

Weekly Calendar

Sun., Sept 21: Adult Catechism class, 4:00 pm,
church basement

Wed., Oct 1: Religious Education classes for
children begin, 3:45 pm

Mass Intentions

Sun., Sept 21: For the People
Mon., Sept 22: No daily Mass
Tues., Sept 23: No daily Mass
Wed., Sept 24: No daily Mass
Thurs., Sept 25: No daily Mass
Fri., Sept 26: No daily Mass
Sat., Sept 27: †For Connie Medhus
by Lowell Medhus



Offertory Collections:

St. Joseph's
Sat., Sept 13: \$ 240.00
Sun., Sept 14: \$1,311.00

Month of July, 2025

Income: \$ 8,237.09
Expenses: \$ 9,389.41
\$ (1,152.32)

St. Mary's

Sun., Aug 24: \$ 160.00
Sun., Aug 31: \$ 22.00
Sun., Sept 7: No Mass
Sun., Set 14:

Fiscal Year ending 6.30.25

Income: \$ 96,494.29
Expenses \$ 110,434.86
Net Loss \$ (13,940.57)

Pastoral Staff Volunteers

Parish Bookkeeper: Colleen Schaak
Parish Secretary: Celeste Geier, 406.679.1679
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	Commentator	Lector	Extraordinary Ministers
Sat., Sept 20	Celeste Geier	Julie O'Dell	Celeste Geier & Julie O'Dell
Sun., Sept 21	Genne Taganahan	Candy Wells	Angela Ramirez & Sue Seykora
Sat., Sept 27	Richelle Link	Celeste Geier	Celeste Geier & Julie O'Dell
Sun., Sept 28	Visencia Ramirez	Liezel Ferido	Sue Seykora & Candy Wells
Sat., Oct 4	Julie O'Dell	Richelle Link	Celeste Geier & Julie O'Dell
Sun., Oct 5	Angela Ramirez	Sheila Mae Pocdol	Sue Seykora & Candy Wells

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Lect 135—Year C)

The dishonest steward in Jesus' parable is no hero. He does not use the talents he is given to earn more or to forgive the debts of a person in dire straits. No, he discounts the debts of his master's debtors because soon he will be out of a job and looking for help from them. He is a wily and self-centered manipulator who cannot be trusted with his master's wealth, cannot be trusted with his own wealth, and cannot be trusted with what Jesus calls true wealth. True wealth, as Jesus hints in the final verse, is found in the kingdom of heaven. It is not money, or assets, or the accumulation of material possessions. In fact, it is neither material nor a possession. True wealth is spiritual; it is a share in what is God's. Jesus himself gives us a model to follow when he places all his "wealth" in the service of others, whether feeding the thousands, healing the sick, or suffering for us all. This is how we serve God, not mammon.

How can you be a prudent steward of your material possessions, aware that true wealth is found in God?

**God is good all the time:
all the time God is good!**

**Father Cally will be on vacation to
Nigeria from Sept 22nd to Oct 23rd.**



We wish him a safe trip!

*While Father is gone we will have substitute
priests from St Dennis Parish in Crow Agency
to celebrate the weekend masses.
There will be no daily Mass or Adoration.*



Good News!

September 21, 2025

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Amos 8:4-7 / 1 Timothy 2:1-8 /

Luke 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

More than anything, we want to be wanted. As infants, we reach out, wanting to be wanted. When we begin school and discover others who might be friends, we want to be wanted. As teenagers discovering the stirrings of something new and deep, we want to be wanted. And when we grow old, then still we want to be wanted.

The parables Jesus told were always about how God moves in our lives, how God is powerfully intertwined in all that is. Jesus told parables to give us a hint of where to find God. This Sunday's parable is about a rich man with a steward about to be dismissed. The steward then finds ways to ingratiate himself into others' lives so when he is dismissed, he won't be left out in the cold. It's not the rich man who is the God-person in the parable. The rich got rich by abusing the poor. Rather, it is the steward who is the image of God—a God who, like the steward, is desperate to be accepted, to find a way into our lives. We might say clever...or even sneaky. It is God who finds a way into our lives when we are afraid, when we face the loss of love, when our worlds are falling apart, when we go looking for him. There, then, is God, eagerly wanting to be wanted. ●

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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

Exceptions: Wednesday Mass

and Adoration—5:30 p.m.

First Friday Healing Mass—5:30 p.m.

St. Mary's Mission—Custer

Sunday Mass - 11:00 a.m.

Dear Padre,

At a recent gathering, a relative questioned my family's continued participation in the Catholic Church because of the sexual abuse cover-up. What is the best way to address this question?

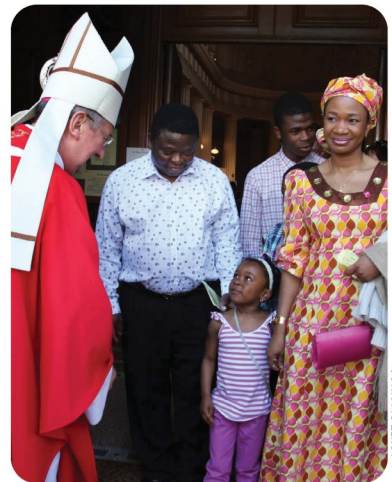
Resist the temptation to argue or make any response that is not respectful. Choose to respond with empathy and understanding; perhaps something like this: "I understand and respect your feelings. Some have made the difficult choice to leave the Church. Others find the choice to remain also difficult.

"As a mature and discerning person, I am not making excuses for behaviors that are inexcusable. I cannot and will not defend behavior that should not be defended. I choose to remain in the Church because I choose to remain in a relationship with Jesus, and that relationship includes my reception of the sacraments of the Church. I value the sacraments even as I remain vigilant about the conduct of those who have been entrusted with celebrating those sacraments. I retain my practice of the sacraments and, at the same time, I retain my responsibility to be alert to abusive behavior. This is not acceptance or approval of what most certainly happened. It is continuing to participate in what is beautiful and wise and true so that, in the company of other believers, I may become more like Christ." ●

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

Do you have a question for the Padre?

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