



SUNDAY AUGUST 3, 2025 **Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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| <u>SATURDAY, AUGUST 2</u> | |
| 5:30PM † Shirley Lee Wiatrek | <i>by Leo Jr. & Jeannette Lyssy</i> |
| <u>SUNDAY, AUGUST 3</u> Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | |
| 7:30AM Our Parish Family | <i>by Fr. Andrzej</i> |
| 9:00AM † Clem Swierc, Jr. | <i>by Glenn & Geraldine Swierc</i> |
| <u>MONDAY, AUGUST 4</u> Saint John Vianney, Priest | |
| 6:30PM † Theresa Dziuk | <i>by Bill & Antoinette Kalala</i> |
| <u>TUESDAY, AUGUST 5</u> | |
| 6:30PM † James Pawelek | <i>by Mr. & Mrs. Darrell Lyssy</i> |
| <u>WEDNESDAY AUGUST 6</u> The Transfiguration of the Lord | |
| 7:30AM † Tim Braniff | <i>by Delores Kotara</i> |
| <u>THURSDAY, AUGUST 7</u> | |
| No Mass | |
| <u>FRIDAY AUGUST 8</u> Saint Dominic, Priest | |
| 7:00AM † Mitchel Mutz | <i>by Michael Sekula</i> |
| <u>SATURDAY, AUGUST 9</u> | |
| 5:30PM † Edmund & Theresa Wiatrek | <i>by Francis & Pam Kotara</i> |
| <u>SUNDAY, AUGUST 10</u> Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | |
| 7:30AM † Pat & Dennis Malik & Parents | <i>by Alice P Jendrusch Family</i> |
| 9:00AM † Evelyn Laskowski | <i>by Chester Laskowski Family</i> |

Serving The Lord ~ August 9th & 10th

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| <u>Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion:</u> | | <u>Lectors:</u> | |
| Saturday 5:30PM Leslie Pollok |  | Saturday 5:30PM Margo Dziuk |  |
| Sunday 7:30AM Carl Hosek | | Sunday 7:30AM Kathy Zunker | |
| 9:00AM Dickie Dziuk | | 9:00AM Patrick Pollok | |
| <u>Altar Servers:</u> Saturday Alexander B, Charles B | | Sunday 7:30AM Seth L, Kenna L, Alberto G | |
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Money Counters

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| Aug 3 Lanelle Pollok, Shirley Palitza, Lillian Sekula | Aug 17 Wilfred & Diane Dziuk |
| Aug 10 Pat & Karissa Jarzombek, Mary Stulting | Aug 24 James & Sophie Dziuk |

Sunday Church Support \$3,108.

Catholic Charities-Emergency Disaster Relief \$3,627

Thank you for being so generous in your support of those impacted by the floods in the Hill Country.

May God continue to bless you with peace and joy!

Thank you from Emmy Bertrand’s Family

Thank you to all who worked at the dinner or contributed. Most of all thank you for your love & prayers. We are so overwhelmed with the love and compassion received from the community.

Please keep praying for Emmy.

TABERNACLE FLOWERS - *This weekend's floral arrangements are in celebration of Saturday's Beaver Roundup with the intention for all living and deceased members of FCISD donated by Casper & RosaLee Moczygemba.*

Altar Society Monthly Rosary: The monthly Rosary will not be recited in August. The Rosary will begin again Sunday, September 7th at 5pm

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Someone in the crowd said to Jesus, “Teacher, tell my brother to share the inheritance with me.” He replied to him, “Friend, who appointed me as your judge and arbitrator?” Luke 12:13–14

Many things in life are not fair. Children are keenly aware of this any time they sense they have been cheated by a sibling. They complain to their parents, just as the person in the crowd quoted above complained to Jesus about his brother. We want justice and can become quite upset when we feel that we have been dealt an injustice. The passage above is interesting because Jesus gently but clearly refuses to be the arbiter of justice for this man. It may indeed be the case that he was cheated out of his inheritance by his brother. But it’s interesting that Jesus not only refuses to resolve the dispute, He then goes on to teach about greed, suggesting that the cheated man was acting out of greed.

If you were cheated out of your inheritance by a sibling, how would you react? If a sibling were to do this, it would clearly be a sin and an injustice. But the question at hand is your reaction to being cheated. Being cheated by another might result in one of two responses. The most common response is to immediately seek justice, to fight back. But this is not always what God will inspire us to do. Instead, when we experience injustice, we are given an opportunity to love on a very deep level. And this must be our response. This is why Jesus said we must love our enemies and pray for those who persecute us. In the big picture of eternity, earthly injustices are always an opportunity for grace. This is evident by simply looking at the gravest injustice of the suffering and death of the Son of God. Jesus did not complain about being so cruelly treated. He did not call on the angels of Heaven to destroy the Pharisees and Romans who attacked Him. Instead, Jesus used the injustice inflicted upon Him as a foundation for His gift of salvation.

As we journey through this life, we need to decide whether we are going to live for this life or for eternity. We cannot have both. However, by choosing to live for eternity, we also enhance our lives here on earth in ways that nothing in this world can match. For example, say you experienced the unfortunate situation of extreme poverty. Say you were cheated out of your home and possessions and were left with nothing. Would this make you miserable? It might, but it doesn’t have to. Instead, such an unfortunate circumstance has the potential for you to live day-by-day, trusting in God’s providential care and to offer mercy in the face of injustice. And that is good. It is good for your eternal soul. It is good because it will motivate you to trust God on a very deep level and to become a beacon of God’s mercy. By contrast, if you had everything you could ever want in this world, it would be seriously tempting to rely less upon God and more upon the things you possess in this world. But the things of this world cannot save your eternal soul. In fact, they are a serious hindrance to your ability to trust in God alone. So, truth be told, poverty and injustice actually open the door to an opportunity for much more grace in our lives than material wealth does. But so often we still long to have more and more of the things of this world.

Reflect, today, upon the spiritual and eternal blessings that come from relying solely upon God and not upon material wealth. This is a hard lesson for most people to learn. If this is your struggle, then try to take on the eternal perspective. Try to look beyond the temporary stability and pleasures that come from accumulating earthly wealth, so that you will see the eternal riches that come from seeking God alone. Everything in this world will one day pass away. In the light of that fact, recommit yourself to the embrace of God’s riches by loving others through every injustice you encounter in life. *mycatholic.life*

Church Picnic Preparation – Volunteers & Donations Appreciated!

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| Saturday Aug 16, 8am | Parish clean-up grounds & pits |
| Saturday Aug 23, 7am | Cut/Gather wood and meet at the Pits at 7am |
| Wednesday Aug 27, 8am | Volunteers to sort/pick through beans at the Diner |
| Wednesday Aug 27, 6-7pm | Srs & Jrs to help set up for the picnic. Please be prompt! Thank you! |
| Thursday Aug 28, 8am | Volunteers to wash tubs, containers, & utensils at the Diner |
| Thursday Aug 28, 6pm | All BBQ Crew members & Volunteers to trim & marinate meat |
| Friday Aug 29, 9:30am | Make Sausage at Polloks |

| Donations | Date/Time | Place | Details | Contact |
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| Bingo | Sat. Aug 30 8am-3pm Sun. Aug 31 Starting 8am | FC Community Hall (<u>not</u> CCD Bldg) | Please bring items valued at about \$7.00 - \$10.00 | Katy Howell 830-570- 8100 |
| Country Store | Fri Aug 29 12pm–3 pm and/or Sat Aug 30 8am-12pm | FC Community Hall | We need: homemade canned items, homegrown vegetables, handmade crafts, <i>gently used</i> household items, jewelry, baby items, toys, decorative items, and plants. | Dianne Dzuik 830-484- 7446 |
| Bake Sale | Sun Aug 31 starting at 8am | FC Community Hall by Kitchen | Please bring at least 2 (more if you can) Cakes, Coffee Cakes, Pies, Cookies or Homemade Bread . People <u>love Home Made foods!!</u> | |
| Pickles for the Meal | Sun Aug 31 7am | Holy Trinity Diner | All you can spare, especially home canned. <i>PLEASE</i> slice the pickles and put them in Ziploc bags. | Cheryl Lyssy |
| Auction | This year, we would like to have all items donated or slot reserved <u>by</u> Saturday, August 30. | FC Community Hall | The Auction plays a big part in the success of our picnic. <u>We will be accepting up to 200 items.</u> The following are a few suggested items to donate: hunting and fishing gear, deer blinds, hunting and fishing trips, tools, yard items/furniture, fire pits and grills, gardening items, outdoor games, collegiate items, quilts, wall hangings, event tickets, ice chests, dinner gift certificates, meat gift certificates, Polish Pottery, trees, trailers, food items (jerky, peanut brittle, homemade baked items, homemade canned goods). We also accept cash donations for larger items to be purchased. <u>We will no longer accept used items as in the past</u> | Amy Witte 830-534- 1629 |

Picnic Worker List is available at the entrance of the church.
Parish Picnic Raffle Tickets are ready for pickup after each weekend mass outside the church or at the FC Milling Co. The tickets are \$5 each. We encourage each family to either buy or sell \$100 worth. Contact Cheryl Stone 830-254-3332
Babysitting available to Picnic Workers for children aged infant to 9 years old during Picnic Work Shifts. You will pay the babysitter directly. This is not an employee or contractor of Holy Trinity Church. Cost is: \$10.00 per child. Please call or text Vi Swierc at 830-583-6778 by Wed, Aug 27 to reserve your spot. Please include your name, your child(ren)’s name(s) and age(s), and the shift you are working. Spots are limited.

Church Yard – Anyone who can volunteer temporarily to mow the lawn is asked to contact the office. Thank you!

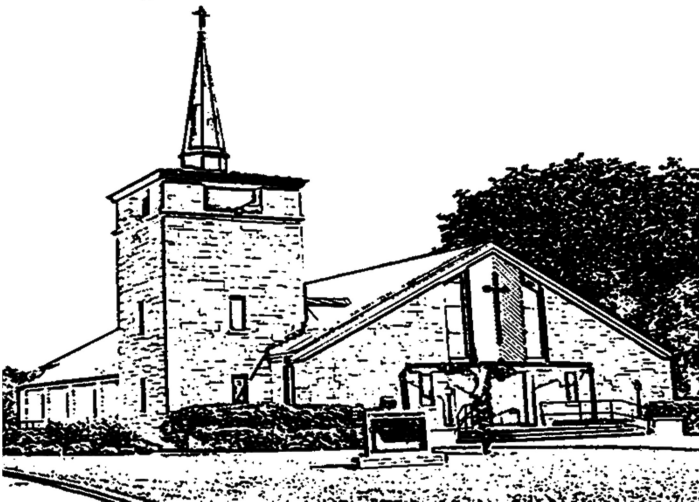
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 8AM-2PM
Closed Thursdays

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
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