our diocese. This is a great opportunity to learn more about Catholic Charities' outreach to help end poverty in our community and how you can get involved.



**SEASONS OF HOPE**

Bereavement Support Group to Begin

A Christ-centered support group is for you if any of these are true:

- ✓ You are looking for friends in Christ to share your journey in sorrow
- ✓ You've been trying to figure out the meaning of your grief
- ✓ You want to get on with Life but haven't been able to
- ✓ You find comfort in the teaching of Christ
- ✓ You are open to new ways of coping with your grief
- ✓ You don't want to feel alone anymore

The next Season of Hope begins on Oct. 6, 2014 and will meet for six Monday evenings at 7pm in The Seasons do not build on each other so someone could start at any Season. Also, if you have attended a Season you would still benefit from the next Season. Sign-up for this Season will be the weekends of Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> and Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> after each Mass. Space is limited. For more details, pick up a Seasons of Hope brochure. The class book and instructions will be available at sign up.

**IF YOU SIGN UP FOR THE SESSION YOU ARE COMMITTING TO A SIX WEEKS SESSIONS AND NO VISITORS ARE ALLOWED TO ATTEND THE CLASSES.**

You may also register by calling Helen at 704-1278 or by emailing her at lhills307@gmail.com

**The Men are invited to attend the next Christ Renews His Parish Weekend** at Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church. Please consider HIS call to you and join those whom HE has also called, have responded....and have been blessed.

**Men: Sept. 20/21**

The weekend is open to those who are at least twenty-one years of age and have not attended a previous CRHP weekend. It is for anyone who seeks spiritual renewal, desires to build up the Body of Christ, or gain a deeper sense of purpose within the parish community. Praying for guidance is important. If you feel that Christ, through the Holy Spirit, is calling you, then come to the weekend. You will be blessed. Please know that every effort will be made to accommodate your special needs.

Registration forms are available online ([www.olqpwf.org](http://www.olqpwf.org)) and in the Narthex and Chapel entrance. Or you may call the church office.



## Youth Ministry

**PRAY • LOVE • SERVE**

For more information  
Call Greg Brown 696-1253  
[greg@olqpwf.org](mailto:greg@olqpwf.org)

**Discovery (Middle School Ministry, 7-8th) Sunday's 9:30-10:45am in the Parish Hall (unless otherwise noted)**

Registration forms and calendar available online at [www.olqpwf.org](http://www.olqpwf.org) (Please note that a Form A for 14/15 must be completed for this school year if not yet completed through our summer activities since June of 2014. Form A will be kept on file until it expires in May of 2015 so that you only have to fill it out once per year per child. Form B must be filled out additionally for each event youth participate in thought the year.)

- Sept. 14th, 21st, 28th (NDHS Gym: please drop off and pick up in the south parking lot circle by the bus barn)
- Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>

**MSM retreat will be Oct. 17-18th.** Come join in fellowship, begin new friendships, come learn about our amazing God and get ready for a incredible weekend! All 7th and 8th graders are encouraged to attend. Cost is \$25 Registration deadline Oct. 8th. [www.olqpwf.org/other](http://www.olqpwf.org/other) for more information and registration forms.

**Verso L'alto (High School Ministry, 9th-12th) Wednesday's 7pm-9pm**

- Sept. 17th
- Sept. 24th
- Oct. 1st

Registration forms and calendar available online at [www.olqpwf.org](http://www.olqpwf.org) (Please note that a Form A for 14/15 must be completed for this school year if not yet completed through our summer activities since June of 2014. Form A will be kept on file until it expires in May of 2015 so that you only have to fill it out once per year per child. Form B must be filled out additionally for each event youth participate in thought the year.)

**BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES:**

• **GOSPEL OF JOHN** led by Sister Patricia, SSMN

ONE Scripture Study on the Gospel of John for everyone interested. It will begin on Sept. 30th, at 7pm-9pm in the parish hall. Register after each Mass and if you are new, purchase our text for \$10.00. There will be readings to do before the first session, so please register as soon as possible. We will meet each Tuesday until after Thanksgiving.

• **HARVESTING THE WILDERNESS** led by Jack Abel, parishioner

Reading the Old Testament for Spiritual Profit (a 9 week series). The will begin Sunday mornings from 9:30am to 10:40am and will start on Sept. 28

One hears comments like:

"It's too hard to understand"

"I tried but I gave up"

"I'm not sure how to read the Old Testament"

Come grow in our ability to reap the benefits of reading the Old Testament. A little more knowledge and an honest effort will help open our eyes to the treasures of God's Word in the Old Testament.

Topics to be covered:

The Vatican Council Document on Divine Revelation and the Old Testament

Why read the Old Testament when we have the NEW?

What divine inspiration of such diverse books as Exodus, Isaiah and Job means?

Applying an Old Testament book or text to our life today.

• **Sacred Heart's Mom's Group** is beginning a new Bible Study covering **Luke & Acts of the Apostles**. All women of OLQP, whether or not you're a mom, are invited to join. The study, from Catholic Scripture Study Inc., is a doctrinal based Roman Catholic Group Study Program, written by Sister Marie Therese Wright, SSMN. We meet 9-11:30am the 1st and 3rd Wed of each month upstairs in the Pastoral Center (Berend Rm) at Sacred Heart. Childcare is available. Questions/ More Info/Register please call Tonya Genewick 689-8218 or 910-489-2997.

**FREE MASS TIMES APP - for when you're away!** The Catholic Directory iPhone App is FREE and will quickly find the churches nearest to you, including Mass Times, Web sites, Maps, Directions, Staff, Bulletins, and other important information. Powered by [TheCatholicDirectory.com](http://TheCatholicDirectory.com)

**\*we still need help with meals for Verso L'alto this year.** If you are interested in preparing and/or providing a meal for our high school program please contact Greg in the office.

**\*\* We are in need of 5 more adults to serve Verso L'alto as Faith Coaches (small group leaders).** For more information please see [www.olqpwf.org/how-to-help](http://www.olqpwf.org/how-to-help) or contact Greg

**Keep up with what's going on at [www.olqpwf.org/youth](http://www.olqpwf.org/youth)**

"The proof of love is in the works. Where love exists, it works great things. But when it ceases to act, it ceases to exist."

— Saint Gregory the Great

If your son or daughter is in high school we are looking for musician's to join our Youth Band. Our group leads music for the Sunday 11am Mass on the 3rd Sunday of each month. We are in need of another guitar player along with a bass player and always in need of singers! Please contact Greg in the office for rehearsal times. Guitar and or bass lessons available to middle school and high school youth. If your youth plays another instrument and is interested in joining the youth band, please contact Greg in the office.

World Youth Day at Six Flags is Sunday October 19th. Cost is \$35 per youth (\$10 if you have a valid season pass). Deadline to register is Friday October 3rd at noon. Youth will also need our new OLQP youth tshirt which will be available as soon as we receive them. Contact Greg for more info or see [www.olqpwf.org/other](http://www.olqpwf.org/other)

**Keep a look out, new youth tshirts available soon!**

## ADULT FORMATION

### The Rite of Christian Initiation

**R.C.I.A Inquirer Classes meet on Thursdays at 7pm in the NDES Cafeteria All are Welcome (even if you are already Catholic) to the Inquiry Sessions to learn more about the Catholic Faith. Call Deacon Jim at 696-1253 if you are interested.**

### The Historical Roots

Often called “the catechumenate,” the RCIA (formation of adults) or CIC (formation of children) is a process of faith development and catechetical instruction which culminates in full membership in the Christian Roman Catholic community — the reception of the “sacraments of initiation”: baptism, confirmation, and Eucharist. This journey of faith is similar to the one people made when joining the early Church communities. Today’s revised process, promulgated in 1972, calls on the entire parish community for involvement and prayerful support.

### Inquiry and Its Rite

During the first stage in the faith journey, inquirers begin to form relationships with one another and with their catechists. Sessions are informal, with life stories shared and curiosities about “things Catholic” answered. When a decision to continue in the process is made, inquirers obtain sponsors or godparents to mentor them along the way. Then, the Rite of Acceptance Into the Order of Catechumens is celebrated within the community’s Sunday Mass.

### Worldwide Marriage Encounter

“For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. Let Christ into your marriage so it can be a greater marriage. Let God be the strength of your marriage by attending the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on Nov. 7-9. Dates fill fast. To apply visit our website at: <http://www.dfwme.org/apply>. For more information e-mail [apply@dfwme.org](mailto:apply@dfwme.org) or call 469-444-0904. Para mas informacion de Encuentro Matrimonial en Espanol, escriba a [emmdfw@gmail.com](mailto:emmdfw@gmail.com) o visite <http://www.seccion15.org/>

### Divorced and Re-married?

If you are divorced and remarried outside of the Catholic Church without a Decree of Invalidity, or if you are married outside of the Catholic Church, you may not partake of the Sacraments, including the reception of Holy Communion. Until it is shown otherwise through the ministry of the Tribunal, no person is free to enter into another marriage without the appearance or occasion of serious sin. A divorce alone would not affect, or hinder in any way, your participation in the Catholic Church. A divorced Catholic is free to receive the sacraments. However, if you are divorced and have remarried, or if you are divorced and in a new relationship, or if you are living with someone without a Decree of Invalidity (and your former spouse is still living) you may not partake of the sacraments, including the reception of Holy Communion).

Consider seeking a Decree of Invalidity which will enable you to return to a full participation in the sacramental life of the Church. For more information contact Deacon Larry Bills at the Church office at 696-1253.

### Beginning Experience

Are you, or is someone you know, struggling after the loss of a marriage partner? The Beginning Experience is a peer ministry for widowed, separated, or divorced individuals. It is a weekend program to help move from the darkness of grief into the light of a new beginning of hope for the future. Rooted in the Catholic tradition, this ministry is open to men and women of all faiths. The next weekend retreat will be held **Oct. 24-26** at the Catholic Conference and Formation Center in Dallas. To register please call or text our voicemail number at (682) “BE-DFW-GO”, that is (682) 233-3946, or e-mail the DFW Beginning Experience Team at [beginningexperiencedfw@gmail.com](mailto:beginningexperiencedfw@gmail.com). Additional info can be found at [www.beginningexperiencedfw.org](http://www.beginningexperiencedfw.org).

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### Natural Family Planning Classes

Did you know... today’s Natural Family Planning is not the old “rhythm” method? The Couple to Couple League is offering NFP classes at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Wichita Falls, Texas. This is a 3-part class, and the next class series will take place on Sundays from 1:30- 4:30pm in the Berend Room. If you would like to sign up for this class or any other upcoming classes, please go to [www.ccli.org](http://www.ccli.org) and fill out the online registration form. If you have any questions, you may contact Lauren Morath at (940)544-2515 [orlmorath@srcaccess.net](mailto:orlmorath@srcaccess.net).



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### Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat for Healing After Abortion

817-923-4757 (Next Retreat Oct. 10)

Rachel Ministries is offering two confidential weekend retreats for healing after abortion; one in **English on Oct. 10-12, and one in Spanish on Oct. 31-Nov. 2**. The retreat will help if you are struggling with grief, guilt and pain after abortion and want to find healing and hope. Come and experience the mercy, forgiveness and healing love of God in the company of others who understand what you’re going through. For more information in English, please call our confidential English helpline at 817-923-4757 or email [forgiven@racheltx.org](mailto:forgiven@racheltx.org). For more information in Spanish, please call our confidential Spanish helpline at 817-886-4760 or email [misericordia@racheltx.org](mailto:misericordia@racheltx.org). Confidentiality is strictly observed.

### Our Rock

Although the world may change, God stays the same. He can be trusted to provide love, support, strength, patience, wisdom, insight, and creativity when we need it. All we have to do is ask. “For I the Lord do not change...” (Malachi 3:6).

### 2-way forgiveness

Children often struggle as much with offering forgiveness as with asking for it. Forgiving requires setting aside pride and lowering defenses. Our example, however, is Jesus who forgave those who hurt him so deeply. We, as parents, are the other examples. Teaching and modeling forgiveness to children at young ages helps them live lives full of healthy relationships.

“The first setting in which faith enlightens the human city is the family. ~ Pope Francis

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**PRAYER for OUR TROOPS** Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

## GROWING IN FAITH

### GOOD NEWS!

#### EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Nm 21:4b-9 / Phil 2:6-11 / Jn 3:13-17

Julian of Norwich (born in 1342, died after 1416), who wrote so wonderfully about her visions of God, once said that we have our beginning in God's love. From that love we are created, and in that love we live until we are united with God at the end. I've always loved the image of a love that wants to bear fruit in creation—that wants to create me and all the people of the world.

Why should it be any surprise, then, that in his love, God would give us himself in Jesus Christ to redeem us all and give us eternal life? It shouldn't, yet many of us walk around unable to believe that someone might love us enough to give his life for us.

Today is an invitation to stop and ask, "What if I believed wholeheartedly the words of the gospel today? What if I knew to the core of my being that I was loved?"

I think we might carry ourselves a little differently; we might approach people more openly; we might dare even to love those we thought we couldn't.

We get occasional glimpses of love: husbands and wives, parents and children, the deep love of a friend who will drop everything to help us. God's love is all of that and more. For our sake, God emptied himself to become one of us and, at the last, he gave himself for us that we might live more fully than we ever thought possible.

Let us know and believe God's love, which created us, redeemed us, and holds us still until that great day we are united with him forever in heaven.

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### Dear Padre!

#### What is the meaning of Jesus' death on the cross?

A Protestant friend tells me that Jesus died to take the punishment for our sins. That doesn't seem accurate to me. Is that what the Church teaches?

Jesus understood his mission to be sacrificing his own life "as a ransom for many" (Matthew 20:28). His fidelity to that mission was even at the cost of death. However, saying Jesus' death was payment for our sins doesn't mean that a vengeful God was appeased by the slaughter of his own innocent son. Rather, we are redeemed because of the mutual love between Father and Son, as well as the love Christ had for us all when he offered his life.

"It is love 'to the end' [see John 13:1] that confers on Christ's sacrifice its value as redemption and reparation, as atonement and satisfaction" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 616). It is in this sense that Jesus' death was a payment—not one to be exacted—but a unique sacrifice "that completes and surpasses all other

sacrifices," when "the Father handed his Son over to sinners in order to reconcile us with himself," and the Son of God freely and lovingly offered his human life to his Father "in reparation for our disobedience" (CCC 614).

Christ "bore our sins in his body upon the cross. . . . By his wounds you have been healed" (1 Peter 2:24). Viewed in light of the resurrection, Christ's death has meaning in eternal life's triumph over sin.

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#### Mistakes can be blessings

Do you dread making mistakes and feel remorse when you do? Instead, realize that mistakes are simply outcomes we didn't expect and can lead to growth.

#### Start by admitting your mistake.

You can only learn from a mistake if you admit you made one. Acknowledging the error takes the focus away from assigning blame and moves it toward understanding a future course of action.

#### Enlist help.

Talking to someone else about what happened gives you the benefit of another's experience. He or she may have made a similar mistake or know of a solid solution. Plus, describing the event forces you to think it through and may even help you see opportunities you didn't know were there.

#### Decide on change.

Ask, "What will I do better next time?" Real growth and change happen when you see possibilities for improvement.

Benefit from mistakes.

If you can learn from the current error, you may be able to avoid a future one. Remember, God is the only one you know who doesn't make mistakes.