

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & INTENTIONS

Sunday, September 19 9:00 a.m.	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time +David Robinson, Sr. by Nora Holzhauser
10:30 a.m.	All the People of the Parish
12:00 Noon	+Carol Ann Bliznak by Johnny Bliznak
Monday, September 20 7:00 a.m.	Fr. Fred by Catherine O'Brien
Tuesday, September 21 9:00 a.m.	+Dominga Garcia by Waldmann Family
Wednesday, September 22 7:00 a.m.	Bernie & Joan Taylor by Red Hat Angels
Thursday, September 23 7:00 a.m.	Thanksgiving to St. Jude by Ronnie & Marie Bishop +Herring Family by Joe & Betty Hudson
Friday, September 24 9:00 a.m.	+Matthew Regala by Raul & Susan Calvo Alonzo Landin by Deacon Gary & Susan Rhodes
Saturday, September 25 4:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:30 p.m.	+Joyce Bayer by Bruce & Mary Migliore
Sunday, September 26 9:00 a.m.	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Judy Colvin by Terry & Mary Koszbiel
10:30 a.m.	All the People of the Parish
12:00 Noon	+Dominga Garcia by Martha Waldmann

SACRIFICIAL GIVING: September 11-12, 2021 with 1302 families:

Regular Weekend Collection	10,417.00
(Envelopes and loose checks)	
Loose Plate	1736.21
Mailed in Envelopes	3,995.00
Other Receipts.....	548.66
Building Fund	185.00
Grand Total	16,881.87

• Various Other Second Collections 1,220.00

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, September 19 12:10-2:10 p.m.	PK-6 RE – Family Faith Formation
Monday, September 20 6:45 p.m.	Celebration Choir Practice
Tuesday, September 21 6:30 a.m.	Men's Spirituality Group
8:30 a.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation
6:15-8:15 p.m.	Adult Scripture Study
7:00-8:30 p.m.	RCIA
Wednesday, September 22 6:30 p.m.	Men's Spirituality Group
6:30-8:00 p.m.	7-12 RE
7:00-9:00 p.m.	Parish Choir Practice
Thursday, September 23 9:15-11:30 a.m.	Women's Scripture Study
Friday, September 24 8:30-9:00 a.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday, September 25 4:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Reconciliation
4:45-5:15 p.m.	Sabbath Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, September 26 12:10-2:10 p.m.	PK-6 RE – Family Faith Formation
6:00-8:00 p.m.	TNT

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the soul of Thang Nhan, father of Angel Nhan. We pray that his family will be comforted by the promise of the resurrection, and that he, and all the faithful departed may rest in peace through God's mercy.

THANK YOU TO MS. BONNIE WALTERS for her dedicated service over the years as the organist for Saturday 5:30 p.m. Mass. Her last day of employment with Holy Family Church will be September 30, 2021. Mr. Vernon Carey has accepted the position of Organist for the Saturday, 5:30 p.m. Mass. May God continue to bless Ms. Bonnie with good health and bless her family!

TUESDAY'S MASS TIME CHANGE: In order to better serve the people of the parish (i.e., to schedule funeral Masses), starting this Tuesday, September 21, the Mass time will be at 9:00 a.m. Confessions will take place at 8:30 a.m. Please take note of this time-change. Thank you.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 19-25

Sunday	Wis 2:12, 17-20; Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8; Jas 3:16; Mk 9:30-37
Monday	Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1B-2AB, 2CD-3, 4-5, 6; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday	Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5; Mt 9:9-13
Wednesday	Ezr 9:5-9; Tbt 13:2, 3-4A 4 BEFGHN, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday	Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149: 1B-2, 3-4, 5-6A and 9B; Lk 9:7-9
Friday	Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4; Lk 9:18-22
Saturday	Zec 2:5-9, 14-15A; Jer 31:10, 11-12AB, 13; Lk 9:43B-45

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK: Chad Bartosh, Veronica Bartosh, Jacque Boutell, Harold Bush, Darold Calk, Judy Colvin, Hunter Davis, Jerry Fincher, Rhys Galinak, Jim Gallagher, Manuel Hernandez, John Higuera, Jeff Hood, Roberta Lambert, Jim Lessin, Robert Leucht, Jim Luyet, Donna Martin, Angie Nelson, Terry Novak, Claudette Perry, Tim Phillips, Pamela Poole, Joey Schaefer, Reynaldo Simone, Douglas & Melissa Thompson, Dick & Joann Vestal, Antonio Villanueva, Octaviano Villanueva, Randy & Rosie Watson, Maureen White, Laverne Yarborough. *Names are removed from the prayer list after four weeks unless the office is notified.*

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY is designated each year to acknowledge and pray for all catechists in our parish. This Sunday, September 19, we invite all catechists, aides and leaders of our adult education and Scripture study programs to be present at the 9:00 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. Mass to be commissioned and receive a special blessing. As we begin a new year of faith formation in our parish, let us be in prayer for all those who lead the children, youth, and adults to a better understanding of our Catholic faith.

PRAYER FOR CATECHISTS

O God, our Heavenly Father,
 you have given us the gift of these catechists
 to be heralds of the Gospel to our parish family.
 We lift them up to you in thanksgiving and intercede for
 them concerning their hopes and needs. May we be
 attentive to the presence of your Word in them, a Word
 that lifts up and affirms, calls forth and challenges, is
 compassionate and consoles. We pray that our parish
 family will always be blessed with those who have
 responded to the call to share in Christ's prophetic mission
 as catechists. May we too be open to the universal call to
 service that Christ addresses to all of his disciples,
 contributing our gifts to the communion of faith, the
 Church. We ask this in Jesus' name.
 Amen.

SECOND COLLECTION FOR DIOCESAN SEMINARIAN EDUCATION will be taken up next weekend, September 25-26, after Communion. This is a very important collection as the cost of educating seminarians continues to increase. Currently we have 9 men studying for the priesthood who are in need of your support. Please be generous in your financial support and continue to keep them in your prayers.

AFRICAN MASS: Fr. Isidore Ochiabuto will celebrate an African Mass every first Saturday of the month. People of African descent and all interested friends are invited to attend. Mass will be at 6:00 p.m., starting October 2, at St. Francis of Assisi, 826 Cottonwood St.

RCIA – THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS begins this Tuesday, September 21, and will meet weekly from 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. If you or someone you know is not Catholic but wishes to learn more about the Catholic Church, or is a baptized Catholic and would like to complete the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation), please join us on September 21. For more information, please contact Bob Moore at 210-284-8079 or the parish office.

PARISH VOCATION MINISTRY TRAINING: The Vocation Office of the Diocese of San Angelo and Serra International are uniting forces to train members of every parish to promote vocations in their communities, Saturday, September 25, 2021 from 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Christ the King Retreat Center. If you are interested in attending it, you may contact the parish office.

Dear Padre

September 19, 2021

In Bible times why did people sacrifice animals, children, and other living beings for their own sins?

The practice of human and animal sacrifice is at least as old as written history, including in our own Scripture. Few stories are more chilling than when God asks Abraham to sacrifice his son, or when Jephthah sacrifices his daughter (Genesis 22; Judges 11). In scriptural theology, one's sins merited punishment and even death, but an animal or other person could be chosen to take one's place. God, in his mercy, instituted this animal sacrificial system as a symbol, foreshadowing Jesus' sacrifice for our sins (Genesis 8:20; Hebrews 10:1–18). In the New Testament, Jesus understood his mission as sacrificing his own life as a ransom for many (Matthew 20:28). His fidelity to that mission was at the cost of death. However, to say that Jesus' death was payment for our sins is not to say that a vengeful God was appeased by the sacrifice of his own innocent Son. Rather, Christ was willing to liberate us when he "bore our sins in his body upon the cross, so that...by his wounds you have been healed" (1 Peter 2:24).

Thus, "it is love 'to the end (John 13:1)' that confers on Christ's sacrifice its value as redemption and reparation, as atonement and satisfaction" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 616). It is in this sense that Jesus' death was a payment—not one to be exacted— but a unique sacrifice that "completes and surpasses all other sacrifices" (CCC 614).

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR

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VOCATION CROSS FOR THE HOME: Please volunteer to take home the Vocation Cross that is located on the table in the church foyer. The parish is invited to join your family in praying for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

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September 26 – Open

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