

SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

5:30PM † Alice A. Jendrusch - *birthday*

by Richard & Cami Swierc

SUNDAY, APRIL 28 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

7:30AM For Our Parish Family

by Father Andrzej

9:00AM Senior Class of 2024 Baccalaureate Mass

by Father Andrzej

MONDAY, APRIL 29 – Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

6:30PM † Connie Lyssy

by Paul & Nancy Pawelek

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

TUESDAY, APRIL 30

6:30PM † Mary Danysh - *anniversary*

by Patrick & Lanelle Pollok

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1

7:30AM † Irene Dworaczyk

by Steve & Mindy Jendrusch

THURSDAY, MAY 2 – Saint Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

NO MASS

FRIDAY, MAY 3 – first friday

7:00AM † Connie Lyssy - *anniversary*

by Vincent Swierc Jr.

SATURDAY, MAY 4

5:30PM † Swierc & Janysek Families – *living & deceased*

by Glenn & Geraldine Swierc

SUNDAY, MAY 5 – SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

7:30AM For Our Parish Family

by Father Andrzej

9:00AM For Blessings Upon Our First Holy Communion Students

by Father Andrzej

SERVING THE LORD – May 4 and 5

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of the HOLY COMMUNION:

Saturday 5:30PM - Leslie Pollok

Sunday 7:30AM - Carl Hosek



9:00AM - Mary Stulting



LECTORS:

Saturday 5:30PM – Allen Pollok

Sunday 7:30AM – Karissa Jarzombek



9:00AM – 1st Communion class

ALTAR SERVERS: May 4 and 5

Saturday 5:30pm - volunteers

Sunday 7:30am – Seth L. Kenna L. Alberto G. Gabriel L.

9:00am – Isabel K. Alena K. Kyleigh S. Leah S. Gavin R.



5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER - DAILY MEDITATION: JOHN 15:1-8

Ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you. (John 15:7)

Have you ever heard of snake oil salesmen? They sell a product that they promise will solve all of our problems, cure all of our ills, and guarantee a happy life. It’s a tempting offer. But we know deep down that the salesman’s promises are empty.

In today’s Gospel, Jesus tells us that we can come to him and ask for whatever we want. Does that mean that, like a snake oil salesman, he is promising to give us whatever we desire, even if it’s riches, fame, or power? Not at all.

When Jesus makes this promise, he begins by saying “If you remain in me and my words remain in you” (John 15:7). That’s the key: abiding in Jesus. He wants us to be like branches that are constantly fed and sustained by a vine. That means staying connected to him so that he can feed us and form us (15:5). The closer we are to Jesus and the more we let his words shape us, the more our hearts can become like his. Our desires and dreams start to reflect his desires and dreams for us. As a result, it’s more likely that we’ll be “asking” according to God’s will.

Of course, this doesn’t happen overnight. Even as we strive to align ourselves with God’s will, we should still keep bringing our needs or desires to Jesus. We should always come to him with the confidence of children who trust in their loving father. After all, we have a good God who wants to give us good things. But in the end, prayer is not an exercise in trying to get him to bend to our will. It’s a process of freely embracing his will.

Jesus is promising us that we can ask and receive as we align ourselves with him and hold onto his words. He himself will dwell within us and lead us to our heavenly Father. And that’s not an empty promise!

“Jesus, help me to abide in you!”

Growing in FAITH – from Scripture – John 15:1-8, bearing fruit that will last

This Gospel passage takes us back to the Last Supper, when Jesus told His disciples that He is the vine, and they are the branches. “*As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine neither can you, unless you abide in me*”. This shows the closeness of the friendship and intimacy Christ wants to draw us into. Yet this isn’t just a luxury for the few, but a vital necessity for all. “*For apart from me you can do nothing*”. As Jesus is who He says He is (God), then we can only have a truly fulfilling, meaningful, fruitful life to the degree we live in Christ and Christ lives in us. It really is as simple as that. Our connection with Christ is nourished through daily prayer and the Eucharist and is healed in Confession. We are part of the Vine when we humbly obey Christ’s commands, carry out our duties and acts of kindness with love, and offer our suffering to God. Only then will our lives bear lasting fruit.

Money Counters for April

April 28 – James and Sophie Dziuk

Weekly Collection \$3280.00

Assumption Seminary \$496.00

Congratulations to the 2024 Falls City High School Senior Class -

Cayla Celine Albers, Katelyn Ray Bordovsky, Blake William Braun, Kash Logan Brown ,
Laurel Denise Camber, Chloe George Cavalier, Caleb Wayne Gawlik, Layne Michael Gisler,
Joely Elizabeth Haws, Hagen Andrew Hons, Kelsey Anne Hons, Camron Gage Jones,
Kylee Nicole Kutac, Mary Madilynn Lyssy, Ryan Demetrius Lyssy, Maggie Lynn Miller,
Klarisa Faith Moehrig, Christian Tyler Moy, Marilena Raquel Niedenberger, Camber Morgan Pipes
Lane Joseph Purcell, Braden Robert Rich, Samantha Kay Saenz, Allie Nicole Sanchez,
Brayden Blaze Scott, Madelyn Grace Sekula, Jacob Paul Swierc, Hannah Mae Thomas,
Sawyer Gabriel Thomas, Ashlan Matilda Thompson, Lukas Kade Wiatrek, Karlee Jewel Wuest

FIRST FRIDAY – Please join us this Friday, May 3th at 7:00am for Mass, Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

SECOND COLLECTIONS – This weekend, April 27 and 28 there will be a 2nd collection for Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Thank you for your support.

ATTENTION: The Youth Choir will practice for First Holy Communion Mass on Wednesday, May 1st at 5:30pm in the choir loft.

There will be CCD classes this Wednesday, May 1st at 6:00pm.
First Holy Communion, Sunday, May 5th at 9:00am.
Closing CCD rosary and Mass, Wednesday, May 8th.

Bingo - this Sunday – April 28th

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

Falls City Community Hall Events

May 4 – Dance, Cactus Country

Church Picnic, Nativity of the BVM Church, Cestohowa, Sunday, May 5, BBQ beef & sausage with trimmings, \$12.00 plate, serving from 11am to 2pm, bingo, auction, raffle, country store, toy shop, cake stand, children’s games, water games

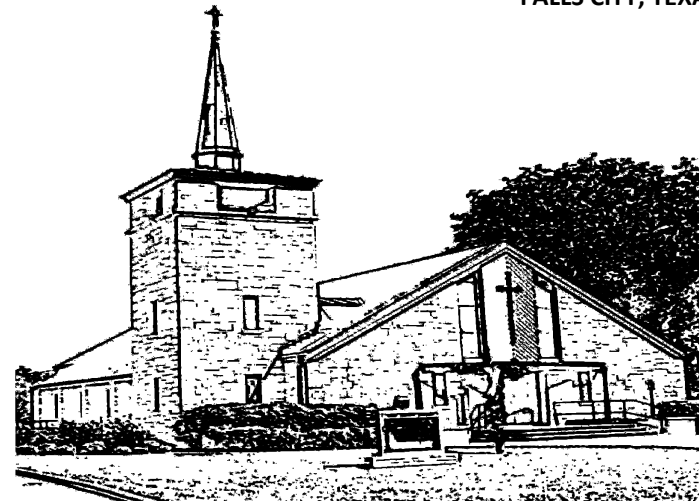
The 2024 Archbishop's Appeal for Ministries is an annual campaign that supports more than 30 shared ministries that advance the mission of the Catholic Church in our area. Please consider a donation so that Walking United in Christ, we can consistently care for those who rely upon the Archdiocese and our programs for life and faith sustaining support. Please visit archsa.org/archbishops-appeal to give today! Have questions? Please call (210) 734-1910. **% of goal 58% Parish Goal is \$9,432.00**

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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.

DEVOTION TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP

Monday after Mass

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wednesday 6:00PM.

SACRED HEART DEVOTIONS

First Friday: Mass, Exposition, Benediction,
Mass 6:30PM.

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