

We remember in prayer:

Gary Bloss, Anne Boone, Paul Buchanan, Rodney But-terfield, Carl Camlen, Fred Carpenter, Fallon Carter, John Casey, Mary Casey, Sandy Cross, Donna Davis, Larry Ellison, Marjorie El-lison, Kathy Enderle, Andy Fowler, Bridget Gillespie, Holly Gladbach, Belinda Goff, Debbie Groteluschen, Lynn Ellen Haugh, Emmett Hertal, Charlie Higinbothom, Matt Jackson, Terry Kenley, Keeley LeBleu, Bonnie Lit-trell, Jeremy Lodder, Harold Loyd, Emma & Larry Lud-wig, Mike Morris, Linda Ow-ens, Ron Paalhar, Jewell Phillips, Dennis Rhode, Su-zanne Rhodes, Olivia Robin-son, Corbin Rosenberg, Sr Mary Rost, Jim Schrader, Carl Schreiner, Sybil Schreiner, Bryan Severa,

Rick Smith, Margi Speichinger, Jim Sproul, Pat Sullivan, Cierra Wilson, People of Ukraine, Gaza, Is-rael, Iran, and all areas expe-riencing unrest and war. All affected by natural disasters. For all care givers. We know that our prayer for others help!!! If you know of people who need our prayer, let us know. We will be happy to include them

Note: If you asked us to put someone on the prayer list.. please let us know when they can be taken off.

Why Do Catholics Need Mass Every Sunday? Continued...

4. Because Christianity isn't meant to be lived alone.

At Mass, we aren't just individuals praying. We become part of the Body of Christ. We hear Scripture together, pray together, worship together, and receive the Eucharist together.

That's why the word "Catholic" is so im-portant—it means universal. We belong to something much larger than ourselves.

5. Because we need God—even when we don't feel like we do.

This might be one of the most relatable parts of the discussion.

Sometimes we go to Mass because we're joy-ful. Sometimes we're hurting or tired or dis-tracted.

Sometimes we don't feel particularly close to God.....*We still go.*

Faith isn't based on feelings. Just as our bod-ies need regular nourishment, our spiritual lives need regular nourishment.

6. Because the Church considers Sunday Mass an obligation

The Catholic Church teaches that Catholics are obliged to participate in Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation, except when there is a serious reason preventing them from doing so—for example, illness or anoth-er grave circumstance.

This isn't meant simply as a rule saying, "You have to go."

The deeper question is:

Why would the Church ask us to make Sun-day Mass a priority?

Because Catholics believe that what happens at Mass is essential to Christian life.

To be continued...

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OUR MISSION:
TO PROCLAIM CHRIST...TO BE COMMUNITY...
TO SERVE...
TO CELEBRATE

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Sister Mary Rost SSND

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New Parishioners: We are happy to welcome you to our parish. Contact Sister Mary or fill out the registration

Pastoral Council Members

Meets 1st Wed. of month

Bill Paalhar : President

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*26th Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Sept 27, 2026*



*Today's first reading contrasts a virtu-
ous person who turns from sin and a
wicked person who turns away from
sin to do what is right.*

The Gospel

*Jesus presents two sons. One son
promises obedience, but does not fol-
low through. The other responds defi-
antly, but has a change of heart.
Let us pray for a change of heart that
will lead us to move more closely to
follow the road to God's
Kingdom.*

Mass Times

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

**Rosary at 8:30

***Reconciliation: 8:00-8:25*

Wednesday Mass will be at 8:30 a.m.

Mass Intentions

Sept 27 John Burns

Sept 30 James Flynn

Oct 4 Larry Wattenbarger

Oct 7 Jon Hansen

Oct 11 Hulett Family

Oct 14 Mary Ann Walsh

Church Attendance

Aug 16 128

Aug 23 167

Aug 30 182

Sept 6 221

Sept 13 189

Sept 20 162

Birthdays and Anniversaries

9-27 John Casey

9-28-07 Jordan & Adam Lichtenberg

9-29 Zane Armstrong

9-30 Loretta Brookshier

10-1 Nancy Jackson

10-2 Mike Jamison

10-2 Sheila Ann Paalhar

10-2 Emilia Fiala

10-3 Linda McDowell



PSR INFORMATION

Preschool through grade 8 will meet in the school building. Caritas (Post Confirmation) will meet in the rectory living room. *Snack first then class until 11:15.

Thank you! To Roger Hulett for placing new lighting above the entrance into church and the new small pole lights near the ramp and the front of Sister Mary's residence. They look great!

****We had someone assessing our sound system this week and made recommendations. If you would like to donate toward the project to help make the sound better, please place an envelope in the collection marked "sound system". Thank you for your generosity.**

We will be starting OCIA soon (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) If you, or someone you know is interested in joining the Church, or learning more about our faith, please let Sister Mary know soon.

Becoming Catholic



OCIA

Stewardship of Treasure

Needed for Sept .. \$13,468

Sept 6\$4,458

Sept 13.....\$2,557

Sept 20\$2,687

Sept 27\$

Still need for Sept. ... \$3,766

Cemetery.\$45

Improvement fund...\$170

Knights of Columbus

Dinner/
Meeting

**Monday, Sept
28 @ 6:30pm**



Serve the Lord with Gladness!

This will be our theme for Stewardship Renewal in October. It is also the motto of Bishop O'Donnell.

Let us pray on this phrase in the coming months. Let us serve each other with love

YOUNG ADULTS

*Theology on Tap-Ages 21+
Oct 1 6pm @ Camp Tolton Lodge. See poster on bulletin boards in church or call 573-589-0354.*

GOD'S WAYS

Last week through Prophet Isaiah we were made to understand that God's ways are not our ways and his thoughts are not our thoughts. The ways of God is embodiment of justice, fairness, impartiality, compassion and the goodness of all people. God holds on to his ways as he deals with mankind to prove his love for all people who ask for mercy and pardon. In his loving kindness, God acts justly with his mighty and merciful hands.

For goodness sake, God takes no interest in the damnation of anyone of us. Rather he offers us opportunity to turn from our evil ways that we may have eternal life at the end. To this point, our just and compassionate God declares, "when someone virtuous turns away from virtue to commit iniquity, and dies, it is of the iniquity he committed that he must die. But if he turns from wickedness he has committed, he shall preserve his life...." (cf Ezekiel 18:25-28)

What this means is that a point of salvational 'U-Turn' is always there for us should in case we miss the right path. Jesus makes this clear to us with his parable of two sons - the son who said no to his father's call to work and later had a change of mind is applauded for doing his Father's will; whilst the son who said yes initially but failed to do what he was told was condemned (cf Matthew 21:28-32). The benefit that this teaching offers to us lies within the utilization of the sacrament of Penance (confession/reconciliation). Let us humbly seek the mercy of God by confessing our sins in order to be exalted.

Peace!

Fr. Ussher