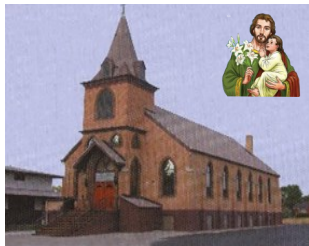


Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: July 9—July 15, 2023



**St. Joseph's Catholic Church**

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**Pastoral Staff Volunteers**

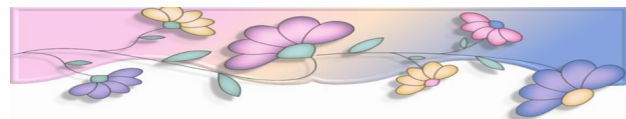
Parish Bookkeeper: Colleen Schaak  
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Website Editor: Julie O'Dell  
Religious Education: Celeste Geier & Bethany Fuchs

**Mass Intentions**

Sun., July 9: For the people  
Mon., July 10: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tues., July 11: \_\_\_\_\_  
Wed., July 12: +For Connie Medhus  
by Lowell Medhus  
Thurs., July 13: \_\_\_\_\_  
Fri., July 14: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sat., July 15: \_\_\_\_\_



**Offertory Collections** **Month of May, 2023**  
Sat., July 1: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Sun., July 2: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Income: \$ 6,534.10  
Expenses: \$ 9,381.18  
\$ (2,847.08)



**Mass Servers**

	Commentator	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
Sat., July 8	Richelle Link	Julie O'Dell	Bethany Fuchs & Celeste Geier
Sun., July 9	Angela Ramirez	Visencia Ramirez	Sue Seykora & Candy Wells
Sat., July 15	Katie Fuchs	Chris Fuchs	Bethany Fuchs & Larry Johnson
Sun., July 16	Candy Wells	Sue Seykora	Angela Ramirez & Visencia Ramirez
Sat., July 22	Bethany Fuchs	Richelle Link	Deb Johnson & Julie O'Dell
Sun., July 23	Visencia Ramirez	Candy Wells	Paula Bowler & Angela Ramirez

**Mass Schedule**

St. Joseph's Church – Hardin  
Sunday Mass – 9:00 a.m.  
Saturday Mass – 5:45 p.m.  
Daily Mass – 8:00 a.m.  
Tuesday—Friday  
St. Mary's Mission – Custer  
Sunday Mass – 11:00 a.m.

**Reconciliation: Saturday from 5:00-5:30 pm**  
**For Holy Communion and Anointing of the Sick, please contact Father Cally**  
**Contact Numbers:**  
**Father Cally, 406-665-1432: all questions**  
**Patty Kepp, 406-665-5257: bulletin**

**Calendar**

**Wed., July 12:** Mass and Adoration, 5:30 pm

**Marriage Saving – the Weekend Phase** – During the weekend phase of Retrouvaille a series of presentations are given by a team of three couples and a priest. The team presents a technique of communication that enables you to take a good look at most areas of your relationship. After each presentation, you have time in the privacy of your room to discuss the previous presentation. Retrouvaille is for any couple who would like to rediscover their marriage and improve communication. Our next program begins August 4, 2023. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: at 1-800-470-2230 or visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com) Not counseling or group therapy. All contacts and names held in strictest confidence.

*God is good, all the time!  
All the time God is good!*



**SPECIAL INVITATION CARDS FROM JESUS**

Jesus in today's gospel (Matthew 11:25-30) gives out invitation cards to each one of us. The invitation reads: "Come to me all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves...."

Jesus knew what it means to pass through difficulties. He understands our struggles. And He is full of love and compassion. Imagine how Jesus wept at the death of Lazarus in John 11:35 seeing the grief and sorrow of Mary and Martha. In Luke 7:11-35 Jesus consoled the widow of Nain who lost her only son and raised him up for her. He is concerned about our problems. He has a human heart filled with divine love. That was why he asked us to come to him and have rest.

Sometimes we don't have the peace of mind we deserve, the joy and happiness we deserve because of so many worries. Now Jesus tells us to come to him and have rest. Let us honor this invitation today for our own good. Let's go to him! (Hymn: Come to Jesus just now).

When he said 'take my yoke upon you.... ' He is asking you to submit yourself to him, surrender and trust in him that he is with you in your life challenges. John 16:33 "In the world you will have troubles but take heart, I have overcome the world." John 14:1 "Let not your hearts be troubled, trust in God, trust also in me...." We must always know that Jesus is with us, and he is able to take care of our concerns. Let us trust in him. Worries, anxieties, fears cannot solve any problems.

There was a pope, so many years ago. This pope was so much anxious and bothered about the problems facing the church then to the extent that he couldn't sleep at night as he was busy thinking about these problems. At a point he

learned how to surrender these problems to Jesus. Whenever it was time for bed, he would tell Jesus, "Sir I am going to bed take care of your church." And he would sleep soundly. Imitate this pope and allow Jesus to take care of your worries.

Isaiah 43 and Psalm 23 assure us that God is with us during our problems and that we should trust in him always.

**Inviting all Married\* Couples and Priests!**

- Worldwide Marriage Encounter is an experience for married couples and priests who value their relationships and desire a richer, fuller life in their marriage and priesthood.
- Attend a Marriage Encounter Experience and learn the tools needed to keep your marriage and priesthood strong and thriving.
- For over 50 years, Worldwide Marriage Encounter has helped millions of couples and priests find new ways to thrive together and live their vocations in love.



- This is an invitation being offered to all married couples and priests who are looking for a way to enrich their relationships through an online opportunity.
- Worldwide Marriage Encounter of Northern Illinois is hosting a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Virtual Experience being held on Thursday evenings starting October 5th through November 16<sup>th</sup>.
- The sessions run for 2 ½ - 3 hours each evening starting at 7:00 PM CT.
- Zoom access is required and you must be available to attend all 8 sessions.
- Early application is required in order for the materials for the experience to be mailed to you ahead of time.

**3RE Virtual Experience - Thursday Evenings starting October 5 – November 16, 2023**

For more information and to sign up for an Experience visit our website at: [alifetimeoflove.org](http://alifetimeoflove.org) or [wwme.org](http://wwme.org) or call 888-574-5653

\*WWME is faithful to the Roman Catholic Church's teaching that marriage is a covenant that exists between one man and one woman. Any reference to marriage or couple made by WWME is in this context.