



# TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

*Behold, the wages you withheld from the workers  
who harvested your fields are crying aloud;  
and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts.*

James 5:4

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A wrestling match of sorts takes place in this section of Mark's Gospel. Jesus tries mightily to describe what it will mean to be his followers, and the disciples try mightily to avoid the subject. They point to an outsider, and the dangers *he* poses. Jesus turns the tables and asks his disciples to look within themselves: how are *they* a danger to Jesus and his work? Jesus uses graphic language, invoking self-amputation, to underscore his point.

Sometimes our most difficult obstacles lie deep within. Like our hands and feet, some attitudes and habits are deeply a part of us, and their removal would be traumatic for us. Yet we know that some beliefs (such as idolatries based on race, wealth, or gender) or behaviors (such as addictions) seriously harm ourselves and many others. We need a prayerful, non-neurotic watchfulness about our inner life. When necessary, we need a fierce resistance to anything that places us or others in danger.

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## UNITY IN CHRIST

Jesus, in today's Gospel from Mark, says "whoever is not against us is for us." Mark was speaking to his own Christian community. From its beginnings, there were tensions in the Church about who speaks for Jesus. Jesus himself always called for unity of heart and a diversity of expression as a sign of the truth of the Gospel. It is no secret that in Christian history and continuing today, divisions have seriously damaged the message and cause of Christ.

In our own time and place, cultural and political divisions have reduced our ability to solve problems and to live together in a just and peaceful society. Perhaps this is a time for Christians to step up, to remember that our unity in Christ is far deeper than the differences that we perceive. We are called to reach out and listen to each other, to honor each other as members of the Body of Christ. Christians can lead the way, and show everyone watching how it's done.

Today's Readings: Num 11:25–29; Ps 19:8, 10, 12–13, 14; Jas 5:1–6; Mk 9:38–43, 45, 47–48

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**Celebration of the Eucharist**  
Saturday: 5:00 p.m. St. Bernard, Wamego  
Sunday: 7:00 a.m. St. Bernard, Wamego  
8:45 a.m. St. Joseph, Flush  
10:45 a.m. St. Bernard, Wamego

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
4:45 p.m. on Wednesday at St. Bernard  
3:30 p.m. on Saturday at St. Bernard  
or call for an appointment.

**Sacrament of Baptism**  
Call for appointment.

**Sacrament of Marriage**  
Must notify pastor at least  
6 months in advance.

**Shut-Ins**  
Call Parish Office 785-456-7869  
for Holy Communion

## ST. BERNARD – WAMEGO

Mon Sept 27: 8:00 am +Wilfred Christman  
 Tues Sept 28: 8:00 am Liv/Dec Steinberger,  
 Brey Meyer, Seele Families  
 Thurs Sept 30: 8:00 am +Terry Kolde  
 Fri Oct 1: 8:00 am Liv/Dec Members of Magnett Family  
 Sat Oct 2: 8:00 am +John & Angie Brazzle  
 5:00 pm +Carol Ebert  
 Sun Oct 3: 7:00 am +Edith Ketter  
 10:45 am Parishioners

+deceased

**Confession:** Fr Mike will be having confessions inside St. Bernard's at below times.

Wednesday (Sept 29)- 4:45-5:30 pm

Saturday (Oct 2)-3:30-4:30 pm

Donations		Budget	
Last Week	Year To-Date	Budget	(Deficit) or Surplus
\$5,942	\$56,815	\$90,000	(\$33,185)

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## ST. JOSEPH - FLUSH

Sun. Sept 26: 8:45 am +Ed Krause  
 Sun. Oct 3: 8:45 am +Iris Straub

+deceased

**Stewardship last Sunday:** \$ *Thank you*

**Church Cleaning:** We will be cleaning the church Tuesday, September 28 at 9:00 am, for anyone able to help!

**K of C Meeting:** Monday, September 27 at 8:00 pm.

**Parish Council Elections:** Parish council election ballots are being distributed this weekend and a **HARD COPY** (no emails) must be returned either after Mass in the basket at back of church or delivered to Jamie at the church office by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, September 28th to be counted. One ballot per adult member of the parish. Candidates listed on the ballot are those who accepted nominations made earlier this month.

**Alzheimer's Workshop:** According to Alzheimer's Association, Alzheimer's affects about 5.2 million people in the United States. We have been working with Meadowlark Hills & will be hosting an Alzheimer's Workshop at St. Bernard's on Oct 12 at 4:00 pm. This is a free event! Please join us for more information on this important topic!

**K of C Breakfast:** K of C will be having a breakfast Oct 10 following mass.

MASS TIME & DATE	PRECIOUS BODY	PRECIOUS BLOOD	LECTOR	SERVERS	USHERS/GIFTS	CANTOR/MUSICIANS
Sun. Oct 3: St. Joseph 8:45 am	Diane O'Shea		William Kufahl	Casey McCarn Payton McCarn	Kathy Kufahl Andrew Kufahl	
Sat. Oct 2: St. Bernard 5:00 pm	Gene Scherer		Volunteer		Barbara Lippman	
Sun. Oct 3: St. Bernard 7:00 am	Volunteer		Rikki Blume		Brad Blume Blake & Brice Blume	
Sun. Oct 3: St. Bernard 10:45 am	Janet Vance		Volunteer		Joe Haug	Choir Diane Zoeller

**BOTH PARISHES**

**Twenty-sixth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
September 26, 2021**

The law of the LORD is perfect,  
refreshing the soul;  
the decree of the LORD is trustworthy,  
giving wisdom to the simple.

— *Psalm 19:8*

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**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — Moses said,  
“Would that all the people of the  
LORD were prophets!” (Numbers  
11:25-29).

**Psalm** — The precepts of the Lord  
give joy to the heart (Psalm 19).

**Second Reading** — Come now, you  
rich. The wages you withheld from  
the workers who harvested your fields  
are crying aloud (James 5:1-6).

**Gospel** — Whoever is not against us  
is for us  
(Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48).

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**PROCLAIM THE WONDER OF  
GOD**

The gift of the Spirit is given  
freely, not according to human expect-  
tations, but according to the generosi-  
ty of God. Joshua wants Moses to stop  
Eldad and Medad from prophesying in  
the camp, when they were not with  
the others as the spirit was bestowed  
on them. Moses, so close to God's  
mind in the matter, wishes everyone  
could possess the spirit of God and  
proclaim it to the nations.

Psalm 19 celebrates the perfection  
of God's law, and how it brings joy  
and delight. It is better than the finest  
gold or the sweetest honey. Moreover,  
God gives the wisdom of the prophets  
to everyone, especially the simple and  
lowly ones, even to children. It is the  
“little ones” who proclaim the wonder  
of God to all.

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November 4, 2021 at 7:00 PM  
St. Bernard & St. Joseph Parishes  
At St. Bernard Church

**ST BERNARD**

**Rosary For Our Country:** Monday,  
Sept 27 at 6:30 pm.

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**Sunset Rosary:** This Sunday, Sept 26, at  
sunset. Please join us!

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**Clearing Snow:** St. Bernard's is looking  
to contract someone to clear the parking  
lot of snow in the winter months. If inter-  
ested, please call the parish office.

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**Adoration:** Immediate opening Wednes-  
day 11 pm-12 am. Please call the parish  
office if interested.

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**Server Training:** There will be a server  
training Sunday, October 10 at 9:00 am.  
Open to 4th grade & on up. Experienced  
servers are encouraged to attend and get a  
refresher.

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**First Friday Breakfast:** Please join after  
Friday, Oct. 1 morning mass for a light  
breakfast.

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equivalent of Netflix + Amazon books +  
Audible all in one! We just renewed our  
subscription. Check it out!

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save the date

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SOUPS & SWEETS

When: November 14th  
Time: Pick up between 9-11am

SOUPS - COOKIES - PIES!

THIS WILL BE DRIVE THRU PICK UP DUE TO COVID PRECAUTIONS.

Look for Order forms coming  
SOON!!

**BOTH PARISHES**

**Leaven:** The Catholic Archdiocesan  
newspaper, is now due in the amount of  
\$23. Please help defray the cost to the par-  
ish & pay for your paper. Thank you!

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**Upcoming Deacon Information Nights:**  
Everyone who is interested in learning  
more about the diaconate and the details of  
our archdiocesan formation program are  
welcome to attend.

- Tuesday, September 28, Immaculate  
Conception in Leavenworth
- Tuesday, October 12, Savior Pastoral  
Center in KCK

All information nights begin at 7:00 pm.

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**FEAST OF FAITH**

**The Lord's Prayer**

The Eucharistic Prayer ends with the great  
“Amen,” the acclamation of assent by the  
assembly. Then the Communion rite begins  
with the Lord's Prayer. We pray this prayer  
in many contexts, both inside and outside  
the Church's liturgy. Here, in the context  
of the Mass, the Lord's Prayer is profound-  
ly eucharistic. When we ask for our “daily  
bread,” we are asking for the gift of the  
Eucharist. When we ask God to forgive us  
as we forgive others, we are seeking for-  
giveness and purity of heart before we ap-  
proach the altar to receive the sacrament of  
the Lord's Body and Blood—“so that what  
is holy may, in fact, be given to those who  
are holy” (*General Instruction of the Ro-  
man Missal*, 81).

At Mass, a prayer for peace is inserted be-  
tween the prayer and the doxology. In this  
prayer, called the embolism, the Church  
asks God for freedom—freedom from sin  
and all anxiety and distress. We are living  
in an in-between time; even as we rejoice  
in Christ's presence, we await his coming  
in joyful hope.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29,  
22-23; Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk  
9:51-56

Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-  
12a; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51

Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps  
19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9;  
Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-  
37; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Sunday: Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb  
2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

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