

NOTRE DAME CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

Clergy at Notre Dame

Fr. Rafal A. Duda

Dc. Alfredo "Jimmy" Bill, Jr. Dc. Francisco Hernandez Dc. Harold "Sonny" Kaufhold Dc. Roberto Zapata

MASS TIMES:

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

Thursday 12:00 Noon (Liturgy o

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Friday 8:00 a.m. Saturday 5:00 p.m.

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

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

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





READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday—October 2, 2023 Zec 8:1-8(455), Mt 18:1-5, 10(650)

Tuesday—October 3, 2023 Zec 8:20-23, Lk 9:51-56(456)

Wednesday—October 4, 2023 Neh 2:1-8, Lk 9:57-62(457)

Thursday—October 5, 2023

Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12, Lk 10:1-12(458)

Friday—October 6, 2023 Bar 1:15-22, Lk 10:13-16(459)

Saturday—October 7, 2023 Is 5:1-7, Phil 4:6-9, Mt 21:33-43(139)

Sunday—October 8, 2023 Is 5:1-7, Phil 4:6-9, Mt 21:33-43(139)

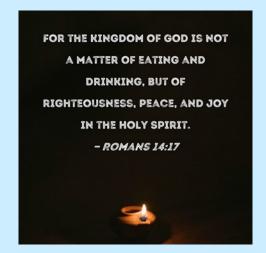
Verse to reflect on this week;

Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you. When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did.

Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him."

Matthew 21:31-32





Kingdom of Heaven is our Father's gift. God is calling us to enter it and stay there forever. How do we respond to this invitation? Is our life heading in the right direction? Are we thirsty for our Father's Kingdom? Is my heart really close to my Father's heart?

There is no higher goal for us – believers – than entering the Kingdom of God. Do our daily decisions bring us closer to it? How hard do we work on improving ourselves and seeking a more meaningful life?

We become real promoters of the Kingdom whenever we choose kindness over being rude, generosity over being greedy and humble over being prideful. Small moments make a big difference. Every time we help someone grow and feel loved, we do something remarkable in God's eyes.

Though, remembering, and following God's commandments isn't always easy, because there are so many traps, temptations and curves to pass, God is always close to us. He is hoping for us to make good choices and one day find his eternal bay.

May today's Gospel inspire us to reflect deeper on the direction of our life. May it let us become more mindful and more passionate about our Father's Kingdom. God loves us and wants us to welcome us at His home. Will we find it?

Please, say a prayer for me, Father Rafael





Monday, October 2, 2023

Good Shepherd—5:00 p.m.

Booster Board—5:30 p.m.

Cursillos—7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 3, 2023

PTC—5:30 p.m.

RCIA-6:00 p.m.

Guadalupanas—6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 4, 2023

Blessing of the Animals—5:00 p.m.

Ingles Tambien—5:00 p.m.

Good Shepherd—5:00 p.m.

Faith Formation—5:15 p.m.

EDGE-5:30 p.m.

LifeTeen—7:00 p.m.

Confirmation (Youth) - 7:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, October 5, 2023

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

Catholic Way Bible Study—9:00 a.m.

Spanish Choir Practice—6:30 p.m.

M.O.S.T.(Ministerio Oracion Santisimo Trinidad) -7:00pm

FRIDAY, October 6, 2023

Divine Mercy—3:00 p.m. in the Church

SATURDAY, October 7, 2023

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

Parish Festival—3:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, October 8, 2023

Good Shepherd—9:00 a.m.

Parish Festival—12:00 Noon



The Second Collection

on

October 7-8, 2023 will be for

St. Vincent de Paul

Thank you for your generosity!



The Sanctuary Lamp correction for last week burned for Ygnacio Villanueva by Gloria Villanueva, This week is for Manuel Sanchez By Wife



MASS SCHEDULE

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 pm (Fr. Rafal) †Maria & Feliciano Segura

Monday, October 2, 2023

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

Tuesday, October 3, 2023

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

Bishop Mike Boulette

Wednesday, October 4, 2023

12:00 pm (Fr. Rafal) †Jordan Carr

Thursday, October 5, 2023

12:00 pm (Dc.)

(Communion Service) †Norman Straumann

Friday, October 6, 2023

8:00 am (Fr. Rafal) †Monica Lopez

Saturday, October 7, 2023

8:00 am (*Fr. Rafal*) †Jose Luis Sarabia 5:00 pm (*Fr. Rafal*) †Richard Guerrero

Sunday, October 8, 2023

7:45 am (Fr. Rafal) †Natividad & Juana Gutierrez

9:15 am (Fr. Rafal) Mass offered for

Juan Daniel Halomo

11:00 am (Fr. Rafal) People of the Parish

5:00 pm (Fr. Rafal) †Don & Gene Hendryx

Altar Servers Ministry. Our next meeting will be on Sunday, October 15th at 6:00 p.m. in the Church.

If you would like to become an Altar Server please contact Marta Mata at 830.257.5961.

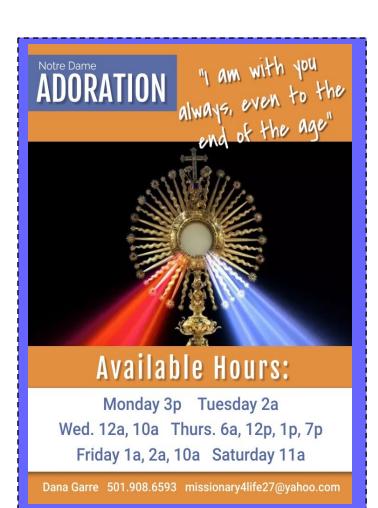
Thank you for serving Jesus in the Eucharist:)

Ministerio de monaguillos. Nuestra próxima reunión será el 15 de octubre las 6:00 p.m. en la iglesia.

Se quieres convertirse en monaguillo, póngase en contacto con Marta Mata al 830.257.5961.

Gracias por servir a Jesús en la Eucaristía :)













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 3 of the <u>7 Secrets of the Eucharist</u> by Vinny Flynn continues.

Secret 6, Every reception is different! St. Anthony Mary Claret said, "The more resemblance there is between the person who goes to Communion and Jesus, so much better will be the fruits of Holy Communion be. Christ wants to do wonderful things for us in the reception of Communion. He wants to flood us with miracles of grace and live in us as we live in Him. None of it happens if our attitude isn't right. The sacrament produces no effect.

St. Thomas explains "The sacrament of the Eucharist is an external sign that Christ is incorporated into the one who receives Him and He into Christ. If one does not desire this union and does not even try to remove every obstacle to it, then Christ does not remain in him, neither does he in Christ. "Your spiritual disposition before, during, and after receiving the sacrament will determine whether the sacrament will produce good fruit in you, have no effect at all, or result in His condemnation. Christ instituted the sacrament of Reconciliation to be able to receive Him worthily. If we are conscious of having committed serious sin, we must go meet Christ in the confessional before receiving Him in the Eucharist. St. Thomas said, "We must never try to consume this Bread absent mindedly or casual as we might eat other food, but rather to prepare ourselves adequately for this awesome banquet where, with great reverence and gratitude, we take God himself into us."

Secret 7, **There is no number to the times you can receive!** St. Thomas Aquinas said, "The manner of receiving this sacrament is twofold, spiritual and sacramental." We can receive communion sacramentally, approaching the altar in an absent-minded, mechanical way as creatures of habit, lining up as robots to fulfill some pre-set programming or to fulfill an obligation. Or we can feed on His sacred Body and Blood both physically and spiritually, approaching with focused reverence, grateful for this amazing gift and longing to unite ourselves with God.

St. Thomas explains that "spiritual Communion can even take place when we are unable to receive sacramentally, because the effect of a sacrament can be secured if it is received by desire." He also notes that some people take this sacrament spiritually before they eat sacramentally thereby, they communicate both spiritually and sacramentally. Those who watch the Mass on EWTN know that they have a prayer to be said by those who cannot now receive Communion. This is receiving Communion spiritually.

There is a limit to the number of times we can receive the Eucharist sacramentally, but there is no limit to the number of times we can receive spiritually. Spiritual Communion is not a substitute for sacrament Communion, but a very real anticipation of its fruits. Sacramental Communion brings us into union with God, and spiritual Communion helps keep us there. In the old 1917 Code of Cannon Law, the reception of Holy Communion more than once a day was prohibited. After Vatican II this restriction was mitigated to permit reception twice on the same day.

Written by Deborah Harris

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.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION September 23-24, 2023

Envelopes/Checks \$ 16,903.00

Currency/Coin 3,324.72

Capital Improvement <u>245.00</u>

TOTAL \$ 20,472.72

Notre Dame School

(2nd Collection) <u>\$ 575.85</u>

TOTAL \$ 575.85

Notre Dame

School GAP 100.00

TOTAL \$ 100.00

Adoration Chapel

(to date) \$215,830.00

TOTAL \$215,830.00

Online Giving

September 18-24, 2023

Offertory \$ 1,676.00 School 345.00

Building 100.00

Adoration <u>0.00</u>

TOTAL \$ 2,121.00

SCHOOL

Envelopes \$ 326.00

TOTAL \$ 326.00

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A NEW FAITH-FILLED BOYS CLUB?





ABOUT US

A Fun, Flexible, Faith-filled Catholic Club for boys age 5 to 17! It includes lessons in the Faith, activities, saints' biographies, craft ideas, games, and more!

EARNING BADGES

- The boys will earn badges that form a shield for them to proudly display on their Crusader breastplate!
- Patron Saint Badges are extra badges that can be earned and displayed on their Crusader breastplate!

1st Meeting

Time: After 11 AM Mass
Location: Fireplace Room Social Center

Come & Go Camp-Out

Date: Oct 27 thru 29, 2023 Location: OK-3 Ranch Earning: Outdoor Adventure Badge and Patron Saint Badges

Holiday Parade

We will be joining with The Little Flower Girls to participate in the Kerrville Holiday Parade. It will be Nov 18th, 2023!

> LEADER: KODY KUBALA 979-541-9669

blueknightsclubkerrville@gmail.com

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A FAITH-FILLED GIRLS CLUB?





ABOUT US

A Fun, Flexible, Faith-filled Catholic Club for girls age 5 to 17! It includes lessons in the Faith, activities, saints' biographies, craft ideas, games, and more!

EARNING BADGES

- The girls will earn badges that form a flower wreath for them to proudly display on their sash or vest!
- Patron Saint Badges are extra badges that can be earned and displayed on their sash or vest!

1st Meeting

Date: Oct. 15th, 2023 Time: After 11 AM Mass Location: Fireplace Room Social Center

Come & Go Camp-Out

Date: Oct 27 thru 29, 2023 Location: OK-3 Ranch Earning: Outdoor Adventure Badge and Patron Saint Badges

Holiday Parade

We will be joining with The Blue Knights Boys Club to participate in the Kerrville Holiday Parade. It will be Nov 18th, 2023!

LEADER: AMY CHAPMAN 830-329-1913 littleflowersKRV@outlook.com