

**Saint Christina Parish of Turner County
PO Box 610 Parker, South Dakota 57053**

Sunday, September 19, 2021

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

A new priest in a parish means a chance to look creatively at what has been done in the past and what could be done in the future. When I arrived at St. Christina's at the start of August, some of you expressed a desire for an earlier Mass time on Sunday. As you know, in addition to serving at St. Christina's, I also have Mass each Sunday morning at St. Nicholas in Tea. So, if I change one parish's Mass time, it requires that I change the other parish as well. I would never change a Mass time without input from the parish so that is what I am requesting of you now. As I have thought about it, and discussed it with others, it seems like a potential Mass time change would be the following: St. Christina at 8:00AM and St. Nicholas at 10:am.

I see several advantages to this change. One, I think this would open many possibilities for community events at St. Christina's on Sunday mornings. I realize that right now, it is difficult to have much fellowship after Mass since it is so late. An 8:00am Mass time would allow for breakfast or other types of fellowship after Mass. I think it would also allow for other groups to meet on Sunday mornings after Mass if that would be desired. Another advantage would be the farmers who need Sunday afternoon for chores. I think an earlier Mass time would allow them to come to Mass, stay for fellowship and still have plenty of time for various chores or projects.

I also realize that going from 11:00am to 8:00am is a somewhat drastic change. And not all of you are morning people! So I am not trying to force the change. I want to hear from you. I will be conducting a simple survey to see where you all stand. If you are technically inclined, scan this QR code with your phone and take the survey. There are also hard copies available in the back of the Church. I am excited for the future of St. Christina's whether we change the Mass time or not!

God bless,

Fr. Tyler

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WEEKLY MASSES— St. Christina

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Catechist Sunday”

Sunday, September 19th: Mass 11:00AM

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Confessions-5 to 5:45PM-Tues., September 21st

+Holy Mass: Tuesday, Sept. 21st —6:00PM

Int: +Randy Garry

++Bible Study - Parish Hall - 6:45 to 7:45PM

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+Holy Mass: Thursday, Sept. 23rd—8:00AM

Int: +Clarice Tebbe

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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, September 26th: Mass 11:00AM

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Bible Study dates Tuesdays as follows:

September 21;

September 28;

October 12;

October 26;

November 2

The cost of each Bible Study Book is \$15.00.

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If you would like to be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, please let Fr. Tyler know. If you have been confirmed, Father will be providing training to anyone interested.

Some of you have served in the past and we invite you to please pray about helping again.

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Bud Ozar

Disagreements are common in families. But what would you say if Jesus posed the same question “What are you arguing about?” Is it silly and petty? Is it an attempt to impose your will and control on another? Today Jesus tells us and his disciples to give it up. We are meant to serve each other, not control.

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**St. Christina Church Support: Deposited
Monday, September 13th, 2021:**

**39 Env. Reg. Giving \$2911.00; 1 Env. Reg. Giving \$80.00;
Loose Giving \$43.00; 2 Env. CFSA Pledges \$1250.00;
1 Env. CFSA Payment \$65.00; 2 Mass Stipends \$20.00;
1 Env. Fuel \$100.00; 6 Bible Study \$90.00.**

Thank You for your Generous Treasure.

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Religious Education Classes will begin next Wednesday, September 22nd. The First Class will be Holy Mass in the church at 6:30PM. Teachers and Students will attend and Parents are also welcome to attend. Holy Mass is always for anyone and everyone to attend.

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Please fill out and turn in your Census Registration Form if you haven't done so already.

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Bread Give-away is Tuesday, September 21st at the Turner County Courthouse. Drive-up begins at 4:30pm on the East Side.