

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**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  
**MONDAY - Sept. 22**  
 8:00am - CODY ATCHLEY†  
 by The Atchley Families  
 MARY MIKKELSON (INT) by Helen Sigler  
 CHRISTIAN FRANDO (INT-Thanksgiving)  
 by M/M Virgil Frando  
**TUESDAY - Sept. 23**  
 8:00 am - Liturgy of the Hours  
**WEDNESDAY - Sept. 24**  
 10:00am - ND School Mass  
 6:15 pm - LORENE GOFORTH† by M/M John Horn  
 BETTY JANOTA† by Pattie Redder  
 CHRISTIAN FRANDO (INT-Thanksgiving)  
 by M/M Virgil Frando  
**THURSDAY - Sept. 25**  
 8:00 am - DORIS ANGSTROM†  
 and ROYCE HUMPERT† by M/M John Horn  
 HO BIEN† by Vicky Ho  
**FRIDAY - Sept. 26**  
 8:00 am - GUY FIDELIE† by The Fidelie Families  
 SR. JOSEPHINE STEWART† by Pattie Redder  
 CHRISTIAN FRANDO (INT-Thanksgiving)  
 by M/M Virgil Frando  
**SATURDAY - Sept. 27**  
 6:00 pm - DONNIE WHITE†  
 by Ginger, Kari & Cody White  
 ROGER GAGNE† by Margie Frazier  
 For Those who have Died† by To Nguyen  
**SUNDAY - Sept. 28**  
 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: Prv 3:27-34 \* Lk 8:16-18  
 Tue: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13 \* Lk 8:19-21  
 Wed: Prv 30:5-9 \* Lk 9:1-6  
 Thu: Eccl 1:2-11 \* Lk 9:7-9  
 Fri: Eccl 3:1-11 \* Lk 9:18-22  
 Sat: Eccl 11:9—12:8 \* Lk 9:43b-45  
 Sun: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Ez 18:25-28 \*  
 Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5 \* Mt 21:28-32

*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 Billbay, 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, Jonathan Kegley\*, 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, Clyde Morbitzer, David Musil, Stephen Musil, Dorothy "Dot" Myers, Irene Myers, Jan McElroy, Julie Newberry, Billy Newberry, Jennifer Newberry, Justin Parks\*, The Parker Family, Geneva Pennartz, Joe Petz, Joe Petz, Jr., Nina Peysen, Karen Poirot, Betty Pond, Trinity Rayne, Aubrey Reaves, Eddie Richardson\*, 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, & 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**

9/22 - Rev. George Thennatill, TOR  
 9/23 - Very Rev. Timothy Thompson, JCL  
 9/24 - Rev. Raymond Nguyen M. Thu, CMC  
 9/25 - Rev. Khai Tran  
 9/26 - Rev. Anh Tran, JCL  
 9/27 - Rev. Sushil Tudu, TOR  
 9/28 - Rev. Amado Vallejo

*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.*

**PRAY FOR RAIN**

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 add: James Richard "Dick" King (husband of Susan King)*

*Steve Malchow*

*(nephew of Cyril & Karen Renner)*

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.*

*And let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen.*

**WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS**

Sept. 7: ..... \$13,029.00  
 Special Collection: ..... \$76.00

**Faith Direct**

August 15: ..... \$16,678.83  
 Sept. 4: ..... \$19,073.71  
 Catholic University of America Fund: ..... \$581.00

[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. 21**  
 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. 22**  
 3:00pm - Chaplet of Divine Mercy/HFC  
**TUESDAY - Sept. 23**  
 Intercessory Prayer Group after Liturgy of the Hours/  
 HFC  
 3:00pm - Chaplet of Divine Mercy/HFC  
**WEDNESDAY - Sept. 24**  
 3:00pm - Chaplet of Divine Mercy/HFC  
 4:00pm - Adoration/HFC  
 5:30pm - Rosary/HFC  
 7:00pm - Verso L'Alto/PH  
**THURSDAY - Sept. 25**  
 3:00pm - Chaplet of Divine Mercy/HFC  
 7:00pm - R.C.I.A. /NDE Cafeteria  
 C.R.H.P. (M)/PH  
**FRIDAY - Sept. 26**  
 3:00pm - Chaplet of Divine Mercy/HFC  
**SATURDAY - Sept. 27**  
 4:00pm - Reconciliation/HFC  
**SUNDAY - Sept. 28**  
 9:30am - (K-6<sup>th</sup> grades)Religious Education/NDHS  
 (7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grades)Discovery/ NDHS  
 10:30am - OLQP Men's Club Enchilada Dinner/PH  
 3:00pm - First Reconciliation Parent Mtg./SJR  
 6:00pm - Heritage Group/SJR  
 (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



**OLQP Parish Picnic - One Family of Faith**

“and the congregation of those who believed were of one heart and soul” ~Acts 4:32

**Sunday - Oct. 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

B.I.N.G.O. and Desserts provided by the Altar Society

Interactive Games provided by the Youth Ministry

OLQP tshirts available at the church office: \$5 each (limited sizes available)



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

**in Honor of Roland Sigler 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 Tak-Out

There will also be a raffle drawing for door.

**Pilgrimage to TURKEY and GREECE (visiting the seven churches)**

**April 18-28, 2015**

**(\$2,799 - First payment due by Sept. 29)**

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.

**Notre Dame Catholic School Reunion (ALL alumni)**

on Friday, Sept. 26th at the NDHS Football Field. The reunion will include a FREE dinner, catered by Logan's Roadhouse, for you and your spouse, and there will also be free admittance to the first home football game of the year! Show your Knight Pride by wearing your letter jacket or a tshirt from your high school years! Come mingle and rekindle friendships from your ND past! Please spread the word to your classmates about this fun evening. Several ND classes are having reunions that weekend. They are the ND Class of 1969, 1974, 1984-85 and 1994. The Homecoming Pep Rally will begin at 1:50 that afternoon in the gym, and all are invited. We look forward to seeing all alumni at this event! You can also find out more about our school at our ND facebook page: www.facebook.com/NotreDameCatholicSchool

**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

**Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Tuesday morning - Oct. 7 & 21 at 9:30 a.m.

Thursday evenings - Oct. 2 & 16 at 7 p.m.

In the St. Joseph Room

**KID'S CORNER**

**FIRST RECONCILIATION**

Program will begins with a parent meeting on Sunday - Sept. 28, from 3:00-4:00 in the St. Joseph Room of the Church. At least one parent is required to attend. Child care is provided. Children's sessions will be held in small groups in homes and begin the week of Oct. 5. All children of the parish, both children who attend Notre Dame and children who attend other schools, participate in the sacrament program.

The actual date of First Reconciliation is Monday, Nov. 25 at 7:00 p.m. in the church.

**SAVE THE DATES!!!**

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

For all attorneys, judges, public officials, and their families and staff

Info - 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

**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

The Family Life Center is taking shape! 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.faihdirect.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.

## 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! For more information, visit: [www.capslove.com](http://www.capslove.com) or contact Nan at 544-2243 or Judy at 723-5288.

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



### Sharing in Ministry

Just as we are one in the body of Christ, we must remember that we are one with other parishes in our diocese. Once a year we are asked to make a commitment to support the work of our diocesan programs and ministries that provide services that no one parish could provide on its own. By making a gift to the **Sharing in Ministry** Bishop's Annual Appeal, we all share in the work of our diocese and the mission of the church. **This coming weekend the 27/28 is our commitment weekend for the appeal.** Please prayerfully consider making your pledge this coming weekend. Our goal is the participation of every family in our parish.

### 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.

### 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.

### 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)

### 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 3:00 p.m.  
in the Parish Hall

We will focus on the Scriptural words: Mercy, Compassion, Indwelling, and Joy!

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.

### INTERFAITH MINISTRIES

#### August Food Donations: 469 pounds

**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.

### 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.

### 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 m 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](mailto:lhills307@gmail.com)

### OLQP Men's Club

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 info: 696-9162

### 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.

**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 series will be held from 9:30 - 10:40 on Sunday mornings beginning Sept. 28. It will be held in the Choir Room.

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.

## 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.

### Worldwide Marriage Encounter

The second reading calls us to "conduct yourselves in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ". The Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend helps your marriage to be a sign for the world. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is 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/>

### 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).

## Youth Ministry

**PRAY • LOVE • SERVE**

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

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.)

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

- Sept. 21st (NDHS Gym: please drop off and pick up in the south parking lot circle by the bus barn)
- Sept. 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. 24th
- Oct. 1st

**\*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

### 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 [ormorath@srcaccess.net](mailto:ormorath@srcaccess.net).

[forgiven@racheltx.org](mailto:forgiven@racheltx.org)  
[www.racheltx.org](http://www.racheltx.org)

### 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.

## GROWING IN FAITH

### Rachel's Corner

The greater the misery of a soul, the greater its right to My mercy; [urge] all souls to trust in the unfathomable abyss of My mercy, because I want to save them all. ~ Jesus' words to St. Faustina (Diary 1182). Trust in Jesus, and let His Divine Mercy heal your abortion wound at a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat.

Rachel Ministries • 817-923-4757

Next Retreat Oct. 10

## Dear Padre!

### Is there a dress code for weddings?

A few months ago you talked about appropriate dress for Mass. What about appropriate dress for brides and bridesmaids at church weddings? Some of the dresses are so revealing you'd never know they were getting married in a church. Are there rules about this? You make a very good point. Individual dioceses or parishes might have guidelines, but the universal Church doesn't, and standards of modesty vary. One would presume that people getting married in a church, or even just attending Mass, would understand proper decorum.

By the time the bridal party is entering the church, it's too late for the priest to do anything about the gowns, although I have heard of a priest who gave the bride a handkerchief to cover herself.

Parishes should have guidelines that cover dress for all members of the bridal party and for photography, music, and participation in the Eucharist. These guidelines should be given to the couple when they prepare for the sacrament to avoid embarrassing situations in the vestibule right before the wedding.

Ask your pastor if your archdiocese or parish has such guidelines. If it doesn't, offer to help draw them up.

FR. PATRICK KEYES, CSSR  
sundaybulletin@liguori.org

## GOOD NEWS!

### TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 55:6-9 / Phil 1:20c-24, 27a / Mt 20:1-16a

When I was a child, family allowances were pegged to age. The older we were, the more we got in reflection of our growing responsibility for household chores. If we did extra, we got extra—it was as simple as that. Complaints were few, and we waited in great anticipation for the day allowances were handed out.

Because of that experience, I feel some sympathy for the workers in today's readings who worked all day, only to find they'd receive what the latecomers got. I certainly wouldn't have thought it fair if my fourteen-years-younger sister had gotten the same allowance I did!

But, as Isaiah so gently reminds us, God's ways are not ours. God's wages cannot be measured in dollars. Grace, freedom, mercy, and love are the payment God renders for our willingness to work in his vineyard. These things cannot be divided, because God is not stingy or miserly. Nor can they be earned, for they are gifts. God gives his gifts wholly and freely to all who turn to him.

Think of it this way: Does God give less grace or freedom to the adult who is baptized at thirty than to the thirty-year old who was baptized as an infant? The question makes us laugh—of course not.

It is very much like us to want our fair share, and we've become accustomed to earning our wages. It is very like God to want every person to taste the joy and freedom of life in him, and the first step to doing so is simply accepting his invitation.

We might as well start now.  
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## FEAST & CELEBRATIONS

### Sept. 21 - St. Matthew

Also known as Levi, he was a notorious tax collector. St. Matthew left everything when Jesus called him to spread the Gospel. He wrote the Gospel According to Matthew.

### Sept. 23 - Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

Francesco, named in honor of St. Francis of Assisi, was born to Giuseppa and Grazio Forgione, peasant farmers, in the small Italian village of Pietrelcina on May 25, 1887. From his childhood, it was evident that he was a special child of God. Francesco was very devout even as a child, and at an early age felt drawn to the priesthood. He became a Capuchin novice at the age of sixteen and received the habit in 1902. Francesco was ordained to the priesthood in 1910 after seven years of study and became known as Padre Pio.

On Sept. 20, 1918, Padre Pio was kneeling in front of a large crucifix when he received the visible marks of the crucifixion, making him the first stigmatized priest in the history of Church. The doctor who examined Padre Pio could not find any natural cause for the wounds. Upon his death in 1968, the wounds were no longer visible. In fact, there was no scarring and the skin was completely renewed. He had predicted 50 years prior that upon his death the wounds would heal. The wounds of the stigmata were not the only mystical phenomenon experienced by Padre Pio.

The blood from the stigmata had an odor described by many as similar to that of perfume or flowers, and the gift of bilocation was attributed to him. Padre Pio had the ability to read the hearts of the penitents who flocked to him for confession which he heard for ten or twelve hours per day. Padre Pio used the confessional to bring both sinners and devout souls closer to God; he would know just the right word of counsel or encouragement that was needed. Even before his death, people spoke to Padre Pio about his possible canonization. He died on Sept. 23, 1968 at the age of eighty-one. His funeral was attended by about 100,000 people.

On June 16, 2002, over 500,000 Padre Pio devotees gathered in Rome to witness Pope John Paul II proclaim Padre Pio, Saint Pio of Pietrelcina. The Padre Pio Foundation and many benefactors traveled to Rome, San Giovanni Rotondo, Pietrelcina, Piana Romana and many other holy places to celebrate Padre Pio's Canonization.

### Sept. 27 - Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest

St. Vincent was born of poor parents in the village of Pouy in Gascony, France, about 1580. He enjoyed his first schooling under the Franciscan Fathers at Acqs. Such had been his progress in four years that a gentleman chose him as subpreceptor to his children, and he was thus enabled to continue his studies without being a burden to his parents. In 1596, he went to the University of Toulouse for theological studies, and there he was ordained priest in 1600.

In 1605, on a voyage by sea from Marseilles to Narbonne, he fell into the hands of African pirates and was carried as a slave to Tunis. His captivity lasted about two years, until Divine Providence enabled him to effect his escape. After a brief visit to Rome he returned to France, where he became preceptor in the family of Emmanuel de Gondy, Count of Goigny, and General of the galleys of France. In 1617, he began to preach missions, and in 1625, he lay the foundations of a congregation which afterward became the Congregation of the Mission or Lazarists, so named on account of the Priory of St. Lazarus, which the Fathers began to occupy in 1633.

It would be impossible to enumerate all the works of this servant of God. Charity was his predominant virtue. It extended to all classes of persons, from forsaken childhood to old age. The Sisters of Charity also owe the foundation of their congregation to St. Vincent. In the midst of the most distracting occupations his soul was always intimately united with God. Though honored by the great ones of the world, he remained deeply rooted in humility. The Apostle of Charity, the immortal Vincent de Paul, breathed his last in Paris at the age of eighty. His feast day is Sept. 27th. He is the patron of charitable societies.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Matthew 21:28-32, Honest obedience

Jesus told of a man who asked his two sons to go work in this vineyard. The first said, "No," but went anyway. The second said "Yes," but didn't go. Which son did as the father asked?

The father in the parable is God. The first son represents the outcasts of society. They said "No" to God at first, but repented of their sins and changed. The second son represents the Jewish religious leaders. They said "Yes," but it was just lip service. They followed rules rather than change their hearts.

Saying, "Yes, God, I believe in you," is not enough. If we presume that the Lord will take us into Heaven just because we profess our faith, we will be disappointed. Words are not enough.

True obedience is lived. When we realize we are in a state of sin, we have two options. We can say we're sorry, or we can show we're sorry by going to Confession, doing sincere penance and amending our lives. Living as Jesus taught us is our way of "working in our Father's vineyard."

### Why do we say the Church is "Apostolic?"

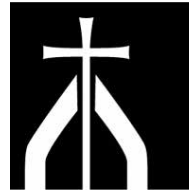
The Church was founded on the Apostles, sent by Christ to "make disciples of all nations...teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you" (Matthew 28:19-20). The Apostles conferred their mission and authority on their successors with the imposition of hands, still done today.

The faith of the Apostles was preserved through time via this apostolic succession. "[The Church] continues to be taught, sanctified, and guided by the Apostles until Christ's return, through their successors in pastoral office" (CCC 857)

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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.

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