

St. Agnes • St. Boniface • St. John the Evangelist

Rev. Michael Pampara Pastor email: pamparasdb@gmail.com

Father Michael Cell 308-660-5730

P O Box 309, Stapleton, NE 69163, email: abj Catholics@gmail.com

Parish Office 308-636-2421; Secretary, Kristie Walz Cell 308-636-8399

Website: www.abj Catholic.org - Facebook Page: St Agnes, St Boniface & St John the Evangelist

**Our Parish
COMMUNITY**

October 5, 2025

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4 / 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 / Luke 17:5-10



Good News!

October 5, 2025

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4 / 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 / Luke 17:5-10

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Childhood daydreams come peppered with visions of heroes and heroines, movie stars and rock stars, fame and notoriety. Eventually, however, we adjust our visions of what we can become as we are confronted by the reality of who we are. Seldom, however, are our daydreams and visions big enough. They tend to be only about ourselves, barely including others.

The same may be said about becoming people of faith. Too readily we think of faith simply as our personal decision to believe in God. Faith then becomes one-sided—the prayers we say, the Masses we attend, the Church's rules we obey. Like the people of the prophet Habakkuk's day, we may bemoan, "I cry for help and you do not listen.... [I] cry out to you, 'Violence!' and you do not intervene" (Habakkuk 1:2).

Then, too, our faith and its vision for life are not big enough, for we do not allow room for God to slip into our lives and do what God does. Then, faith is only about ourselves—our needs and struggles and pains. Faith needs to be a surrender to God's vision, not simply for ourselves, but for all of life. [The LORD said,] "The vision is a witness for the appointed time...it will not disappoint. If it delays, wait for it, it will surely come, it will not be late" (Habakkuk 2:3). The difficulty is that we want God to make life perfect for us the way we want it and when we want it. Then, it becomes our vision for life and not God's. ●

Twenty-Seventh Sunday (C) October 5, 2025

In today's Gospel we hear Jesus teach about faith and service to God. The context is a continuing dialogue between Jesus and his followers about what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. Jesus has just finished an instruction on sin and forgiveness. There are two related teachings that Jesus offers to his disciples when they cry out for an increase in faith. The first is the familiar reminder that faith, even just a little, will enable the followers of Jesus to do wondrous things. But this uplifting and inspiring teaching is quickly followed by the second teaching, a caution about knowing one's place in God's plans. The disciples of Jesus are to understand themselves as servants to God and his plans. Even when God works wonders through us, with our mustard seed-sized faith, we must not seek praise. Our participation in God's plans is God's grace to us—nothing more, nothing less. When we are graced enough to cooperate with God, the work we do is nothing more than our obligation to God as faithful stewards. And yet, our faith enables us to believe that what we have offered in service to God, as his servants, can be made to produce a hundredfold.

Mass Schedule & Intentions For the week of October 6, 2025

Mon.	Oct.	06	7:00 AM	SJ	No Mass
Tues.	Oct.	07	7:00 AM	SJ	Maggie Potter
Wed.	Oct.	08	5:30 PM	SA	Deborah Breuer †
Thurs.	Oct.	09	5:30 PM	SB	Conrad & Theresa Wildhagen†
Fri.	Oct.	10	8:30 AM	SJ	Sam Allison
Sun.	Oct.	12	8:00 AM	SJ	People of the Parish
Sun.	Oct.	12	9:30 AM	SA	Cyd Miller †
Sun.	Oct.	12	11:00 AM	SB	Chris Phelps †

**HAPPY
Birthday**

Jim Amos Oct 7th
Avalynn Ortiz Oct 8th
Jadyn Weber Oct 9th
Wilda Foran Oct 11th
Kaylee Brogan Oct 11th
Catherine Phelps Oct 11th
Dawson Doggett Oct 12th

*Happy
Anniversary*

Mr. & Mrs. Steve Pandorf Oct 12th

Ministry Schedule

Date: Oct 12	St Agnes	St Boniface	St John's
Time	<u>Sunday 9:30 AM</u>	<u>Sunday 11:00 AM</u>	<u>Sunday 8:00 AM</u>
Hospitality	Conrad & Aleta P.	Rod & MaKayla D.	Ivan & Carrie S.
Lector	Aleta P.	Caden P. & Rod B.	Tara B.
Server		Olivia F. & Emmett P.	Leo W. & Wyatt D.
EMHC	Conrad & Aleta P.	John R. & Mike P.	Steve & Cindy F.
Communion to shut ins or Music		Mike P.	Music: Toby K.

St. Agnes

Our Gifts to God & Church
September 28, 2025

Total Collection: **\$335.00**

Diocesan Appeal

Goal \$2702 with 10 Donors

Thrift Store
 Open Oct 10 9AM to 4PM

CCD Oct 8th
 Elementary 3:40 PM
 High School 7:30 PM

Parish Council Meeting
Wed. Oct 8th 6:00 PM

St. Boniface

Our Gifts to God & Church
September 28, 2025
Total Collection: **\$759.00**

Diocesan Appeal

Goal \$7452 with 17 Donors

CCD Wednesday Oct 8th
 PreK to 2nd 4 PM
 3rd -12th Supper 6:10
 Class 6:30 to 7:30 PM

Parish Council Meeting
Thurs. Oct 9th 6:00 PM

St. John's

Our Gifts to God & Church
September 28, 2025
Total Collection: **\$879.25**

Diocesan Appeal

Goal \$5179 with 15 Donors

CCD Wednesday Oct 8th
 PreK to 5th 3:40 PM
 6th -12th Supper 6:30 O'Brien
 Class Begins 7:00 PM

Parish Council Meeting
Sun. Oct 5th 5:00 PM

October 7 – Our Lady of the Rosary

Quotes for Today

Venerable Fulton Sheen (1895-1979)
from his

Meditations on the 15 Mysteries of the Rosary

“There are two kinds of souls in the world; those who hide from God and those from whom God hides. But when God hides, He hides in order that He might be sought the more, as if to draw out a deeper love.”

Word Among Us!

When you finish your Sept. Word Among Us, please send it to St Agnes Attn: Aleta or put it in the collection basket. The office will get it to Aleta.

Dear Padre,

Is envy a sin? I find myself becoming very envious of people who have more than I do. I find it difficult to be content with what my family and I have now.

We live in a climate that encourages discontent with what we have. Advertising plays on our feelings of envy and our desire for possessions. In this almost universal rush to possess more and better material objects, Christians are called to a counter-witness. We are called to embrace a freedom and a poverty of spirit that actually rejoices in the blessings of others.

The Tenth Commandment alerts us to the danger of undisciplined envy: "You shall not covet...anything that belongs to your neighbor" (Exodus 20:17). In the New Testament, Jesus says that where our treasure is, there also will be our heart. (See Matthew 6:21.) The real antidote to envy, then, is prayers of thanks for all God has given to us and others. To feel envious, to desire or covet someone else's possessions, is not in itself a mortal sin. But to let that feeling invade your mind, to indulge it and rationalize it, is to let that feeling harden into an envious frame of mind. Then you are flirting with real sin. The grave sin is to allow these envious thoughts to drive you to any injustice or evil. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* sums it up well: "Would you like to see God glorified by you? Then rejoice in your brother's [and sister's] progress, and you will immediately give glory to God" (2540). ●

Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.



PHOTOGRAPH BY YUSUF SUFISTOCK

Monday

October 6
Weekday
Jon 1:1–2:2, 11
Lk 10:25–37

Tuesday

October 7
Our Lady of the
Rosary
Jon 3:1–10
Lk 10:38–42

Wednesday

October 8
Weekday
Jon 4:1–11
Lk 11:1–4

Thursday

October 9
Weekday
Mal 3:13–20b
Lk 11:5–13

Friday

October 10
Weekday
Jl 1:13–15; 2:1–2
Lk 11:15–26

Saturday

October 11
Weekday
Jl 4:12–21
Lk 11:27–28

Sunday

October 12
Twenty-eighth
Sunday in
Ordinary Time
2 Kgs 5:14–17
2 Tm 2:8–13
Lk 17:11–19



Liguori Editor / The Pillar

A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

There is so little dialogue around us; shouting often replaces it, not infrequently in the form of fake news and irrational arguments proposed by a few loud voices. Deeper reflection and study are essential, as well as a commitment to encounter and listen to the poor.

ADDRESS, ROME, MAY 17, 2025



© 2025 Liguori Publications. Imprimi Petrus: Fr. Kevin Zuber, CSsR, Provinciat, Denver Province, the Redemptorists. Liguori Publications, a nonprofit corporation, is an apostolate of the Redemptorists. To learn more about the Redemptorists, visit Redemptorists.com. No part of this work may be used in any form without the prior written permission of Liguori Publications. Scripture texts in this work are taken from *The New American Bible, Revised Edition* © 2010, 1991, 1985, 1970 Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, Inc., Washington, DC. All Rights Reserved. Printed in USA. Visit Liguori.org or call 800-325-9121.