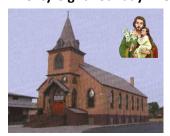
Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time: October 9—October 15, 2022



St. Joseph's Catholic <u>C</u>hurch
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Mass Schedule
St. Joseph's Church – Hardin
Sunday Mass – 9:00 a.m.
Saturday Mass – 5:45 p.m.
Weekday Mass – 8:00 a.m. M-F
St. Mary's Mission – Custer
Sunday Mass – 11:00 a.m.

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Pastoral Staff Volunteers

Parish Bookkeeper: Colleen Schaak Parish Secretary: Deb Johnson

Bulletin: Patty Kepp

Website Editor: Julie O'Dell

Religious Education: Celeste Geier & Bethany Fuchs

Mass Intentions Sun., Oct 9:	For the people
Mon., Oct 10:	
Tues., Oct 11:	
Wed., Oct 12:	
Thurs Oct 13:	

Fri., Oct 14:

Sat., Oct 15:

For Connie Medhus by Lowell Medhus

Offertory Collections: Sat., Oct 1: \$ 1,295.00 Sun., Oct 2: \$ 1,312.00

Sun., Oct 2: \$ 1,312.00 Annual Catholic Appeal to date: \$ 11,277.44

Month of August, 2022 Income: \$ 6,691.57

Expenses: \$ 10,643.61

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The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary

Please pray the rosary every day at 7:30 p.m.

Exceptions:

Wednesday—the Rosary will be prayed after Mass during Eucharistic Adoration.

Saturday—Rosary prayed before the 5:45 p.m. Mass **Sunday**—Rosary prayed before the 9:00 a.m. Mass

If you can't attend the Rosary before Mass and during Adoration, please pray at 7:30 p.m. every evening.

Reconciliation: Saturday from 4:45-5:30 pm
For Holy Communion and Anointing of the
Sick, please contact Father Cally
Contact Numbers:

Father Cally, 665-1432: all questions Patty Kepp, 665-5257: bulletin

Calendar

Mon., Oct 10: Catholic Daughters monthly meeting, 6:00 pm, church basement Tues, Oct 11: Parish Council, 6:00 pm, church basement

Wed., Oct 12: Religious Education Classes begin at 3:45 pm.

Wed., Oct 12: Mass, Adoration, Rosary & Novena Prayer to St. Joseph, 5:30 pm

Sun., Oct 16: Catholic Daughters Sunday

Sun., Oct 16: JCDA monthly meeting, 10:00 am, church basement

Mon., Oct 17: Knights of Columbus monthly meeting, 6:00 pm, church basement

"The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever" (Isaiah 40:8)

Mass Servers

	Commentator	<u>Lector</u>
Sat., Oct 8	Patty Kepp	Celeste Geier
Sun., Oct 9	Visencia Ramirez	Angela Ramirez
Sat., Oct 15	Julie O'Dell	Katie Fuchs
Sun., Oct 16	Sue Seykora	Candy Wells
Sat., Oct 22	Christy Morse	Patty Kepp
Sun., Oct 23	Angela Ramirez	Visencia Ramirez
Sat., Oct 29	Bethany Fuchs	Chris Fuchs
Sun., Oct 30	Candy Wells	Sue Seykora

BE GRATEFUL ALWAYS

The first reading (2 kings 5:14-17) presents to us how Naaman the leper was healed of his leprosy by God and how he appreciated God. In the gospel (Luke 17:11-19) we saw how Jesus healed ten lepers, and one of them came back praising and giving thanks to God. The psalmist of today (Ps. 98) praised the saving power of God and his wonderful deeds among his people.

God continues his healing and saving work in our lives. Apart from healing our sicknesses there are still many other things that God has done and continues to do in our lives. His blessings and favors on us are uncountable. (Hymn: count your blessings name them one by one...)

On our own part we need to constantly show appreciation to God. God wants us to appreciate him for his blessings on us. Ingratitude is a sin, and it annoys God. Ingratitude is a disease, and it results from greed and desire for more. Jesus knows the power of gratitude. That's why he expressed surprise in today's gospel that only one out of ten healed lepers came to give thanks. In some of our families we witness such ingratitude. There are some children who are never grateful to their parents for all they have received. They keep complaining about what was not done for them, what they have not received. In our communities there are some people who are never grateful for what their friends have done for them. This is not good.

We owe gratitude to God for his numerous blessings especially the blessings of life. St. Augustine said, "As often as you breathe in and out always say: thank you my God" This is because our lives and all we possess came from God. St. Theresa of Avila said that "God has two dwelling places: one in heaven and the other in a grateful heart." God makes his home in us when we are thankful. Moreover, when we appreciate God, he will be attracted to do more for us.

Again, gratitude brings about emotional and psychological healing to us. Psychologists found out that remembering the good things that God has done in our lives and being thankful for them

helps us to overcome depression. Depression basically results from thoughts focused on what was not good, thoughts focused on the negatives things and the inadequacies and lacks in our lives. Ungrateful people hardly look around to see the blessings around them. They see only the problems. They always fill their minds with what they should have had or what they want to have. This results in depression. But as you think of the wonderful blessings in your life and be appreciative about them, you will experience mental and emotional health.

Let us be thankful always. Even when we face challenges, we should still give thanks. St. Paul in the second reading (2Tim 2:8-13) still appreciated God despite suffering for the sake of the gospel. He was in prison on account of the gospel. Yet still, he was thanking God. In 1Thess 5:18 Paul said, "In all circumstances give thanks for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus". The psychologist, Tim Lahaye stated, "The sooner you learn to praise God in the face of adverse circumstances or frustrated expectations, the happier you will be..."



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

Marriage Saving – the Post Session Phase – The post-weekend phase of Retrouvaille is as crucial to the healing of a troubled marriage as the initial weekend experience. During the post-weekend sessions, the weekend technique is further developed and combined with additional tools to explore other areas of the marriage relationship. Retrouvaille is for any couple who would like to rediscover their marriage and improve communication. Our next program begins October 28, 2022. For more information about an upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: at 1-800-470-2230 or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com Not counseling or group therapy. All contacts and names held in strictest confidence.