

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2024 **TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

5:30PM † Connie Lyssy *by Richard & Cami Swierc*

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 – TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30AM For Our Parish Family *by Fr. Andrzej*

9:00AM † Mike & Joy Swierc ~ Youth Mass~ *by Valeria Faught*

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 – Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

6:30PM Webb & Dorothy Pawelek – Happy 56th Wedding Anniversary *by Family*
DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

6:30PM † Shirley Zaiontz *by Lee Zaiontz*

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

7:30AM † Jeffrey Kyrish & Wayne Lyssy *by Keith & Jo Ann Jarzombek*

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

No Mass

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 – Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest

7:00AM For Safety & Blessing upon the Football Team & All Participants *by Parents*

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

5:30PM Living & Deceased Members of Sam & Connie Lyssy Family *by Felix & Patsy Sekula*

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 – TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:30AM Knights of Columbus, Living & Deceased Members *by Knights of Columbus*

9:00AM For Our Parish Family *by Fr. Andrzej*

Serving The Lord ~ September 28th & 29th

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of the HOLY COMMUNION:

Saturday 5:30PM – Mary Wiatrek

Sunday 7:30AM – Karissa Jarzombek



9:00AM – Lanelle Pollok



LECTORS:

Saturday 5:30PM – Mary Wiatrek

Sunday 7:30AM – Kim Kowalik



9:00AM – Katy Howell

ALTAR SERVERS:

Saturday 5:30PM Volunteers

Sunday 7:30AM Seth L, Kenna L, Alberto G

9:00AM Leah S, Gavin R, Mikayla R



Money Counters

September 22 James & Sophie Dziuk

September 29 & Oct 6 Felix & Patsy Sekula, Lillian Sekula

Prayer to St. Padre Pio (memorial 9/23) – Dear God, Thou hast generously blessed Thy servant, St. Pio of Pietrelcina, with the gifts of the Spirit. Thou hast marked his body with the five wounds of Christ Crucified, as a powerful witness to the saving Passion and Death of Thy Son. Endowed with the gift of discernment, St. Pio labored endlessly in the confessional for the salvation of souls. With reverence and intense devotion in the celebration of Mass, he invited countless men and women to a greater union with Jesus Christ in the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. Through the intercession of St. Pio of Pietrelcina, I confidently beseech Thee to grant me the grace of (mention your petitions now). Amen. Pray three times the Glory Be.

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all. (Mark 9:35)

The first shall be last? This is one of those sayings of Jesus that goes against our natural desires. We don't want to be the last one in line, and we certainly don't want to be the servant! So how can we become the humble servants that the Lord is calling us to be?

Jesus provides an answer at the end of today's Gospel passage: "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me" (Mark 9:37). Jesus is telling us that he is inseparable from his people. He loves us so deeply that he died for us and came to live in our hearts.

So what we do for others, we are doing for Christ. This truth should revolutionize the way we interact with the people around us. Think about it: if Jesus walked through our front door today, we would immediately get busy addressing his needs. "Come in, Jesus; sit down, Jesus. You look hungry; I'll make you anything you want to eat." We would be so quick to serve him that we just might overwhelm him with our kindness! But when we see a brother or sister in need, we often, either explicitly or implicitly, weigh our options: Does this fit in my schedule? How much will this cost me? What will I get out of this in return?

God is calling us out of any selfish regard for ourselves and into a selfless love for others. Today, ask for the eyes to see other people the way God the Father sees them: as another Christ. This will paint everyday situations in a new light. Christ is the lonely parishioner who is looking for a friend; he is the sick neighbor who needs a meal. When you are serving such people, you are serving the Lord himself! "Lord Jesus, teach me to imitate you, the King who came to serve and not to be served."

Memorial of St. Vincent DePaul 9/27 – There is an appointed time for everything. (Ecclesiastes 3:1)

Our time on earth is a gift. It's a limited resource, and it's important that we use it well. And yet God has "put the timeless into [our] hearts" (Ecclesiastes 3:11), giving us a longing for eternity. It's as if we are supposed to live in two different worlds at the same time. The way we spend our time in this life matters, but we are made for eternity, unbound by the constraints of time. So, do we busy ourselves only with trying to accomplish all our daily tasks in their "appointed time" (3:1)? Or do we also place a priority on spiritual pursuits? Qoheleth, the author of Ecclesiastes, wrote that there is a "time" for all things; God gives us tasks to "be busied about" (3:1, 10). But even though God put the timeless into our hearts, we don't really discover "from beginning to end, the work which God has done" (3:11). In other words, even though we are meant for eternity, we don't fully understand how God uses the tasks he places before us to prepare us for eternity. We are somehow in the dark about the meaning of it all. And so Qoheleth becomes despondent. But we have an advantage that Qoheleth didn't have. We can look to the example of Jesus, eternal God who became man. He lived both in time and in eternity. He knows from experience what it's like to exist in this world, what it's like to have to make choices about how to use limited time. Sleep or pray? Stay put in the midst of a fruitful ministry or move on (Mark 1:37-38)? Interrupt an urgent errand in order to heal an insistent sufferer (Mark 5:21-43)? Surely Jesus understands our challenges and is eager to lead us as we choose how to use our time to accomplish God's desires. He understood both God's eternal

purposes and the needs in front of him, and he can help us do the same. It matters how we spend our time here on earth because the choices we make can help carry out God's plan in the world. But the ways we spend our time can also increase our longing for heaven and make us more ready to spend eternity with God. May we learn the wisdom of living with our feet on earth and our hearts in heaven! "Eternal loving God, help me to use the time you've given me with an eye toward eternity."

IN CELEBRATION OF THEIR 56th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY – Dorothy and Webb Pawelek have donated the floral arrangements for our church this weekend. We wish you many more healthy, happy, years together. May God continue to bless you and your family.

Rosary Leaders needed! "There is no problem, no matter how difficult it is, whether temporal or above all spiritual, in the personal life of each one of us, of our families...that cannot be solved by the Rosary." – Sister Lucia dos Santos to whom the Blessed Mother appeared in Fatima. **We need more leaders! Please volunteer to lead the rosary before mass.**

St. Joseph Catholic Church Fall Festival in Nixon – Saturday Sept 21st 11 a.m. – 9 p.m. Mass 6:30 p.m. Hamburgers, Corn on Cob, Gorditas, Enchilada and more... Raffle tickets \$5/each, Cornhole Tournament, DJ, Clown & Robot for children, & CCD Donation booth with religious items.

BINGO! Sunday, September 22nd 1-5 p.m. at Kosciusko Hall (doors open at 1 bingo at 2)
Contact: Becky at 210-394-3009 or Penne at 830-391-0817. Concessions & Baked Goods available.
Sponsored Roger Winkler Memorial & proceeds will benefit community projects and scholarships.

St. Matthew Church Picnic in Jourdanton – Sunday, September 22nd - \$12 Brisket/Sausage combo plate; Serving from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Bingo at Noon in A/C, Children Games, Raffle, Live Auction at 12:30

CCD / YOUTH CHOIR NEWS: Class on Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.
4th Grade Class – Parent & Student meeting in CCD building after class on 10/2. If your child is interested in serving the Lord as an Altar Server, please attend the meeting.

Picnic Supplies – The Picnic Committee has gallon containers of Miracle Whip leftover from the picnic. There are only 5 gallons left. They are asking for donation of \$5.00 each, limit one per person. First come first served. If interested, pay at office during office hours.

Lost & Found – An old grubbing hoe was found in the older part of the Cemetery. If it belongs to you, please call Patrick Pollok (830) 391-2581.

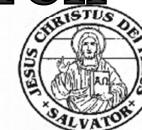
SINCEREST THANKS! We sincerely appreciate all the donations made for the Diner renovations. Memorial donations were made by Vincent & JoAnn Lyssy, Vicky Swierc & Loretta Dziuk in memory of Wayne Lyssy, Conrad Swierc and Pat Dziuk. May God bless you with peace and joy!

Weekly Collection \$3,463.

Parish Council Meeting – September 23^d in Diner after mass.

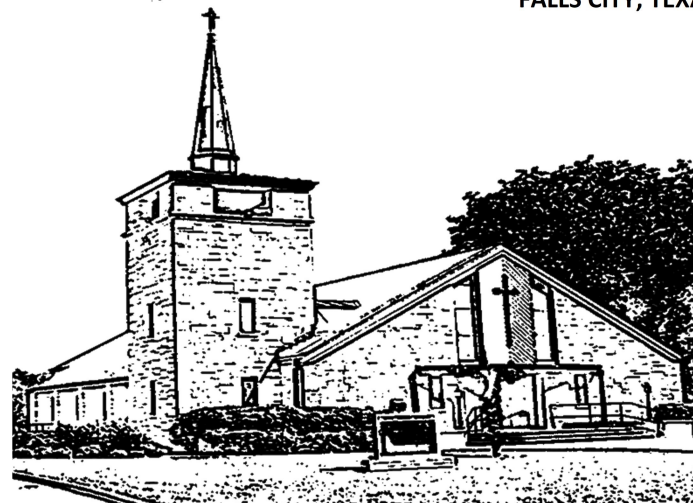
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday
8AM-2PM
CLOSED THURSDAY

SUNDAY MASSES

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

DAILY MASSES

As scheduled.

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

Monday after Mass

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wednesday 6:00PM.

SACRED HEART DEVOTIONS

First Friday: Mass, Exposition, Benediction,
Mass 7:00AM.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

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

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Call Rectory to make arrangements at least
two weeks in advance. **A birth certificate
must be shown.**

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

First Fridays & upon request.

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

25 minutes before every Mass

