

Welcome

To our communities of faith

Our Divine Saviour Catholic Church

*12th Street and Love Avenue
Tifton, GA*

And

*St. William Catholic Church
807 S. Merrimac Dr.
Fitzgerald, GA 31750*

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 12, 2025

Pastor

Rev. Peter Oyenugba, MSP

Deacon

J. Brian Bergeron

Deacon

Eric Windmoller

***The Lord has revealed to the
nations his saving power.
Psalm 98***



The Gospel reading today tells the story of a healing.

The ingratitude of the other lepers is a surprising account, but the fact that the one grateful returnee was a Samaritan was possibly more shocking at the time.

The Samaritan is not only healed, he is also saved through wholeness and a proper relationship to God.

Our Divine Savior

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**Any new parishioners who would like to register,
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Requests for Prayers

Please pray for the sick and those who have requested our prayers:

Maria Alanis, Allison Brannan, Rachel Brantley, James Brown, Mary Brown, Brady, Patricia Busby, Erica Carroll, Mary Carroll, Tommy Carroll, Sean Winn Carampatan, Laurie Creel, Margarie D'Souva, Tina DeWees, Curtis Esmel, Carlos & Carrie Fletcher, Lauren Judy Fraelich, Rodolfo Herandez-Labastida, Chloe Kendrick, David LaForest, Isaac Lindsey, Randy Long, LaVonia Mathis, Raeleigh Jane McCartha, Bob McDuffie, Andrew Meredith, Susana Melgar, Thomas Norris, Butch Parker, Charles Phenicie, John Potlanus, Katy Podagrosi, Miller Blake Prostko, Nancy Quynn, Marian Robinson, Jaxen Roberts, Rosalie Rohrer, Arlene Ruse, Josephine Sehmanski, Marlena Smith, Sterling Saunders, Robbi Scarbrough, Wayne Scarbrough, John B. Sherlock, James Smith, Kaylon Spurlock, Jamie Thompson, Jennifer Unis, Dowson Bedore, Debra Vazquez, Gary Valinski, Sonia Webb

Please Pray for our Military:

Andrew Byrd, Anthony Caucci, Jonathan Elder, Clayton F. Gibbs, Terry Jones, James Olands, Angel Olivos, Bong Tanesco, Aurelio Tovar, Gregory Camargo, Michael Gibbons, Jackson Bergeron

October 12, 2025

28th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Readings:

2 Kings 5:14-17

2 Timothy 2:8-13

Luke 17:11-19

Theme:

We are Eucharistic people. We live in praise and thanksgiving.

Question of the week:

What are some ways you can think of to show gratitude to God?

October 19, 2025

29th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Readings:

Exodus 17:8-13

2 Timothy 3:14

Luke 18:1-8

Theme:

Never stop praying. Have faith and never give up.

Question of the week:

When you pray, what do you ask for most often?



Announcements: October 11 & 12

Activity Center Rental Fee:

As of January 1, 2024 the fee to rent the Activity Center will be \$800 plus a \$200 deposit which will be returned if there is no damaged to the property.

CCW News:

The CCW is sponsoring a RADA Cutlery fundraiser effective immediately. RADA sells reasonably priced cutlery items, along with soup mixes, dips, cheese ball mixes, gourmet popcorn, cookbooks and more. Catalogs will be available in the Church vestibule. You may also order on-line at: <https://radafundraising.com?rfsn=5276229.0684f0>. This will take you right to the ODS site. 40% of the proceeds are paid to the OCS CCW. Thank you

The Annual Pennies from Heaven clean water project has started and will continue until November 2nd. Please be generous as you can help build wells for those who need clean water.

2024 Annual Catholic Appeal:

ODS target goal for 2025 ACA is \$25,278 and St. William is \$1,770. We thank you to everyone that can give to our appeal. ODS has given \$6,560.00 towards our goal.

We will also be starting the Harvest of Hope Capital Campaign with the Diocese in August and more information will be shared later this year. See Bishop Parkes' latest video on the diocesan website for more information.

Video links:

English: <https://youtu.be/0tWljZwg8HQ>

Spanish: <https://youtu.be/-9D78ewalE4>

ODS/CCW Thanksgiving Basket Food Drive:

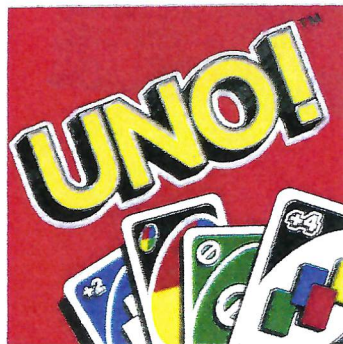
Dear Fellow Parishioners. The non-perishable items for the Thanksgiving Food Drive for 15 ODS needy families are coming in. Thank you, we are off to a good start! Every week, look for the bulletin announcement from the CCW. It will let you know what items to bring to Church the following weekend. This week we are asking you to purchase: **DICED TOMATOES, HUNTS TOMATOE SAUCE, CANNED or DRIED FRUIT, CANNED TUNA FISH**. Please put your donated food on the high counter in the Church Hall. Thank you for your generosity!

CCD news:

There will be CCD classes this weekend October 12th BUT classes will be cancelled next weekend October 19th due to Fall Break. All students going through First Communion and Confirmation classes must have their mass attendance cards signed each week, and they must complete one mass reflection sheet each month. If you forgot yours, there are a few copies at the entrance of the church.

Knights' Social Mixer UNO NIGHT:

All are invited to UNO card game night on Wednesday, October 15th at 6:00 pm in the Activity Center. If you have any questions, call Vickie Lubbers at 229-392-3567.



Dear Padre

October 12, 2025

Are people born with the Holy Spirit, or do they have to be baptized in order to receive the Holy Spirit? If we are not born with the Holy Spirit, is it just our conscience that is bothered when we are doing wrong?

Your question is suggesting that the Holy Spirit is "in" or "out." St. Paul teaches us, "In him we live and move and have our being" (Acts 17:28). In other words, the Spirit of God is always with us, and we are dependent on that Spirit for life. There is no beginning and there is no end; the Spirit always was, and is, and will be.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* explains that "Conscience is a judgment of reason whereby the human person recognizes the moral quality of a concrete act that he is going to perform, is in the process of performing, or has already completed. In all he says and does, man is obliged to follow faithfully what he knows to be just and right" (1778). We have an obligation to form our consciences to know what is right and to help our children form theirs. It is with the cooperation of the Spirit that a "good conscience" is formed.

When we celebrate the sacraments, including the sacrament of baptism, we are confirming the life of the Spirit that is within us. We are acknowledging and proclaiming the abiding presence of the Spirit of God. ●

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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Querido Padre

12 de octubre

¿Nacen las personas con el Espíritu Santo o tienen que ser bautizadas para recibirlo? Si no nacemos con el Espíritu Santo, ¿es solo nuestra conciencia la que se inquieta cuando hacemos algo malo?

Tu pregunta sugiere que el Espíritu Santo está "dentro" o "fuera." San Pablo nos enseña: "En él vivimos, nos movemos y existimos" (Hechos 17:28). En otras palabras, el Espíritu de Dios está siempre con nosotros y dependemos de ese Espíritu para vivir. No hay principio ni fin; el Espíritu siempre fue, es y será.

El *Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica* explica que "la conciencia es un juicio de la razón, mediante el cual el hombre reconoce el carácter moral de un acto concreto que va a realizar, está realizando o ha realizado. En todo lo que dice y hace, el hombre está obligado a seguir fielmente lo que sabe que es justo y recto" (1778). Tenemos la obligación de formar nuestra conciencia para saber lo que es correcto y ayudar a nuestros hijos a formar la suya. Es con la cooperación del Espíritu que se forma una "buena conciencia."

Cuando celebramos los sacramentos, incluido el sacramento del bautismo, estamos confirmando la vida del Espíritu que hay en nosotros. Estamos reconociendo y proclamando la presencia permanente del Espíritu de Dios. ●

P. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR

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Good News!

October 12, 2025

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

2 Kings 5:14-17 / 2 Timothy 2:8-13 / Luke 17:11-19

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Here is a quick self-test: *Name three things in your life for which you are grateful.* Finished? If you were able to name three things easily, your spirituality is probably in a good place. If you had difficulty, your spirituality may be in need of some work. Spiritual writers have long noted that living day by day with a sense of gratitude is one of the signs of holiness. Yet, a number of attitudes can get in the way of our being thankful. One is anger; it unsettles and focuses our attention on one issue, keeping us from seeing a bigger picture filled with blessings. Another is living with continual wanting; incessant desires for more prevent us from recognizing the beauty and goodness of what already is. Fear too keeps us from being grateful; it obliterates all the goodness that is present and focuses on an unknown and uncertain future that may never be.

Therapists have advised that, at the end of each day, people should take time to name three things that happened that day for which they are grateful, as doing so will often ease depression. Our religious tradition has been encouraging this for 2,000 years. Not all depression is due to life circumstances; some is the result of chemical or hormonal imbalances. But, if our sadness is the consequence of life events, naming three positive occurrences from each day not only brings a balance to our attitudes but also brings us to deeper faith, recognizing a power greater than ourselves at work in our lives. That power is God. ●

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Buenas noticias

12 de octubre de 2025

Vigésimo octavo domingo del tiempo ordinario (C)

2 Reyes 5:14-17 / 2 Timoteo 2:8-13 / Lucas 17:11-19

P. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

He aquí una pequeña prueba: nombra tres cosas en tu vida por las que estás agradecido. ¿Ya terminaste? Si te ha resultado fácil nombrar tres cosas, probablemente tu espiritualidad esté en buen estado. Si te ha costado, quizá necesites trabajar un poco en ella. Los escritores espirituales llevan mucho tiempo señalando que vivir cada día con un sentido de gratitud es uno de los signos de la santidad. Sin embargo, hay una serie de actitudes que pueden impedirnos ser agradecidos. Una de ellas es la ira, que nos perturba y centra nuestra atención en un solo tema, impidiéndonos ver el panorama general, lleno de bendiciones. Otra es vivir con un deseo continuo; el deseo incesante de tener más nos impide reconocer la belleza y la bondad de lo que ya tenemos. El miedo también nos impide ser agradecidos, ya que borra toda la bondad presente y se centra en un futuro desconocido e incierto que tal vez nunca llegue.

Los terapeutas aconsejan que, al final de cada día, las personas dediquen un tiempo a nombrar tres cosas que hayan sucedido ese día por las que estén agradecidas, ya que hacerlo suele aliviar la depresión. Nuestra tradición religiosa lleva 2000 años fomentando esto. No toda la depresión se debe a las circunstancias de la vida; algunas son el resultado de desequilibrios químicos u hormonales. Pero, si nuestra tristeza es consecuencia de acontecimientos de la vida, nombrar tres cosas positivas de cada día no solo nos aporta equilibrio, sino que también nos lleva a una fe más profunda, al reconocer que hay un poder superior a nosotros mismos que actúa en nuestras vidas. Ese poder es Dios. ●

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EVENTS of the WEEK:

Saturday, October 11

Mass at ODS (For ODS Parishioners)..... 5:00 pm

Spanish Mass at ODS [+Cindy Lopez].....7:00 pm

Sunday, October 12

Mass at ODS [+Joan Carroll].....9:00 am

(Eric & Joann Protko)]

CCD at ODS.....10:15 am

Mass at St. William(St. William Parishioners) ..11:30 am

Spanish Mass at ODS [+Rodolpho Quintana Franco
(Claudia Mejia)] .. 2:00 pm

Monday, October 13

NO Mass at ODS

Tuesday, October 14

NO Mass at ODS

Rosary 6:00 pm

Wednesday, October 15

NO Mass at ODS

UNO Card Night. 6:00 pm

Thursday, October 16

NO Mass at ODS

Friday, October 17

NO Mass at ODS

No 1 Hour Eucharistic Adoration

Saturday, October 18

2nd Collection: World Mission Sunday

Mass at ODS [+Joseph Stevens]..... 5:00 pm

(Ed & Vickie Lubbers)]

Spanish Mass at ODS [+Cristina Alejo].....7:00 pm

Salud de Jesus Toro

(Guadalupe Toro)]

Sunday, October 12

2nd Collection: World Mission Sunday

Mass at ODS [+Cissy Sanli].....9:00 am

(Margo Martin)]

NO CCD at ODS

Mass at St. William (St. William Parishioners) . 11:30 am

Spanish Mass at ODS [+Maria Guadalupe Aguilar . 2:00 pm
(Claudia Mejia)]

Protecting Our Youth: Diocesan policy requires all diocesan Adult employees and every volunteer and employee who minister to the youth of the diocese attend VIRTUS (safe environment) awareness training undergo a background check, and read and sign the Diocesan "Code of conduct for working with minors" prior to commencing their ministry. The Office for the Protection of Children and Young People, toll free reporting hotline: (888) 357-5530.

ODS Weekly Offertory	(10/5/25):	\$7,454
ODS Offertory collected to Date	(7/06/25):	\$79,493
ODS Building Fund	(10/5/25):	\$1,125
ODS Building Fund collected to Date	(7/06/25):	\$6,536
St. William Offertory	(10/5/25):	\$227
St. William Collected to Date	(7/06/25):	\$6,446

ODS LITURGY TEAM

Saturday, October 18, 2025 – 5:00 pm

PRESIDER: Cross Catholic Outreach

LECTOR : Shawn Thomas

LECTOR Shawn Thomas

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: Jose Abantao

..... Jhoy Abantao, Pat Stephens

SACRISTAN Eloise Stone

Sunday, October 19, 2025 – 9:00 am

PRESIDER: Cross Catholic Outreach

LECTOR : Margo Martin

LECTOR Margo Martin

EUCRISTIC MINISTER Veronica Ogolowa,

..... Pius Ogolowa, Chrisann Krohn

..... Mary Moultrie, Bill McDaniel

SACRISTAN: Claudia Aguilar

A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

The deepest purpose of the Church's social doctrine [is] a contribution to peace and dialogue in the service of building bridges of universal fraternity.... [T]he Risen Lord always goes before us, even at times when injustice and death seem to prevail. Let us... "build bridges through dialogue and encounter, joining together as one people, always at peace."

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WIKICOMMONS

