



SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 7, 2025 TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6	
5:30PM † Connie Lyssy	<i>by Bobby & Dixie Mutz</i>
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	
7:30AM † Tim Sturm	<i>by George & Lucy Sturm</i>
9:00AM † Anzelma Drees	<i>by Rosary Circle</i>
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
6:30PM † Stephanie Sekula	<i>by Family</i>
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9 Saint Peter Claver, Priest	
6:30PM † Mary Danysh	<i>by Family</i>
WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 10	
7:30AM † Tim Braniff	<i>by Jeff & Sheila Dziuk</i>
6:00PM Our Parish CCD Students, Teachers & Youth Ministry	<i>by Father Andrzej</i>
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11	
No Mass	
FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 12	
7:00AM † Our Parish Family	<i>by Father Andrzej</i>
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13	
5:30PM † Wayne Lyssy	<i>by Clarence & Louise Moczygemba</i>
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	
7:30AM † John L. Moczygemba	<i>by Troit & Terik Hosek</i>
9:00AM † Joseph Jendrusch	<i>by Carl Franckowiak</i>

Serving The Lord ~ September 13th & 14th

<u>Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion:</u>		<u>Lectors:</u>	
Saturday 5:30PM Mary Wiatrek		Saturday 5:30PM Mary Wiatrek	
Sunday 7:30AM Carl Hosek		Sunday 7:30AM Kathy Zunker	
9:00AM Dickie Dziuk		9:00AM Jeannette Wiggins	
<u>Altar Servers:</u> Saturday Cayson M & Volunteer Sunday 7:30AM Seth L, Kenna L, Alberto G 9:00AM Leah S, Gavin R, Mikayla R, Riley L			

Money Counters

Sept 7 Shirley Palitza, Lanelle Pollok, Lillian Sekula	Sept 21 Wilfred & Dianne Dziuk
Sept 14 Pat & Karissa Jarzombek, Mary Stulting	Sept 28 James & Sophie Dziuk

Sunday Church Support \$2,648.

2nd Collection - There will be a 2nd Collection next weekend, Sept 13th-14th for Gaza & the Middle East. It will greatly assist Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) and Catholic Relief Services (CRS) in their ministry of providing vital emergency humanitarian relief and medical and psychological care for the sick, malnourished and wounded.

CCD Opening Mass – Wednesday September 10th at 6:00pm. Please be in pews before start of mass.

CCD Parent Meetings – September 17th - 2nd Grade 7:00pm in CCD Building

September 24th - 12th Grade 7:00pm in CCD Building

October 1st - 4th Grade 7:00pm in Church

October 8th – 11th Grade 7:00pm in CCD building

No Mass Tuesday September 16th due to Clergy Day in San Antonio.

Twenty- Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

... that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but ... a brother. (Philemon 15-16)
Despite being one of the shortest books in the Bible, St. Paul's Letter to Philemon still reveals the power of the gospel to change us. It had changed Paul so much that he viewed a runaway, criminal slave, Onesimus, as his own spiritual son, and it had changed this slave so much that he viewed himself as a beloved, forgiven man. Now Paul is inviting Onesimus' owner, Philemon, to let the gospel change him.

While he was in prison, Paul evangelized Onesimus, who had run away from his owner and had come seeking Paul's help. As they grew close, Paul came to view Onesimus as his spiritual "child" (Philemon 10). But he didn't stop there. In today's reading, Paul pleads with Onesimus' owner, Philemon, to take him back. Paul's letter is clever and inviting but also direct. He says he could command Philemon based on his authority as an apostle, but he chooses a different tone: "I rather urge you out of love," he writes (Philemon 9). He begs Philemon to see the spiritual reality of the situation, not just the legal reality. "Perhaps this is why he was away from you for a while, that you might have him back forever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a brother" (15-16). This letter shows that the gospel is not just good news that announces our salvation—it changes us. Just as it did for Onesimus and Paul (and, hopefully, for Philemon), it lifts our hearts, it reconciles broken relationships, and it changes the way we treat one another. During this Jubilee Year, let's invite the Holy Spirit to show us how we can be transformed by the power of the gospel. Perhaps there is someone he will help you see differently—a boss, a family member, maybe even yourself!

"Thank you, Holy Spirit, for setting us free to see ourselves and others as you do."

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Events

ALTAR SOCIETY MONTHLY ROSARY will be this Sunday September 7th at 5:00pm in our church. Traditionally, the Catholic Church has devoted the month of September to Our Lady of Sorrows, and so we will recite the Seven Sorrows of Mary Rosary. We will meditate on the pains of Jesus through the eyes of our Lady. This devotion dates back to the 14th century as Mary, Our Lady of Sorrows, appeared to St. Bridget of Sweden and revealed this rosary prayer to her.

The Catholic Daughters of Court #917 will be having their first meeting of the new year on Tuesday, September 9 @ 7:00 PM in the Sisters Convent at Holy Trinity following the 6:30 Mass. Please come. We will be discussing the new budget and new projects, and we would love your input!! Please bring a friend-possible new member.

Falls City Band Booster Fried Chicken Dinner & Bake Sale – Sunday September 14th – Serving 10am – Noon. Drive-Through at the Holy Trinity Diner – Tickets are \$15 and Pre-Sale at FC Public Library, Pollok's Deli, Mr. Wolf, Tiffany Bordovsky, Lindsay McFarlane, April Davidson, Sara Boysen or Rebecca Tiemann. Contact info is posted on the bulletin board.

Holy Cross Catholic Church Festival in Yorktown – Sun Sept 14th – Famous Homemade Polish Sausage & Shoulder Clod Meal with potato salad, coleslaw, pinto beans, and cake \$15/plate or \$8 for age 12 and under– Dine in or Take Out 10:30am 1pm. Rusty Steins Band 11am-1pm, Live Auction 1pm, Raffle & more.

Bingo hosted by Roger Winkler Memorial - Sun Sept 14th, 1-5 p.m.-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

Assembly 2025 – Day of Prayer, Fasting & Reconciliation Sat. Oct. 25th - RSVP online at AssemblySA.org, and select the location you wish to attend. The Assembly at the Immaculate Conception Church in Panna Maria begins at 8am and will include Rosary, Key-note Speaker, Adoration, Reconciliation and concludes with Mass at 11am. See flyer at the entrance of the church for more information.

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, Devon Lyssy, Doss Torrez & Carter Hill 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!

Holiness in everyday life Growing in Faith

Pier Giorgio Frassati — to be canonized on September 7 — was known for blending intense spirituality with fun—he loved mountain climbing, practical jokes, and friendship. He taught that holiness can be simple, joyful, and practical, woven into daily life. In a 1923 address to young people, he summed up the Christian life: “Our religion is based on charity, which is nothing other than the most perfect Love.” He proposed three ways to live that love: by example, through compassion, and by joyful invitation.

By example: Blessed Pier believed that our lives should reflect our faith without needing words. “We Catholics must strive to have our whole life guided by Christian moral law,” he said. That includes building our schedules around the Eucharist, practicing reverence, treating others with dignity, and living generously. These everyday choices silently proclaim who we are—and whose we are.

With compassion: Blessed Pier encouraged personal, thoughtful acts of

love: visiting the lonely, offering a kind word, or putting others first. He reminded us that holiness begins with small, intentional acts of compassion.

By joyful invitation: Blessed Pier’s faith was magnetic, marked by laughter,

“Jesus is with me. I have nothing to fear.”
Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati

adventure, and prayer. He urged others to draw people to Christ with warmth and sincerity: “Persuade [those who are far from the Church] to follow the ways of God.” A quiet chapel visit or simple prayer can be a powerful invitation to grace.

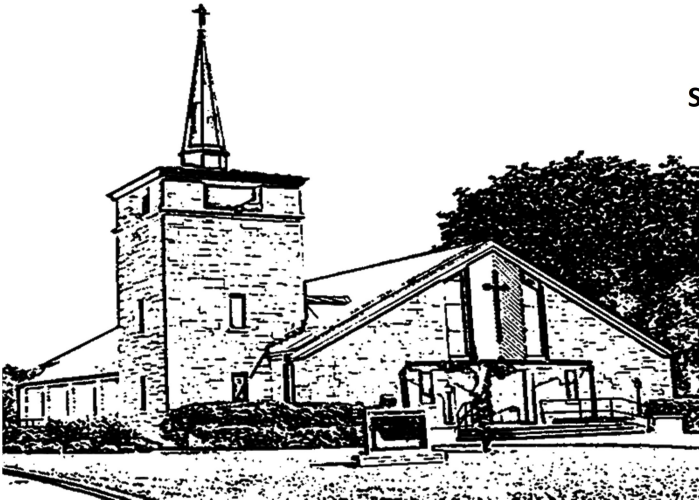
He urged Catholics to stay rooted in the Eucharist: “Approach the Eucharistic Table as often as possible... from which you will draw strength.” His life reminds us that sainthood is not about perfection, but about choosing love—daily, faithfully, and joyfully.

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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

First Fridays & upon request.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wednesday 6:00PM.

LAMENTATIONS

Saturdays of Lent after 5:30 Mass