Daily Readings for the Week of Sept. 14th

Sept.21: Amos 8:4-7/ Psalms 113:1-2, 4-8/ 1 Timothy 2:1-8/ Luke

16:1-13

Sept.22: Ezra 1:1-6/ Psalms 126:1-6/ Luke 8:16-18

Sept.23: Ezra 6:7-8, 12, 14-20/ Psalms 122:1-5/ Luke 8:19-21

Sept.24: Ezra 9:5-9/ Tobit 13:2-4, 7-8/ Luke 9:1-6

Sept.25: Haggai 1:1-8/ Psalms 149:1-6, 9/ Luke 9:7-9

Sept.26: Haggai 2:1-9/ Psalms 43:1-4/ Luke 9:18-22

Sept.27: Zechariah 2:5-9, 14-15/ Jeremiah 31:10-13/ Luke 9:43-45

Liturgical Ministries

Schedule for Sept. 21, 2025

Lector: Steve

Greeters/Gifts: Lasack Family

Servers: Kevin/Declan

Money Counters: Mary/Kris

Extraordinary Ministers

of the Eucharist: Margo/Jon

Schedule for Sept. 28, 2025

Lector: Nathan

Greeters/Gifts: Rickels Family

Servers: Grady/Evie

Money Counters: Sharon/Margo

Extraordinary Ministers

of the Eucharist: Mary A M/Ron

Today's Mass Intention Dolores Eganhouse

Mass Intention Sept. 28, 2025

Treyton Lange

Priest Visit to the Homebound If you are sick or homebound or know someone who is, and would like Fr. Andrew to visit and pray, contact the main office at 319-320-5003 or email Fr. Andrew at DBQ137@dbqarch.org.



Betty Anderson, Karen Kleineck, Bill Ihns, Mary Hansen, Marilyn Stevenson, Julie Ahrendsen, Margaret Fowler, Carrie Leeper, Larry Marek, Carl Koppes, Marsha Lasack,

Paul Rowan, Wendy Larive, Fr. Andrew

SACRED HEART



September 21, 2025

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Mon., Wed., Fri.

10:00am-11:00am

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PASTOR SPEAKS

News

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Fixing the Scales

Most people don't intend on being selfish. The reality of selfishness usually lies in the grey shades of our decision-making. We would never go out of our way to kick a homeless person begging by the highway exit. We would never steal money from our parish collection plate.

But would we drive past the homeless person without even extending a thought or a prayer toward his need? Would we justify stinginess in time, talent, and treasure because of our own comfort? We all have been guilty of transgressions such as these in the past. We will fall again in the future.

Most of the evil in this world can be traced back to a feeling of entitlement that lurks deep within each of us — a frantic concern for our own good that we find difficult to shake. The same instinct that compelled Eve to reach for the fruit that would give her the knowledge of good and evil still compels people to focus on what they are owed, on what they have "earned," on what they have "coming to them." We are so tempted to fix the scales. We are so tempted to keep score.

We would do well to remember that our God is not a God who keeps score. He is not a God who acts entitled or who tacks on extra dues, taking as much as He can get. He is a God who seats the lowly with princes. He is a God who seeks avenues for reconciliation and mercy.

There will be a Parish Council Meeting today following Mass.

Our next Bible Study will be Oct. 8th at 6:15. If this date and time changes, you will be notified. We always have room for more to attend.



Trust. Transform. Together.

If anyone did not make it to the information session last Thursday evening, and would still like to attend one, them simply go to the following website and find another session you can.

Check out https://tinyurl.com/JIFSeptSignup and register for a session that will work better with your schedule. Thank you to the parishioners that were able to attend the session last Thursday evening.

Our next step on this Journey of Faith, we will to schedule a question and answer session in October. The date has not been finalized, but we will discuss and agree on a date sometime today. This session will give you a chance to ask questions, and share your concerns to the Journey in Faith team leaders at Sacred Heart OJ. Let our voices be heard.



Sept. 14, 2025 Collection

Envelopes \$ 235.00 Offertory 45.00 Candles 4.00 Fundraiser(sweet corn) 89.00 **Total \$ 373.00**

Baptism Information

If you wish to have your child baptized, please contact Wendy Swan at (319) 320-5003 or e-mail dbq155sec@dbqarch.org to get the process started.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Please have all bulletin submissions to Wendy Swan by Wednesday PM