Summon the Laborers & give them their pay beginnin with the Last & ending with the First. September 24, 2023 MATTEW 20:8

NOTRE DAME CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 am-5:00pm, Closed 12:00 noon-1:00 pm

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MASS TIMES:

Monday 12:00 Noon
Tuesday 7:00 a.m.
Wednesday 12:00 Noon
Thursday 12:00 Noon -

(Liturgy of the Word with Communion Service)

Friday 8:00 a.m.

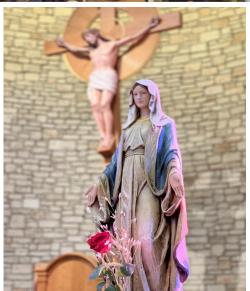
Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 7:45 a.m., 9:15 am (in Spanish)

11:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m.

RECONCILIATION (Confessions) Saturday 3:00 p.m.— 4:30 p.m.





READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday—September 25, 2023 Ezr 1:1-6, Lk 8:16-18(449)

Tuesday—September 26, 2023 Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20, Lk 8:19-21(450)

Wednesday—September 27, 2023 Ezr 9:5-9, Lk 9:1-6(451)

Thursday—September 28, 2023 Hg 1:1-8/Lk 9:7-9(452)

Friday—September 29, 2023 Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a, Jn 1:47-51(647)

Saturday—September 30, 2023 Ez 18:25-28, Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5, Mt 21:28-32(136)

Sunday—October 1, 2023 Ez 18:25-28, Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5, Mt 21:28-32(136)

Verse to reflect on this week:

When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and ending with the first'.



Matthew 20:8





In exactly three months, we will be celebrating Christmas – a moment when God chose to be like us and to be with us (from Hebrew: Emmanuel). We will be spending time with people we feel connection with, sharing love and giving gifts. Can't we try to create a Christmas-like atmosphere all year long? Can't we try to make more time for someone who is dear to us? Can't we express our feelings more often by gestures of love? Life is delicate and fragile, and sorry to say, not every one of us will make it to Christmas this year.

Today is the perfect time to create a slower and more loving life. Today is the right moment to be grateful for even the smallest blessings and to smile at God. Today is the day to silence my iPhone and be more present for people around me.

In today's parable we see people at work: some work more, some work less, but the landowner chose to pay the same amount of money to everyone. It doesn't seem to be wise from a business standpoint, but God runs 'business' differently than we do. God sees a person, before the salary.

Let's learn from God how to change our way of thinking and looking at things. Let's think less about our personal profit and more about creating an atmosphere of love and kindness. I'm sure that those who worked only one hour and received a very generous payment, had a chance to feel appreciated and cared for. There's a big chance that they will do something good for someone else. We can do similar things for each other if our heart is set in the right direction. Life is about who we are and how we live, and not about how much we claim to have. The joy of Christmas atmosphere may visit us every day, if we want it to: It is really up to us.

Please, pray for me, Father Rafael





Monday, September 25, 2023

Cursillos-7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 26, 2023

RCIA-6:00 p.m.

Choir Practice—7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 27, 2023

'St. Joseph's Men's Prayer Group' - 6:30 a.m.

Ingles Tambíen—5:00 p.m.

Faith Formation—5:15 p.m.

EDGE-5:30 p.m.

LifeTeen-7:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 28, 2023

'That Man is You' Men's Prayer Group—6:45 a.m.

Catholic Way Bible Study—9:00 a.m.

'Blessed is She' Women's Ministry-6:00 p.m.

Spanish Choir Practice—6:30 p.m.

M.O.S.T.(Ministerio Oracion Santa Trinidad) -7:00 p.m.

Friday, September 29, 2023

Divine Mercy—3:00 p.m.

La Danza—7:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 30, 2023

Reconciliation - 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m. in the Church

Sunday, October 1, 2023

Good Shepherd—9:00 a.m.

RCIA (Children's) - 9:30 a.m.

MINISTRIES & ORGANIZATIONS - Notre Dame

Acts Core—Janet Ontiveros—830.459.8126

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Eucharistic Adoration -Dana Garre-501.908.6593

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(Hospital) - Patti Kerth—713.409.3107

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Mass Schedule

Sunday, September 24, 2023

7:45 am (Fr. Rafal) People of the Parish

†Clemente Alvarado Sr. 9:15 am (Fr. Rafal)

11:00 am (Fr. Rafal) Mass offered for

Gary & Annette Dickson

5:00 pm (Fr. Rafal) †Alvaro Paniagua

Monday, September 25, 2023

12:00 pm (Fr. Rafal) Mass offered for

The Lambdin Family

Tuesday, September 26, 2023

7:00 am (Fr. Rafal) Mass offered for

Kay McGilvray

Wednesday, September 27, 2023

12:00 pm (Fr. Rafal) Mass offered for

The Sick/Troubled in the

Community

Thursday, September 28, 2023

12:00 pm (Dc. Sonny)

(Communion Service) †Ygnacio Villanueva

Friday, September 29, 2023-Saints Michael, Gabriel

and Raphael, Archangels

8:00 am (Fr. Rafal) †Martin Urbina

Saturday, September 30, 2023

Wedding of 1:00 pm (Fr. Rafal)

Estefani Loeza/Aaron Luebano

5:00 pm (Fr. Rafal) Mass offered for

The Dumont Family

Sunday, October 1, 2023

7:45 am (Fr. Rafal) Mass offered for

The Lambdin Family

9:15 am (Fr. Rafal)

People of the Parish

11:00 am (Fr. Rafal)

†Maria Angeles Mejia

5:00 p.m. (Fr. Rafal)

†Maria & Feliciano Segura



The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for Manuel Sanchez by Wife





The Second Collection

on

October 7-8, 2023 will be for St. Vincent de Paul

Thank you for your generosity!



Whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.

Dame Catholic School

Saturday & Sunday

e School Grounds • 900 Block of Main Street • Kerrville

in the Social Center

Silent Auction
in the Gymnasium

8:00pm Volunteer Appreciation Mass

all night Eucharistic Adoration in the church until 7:00 a.m.

th Archbishop Gusta in the Gymnasium Raffle Drawing

held at the end of the Live Auction

Tickets are available at the church

For more information, call: 830-257-6707





The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a blood drive on Sunday, September24th from 8:00 a.m.— 1:00 p.m. in the Notre Dame Social Center.

Blood is in short supply; please give the gift of life, give blood. Please register online at https://donor.southtexasblood.org/donor/schedules/ drive schedule/140905 or call/text John Windlinger at 847-312 -3194



16th Annual Pro-Life Diaper Drive

Please join Knights of Columbus Council 6409 in helping our community's young families by supporting the 16th Annual Pro-Life Diaper Drive! We will have collection tables at the entrances to Notre Dame Catholic Church fol-

lowing each Mass on September 23rd & 24th, September 30th & October 1st. Donations received will be provided and divided between St. Vincent de Paul Society, and The Pregnancy Resource Center. You can drop off packages of diapers and baby wipes or a cash donation. The cash collected will be used to purchase additional diapers and baby wipes which will be distributed to families in need.

You can also mail your most generous gift donation payable to: K of C Council 6409. Memo you check with "Pro-Life Diaper Drive" and mail your check to: K of C Council 6409, c/o Diaper Drive, P.O. Box 291492, Kerrville, Texas 78029

Thank you so much and God bless you!

Thanks
Knights of Columbus
Council #6409





Women of Notre Dame Parish, join us in prayer and fellowship at '*Our Blessed is She*' night on Thursday, September 28, 2023 at 6:00 p.m., in the St. Anthony Conference RM in Kemper Hall.

We invite women of all ages and stages of life to come together for prayer, reflection and building sisterhood.

For more information, please contact Tish Hulett at 830.370.8018 or at pshulett1windstream.net.



The 46 days of Rosaries will begin on October 28, 2023. If you would like to have a rosary at your home, please contact Nelda Bill at 830.377.7247.

Los cuarenta seis rosarios inician el 28 de octubre. Favor de comuniquese con la Sra. Nelda Bill para apartar su Rosario al numero 830.377.7247.



William Etchison, Marci Denton, Regina Kelly, Mauricio Reyes, Tom Miller, Tony Perez, Eloida Garcia, Judy Maurer, Amelia Rios, Brad Druehl, Norman Maurer, Lenora Reyes, Dale Denais, Bernice Kunz, Barney Murray, Jessica Garza Gonzalez, Manuela Sanchez, Deodato & Jesusa Ruiz, Andrew Ornelas Jr., Marge Carseth, John Baldwin, Angie Nombrano, Carolia Arriaga, Fr. David Wagner, Deacon Sonny Kaufhold, Patti Zohlen, Beverly Kyle, Merv Nelson, Ray Cicconi, Ann Skeels, Patty Espenhover, Mark Padilla, Barry Cannon, Becky Chacon Hancock, Gracien (Chen) Ramos, Mary Jane Flores.



From Your Librarians

Books to borrow from the Notre Dame Parish Library located in the Pastoral Center is open Monday & Wednesday from 10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon. If you are unable to come at these times, please call Deborah Harris at 214-538-9105 & I will help you get the book you need.

Part 2 of the 7 Secrets of the Eucharist by Vinny Flynn continues.

Secret 3, There is only one Mass! Jesus tells St. Faustina in her Diary (914), "Oh what awesome mysteries take place during Mass! ...One day we will know what God is doing for us in each Mass, and what sort of gift He is preparing for us. Only His divine love could permit that such a gift be provided for us." Because of our limitations of time and space, we tend to view the crucifixion of Christ as simply a tragic and historic event taking place at a certain time. The church has always taught that God is unlimited, so He transcends time and space. God sees everything - past, present and future all at once. The Paschal Mystery is the unique event of history which does not pass away; Jesus dies, is buried, rises from the dead, and is seated at the right hand of the Father "once and for all." The miracle of the Mass not only recalls the events that saved us but actualizes them, makes them present (CCC #1084). The Pascal Mystery of Christ, is celebrated, not repeated (CCC #1104), as the Church relives the great events of salvation history in the today of her liturgy CCC #1095. It is Christ Himself, the eternal high priest of the New Covenant who, acting through the ministry of the priests, offers the Eucharist sacrifice. And it is the same Christ, really present under the species of the bread and wine, who is the offering of the Eucharistic sacrifice (CCC #1410). So, there is only one Mass, one eternal Liturgy of the Eucharist and it's taking place in heaven all the time. We're not merely attending Mass, we're joining with all of heaven and earth, all the angels and the saints, with the Blessed Mother of God, celebrating one eternal liturgy.

Secret 4, The Eucharist is not just one miracle! St. Maximilian Kolbe said, "What miracles! Who would ever have imagined such! If the angels could be jealous of men, that would be so for one reason: Holy Communion." Father Frederick Faber also said this about the Blessed Sacrament, "...a course of resplendent miracles," each more marvelous than a world's creation out of nothing". You say what miracles, what about these: bread and wine cease to exist and become the body and blood of Christ, He is present body, blood, soul, and divinity, He is truly present as He is in heaven – alive and glorious, His existence in heaven is not multiplied but made present in every place the Mass is being celebrated, Christ is not alone because the Father and the Holy Spirit and all of heaven! are there with Him and finally the priest is united to the Eucharist in a unique and special way that he receives a specific sacramental identification with Christ which enables him to offer the Holy Sacrifice in the person of Christ. Is that enough for you!

Secret 5, **We don't just receive.** Mother Teresa said, "The Eucharist involves more than just receiving, it also involves satisfying the hunger of Christ. He says "Come to me." He is hungry for souls. Nowhere does the Gospel say: "Go away," but always "come to me." He is calling us not to merely receive Communion but to enter into communion". St. Cyril of Jerusalem uses a very graphic image to convey the intimate union to which the Eucharist invites us: "Throw melted wax into melted wax, and the one interpenetrates the other perfectly. In the same way, when the Body and Blood of Christ are received, the union is such that Christ is in the recipient and he in Christ". To respond to this invitation, CCC #1385 explains "we must prepare ourselves for so great and holy a moment". How, by examining our conscious.

Written by Deborah Harris (to be continued)

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

September 16-17, 2023

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Envelopes/Checks	\$ 10,172.00
Currency/Coin	3,635.85
Capital Improvement	151.00
TOTAL	\$ 13,958.85

Adoration Chapel (total to date)	<u>\$215,830.00</u>	
TOTAL	\$215,830.00	

St. Vincent De Paul	\$ 360.00
School	 20.00
TOTAL	\$ 380.00

Online Giving September 11-17, 2023

Offertory	\$ 2,663.50
School	235.00
Bldg.	120.00
Adoration	40.00
TOTAL	\$ 3,058.50

SCHOOL

Envelopes	<u>\$</u>	00.00
TOTAL	\$	00.00

