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CONFESSIONS

By appointment or 30 minutes before
Saturday and Sunday Mass.

SEPTEMBER 19, 2021

25th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

“Whoever receives one child
such as this in my name,
receives me.” - Mk 9:37a



*Whoever received one child
in my name receives me.*

The riches of truth belong to those who are faithful to Christ and their vocation. Will you follow Him as a priest, deacon, sister or brother?

Contact Fr. Rodel Faller at the Vocations Office by calling 709-927-4361 or by emailing: rfaller@diocentx.org

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For Protection from Storms and Hurricanes

Father, all the elements of nature obey your commands. Protect us, and all your people during this season of storms and hurricanes. Calm our fears, and help us to prepare our hearts as well as our homes. Help us to see you in all we may encounter, and help us to minister to each other in your name. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS & OBSERVANCES

Sun	Vigil	Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37
	Sept 19	5:00 pm Cary Hester †; Joyce Hanks †
Sun	Vigil	10:00 am All Parish Families; Rev. Paul E. Sumler (Special Intention); James & Shirlene Humphries †; Peter Cortez, Sr. †
	Sept 26	Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48
		5:00 pm All Parish Families; Beamon Minton †; Philip Brown †
		10:00 am Lynn Mayea †; Henry Chargois †



Readings & Observances for the week of September 19, 2021

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Lk 8:16-18 (Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest, and Paul Chŏng Ha-sang and Companions)
Tuesday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Mt 9:9-13 (St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist)
Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8 [1b]/Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Lk 9:7-9 (St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest)
Friday: Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4 [5]/Lk 9:18-22
Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]/Lk 9:43b-45 (Blessed Virgin Mary)

MASS SCHEDULE & PARISH OFFICE HOURS

No Daily Mass | Saturday Vigil Mass 5:00 pm | Sunday Mass 10:00 am

The Parish Office is open Monday—Friday from 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m. Please note that we are closed from 12 noon—1:00 p.m. for lunch.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION HIGH SCHOOL CCD (9TH—12TH) Classes Wednesdays, 6 p.m.—7 p.m. in Religious Education Building. As per Bishop David Toups' instructions: all students in Catholic schools and catechetical programs must wear masks.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CCD Classes (K-8th) Classes Sundays 8:30 a.m.—9:30 a.m. in Religious Education Building. As per Bishop David Toups' instructions: all students in Catholic schools and catechetical programs must wear masks.

LOURDES SENIOR CITIZEN GROUP Monday, September 20, 10:00 a.m. in parish hall.

BEAUTIFY THE SANCTUARY We invite you to donate toward the flower arrangements in memory of a loved one, to celebrate a birthday, an anniversary, a baptism, or any other special family occasion or a church feast. The name of the donor and the occasion will be published in the parish bulletin.



Donation: \$40; Contact Gezel Frank 786-3684.

OCTOBER MONTH OF THE ROSARY—St. Anthony Cathedral Basilica will be live-streamed on October 3rd beginning at 1:30 p.m. The Rosary will be prayed to begin the October Month of the Rosary. All Legion of Mary Members are invited to attend.



From the Office of Human Resources DIOCESE OF BEAUMONT

The Diocese of Beaumont Catholic Pastoral Center is actively seeking qualified candidates for the following positions: **Director Family/Marriage/Youth Ministry**; **Multi-Parish Youth Minister Coordinator**; **Full-time Maintenance Coordinator**. For more information about each position can be found on the diocesan website www.dioceseofbmt.org under the topic Careers.



OUR LADY OF LOURDES ALTAR SOCIETY FALL RAFFLE RESULTS AND THANK YOU

Ladies of the Altar Society would like to thank all who participated in their Raffle. Altar Society made in donations \$699.00. Congratulations: 1st prize—Catherine Bruce; 2nd prize—Mrs. Hoop; 3rd prize—Cecile Spears.



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COLLECTIONS

September 4-5	\$10,514.00
Building Fund	\$ 284.00
Hurricane Ida	\$ 1,807.00
Catholic University of America	\$ 258.00



2021 BISHOP'S FAITH APPEAL: If you have not made your gift to the Bishop's Faith Appeal, please prayerfully consider doing so. We ask you to pray to the Holy Spirit as you consider your blessings. **You may find BFA envelopes on the tables at the entrance of the church.**

SPECIAL EMERGENCY COLLECTION—HAITI EARTHQUAKE

There will be a collection this weekend for Haiti Earthquake. ***Please make check payable to Our Lady of Lourdes Church; The collection amount will be mailed to Diocese of Beaumont for disbursement. The only way to know the donation you make for this special collection is to make notation memo on your check Haiti Earthquake, and if you donate cash, please place cash in an envelope with a notation on envelope for Haiti Earthquake. Thank you.***

INFIRM PRIESTS' FUND

Next weekend, we will collect for the long-term funding needed by the welfare fund, to enhance the monthly benefits to our retired priests in perpetuity and to assist in the special health care needs of the infirm and retired priests of our diocese. ***Please make check payable to Our Lady of Lourdes Church; The collection amount will be mailed to Diocese of Beaumont for disbursement. The only way to know the donation you make for this special collection is to make notation memo on your check Infirm Priest, and if you donate cash, please place cash in an envelope with a notation on envelope for Infirm Priest. Thank you.***

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CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Which sacraments can only be received once?

- A. Confirmation, Holy Orders and Baptism
- B. Baptism and Matrimony
- C. Anointing of the Sick and Holy Orders
- D. Matrimony, Reconciliation and the Eucharist

Answer: a

WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Question: Why are Catholics required to fast before Communion?



Answer:

How we prepare for an important event helps us with the intentionality of our actions and raises our awareness. We prepare our house for guests. We wash our car before an important trip. We create a nursery for a newborn child. All of these actions heighten our senses for what is about to come. The fast required by canon law before holy Communion has its roots in Jewish spiritual practices. We fast for cleansing and to demonstrate our reliance on God. Catholics used to fast for much longer periods of time, but it was Pope Paul VI in 1964 who set the time at one hour in an attempt to encourage people to receive the holy Eucharist more frequently. That one-hour observance allows us to pause and reflect on what we will participate in in the very near future. We deny our bodies so that we can focus more clearly on the Body of Christ that we will consume. ©LPi

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