



Holy Family Catholic Church

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SUNDAY REFLECTION August 27, 2023

Isaiah 22:15, 19–23; Psalm 138:1–3, 6, 8
Romans 11:33–36; Matthew 16:13–20

“Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!” Paul exclaims in today’s Epistle. Today’s Psalm, too, takes up the triumphant note of joy and thanksgiving. Why? Because in the Gospel, the heavenly Father reveals the mystery of His kingdom to Peter.

With Peter, we rejoice that Jesus is the anointed Son promised to David, the one prophesied to build God’s temple and reign over an everlasting kingdom. What Jesus calls “my Church” is the kingdom promised to David’s son . As we hear in today’s First Reading, Isaiah foretold that the keys to David’s kingdom would be given to a new master, who would rule as father to God’s people.

Jesus, the root and offspring of David, alone holds the kingdom’s keys. In giving those keys to Peter, Jesus fulfills that prophecy, establishing Peter—and all who succeed him—as holy father of His Church.

His Church, too, is the new house of God, the spiritual temple founded on the “rock” of Peter and built up out of the living stones of individual believers.

Abraham was called “the rock” from which the children of Israel were hewn. And Peter becomes the rock from which God raises up new children of God .

The word Jesus uses—“church” (*ekklesia* in Greek)—was used in the Greek translation of the Old Testament for the “assembly” of God’s children after the Exodus.

His Church is the “assembly of the firstborn”, established by Jesus’ exodus. Like the Israelites, we are baptized in water, led by the Rock, and fed with spiritual food .

Gathered at His altar, in the presence of angels, we sing His praise and give thanks to His holy name.

Deacons

Dcn. Bob Birkenfeld806-627-8253
Dcn. Joe Hochstein806-627-7026

Parish Staff

Office:	Barbara Schulte.....806-392-7019
	Mary Verkamp..... 806-410-6074
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Sacramental Records:	Theresa Birkenfeld.....806-627-7939
Mass Intentions:	Monette Schilling.....806-290-2560
RCIA:	Dcn Joe Hochstein.....806-627-7026
Holy Family Inn:	Karleene Hoelting.....806-671-1839
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Church Grounds:	Doyle Kleman..... 806-943-9812
Religious Articles:	Dorothy Kleman..... 806-945-2396
Parish Council Char:	Garrett Kleman806-369-5525
Finance Council Char:	J.C. Pohlmeier..... 806-647-6295
Prayer Chain:	Lenora Braddock..... 806-367-3445
Saturday Choir:	Lisa Schulte..... 806-240-3632
Sunday Choir:	Darlene Schulte..... 806-647-7556

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - No Mass
Tuesday - Thursday - 5:30pm
Friday - 7:00am
Saturday - 5:30pm
Sunday - 9:15am

Confessions on Saturday
1 hour before Mass

Office Hours: M - W 10 - 4pm
Th - Fr 9 - 1pm

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, Sept 2, 2023 at 5:30pm

Servers: Reid Backus, Brynli and Jaxton Schilling

Lectors: Ronnie Hoelting, Carolyn Wilhelm

Hospitality: Sandra Kleman, Mary Verkamp

Gift Bearer: Darrell and Jody Huseman

Ushers: Parish Council

Sunday, Sept 3, 2023 at 8:00am

Servers: Olivia and Noah Raef, Taysen Payne

Lectors: Stephanie DeMoss, Samantha Fulkerson

Hospitality: Judy Lange and Sandee Hoelting

Gift Bearer: Bryan and Mary Jo Huseman

Ushers: Parish Council

Wednesday, Sept 6, 2023 at 6:00pm

Servers: Jentri Birkenfeld, Pierce Wilhelm,
Kennedy Wilhelm

Lectors: Max Snead, Harley Gerber

Hospitality: Judy Lange & Joel Gerber

Gift Bearer: Diane Heitschmidt, Stephanie DeMoss

Ushers: Parish Council

Saturday, Sept 9, 2023 at 5:30pm

Servers: Autumn Birkenfeld, Addie Schulte,
Kamden Osmanski

Lectors: JC Pohlmeier, Mary Lou Schmucker

Hospitality: Rocky & Dianne Wilhelm

Gift Bearer: Paul & Edith Huseman

Ushers: Parish Council

Sunday, Sept 10, 2023 at 9:15am

Servers: Sy Welps, Rhett Ethridge, Steely Moore

Lectors: Joel Gerber, Vera Huseman

Hospitality: Harold & Kay Venhaus

Gift Bearer: Riley & Shelby Huseman

Ushers: Parish Council

This Week's Mass Intentions

Monday - August 28, 2023
No Mass

Tuesday - Aug 29, 2023
5:30pm - Sid Birkenfeld, RIP
(Family)

Wednesday - Aug 30, 2023
5:30pm - Deceased Members of
Frank Hoelting Family
(Ronnie & Regina Hoelting)

Thursday - Aug 31, 2023
5:30pm - Deceased Members of
Albert Schulte Family
(Dolly Schulte)

Friday - Sept 1, 2023
7:00am - Raymond Braddock, RIP
(Family)

Saturday - Sept 2, 2023
5:30pm - Living and Deceased members
of the Class of 1973

Sunday - Sept 3, 2023
8:00am - Walter Verkamp, RIP
(Floyd & Dorothy Schulte)

STEWARDSHIP

August 20 & 21, 2023

Identifiable Contributors - \$6,611.00

Children Collection - \$81.25

Votive Collection - \$47.00

Total Collection - \$6,739.25

***THANKS FOR YOUR SHARING
OF GOD'S BLESSINGS WITH US!***

Please Pray For . . .

All our sick and elderly

Joshua Moore, Ralph Albracht, Glenn Ehly,
Curt Hinz, Dave Yonkers, Patricia Kern Butler,
Carol Reichert, Charlie Hannaman, Madelyn Kern & baby,
Clayton Acker, Allison Zunker & baby. David Schulte,
Ashlyn Birkenfeld

all those in Ministry, especially

Our Parish Vocations: Father Raj Samala, Father Bala,
Fr. Nick Gerber and Fr. John Dalton, Father Bhaskar;
Dcn Bob Birkenfeld, Dcn Joe Hochstein and
All Religious from Holy Family Parish

This Week's Calendar

Sunday, August 27, 2023

9:15am - Mass in Holy Family Church

Monday, August 28, 2023

No Mass

Tuesday, August 29, 2023

5:30pm - Mass in Holy Family Church

Wednesday, August 30, 2023

8am-1am - Adoration at the Chapel in the Inn

5:30pm - Mass in Holy Family Church

Thursday, August 31, 2023

5:30pm - Mass in Holy Family Church

Friday, September 1, 2023

7:00am - Mass in Holy Family Church

Saturday, September 2, 2023

5:30pm - Mass in Holy Family Church

Sunday, September 3, 2023

Labor Day Picnic

8:00am - Mass in Holy Family Church

NAZARETH LIBRARY

Open Monday 10am - 12pm

Thursday - 4pm - 6pm

Contact Bev Schulte 806-647-8217

Rita Hoelting 806-781-8888



Religious Article Store

Come see what we have!!!

Open after Each Weekend Mass

Or call Dorothy Kleman 806-945-2396

Announcements

Mass time on Fridays will change to 7:00am starting August 25th. Also, Mass on Sept 3 (Labor Day Picnic) will be at 8:00am.

Catholic Daughters will meet Sunday, August 27 at 10:30am after Mass.

Opening Mass for CCD: Wednesday, September 6 at 6:00pm.
(No 5:30 Mass that day)

2023-24 CCD Registration will be the 3rd & 4th weekends in August after both Masses. All new & returning students need to register.

Safe Environment Training: Monday August 28th at 6:30pm at the CCD Building. All the new teachers must attend! Returning teachers will be contacted if they need it. Call Stephanie for more information.

The Nazareth Library will begin a book study on "Tuesday With Morrie." If you haven't read this inspirational book, you need to. If you've read it before, it's a great re-read. Come join us as we discuss the amazing wisdom that Morrie and Mitch Albom have for the readers. Book Study will begin the week of September 11. We will meet at 9-10am on Mondays OR 5:30-6:30pm on Thursdays. Books are available at the library for \$5.

RCIA will begin soon: These classes are open to anyone. If you need to refresh your faith or know someone who wants to join our church, please give Dcn. Joe 806-627-7026 or Father Raj 806-316-4146 a call.

Labor Day Note: If you have donations for Children's Bingo, you may give it to any Parish Council member or bring it to the Rectory.

UCA 23/24 Report

Goal	\$42,213.00
Pledged Amount	\$31,912.90
Paid Amount	\$25,818.58
Balance	\$16,394.42

Legion Auxiliary is collecting peanut butter or cheese crackers for soldiers boxes. Must have by September 11th. They can be brought to Nazareth Library or contact Bev Schulte 806-647-8217 for a pickup.

The Boy Scout casserole fundraiser pick up date has been pushed back to Saturday, September 16, due to a conflict with our location being used. We apologize for any inconvenience. If you are needing your items before then, we will try to accommodate you so please reach out to Christine Acker (806)-945-2683 or Lindsay Wilhelm (806)676-2244. Thank you for your support and patience!

THANK YOU NOTE:

Thank you to everyone for their response to our Backpack Blessing and Backpack crosses. God Bless our children and everyone.

Pray for Moisture, Peace around the world, and our children, as they go back to school!

HOLY FAMILY PARISH LABOR DAY PICNIC SUNDAY, SEPT 3rd 2023

8:00am MASS at Holy Family Church

9am-sold BAKE SHOPPE (Little Kitchen inside Hall)

10:00am PARADE (prizes: 1st- \$50 2nd- \$35 3rd- \$25)

11am-2pm ROAST BEEF DINNER Adults - **\$15** 10yrs & younger - **\$8**

11am-2pm ADULT RAFFLE (inside Hall) **\$10** per ticket

11am-sold COW PATTY BINGO (under Hall awning) **\$10** per square

11am-6:30pm ADULT BINGO (under Hall awning) **\$1** per card

11am-5pm CONCESSIONS (under Hall awning & at Children's games)

12pm-3pm CHILDREN'S RAFFLE (inside CCD Bldg) **\$1** per ticket

12:30-3:30pm CHILDREN'S OUTDOOR GAMES & CHILDREN'S BINGO
(CCD building area)

Wristbands - purchase at BANK in hall parking lot or inside CCD Bldg
\$10 – 8yrs & older **\$5** – 7yrs & younger

1:30pm LIVE TRAILER AUCTION (north of Hall)
CATTLE AUCTION (after Trailer Auction)

5pm-7pm HAMBURGER SUPPER **\$10** - Meal Deal **\$5** - burger only

6:30pm CORN HOLE TOURNAMENT (Hall Parking Lot) **\$40 per team**
Register at BANK in hall parking lot by 4:30pm

YOUTH CALENDAR 2023-2024

August 20 Youth Kick-off at 4:00 (no Mass)

September 10 Mass at 4:00 - Gathering at 5:00

October 15 Mass at 4:00 - Gathering at 5:00

November 12 Decorating Park at 2:00
Mass at 4:00 - Gathering at 5:00

December 3 Mass at 4:00 - Gathering at 5:00

January 14 Mass at 4:00 - Gathering at 5:00

February 11 Mass at 4:00 - Gathering at 5:00

March 17 Mass at 4:00 - Gathering at 5:00

March 22 - Fish Fry

April 14 Mass at 4:00 - Gathering at 5:00

May 5 Mass at 4:00 - Farewell to the Seniors at 5:00

June 20-24 Steubenville of the Rockies- Denver, CO

Wednesday Noon Meal Is returning in September!!

Every Wednesday
at the Senior Citizen's Bldg
\$10.00 a plate - 11:30am –12:30pm
September 13th Meal: Smothered Steak

Welcome Visitors!!

Please feel right at home.
We are glad to have you.

Like to Join Our Church:

Call the Parish Office 806-945-2616
or Dcn Joe Hochstein 627-7026

**For Baptisms, Marriages,
Home Blessings
Sick, Hospital Visits, or Funerals**

Call Father Raj
806-316-4146 or the
Office 806-945-2616

Baptism - One sponsor must be
Catholic, confirmed & 14 years old

Marriage - contact office
6 months in advance
Engaged Encounter &
Natural Family Planning
classes needed.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon - Wed 10:am - 4pm
Thurs- Fri 9am - 1pm

Bulletin Deadline: Wed by noon

Parish Website: hfpn.org

Parish Email:
Holyfamilynaz@gmail.com

ADORATION

Wed 8am - Thurs 1am
Holy Family Inn

Family Eucharist Adoration will
be held the 1st Sunday of
every month from 4 - 5pm.

To Book Community Hall

Alyssa Barton
806-367-3438

Book Home Merc

Kamber Kleman
806-240-5594

Book Senior Citizens

David Olvera - 945-2249

Book Rooms at the INN

Karleen Hoelting
806-671-1839

EWTN Local Radio

Nazareth - 105.5 FM
1010 AM

Hart -102.3 FM (Spanish)

THE RELIGIOUS ARTICLE STORE

In the foyer of Church
Open after Mass
on Weekends.

Call: Dorothy Kleman
806-945-2396
Vera Hoelting
903-450-7742

RESPECT FOR LIFE PRAYERS

during Blessed Sacrament
Adoration

8:00am Wednesday thru
1:00am Thursday
The Chapel of the
Holy Family Inn

THE FOOD PANTRY

Open every other Saturday
at the Boy Scout Building
Donations and volunteers
are welcome!

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Smothered Steak

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Come Check Us Out!

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MEALS ON WHEELS

Tuesdays & Thursdays

Holy Family Inn 945-2605
Christine Acker 945-2683