

<u>SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12</u> Vigil		
5:30PM	† Wayne Lyssy	<i>by Family & Friends</i>
<u>SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13</u> Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
7:30AM	Our Parish Family	<i>by Fr. Andrzej</i>
9:00AM	† Mike & Joy Swierc	<i>by Jon & Vivian Swierc</i>
<u>MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14</u> The Exaltation of the Cross		
6:30PM	† Ed Wiatrek	<i>by Willa & Sally Wiatrek</i>
<u>TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15</u> Our Lady of Sorrows		
6:30PM	† Connie Lyssy	<i>by Family</i>
<u>WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16</u> St. Cornelius, Pope, & St. Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs		
7:30AM	† Joseph Jendrusch	<i>by Mr. & Mrs. Butch Wiatrek</i>
<u>THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17</u>		
No Mass		
<u>FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 18</u>		
7:00AM	For Safety & Blessing upon the FC Football Team & All Participants	<i>by Parents</i>
<u>SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19</u> Vigil		
5:30PM	† Theresa Kotara	<i>by Roger & Corinne Sekula</i>
<u>SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20</u> Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
7:30AM	† Diane Moy	<i>by Jeff & Sheila Dziuk</i>
9:00AM	† Special Intention ~ Youth Mass ~	<i>by Patrick & Lanelle Pollok</i>

Serving The Lord ~ September 19 - 20

	EM of HC	Lector	Altar Servers
Sat. 5:30	Dianne Dziuk	Dianne Dziuk	Cayson M, Henry F
Sun. 7:30	Carter Hill	Kaitlyn Hill	Alberto G, Kenna L
Sun. 9:00	Dickie Dziuk	Sr. Class	Avery S, Kyleigh S, Emma S

Offertory Counters

Sep 13 Cheryl Lyssy, Jeff Dziuk, Courtney Lyssy	Sep 27 Gene & Mary Moczygemba
Sep 20 Jeannette Wiggins, Renee Lyssy, Elizabeth Ermis	Oct 04 Shirley Palitza, Lanelle Pollok, Lillian Sekula

Sunday Church Support \$2,947.

Phone is currently out of service at the Church Office. Please email the church at holytrinityfc@sbcglobal.net

ROSES TO HONOR THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY - This weekend's floral arrangements are dedicated to Our Blessed Mother in thanksgiving for the graces received and humbly asking for many more graces upon Holy Trinity Parishioners. Traditionally, the Church designates the month of September to Our Lady of Sorrows. Also, we celebrated the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary on September 8th and on September 12th we honor The Most Holy Name of Mary. The roses have been donated by Casper and RosaLee Moczygemba.

Volunteers Needed - The Cemetery Committee is looking to reduce the expense of mowing the cemetery by spraying the curbing for grass burs. We ask for at least two parishioners to assist in this endeavor, which likely will require spraying once or twice a year using the cemetery's tractor-mounted spray tank. If interested, please contact Patrick or Wilfred.

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

It strikes me that the real issue in the Gospel is that the first man whose debt the king forgives fails to see that his fellow servant who owes him a smaller debt is just like himself. “Could anyone refuse mercy to another like himself, can he seek pardon for his own sins?” Sirach asks. I think we sometimes languish in unforgiveness because we think of others’ wrongful actions as being somehow worse than ours. As a result, we hold others to a higher standard, while expecting people to easily excuse our failings. Perhaps the first step toward the radical forgiveness that Jesus calls us to in today’s Gospel is to foster compassion for our fellow human beings. When we are wronged, it may be helpful to remind ourselves of the classic phrase, “There but for the grace of God, go I.” When we recognize that those who wrong us have the same struggles as our own, we are more likely to extend the same mercy we wish to be offered to us.

GO EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

After the attempted assassination of Pope John Paul II by Mehmet Ali Ağca in 1981, the future saint forgave his would-be assassin from his hospital bed, only four days after the shooting that nearly took his life. Later, the pope went to visit Ağca in prison, and the two spoke for more than 20 minutes. Since that time, John Paul’s example has stood as a witness to the power of God at work in us; the strength to forgive, it is clear, comes not from ourselves, but from the Lord. Our willingness to receive God’s grace and to extend forgiveness to others offers a powerful witness to the goodness of God, who is “kind and merciful, slow to anger and rich in compassion.”

PRAY

Radical forgiveness is a challenging spiritual practice; it is not easy! To forgive as Christ calls us to requires that we cultivate an interior disposition of humility and compassion. This ancient prayer from St. Ephrem can help to open our hearts to overcome anger or judgment toward those who have wronged us: *Lord and Master of my life, spare me from the spirit of indifference, despair, lust for power, and idle chatter. Instead, bestow on me, your servant, the spirit of integrity, humility, patience and love. Yes, O Lord and King, let me see my own sins, and not judge my brothers and sisters for you are blessed for ever and ever. Amen.*



September 15 – Our Lady of Sorrows In Luke 2:35, Simeon predicted Mary’s sufferings would be a sword piercing her soul. In her sorrow, Mary stood at the foot of the Cross, dignified and fearless while others ran away. Today, we can look to her to accompany us in our sufferings with the same steadfast love.

September 21 – St. Matthew the Evangelist (1st Century) Also known as Levi, he was a notorious tax collector (Mark 2:14). Working for the Romans would have made him unpopular but very rich. Yet St. Matthew left everything when Jesus called him. He wrote the Gospel according to Matthew, addressed to Jewish converts to Christianity.

CCD News -Holy Communion Class Parent Meeting at 7pm. this Wed. 9/16 in the CCD Building
-Youth Mass Sept 20th – Lead by Sr. Class

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How can I go to Confession after a long time away?

Growing in Faith

The Church encourages regular Confession (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1458), but travel and changing routines can make good spiritual habits easy to neglect. If it has been a while, come home to Reconciliation. Like the father in the Parable of the Prodigal Son, God waits to welcome, forgive, and restore us.

Prepare your heart: An examination of conscience is more than listing failures. Consider where you have fallen short in loving God and your neighbor. Recognizing what sin has damaged helps begin the work of repair.

The priest will help: Feeling nervous is normal. The priest can guide you through the Sacrament, offer counsel, and help you receive God’s mercy with confidence.

Penance begins healing: Penance helps repair the harm caused by our sin and directs us toward conversion and renewed faithfulness.

Grace offers a new beginning: Confession does more than forgive the past. Through absolution, we are reconciled with God and strengthened by grace to resist sin, grow in virtue, and begin again with greater freedom and hope.

Community News

Seraphic Sisters Jubilee Celebration - Sept. 13, 3:00 PM - St. Ann’s Church in Kosciusko, Texas - <https://www.seraphicsisters.org/50th-jubilee>

Holy Cross Church Festival – Yorktown – Sept. 13 - \$15 Sausage & BBQ plates, Live Auction, Raffle, Music, Country Store, Cake Walk & More!

Save the Date – Polish Heritage Center 5th Anniversary – Oct 3rd – Mini Symposium celebrating the 250th Anniversary of America’s Independence, Polish American Style. 2pm - 4pm followed by Mass at 4:30pm – Bishop Yanta’s 95th Birthday celebration of life reception with entertainment and hors d’oeuvres 5:30pm.

St. Luke – Loire’s Fall Festival – Oct. 4th 11am-4pm \$13 BBQ Chicken & Sausage plate 11am-2pm, Bake Sale, Car Show, Pony Rides, Games, Auction 1pm – Raffle - See bulletin board.

Sacred Heart ACTS 7th Annual Golf Tournament - Oct 24 River Bend Golf Club
For all the details, see the bulletin board.

Falls City ISD Bond 2026 – A town hall meeting will be held on Sunday, **September 27th** at 4pm at the FCISD Auditorium to discuss the upcoming bond election. Please join us to learn more about what will be on the ballot for the November 3, 2026 election. Additional information can be found at www.fallscityisdbond.com. Thank you so much for supporting our great school & community!

Prayer of Thanksgiving for a Successful Picnic

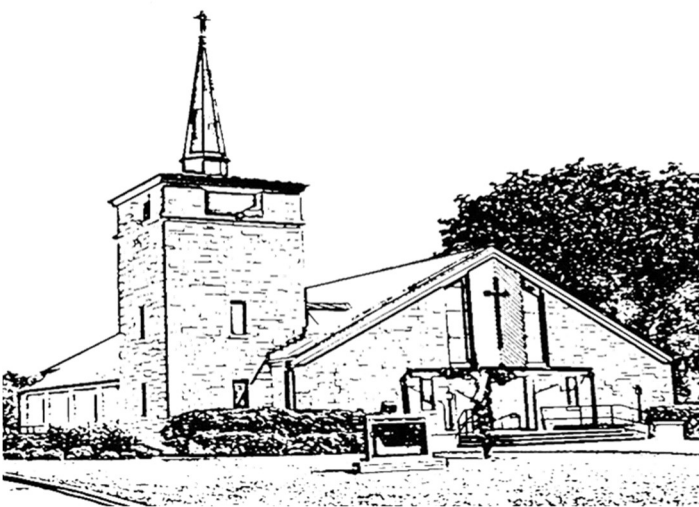
Heavenly Father, we thank You for all the blessings bestowed upon this parish and for the provision of the present and future of this parish with a successful picnic. We ask that you renew and refresh our chairmen and each volunteer. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.



*A special Thank You to the chairmen, **Doss Torrez, Carter Hill & Zachary Swierc** for the countless hours dedicated to preparing before, serving during, and cleaning after the picnic. Leaders are often thought of as people who just direct, but you also did the work. You served humbly as Jesus taught us. Thank you to all the committee chairmen who ensured that each area of the picnic was executed well. Thank you to all the volunteers who gave of their time, talent and treasures because without you there would be no picnic. We give a special recognition to the CCD students for charitably giving of your time as you prepare to be the future leaders of the parish! We thank all those who came to support the parish. May God bless you all! Thank you!*

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 8AM-2PM
Closed Thursdays

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:30PM
Sunday 7:30AM & 9:00AM

DAILY MASSES & HOLY DAYS

As scheduled.

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

30 minutes before every Mass

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

Monday after Mass

SACRED HEART DEVOTIONS

First Friday: Exposition & Benediction after Mass
Except during Lent

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays of Lent at 6:30pm, followed by Mass

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please make arrangements with the Pastor at least six months in advance.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Call Rectory to schedule at least two weeks in advance. **A birth certificate must be shown.** Godparents shall request letter from their Parish.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING

Please call the priest when sick or before going to the hospital, if possible.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

30 Minutes before every Mass

VISITING OF THE SICK & ELDERLY

Upon request.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wednesday 6:00PM.

LAMENTATIONS

Saturdays of Lent after 5:30 Mass