

# ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH

RHINELAND

# NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME August 8, 2021

# Fr. Francis Chinthamalla HGN

Pastor (682) 251-4107(Cell) (940) 422-4994 (Rectory) Office: 422-4270 10180 CR 6010 Munday, Texas 76371

#### DRE/Youth Minister Janet Dillard

940-447-2784 Jsdillard67@gmail.com

#### Santa Rosa Church

PO Box 428 Knox City, Texas 79529 Secretary: Noelia Davila (940) 203-2560

### Weekend Mass Schedule Saint Joseph

Saturday 6:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am

Santa Rosa Sunday 11:00 am (Mass is Bilingual)

#### **BAPTISMAL Preparation**

Third Sunday of the Month Birth Certificate Required Call: Leno Hernandez



#### <u>LITURGY REFLECTION</u> NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: JOHN 6:41-51

The Jews murmured about Jesus because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven," and they said, "Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph? Do we not know his father and mother? Then how can he say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Stop murmuring among yourselves. No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draw him, and I will raise him on the last day. It is written in the prophets:

They shall all be taught by God.

Everyone who listens to my Father and learns from him comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven;

whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."

**ADULTS:** When has the bread of life given you the strength you needed to face a difficult situation in your life?

**CHILDREN:** What will you ask Jesus to help you with when you receive Holy Communion this week?

**Pastoral Council Meeting:** Monday, August 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

#### **RIGHTWAY IMAGING**

The Rightway Imaging representative will be here on August 21-22<sup>nd</sup> to make an announcement and schedule appointments for **September 3<sup>rd</sup> from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.** If you know of anyone who may be interested, please let them know. Thank you!

#### **A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT!**

**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:** - The Letter to the Ephesians urges us to be mindful that part of our life together in the Eucharist means being kind to one another, compassionate and forgiving, just as Christ has forgiven us. What can we do this week to show our kindness, compassion and forgiving attitude toward others in our family of faith? How can we be even better stewards of our faith community as, what St. Paul refers to as "Imitators of God?"

#### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS:

Perhaps you wonder at times why we do what we do as Catholics. Or perhaps you have considered becoming a Catholic but just don't know how. Or you know someone that might be interested in learning more about the Catholic faith. In any case, we invite you to enrich yourself or invite others to learn more by asking questions. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (the RCIA) is for people who either want to learn about Catholics or to become Catholic. If you are in an interfaith marriage and are already actively involved in a church of a different denomination, you may want to understand your family's Catholic faith better. If you are not connected to any faith community, you are most welcome to inquire with us. If after preparation you decide to become Catholic, you will be normally formally accepted at Easter or at Pentecost. We will be starting in the fall. If you know someone who may be interested and need a personal invitation, please contact Father Francis.

"The limitless loving devotion to God, and the gift God makes of Himself to you, are the highest elevation of which the heart is capable; it is the highest degree of prayer. The souls that have reached this point are truly the heart of the Church." — St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

**Lectors:** Aug 14 Saturday: John Myers & Rian Potysman

Aug 15 Sunday: Mindy Myers & Julie Kuhn

Servers: Saturday: Natalie & Loran Miranda & Braisyn Dillard

Sunday: Kinsey Benson, Hunter & Brooke Urbanczyk

**Altar Flowers:** Flowers for the altar were donated by: **Perry & Rick Kuehler** 

Thank you for your generous donation.

Ushers for August: Saturday: Kevin Myers & Wayne Pennartz

Sunday: Chris Scott & Stephen Kuehler

Collection Counters for August: Mary Jane Loftin, Shirley Angerer & Rebecca Pedroza

Mon: 7:00 am Glenda Hertel by Valera Hertel

Tues: 7:00 am **No Service** 

Wed: 7:00 am Charles Redder by Agnes Loran Family

Thurs: 7:00 am Gerald & Ruth Brown by Kenny & Mandi Brown Fri: 7:00 am Landre & Carolyn Fisher by Josh Myers Family

Sat: 6:00 pm Leo & Pansy Koenig by Luke Myers

Sun: 9:00 am Rhonda Albus by Mr. & Mrs. David Albus

Sun: 11:00 am Mass at Santa Rosa

August 1, 2021 Attendance: Saturday: 101 Sunday: 92 Collection: \$3,208.00 Youth Ministry: \$90.00

Thank you for your generous contributions

Prayer is the key to heaven but

Please pray for our sick and convalescing especially: Mary & Freddie Sosa Sr., Gary Wilde, Franz Birkenfeld, Ronnie Verhalen, Kelly Stinnet, Richard Latham, Allie Birkenfeld, Jeanell Kuehler Howell, Nick Ptacek, Jim Williams, Kaitlyn Acevedo, Allen Brown, Jeanene Redder, Arleda Decker, Refugio Nunez, Jamie Welborn, Ethel Birkenfeld, Brittany Solano, Francis Brown, Bob Moore, Kolby Kuykendall, Paulina Mendiola, Dorothy Herring, Joe Castorena, Urban Bellinghausen, Geneva Pennartz, Diana Homer Essig, Angelica Lucas, Albert & LuRose Schumacher, Darlene Bellinghausen, Antonio Mendez, Jorge DeHaro Jr., Karymay Groves, Cory Almanza, Coltyn Eldridge, and any others. Please remember all rest home and shut-in parishioners. Let us earnestly pray for all our sick and do whatever we can to help them. **Please let us know if names need to be added or removed** 

#### FOOD PANTRY

St. Joseph Parishioners are asked to bring **peanut butter or anything else** for the August Food Pantry. Thanks to all of you who continually help feed the hungry in our community.

#### WE NEED VOICES

If you like to sing, the Saturday and Sunday choirs need you. You don't have to have a great voice or read music, and we need both men and women. Help us raise our voices in worship!

#### **FAITH FORMATION**

The Faith Formation/CCD Program is in need of volunteers for Wednesday evening CCD teachers and assistants. We will be starting up in class instruction for ALL grades this September and need HELP for several grades. Please be willing to share your faith and work in this much needed ministry of the church. You may let Fr. Francis or Janet Dillard know if you would like to help out. Faith Formation **Registration will be on Wednesday, September 8, 2021 at 6:00 PM. Mark your calendars!!** 

#### INFORMATION

Quincenera classes will be on September 7,13,20,27 at 5:30 p.m. If you are interested, contact Sylvia Hernandez at 940-782-7962 and leave a voicemail. Thank you

During Mass, the whole church celebrates together. Your participation in Mass is connected to everyone else that is praying in Heaven and Earth.

#### **MEET FR FRANCIS**

Fr. Francis Chinthamalla hails from the order of Herald of Good News. He was born on December 1, 1976 in Khammam, which is in southern India. His parents are Marianna (father) and Padma (mother) Chinthamalla. His dad works in construction and his mother is a housewife. He is the oldest in his family with two younger sisters. One sister is a professor at a college and the other works in a bank back home in India.

When asked what inspired him to become a priest, he quickly credited his father whom he said was a deeply devoted Catholic who taught him to respect priests and sisters. As a youth he was always an altar server who looked up to the priests and nuns he served. These wonderful clergy of men and women always encouraged and inspired him. He also attended a missionary Catholic school growing up.

Fr. Francis was educated at Mont Fort High School in Khammam. He joined the order of Herald of Good News in 1997, completing a Bachelor's of Education degree in Philosophy studies at St. Joseph's in Naidupet Khammam. For one year he received regency experience in in the Diocese of Srikakulam. From 2002-2007, he studied Theology at St. Joseph's.

On July 18, 2007 he was ordained a priest. Since then he was assigned as an assistant parish priest at St. John's Parish in Nidadavole for one year. Then from 2009-2011 he was appointed as the parish priest at Srisaila Matha Church in Srisailam, Kurnool. Fr. Francis was then appointed for one year as the parish priest at Immaculate Conception Church in Dhammapet, Khammam Diocese. From there he was assigned from 2012 -2014 as the parish priest and principal of Don Bosco High School in Bongaigoa, Assam. His next assignment led him to become the Procurator at Heralds Bhavan Jhansi for two years. From 2016-2018 he was appointed the principal of St. Jude's Junior College at Chatrapur, Odisha. In 2018 he received news from his superior he was needed in the United States of America. Since arriving he has served as the Parochial Vicar at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Kellar TX.

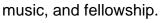
Fr. Francis is not 100% new to Rhineland/Knox City. He spent the month of January 2019 here while Fr. John was on vacation in India. Fr. Francis sees his new assignment in Knox County as an opportunity from God to learn something new and experience new things. "God wants me here. It's the right place to develop more in my spirituality."

St. Joseph's Rhineland and Santa Rosa Knox City give you a **BIG**, **warm WELCOME!** We look forward to having you as our spiritual lead



## **Northwest Deanery Youth Evening Held**

St. Mary's in Windthorst held the first Northwest Deanery Youth Social on Sunday, August 1, 2021 at their Youth Activities Building. A large crowd from the Northwest Deanery gathered for games, food, fun, praise







Yaretzi Davila,
Brendon Dillard,
Lupe Marmolejo, and
Braisyn Dillard.
Special thanks to Robin
Leija for giving of her
time to
attend with our youth.





Santa Rosa Catholic Church 211 N. Ave G P.O. Box 428 Knox City, TX 79529

# NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 8th, 2021

#### Fr. Francis (682) 251-4107 (Cell) chfrancishgn@gmail.com

(940) 422-4994 (Rectory) Convent: 422-4270 Munday, TX 76371

#### Secretary/Bookkeeper Noelia Davila

(940)203-1178(cell) (940)-658-5062(office) ndav255@gmail.com Office Hrs: Mon 5pm-7pm Fri 5pm-8pm

#### Weekend Mass Schedule Saint Joseph's

Saturday 6:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am

#### Santa Rosa

Sunday 11:00 am (Mass is Bilingual)

#### DRE/Youth Minister Janet Dillard

940-447-2784 Jsdillard67@gmail.com **Marriage**: 8 months before date of wedding Rectory: 422-4994

#### BAPTISMAL Preparation

Third Sunday of the Month Birth Certificate Required Call: Leno Hernandez 940-782-6497



### <u>LITURGY REFLECTION</u> <u>NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: JOHN 6:41-51</u>

The Jews murmured about Jesus because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven," and they said, "Is this not Jesus, the son of Joseph? Do we not know his father and mother? Then how can he say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Stop murmuring among yourselves. No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draw him, and I will raise him on the last day. It is written in the prophets:

They shall all be taught by God.

Everyone who listens to my Father and learns from him comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the desert, but they died; this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven;

whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." **ADULTS:** When has the bread of life given you the strength you needed to face a difficult situation in your life?

**CHILDREN:** What will you ask Jesus to help you with when you receive Holy Communion this week?

#### **RIGHTWAY IMAGING**

The Rightway Imaging representative will be here on August 21-22<sup>nd</sup> to make an announcement and schedule appointments for **September 3<sup>rd</sup> from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.** If you know of anyone who may be interested, please let them know. Thank you!

#### A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT!

**Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:** - The Letter to the Ephesians urges us to be mindful that part of our life together in the Eucharist means being kind to one another, compassionate and forgiving, just as Christ has forgiven us. What can we do this week to show our kindness, compassion and forgiving attitude toward others in our family of faith? How can we be even better stewards of our faith community as, what St. Paul refers to as "Imitators of God?"

#### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS:

Perhaps you wonder at times why we do what we do as Catholics. Or perhaps you have considered becoming a Catholic but just don't know how. Or you know someone that might be interested in learning more about the Catholic faith. In any case, we invite you to enrich yourself or invite others to learn more by asking questions. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (the RCIA) is for people who either want to learn about Catholics or to become Catholic. If you are in an interfaith marriage and are already actively involved in a church of a different denomination, you may want to understand your family's Catholic faith better. If you are not connected to any faith community, you are most welcome to inquire with us. If after preparation you decide to become Catholic, you will be normally formally accepted at Easter or at Pentecost. We will be starting in the fall. If you know someone who may be interested and need a personal invitation, please contact Father Francis.

"The limitless loving devotion to God, and the gift God makes of Himself to you, are the highest elevation of which the heart is capable; it is the highest degree of prayer. The souls that have reached this point are truly the heart of the Church." – St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

"Taste and see the goodness of the Lord."

## **AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup> COLLECTION:** \$636.57

**ATTENDANCE: 83** 

#### **MONEY COUNTERS~:**

AUGUST - Anita Silva and Mary Escamilla

#### **MASS INTENTIONS:**

AUGUST 8<sup>TH</sup> – Patzy Meinzer by Stephen and Sheila Kuehler

**AUGUST 15**<sup>TH</sup> – Santos Gonzales by Lupe Navarrete.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Santa Rosa Catholic church is currently needing mass intentions, and if you would like to offer a mass for a family member please contact our Secretary Miss Noelia Davila.

# 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Lord! Save me!

# LET US KEEP IN OUR PRAYERS FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Ray Lerma, Lalo Garcia, Gloria Diaz, Frankie Stinnet, Elda Garcia, Connie Garcia, Federico Monita, Bartolo Martinez, Margaret Martinez, Bob Lake, Connie Ramirez, Victoria Medina, Connie Ledesma, Paulina Mendiola, Mary Ann Myers, and any others. Please remember all rest home and shut-in parishioners. *Let us earnestly pray for all our sick for their healing and recovery*.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR PARISH**

The Diocesan Board of Directors of the Advancement Foundation has approved an operational grant for the upcoming 2021-2022 fiscal year. Santa Rosa will receive **\$17,500.00**. These funds come from the "Annual Diocesan Appeal" we collect each year. Our parish goal was \$2,100.00 and we collected \$3,215.00. Let us continue to be generous during our Annual Diocesan Appeal beginning in September.

# ST. LAWRENCE, DEACON AND MARTYR, AUGUST 10<sup>TH</sup>

St. Lawrence was one among the seven deacons who served the Roman church; this was a charge of great trust, to which was annexed the care of the goods of the church, and the distribution of its alms among the poor. There are few martyrs in the Church whose names are as famous as that of St. Lawrence, in whose praises the most illustrious among the Latin fathers have written, and whose triumph, to use the words of St. Maximus, the whole Church joins in a body to honor with universal joy and devotion. The Emperor Valerian in 257 published his edicts against Christians and Pope St. Sixtus, the second of that name, was apprehended the year following and put to death; on the fourth day after the faithful Lawrence followed him to martyrdom. That is all that is known for certain of the life and death of St. Lawrence, but Christian piety has adopted and consecrated as its own the details supplied by St. Ambrose, the poet Prudentius, and others; though it must be regretfully admitted that good reasons have been adduced for doubting the historical reliability of such moving incidents as St. Lawrence's presentation of the goods of the Church, and the manner of his martyrdom.

According to these traditions, as Pope St. Sixtus was led to execution, his deacon Lawrence followed him weeping, and said to him, "Father, where are you going without your deacon?" The pope answered, "I do not leave you, my son. You shall follow me in three days." Lawrence was filled with joy, hearing that he should be so soon called to God; he set out immediately to seek all the poor, widows and orphans, and gave among them the money which he had in his hands; he even sold sacred vessels to increase the sum, employing it all in the same way.

Emperor Valerian heard of the riches of the church and sent for St. Lawrence, and said to him, "You Christians often complain that we treat you with cruelty, but no tortures are here thought of; I only inquire mildly after what concerns you. I am informed that your priests offer in gold, that the sacred blood is received in silver cups, and that in your nocturnal sacrifices you have wax tapers fixed in golden candlesticks. Bring out these treasures; the emperor has need of them for the maintenance of his forces."St. Lawrence replied, without showing any concern, "The Church is indeed rich; nor hath the emperor any treasure equal to what it possesses. I will show you a valuable part; but allow me a little time to set everything in order, and to make an inventory." Then Lawrence went all over the city and gathered the poor who were supported by the Church. On the third day he gathered a large number of them, and placed them in rows, the decrepit, the blind, the lame, the maimed, the lepers, orphans, widows and maidens; then he went to the prefect and invited him to come and see the treasure of the Church.

The prefect saw all of this, and with threatening looks asked Lawrence what all this meant, and where the treasures were which he had promised to show him. Lawrence replied, "What are you displeased at? These are the treasure of the Church."

The Prefect's anger was doubled, and a rage he shouted, "You mock me! The ensigns of the Roman power, are not to be insulted! I know you desire to die, but you will not die immediately, but by inches!" Then he had a gridiron made ready, and glowing coals put under it, that the martyr might be slowly burnt. Lawrence was stripped and bound upon this iron bed over the slow fire, which roasted his flesh by little and little. His face appeared to the Christians to be surrounded with a beautiful light, and his suffering body to give off a sweet smell. Having suffered a long time, he turned to the judge and said with a cheerful smile, "Let my body be turned; one side is broiled enough." When the executioner had turned him he said, "It is cooked enough, you may eat." Then having prayed for the conversion of the city of Rome that the faith of Christ might spread there and throughout the world, St. Lawrence gave up the spirit.

St. Lawrence has been one of the most venerated martyrs of the Roman church since the fourth century, and he is named in the canon of the Mass (Eucharistic Prayer I). He was certainly buried in the cemetery of Cyriaca in agro Verano on the Via Tiburtina, where Constantine built the first chapel on the site of what is now the church of St. Lawrence-outside-the-Walls, which is the fifth patriarchal basilica of the city of Rome. Information gathered from Butler's Lives of the Saints, vol III, 1995.

#### ST. CLARE, VIRGIN - August 11th

St. Clare of Assisi was born into the nobility of Assisi on July 16, 1194. She was known by members of her household to be a sensitive child, prayerful and kind. After hearing St. Francis preach, she confided in him her desire to live for God. On the evening of Palm Sunday, in the year 1212, Clare secretly left her stately home with her cousin Pacifica, and never returned. In the Church of 'Our Lady of the Angels', St. Francis, clothed Clare in sackcloth and cut off her hair, signaling her renunciation of the world. She took the veil of religious life from Francis and from that moment vowed to live her life entirely in the service of Jesus, her heavenly spouse.

St. Clare followed her path unwaveringly, adopting the rule of St. Benedict tempered with Francis's preaching of poverty. She soon gathered a large female following at San Damiano and Francis urged her to set up a convent there. She did so and became abbess of the new community known as the Poor Clares. Clare's mother and sisters later joined the order, and there are still thousands of members today.

Very little is known about St. Clare's life in the cloister. We know she became a living example of the poverty, humility, and mortification expounded by St. Francis. Like St. Francis, Clare was known for her many miracles. Among her most famous feats is using a consecrated Host to ward off invaders. She displayed the Sacrament in a monstrance at the convent gates, and prayed before it; the attackers left. Toward the end of her life on Christmas Eve 1252, Clare was upset that her illness was keeping her from Mass in the new Basilica of St. Francis. Suddenly, she was blessed with a vision of the Mass on her wall, both hearing and seeing it miraculously from several miles away. Because of this vision, she has been pronounced the patron saint of television and the patron of sore eyes. St. Clare died in Assisi on August 11, 1253. She was canonized quickly – on September 26, 1255, by Pope Alexander IV.