



Daily Readings
Week of September 12, 2021

Sunday, 9/12: Is 50: 5-9a/Ps 116: 1-6, 8-9/Jas 2: 14-18/Mk 8: 27-35
 Monday, 9/13: 1 Tm 2: 1-8/Ps 28: 2,7, 8-9/Lk 7: 1-10
 Tuesday, 9/14: Nm 21: 4b-9/Ps 78: 1bc-2, 34-38/Phil 2: 6-11/Jn 3: 13-17
 Wednesday, 9/15: 1 Tm 3: 14-16/Ps 111: 1-6/Jn 19: 25-27
 Thursday, 9/16: 1 Tm 4: 12-16/Ps 111: 7-10/Lk 7: 36-50
 Friday, 9/17: 1 Tim 6: 2c-12/Ps 49: 6-10, 17-20/Lk 8: 1-3
 Saturday, 9/18: 1 Tim 6: 13-16/Ps 100: 1b-5/Lk 8: 4-15

Schedule for September 19, 2021

Lector: Mark
 Greeters/Gifts: Rissler Family
 Servers: Kevin/Trenton
 Money Counters: Festival
 Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: Mark/Mary Ann M



Today's Mass Intention:

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Prayer Corner

- Betty Anderson, Rich Kleineck,
 Leonard Lasack, Paul Lasack, Mary Lasack,
 Marilyn Stevenson, Derek Denniston,
 Julie Ahrendsen
- Archbishop Jackels, Fr. Andrew



SACRED HEART CATHOLIC



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September 12, 2021 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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To Our Parishioners & Friends

1. A SUMMER REFLECTION

One of the first things I learned from the first pastor I worked with in New York City was that Labor Day concludes summer and vacations. As we say goodbye to summer, by now, children are back to school, workers are back to work, and the busy family life, with a lineup of activities, has commenced.

Despite the persistent, scary threat from the Delta variant, it was uplifting to observe that parishioners were able to take some time off for family vacations this year. This is not to say that not seeing your regular faces at Mass was fun. However, the good news is that you could still join us remotely via livestream if you chose to while you enjoyed and refreshed with your family. I trust most of you had a meaningful and restorative summer.

Yet, we understand also that not all our parish families experienced a fulfilling summer as they had hoped for. For the families that were struck with unexpected tragedies and losses, our hearts, prayers, and thoughts are forever with you.

Related to family tragedies and losses is my need to visit Ghana on Monday, September 13th and return on October 14th. Admittedly, from the moment some of you learned that I might be going back home to see my folks and be part of final funeral rites of some close family members, a great number of you from St. John, St. Isidore, and Sacred Heart, have expressed best wishes and safe journey to me. I truly appreciate your concern and great love.

One striking thing that permeates all these expressions is how happy and joyful my mother will be to see me. In fact, one parishioner intimated that I might have a problem coming back because my mother might not be enthused about the idea. To which I said, "In that case, the problem will be much bigger for the three parishes," and we laughed. Well, believe me! My family and I still take a cue from the words of Jesus: "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." That is why I will be back.

2. ANOINTING OF THE SICK

During the Mass on the last weekend of the month of October, we shall celebrate the sacrament of anointing. This healing sacrament offers the opportunity to those who are sick and need physical and emotional healing. If you are undergoing treatment of any sort, preparing for surgery, or have been diagnosed with any illness, come with nothing but your faith to celebrate the sacrament and receive the healing gift of Christ in the sacraments of anointing and the Eucharist. Aware that we are still in the Covid era, we will carefully administer the sacrament to those who will partake in it.

- Sacred Heart Sanctuary Guild will meet on Sept. 13th at 6:30pm in the church library. All ladies are welcome!

- Festival shirts are here!! If you ordered shirts, please pick up today after Mass. Payment is also due at pick-up if you haven't paid already. Do you want a shirt but didn't order one? That's ok!! We have some extras available for purchase.

- Annual Polka Mass & Festival is September 19th. Mass that day will be at 10:00am followed by the dinner from 11:00am-2:00pm at the Legionnaire. You should have received your donation/job assignment letters and a list of the work assignments will be posted on the bulletin boards. If you are unable to fulfill your job assignment, please let us know as soon as possible. This is a wonderful opportunity for our parish family to get together and work for the greater good of our parish. It's our largest fundraiser and is a major undertaking that involves many volunteers. Setting up, clean up, food prep, and following through with our work assignments are just some of the many ways to help. We hope all of our church family will be able to partake in this awesome event.

- Kolaches for the festival will be baked on Saturday, Sept. 18th. There are sign-up sheets in the hall regarding donations of supplies, cash donations, and times to sign-up to help on baking day. We hope you'll consider sharing your time, talent and treasure in signing up for one of the time slots or signing up to bring supplies.

- Is everyone working on their silent auction item? We hope so! The silent auction has always been very popular at our festival and we hope to have LOTS of items this year!



Please have all bulletin submissions to Colleen Coon by Wednesday PM

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