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Office Hours:

Mon. - Thurs. 8:30am - 4:30pm

Fri. - 8:30am - 12pm

Sacraments & Liturgies

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am (Spanish), 10:30am

Holy Days of Obligation:

9:00am & 7:00pm

Daily Mass:

Tues, Wed & Fri.: 9:00am

Thurs.: 5:30pm

First Friday Mass: 12:00 p.m. at

St. John's Chapel

Confession:

Saturday: 4:30-5:15pm & by appt.

Baptism: By appointment, contact Parish Office.

Weddings: Six months notice required. Please contact the pastor to begin the preparation process.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Tuesday 9:30-10:30am & Friday

6:00-7:00pm.

23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother.” - Mt 18:15

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September 6, 2020 • 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

GOSPEL MEDITATION

It's all about reconciliation and conversion, not punishment. Relationships are not static adventures but wonderful gifts that continue to develop, grow, change, and mature. We are meant to be social beings, so isolating ourselves from others is rarely helpful. But, because human beings are on the one hand tremendously gifted, talented, and blessed creations, they are on the other also flawed, broken, and sinful. We all need to humbly admit that we are works in progress and not only capable of enriching each other's lives but causing deep hurts and wounds as well. Hence, we always need to be reconciled. We are always growing, changing, and expanding our knowledge of who we are and how we are meant to share life together.

Because reconciliation and conversion are always part of the mix of life, honesty is crucial. Without honesty, we can easily find ourselves living a lie and causing more harm than good. Being able to freely share our feelings, especially those involving pain and hurt, is a charism necessary to pursue and an art to learn. When we are wronged or wrong someone else, we do not enjoy the confrontation that can and needs to come. We are taught to keep our feelings to ourselves, especially when they are negative, and we tend to avoid difficult conversations. Hence, we never really learn how to confront another, successfully resolve conflict, find reconciliation, and welcome conversion. When we hurt or wrong someone, it does not mean that we are a bad or sinful person who deserves only punishment and excommunication. Quite the opposite! We are simply a human person who can make poor choices and sin and can be forgiven. We can restore and deepen the relationship that has been affected and find our way home again.

Jesus clearly wants to avoid shame because it has no purpose in achieving reconciliation and conversion. All broken relationships deserve a chance at reconciliation. Every person has room for growth and a need for conversion. We have to learn to be okay with honesty and not be afraid to hear and process what someone needs to say, even if it is difficult for us to hear. Severing a relationship, both personally or with the church community as a whole, ought to definitely be a last resort and only pursued when all else has failed.

Catechetical Corner

Tentative start date for RE Classes

Grades Pre-K through 8th

Sunday, September 27th or October 4th

9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Prayers for the Sick:

Please pray for:

Dale Wilson, Laurie Boyne, Jean Beesley, Alan Craig, Don & Mary Louise Boyne, Carolyn Schmidt, Betty Conway, Don Perno, Judy Diskin, Rhetta Crawford, Chapman Family.

Happy Birthday to:

Catherine Ritchie; Tom McCoy (5).

Happy Anniversary to:

James & Mary Corwin (5).

Did we miss your birthday or anniversary? Please contact the office so we can update our information.

Mass Intentions: September 5th - 11th, 2020

Saturday Special Intentions of Catherine Ritchie
Sunday 8:00 Special Intentions of All Laborers
Sunday 10:30 Special Intentions of Tom McCoy
Tuesday Special Intentions
Wednesday Paul Eischen / Jennifer Rumsey
Thursday Special Intentions
Friday Our Country / Jennifer Rumsey

Readings for the week of September 6th, 2020

Sunday: Ez 33:7-9/Ps 95/Rom 13:8-10/Mt 18:15-20

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8/Ps 5/Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12 [9]/Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13/Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Wednesday: 1 Cor 7:25-31/Ps 45/Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13/Ps 139/Lk 6:27-38

Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27/Ps 84/Lk 6:39-42

Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22/Ps 116/Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday: Sir 27:30—28:7/Ps 103/Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35



Happy Labor Day

Prayer for Workers

God our Creator,
 Your Word worked wonders to create
 the heavens and the earth and all they contain.
 Jesus Christ our Savior and Brother,
 You labored alongside your foster father Joseph,
 living the life of an ordinary worker.
 Holy Spirit, we are baptized into your life.
 You live and move and have your being in us
 as we go about our daily tasks.
 On this Employee Appreciation Day,
 may all who work recognize their intrinsic value.
 Show them that their worth depends not
 on any task, responsibility, or skill.
 Remind them that their dignity lies in You, oh Lord.
 In all of our labors,
 may we remember that we imitate You.
 Amen.

Sacred Heart Church Collections

Aug. 23, 2020 Collection

Envelope.....	\$ 2,526.00
Loose	\$ 424.00
On-Line.....	\$ 25.00
Total Weekend Collection.....	\$2,975.00



Aug. 30, 2020 Collection - Not Available

Honor the Lord with generosity Ecc.35:7

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP -
RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

The Blessing of the Community

I have been blessed to be a member of my parish community for 28 years. For much of that time I was serving as a member of the parish staff, but it was still the community that I call home. I have been fortunate to be able to remain in that parish even as my life has encountered new chapters and callings. I am so grateful to God that I have been able to grow, be nourished, and find companionship in a parish for this long of a time.

It is a natural tendency for human beings to desire belonging to something bigger than themselves. Not everyone is fortunate enough to find the community, big or small, that fulfills that need. Unfortunately, that means that many communities suffer from not having the benefit of the gifts, skills, and talents that any member can offer. Communities are in many ways living organisms that move and breathe based upon the individuals who form that body. A community is truly the sum of its parts.

Your parish community reflects you and everyone else in that community. The more each member gives to the community, the stronger that community finds itself. If you hold back, your community suffers, and you gain little. I know firsthand what being a part of a community can mean to a person. I would be no one at all – and you would not be reading this – if it weren't for the life I have had in my parish community. – Tracy Earl Welliver

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

It is not easy to confront someone who has wronged or hurt us. But it is absolutely necessary to do so in order for reconciliation to occur. We are taught to mind our own business and keep our thoughts to ourselves. When we have been hurt or wronged and we do not acknowledge and give voice to it, those feelings of hurt remain in our hearts and can eventually turn into anger. Verbalizing our feelings can diffuse them, and communicating how we actually feel brings honesty to our relationships. This is the only way that the path of love can remain open and that integrity and mutual respect can be maintained. It is no wonder that Jesus absolutely insisted upon healthy and compassionate confrontation. People don't always realize that they are doing harm. Bringing this to light is not only good for the one who is hurt but for the one who caused the pain. The new insight and revelation may prevent the action from being repeated again.

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Parish Organizations

Knights of Columbus: The Sacred Heart Council meets at 7:00 pm on the 1st Tuesday of the month.

Contact Grand Knight Robert Mulvihill 918-906-7170.

Prayer Network: For prayer requests, contact Sheila Ford at (918) 695-8796 or email at skfgma14x@gmail.com or contact the office.

Women's Bible Study Group: Meets Tuesday mornings 10:30-11:45am. Contact Julie Pittman 918-519-2029.

Fatima Ladies: Every 3rd Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:45 a.m. Contact Sue Johnston 918-227-1431.

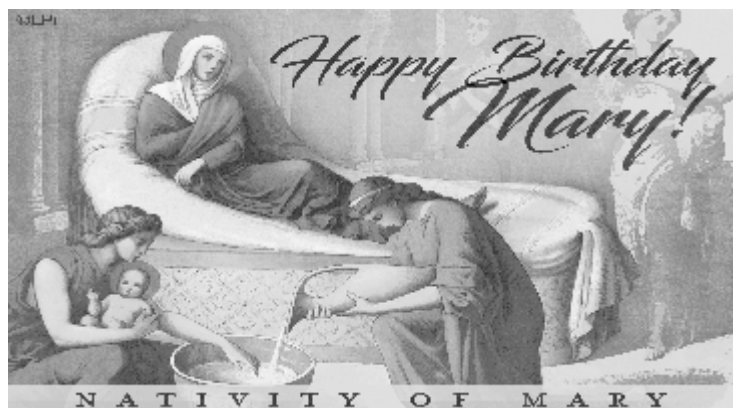


MINISTRY SCHEDULE: Volunteer basis until further notice.

Religious Education: Enrollment forms are available in the Gathering Area. First Communion Class is open to those students who were in the First Communion Class last year and need to continue their studies to make their First Communion in May 2021 or to those students who attended the Catechism of the Good Shepherd Class last year and meet the age requirement. Confirmation and RCIA class start times will be announced in the following weeks.

Women's Bible Study will be studying the spiritual work "Abandonment to Divine Providence" using the John Beevers translation. This is also available on Kindle and Ereaders if you would like to order your own copy. Classes begin September 15th. We will be observing safety guidelines in the classroom but you may also join by Zoom. Contact Julie Pittman for additional information at 918-519-2029.

The Diocese of Tulsa will sponsor another 40 Days for Life campaign at the Garden of Hope, from September 23rd to November 1, 2020. Flyers are available in the Gathering Area or you may visit with Sue Ann Williams.



September 8th, 2020



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