SEPTEMBER 17, 2017
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Eucharistic Liturgies for the week of
September 18, 2017
Mon..Sept 18 - 12:10pm + Mary Feasel - Moyal & Karen Kump Family
Tues. Sept 19 - NO MASS
Wed. Sept 20 - 12:10pm + Guadalupe Mejia - His Family
Thur. Sept 21 - NO MASS
Fri.Sept 22 - 12:10pm + Tom Marvel - His Daughter
Sat. Sept 23 - 5:00pm + Cristina Sanchez - Rosie Yraguen
Sun. Sept 24 - 8:00am + Bob Barker - Dennis Lipparelli Family
Sun. Sept 24 - 10:00am + Julian Jayo - Dick & Margaret Cooper
Sun. (Sp) 12:00pm + Jesus Rodriguez - Margarita Maldonado
Sun. (S.C.) 4:00pm FOR THE PARISH

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF September 18
Mon. 1 Tm 2:1-8 Ps 28:2,7-9 Lk 7:1-10
Tue. 1 Tm 3:1-13 Ps 101:1-3,5-6 Lk 7:11-17
Wed. 1 Tm 3:14-16 Ps 111:1-6 Lk 7:31-35
Fri. 1 Tm 6:2c-12 Ps 49:6-10,17-20 Lk 8:1-3
Sat. 1 Tm 6:13-16 Ps 100:1-5 Lk 8:4-15
Sun. Is 55:6-9 Ps 143:2-3,8-9,17-18 Phil 1:20c-24,27a Mt 20:1-16a

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)
Have you completed your sacraments? Do you know someone who is interested in becoming Catholic. Our RCIA classes will be starting soon. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to complete your reception of the sacraments and at the same time share with those who are wanting to join our faith. Classes will begin September 19 so there is still time to call the Parish Office to sign up.

There will be a 2nd Collection this weekend to help those victims of Hurricane Harvey.

Oh My. Look what time it is!
Our annual bazaar is just around the corner.
Have you even started on your craft items?
3 months and counting down!!!

Your prayers are needed for the recovery of the following people:
Ray Nunez Pam Junge Yvette Waters
Bill Maloney Putty Harris Janine Martinez Taylor Woolman
Bob Baldino Carrie Winkelkotter Angie Core
Paula Skulina Barbara Diekhans Bernie Sethaler
Libby Murphy Scotty Sellers Kylee Barrett
Erin Waldvogel Terra Cook Bill & Terry Babcock
Florence Totten Neil Worthington Paula & Grace Otto
Carlos Olivia Jose Ruiz Rosa Real Victoria &
Keesa Labahn Erik Bosen Emmett Warren
Derek Wyatt Carlos Guzman Leslie Schneider Kristen &
Nikko Worthington Earlene Larsen

Please pray for the repose of the souls of: Edie Richards-Lynch & Joanna Dubbert.

Please let the parish office know of your loved one’s recovery, so that his/her name may be removed from the list.

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BAPTISM CLASSES - Spanish Class - Class will be September 30, at 6:00pm in Columbus Hall. English Class - Class will be October 4, at 6:00pm in Thomas Hall. You must come to the Parish office to register.

The Gabriel Project - Diapers from preemie to size 5 and wipes will be collected through the month of September. All brands welcome. Please drop off donations at the back of church after mass. Items for diaper bags will be collected in October.

Breaking Open the Word(B.O.W.) - The new season will begin on September 26th at 10:00am in Thomas Hall. Everyone is welcome!

Women’s Auxiliary of K of C - Their 1st meeting will be September 20 at 6:30pm in Thomas Hall.

ST. JOSEPH’S CATHOLIC CHURCH CELEBRATES 100 YEARS
The Parish was designated a Parish Center in 1917, the year the church on Court street was dedicated. Prior to that, services were held in the grammar school, private homes, or hotels. Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Calvo followed by lunch and entertainment. Everyone is welcome. For more information please call St. Joseph’s at 738-6432

October 1, 2017
11:00am
Main City Park
(This will be the only Mass held on Sunday!!)

Your help is needed for the following:
Do you have personal photos or memorabilia related to our church life that you will share? We have some old photos but would like more and of course more recent ones!
Would you be willing to put together a “Power Point” presentation?
Are you good at setting up or cleaning up?

Would you be willing to share your artistic hobby with an item for raffle at our celebration? If so please bring that item to the Parish Office by September 27.

To help with the expenses involved in this celebration, we will be taking another 2nd collection on September 23/24.
Dear Members of our Catholic Communities,

Let me speak of four women of faith, sadly now deceased. I speak of MARIA ALBERRO; YVONNE CONNORS; EDIE RICHARDS LYNCH; and OLMPIA ZATARAY. What these four women had in common, apart from the fact that their deaths were very close, was that they were all active members of St. Joseph's Church, and their obvious love of the church. For these ladies, being a parishioner meant much more than going to Sunday Mass. For them, they were disciples, in that they realized that in order to save their souls they needed to help others on their way to salvation. We cannot offer salvation to any one person, even ourselves, as it is a gift of God, but we can certainly point them in the right direction, and redirect them if they find themselves on the right path.

I think of the silent witness of Maria Alberro, who did not want a eulogy at her Funeral Mass, because she believed that there would be nothing to say about her. How mistaken she was. Maria's witness, apart from her commitment to her family and raising many children in the community, was her devotion to the Mass and to personal prayer. Many times, parish members tell us how much we priests do for them. While that may be true, it is also important for us priests to acknowledge what you do for us. When we see you at prayer, serving in various ministries, your hospitality, your commitment to parish life, your patience in suffering, your care for the sick and the aged, you truly build up the faith of us priests and give us the energy we need to serve you. I think of Olimpia Zataray and the way in which her whole life was dedicated to the Lord. I particularly recall her generosity in fostering and adopting so many children. From when I first arrived in Elko, Olimpia was already battling cancer, and went from bouts of serious illness to times of remission. In the end, Olimpia won the battle, not the cancer, because after years of suffering she went to join the Lord who suffered for her. Edie Richards Lynch also shone in her suffering. Never once did I hear her complain or say anything negative. She did not believe in "giving up." She was a great friend of the parish, and especially the poor. I would never had said this while she was alive, for she would be embarrassed, but Edie, who was blest in not having herself to worry about, being able to support herself, or pay her bills, yet she was very aware of those who were not as blest as she was, and she took care of their financial needs, thus relieving the anxiety of many. Yvonne Connors, a native of England, later Long Island, New York, and then for 38 years in Elko, dedicated her life to nursing. She was known for her professionalism, and her special bond with those with terminal illnesses that she cared for through hospice. She became a cancer victim herself, but like Olimpia, she never once allowed the disease to take control of her life. At her graveside service last Wednesday, I told her family how Fr. Biju, Fr. Tomy and I drew so much spiritual strength from our weekly visits to her home in Spring Creek. We could have spent hours listening to her marvelous stories, and always left her home feeling just a little bit better about ourselves. Caregivers often find themselves being cared for! Thank you Maria, Edie, Olimpia, and Yvonne for your spiritual good, and I know now exactly where you are enjoying the fruits of your labors! Say a prayer for us as we sometimes stumble along the way! I don't normally write about our deceased in the bulletin letter, but it had to be done when these four women of faith died in such a short space, and have left behind so much good.

God bless, Fr. Dan

ALTAR SERVER FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

All current altar servers and their families and children and their families thinking about becoming a server are invited to “MOVIE NIGHT” at the Church. Come to Mater Dei Hall at 6:00pm, September 29, where there will be snacks provided for an evening of family fun!!

“The Gabriel Project” Update

The ministry is helping two pregnant women. One mom is due 12/12 and the second mom has a scheduled c-section on 9/21. Please keep these women and their babies in your prayers.

Donation envelopes for the ministry are at the back of the church and can be put in the collection baskets during mass.