

<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>
<u>MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21</u> St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist		
6:30PM	† Sam Lyssy	<i>by Family</i>
<u>TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22</u>		
6:30PM	† Mary Jane Ivey	<i>by Roger & Corinne Sekula</i>
<u>WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23</u> St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest		
7:30AM	† Michael Kolodzie	<i>by Stanley Kolodzie</i>
<u>THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24</u>		
No Mass		
<u>FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 25</u>		
7:00AM	For Safety & Blessing upon the FC Football Team & All Participants	<i>by Parents</i>
<u>SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26</u> Vigil		
5:30PM	† Vida Swierc	<i>by Diane Lyssy Family</i>
<u>SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27</u> Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
7:30AM	Our Parish Family	<i>by Fr. Andrzej</i>
9:00AM	† Elsie Foegell Walpole	<i>by Lillian Beam</i>

Serving The Lord ~ September 26 - 27

	EM of HC	Lector	Altar Servers
Sat. 5:30	Margo Dziuk	Margo Dziuk	Charles B, Alexander B
Sun. 7:30	Carl Hosek	Kathy Zunker	Alberto G, Kenna L
Sun. 9:00	David Etzler	Zachary Swierc	Cameron L, Haleigh H, Keller H

Offertory Counters

Sep 20 Jeannette Wiggins, Renee Lyssy, Elizabeth Ermis	Oct 04 Shirley Palitza, Lanelle Pollok, Lillian Sekula
Sep 27 Gene & Mary Moczygemba	Oct 11 Cheryl Lyssy, Jeff Dziuk, Courtney Lyssy

Sunday Church Support \$3,900.

Next weekend, September 26th & 27th, across the Archdiocese of S.A. is an in-pew weekend for the Archbishop's Appeal. Envelopes are available at the entrance of the church. If you are able to give, please use the envelope and drop it in the basket during offertory.

Holy Trinity has achieved the 2026 monetary goal of \$9,847 with 31 donors giving \$11,235. We will receive a rebate for 50% of the amount contributed above the goal. In addition, if we reach 52 donors, we will receive an additional \$1,000 rebate. So if an additional 21 family donors who have not already contributed give some amount in an envelope with at least your name, we will have earned the \$1000 rebate.

~~ Thank you to all who have already given so generously. ~~

Phone is currently out of service at the Church Office. Please email the church at

holytrinityfc@sbcglobal.net

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

Writing to the Philippians while in prison, St. Paul feels complete peace about his fate. To stay on this earth means fruitful labor for him; to die means entering eternal life with God. Having lived apart from God in the past, he finds immense joy at being able to labor for the Lord, despite the suffering it entails. Upon first glance, the parable St. Matthew recounts in his Gospel offers a glimpse of God's generous mercy. But reading the parable alongside Paul's letter reveals another layer of meaning: Those who have more time to labor in the vineyard of the Lord are given a great gift – the chance to bear immense fruit. Our long hours laboring in the Lord's vineyard are not something we're meant to merely suffer through on our way to our eternal reward. Rather, they are an opportunity to be drawn into communion with the Lord. As with St. Paul, the joy that comes from realizing that we share in the very life and work of God is available to us now, not only in the life to come.

GO EVANGELIZE | PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Each of the vocations to which God calls us requires sacrifice and includes challenges. Living in humble obedience to the will of God is not easy, but it is full of peace. To focus only on the eternal reward offered after death disregards the love, peace, and joy of the kingdom that we are gifted *now*. We are invited to be laborers in the vineyard, co-creators with the Master of the universe. As we creatively and compassionately allow God's love to flow through us, we infuse new life and love into the world around us. When we truly believe that a life lived in Christ is the most abundant life, we stop asking what is fair and we begin to eagerly invite others to join us in the vineyard. Doing the will of God in this life is a reward unto itself.

STUDY

This week, return to the first reading from the prophet Isaiah. As you reflect on his call to "seek the Lord while he may be found," consider the gift of God's love and presence in your life right now. And as we labor in the vineyard, keeping our eyes on the ultimate reward of eternity with our Creator, may we also recognize the immense gift of knowing, loving, and serving God in this life.

"Seek the Lord while he may be found" (Is 55:6). In today's Gospel, the landowner hires workers at dawn and again at the eleventh hour, and pays them all the same wage (Mt 20:1-16). God's generosity is not calculated by our timing. So it is in this vineyard of South Texas: whether your family has been here a century or arrived last month, whether you never miss a Sunday or are just finding your way back, **Assembly 2026** is for you. Centennial Mass, Saturday, November 7, Nelson W. Wolff Stadium. Gates 3 p.m., Mass 4 p.m. All are welcome. RSVP at AssemblySA.org.

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.

CCD News - Senior Class Parent Meeting at 7pm. this Wed. 9/23 in the CCD Building

Jr. Catholic Daughters of America, JCDA, will have its first meeting of the year on Wednesday, September 23, 2026, directly after CCD in the Sister's Convent. New members are welcome!

TABERNACLE AND SIDE ALTAR FLOWERS: This week's floral arrangements are in memory of Arnold & Mary (Kapitza) Sturm and August (Gus) & Lillian (Hahn) Kotara. The flowers have been donated by Danny & Lynette Sturm.

Community News

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!

St. Cornelius Church Fall Festival – Sunday September 27th 11:30am-6pm Concession Food, Bingo 1-4pm, Horseshoe Tournament, Bucket Raffle, & more – See the bulletin board.

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.

Look closely; God is at work Growing in Faith

We often expect God to work through dramatic signs or unmistakable miracles. Yet His providence frequently unfolds quietly and gradually. Pope Leo points to Jesus' parables of the Kingdom (Matthew 13:24–43) as an answer to an enduring question: Where is God, and how is He at work?

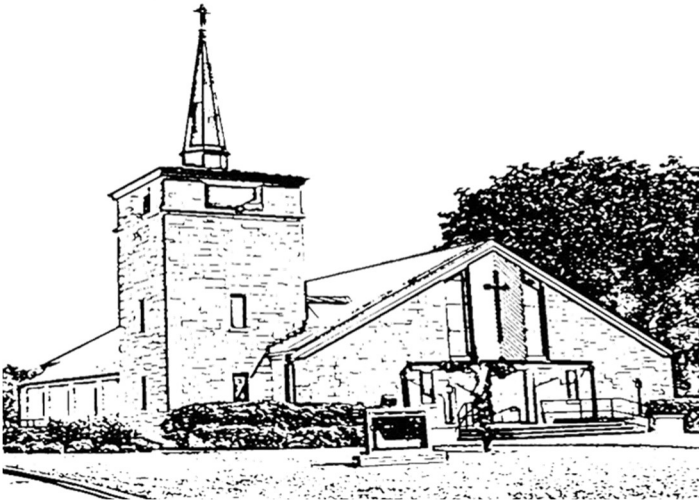
God's providence is constant, even when hidden: When events do not unfold as we hoped, we can assume God is absent or inactive. Jesus' parables invite us to trust that He is always at work, especially when His purposes are not immediately visible.

God works through what is small and ordinary: "God favors smallness, a sign of his discreet love, by which he leaves us free to accept or reject him." For Pope Leo, wheat growing among weeds, yeast leavening dough, and a tiny mustard seed reveal a Kingdom that often advances quietly, patiently, and steadily.

We are called to imitate God: "God's way with us must also become the way in which we live." Building the Kingdom rarely requires extraordinary gestures. It begins with patience in difficulty, resisting rash judgment, fulfilling our responsibilities faithfully, and choosing love when it costs us. These ordinary acts become seeds through which God's Kingdom takes root and grows.

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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
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