

**Pastor :** Arokiaraj "Raj" Samala 806-316-4146

#### **Deacons**

Dcn. Bob Birkenfeld ......806-627-8253 Dcn. Joe Hochstein .....806-627-7026

#### **Parish Staff**

Christian Formation:

Lay Minister:
Youth Director:
Sacramental Records:
Mass Intentions:
RCIA:
Holy Family Inn:

Church & CCD
Cleaning:
Church Grounds:
Religious Articles:
Parish Council Char:
Finance Council Char:
Prayer Chain:

**Saturday Choir:** 

**Sunday Choir:** 

Office:

Barbara Schulte...... 806-392-7019 Mary Verkamp...... 806-410-6074 Stephanie DeMoss..... 806-632-6871 Diane Heitschmidt ..... 806-543-3985 Vanessa Welps...... 806-683-3452 Allison Kleman...... 325-226-3999 Theresa Birkenfeld.....806-627-7939 Monette Schilling......806-290-2560 Den Joe Hochstein......806-627-7026 Karleen Hoelting......806-671-1839 Mandy Schilling......806-945-5471 Esmeralda Sepeda..... 210-347-2898 Dolores Ouintana...... 806-240-8986 Doyle Kleman.......... 806-943-9812 Dorothy Kleman..... 806-945-2396 Garrett Kleman .......806-369-5525 J.C. Pohlmeier...... 806-647-6295 Lenora Braddock...... 806-367-3445 Lisa Schulte...... 806-240-3632 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

# Holy Family Catholic Church

210 St. Joseph St. P.O. Box 100 Nazareth, TX 79063

Phone: 806-945-2616 Fax: 806-945-2564 CCD Building: 806-945-2244

#### Lord, How Many Times Should I Forgive My Brother?



#### SUNDAY REFLECTION

Sirach 27:30–28:7; Psalm 103:1–4, 9–12 Romans 14:7–9; Matthew 18:21–35

Mercy and forgiveness should be at the heart of the Christian life.

Yet, as today's First Reading wisely reminds us, often we cherish our wrath, nourish our anger, and refuse mercy to those who have done us wrong. Jesus, too, strikes close to home in today's Gospel with His realistic portrayal of the wicked servant who won't forgive a fellow servant's debt, even though his own slate has just been wiped clean by their master.

It can't be this way in the kingdom, the Church. In the Old Testament, seven is frequently a number associated with mercy and the forgiveness of sins. The just man sins seven times daily; there is a sevenfold sprinkling of blood for atonement of sins. But Jesus tells Peter today that we must forgive not seven times, but seventy times seven times. That means: every time. We are to be merciful as our Father in heaven is merciful. But why? Why does Jesus repeatedly warn that we can't expect forgiveness for our trespasses unless we're willing to forgive others their trespasses against us?

Because, as Paul reminds us in today's Epistle, we are the Lord's. Each of us has been purchased by the blood of Christ shed for us on the Cross . As we sing in today's Psalm, though we deserved to die for our sins, He doesn't deal with us according to our crimes. The mercy and forgiveness we show to others should be the heartfelt expression of our gratitude for the mercy and forgiveness shown to us.

This is why we should remember our last days, set our enmities aside, and stop judging others. We know that one day we will stand before the judgment seat and give account for what we've done with the new life given to us by Christ..

So we forgive each other from the heart, overlook each other's faults, and await the crown of His kindness and compassion.

## **Liturgical Ministers**

#### Saturday, Sept 23, 2023 at 5:30pm

Servers: Zane Schulte, Addie Schulte,

Daniel Schacher

Lectors: Keith Birkenfeld, Keith Hoelting Hospitality: Joel Gerber & Judy Lange

**Gift Bearer**: Troy Johnson Family

**Ushers:** Parish Council

#### Sunday, Sept 24, 2023 at 9:15am

Servers: Kate Brockman, Barrett Brockman,

Charlie DeMoss

**Lectors:** Dwight & Felice Acker

Hospitality: Rocky & Dianne Wilhelm

Gift Bearer: Carol Kern Family

Ushers: Parish Council

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#### Saturday, Sept 30, 2023 at 5:30pm

**Servers**: Kattey Gerber, Jett McLarty Kambyl McLarty

Lectors: Mary Verkamp, Nicole Schulte

Hospitality: Mary Verkamp, Sandra Kleman

Gift Bearer: Dennis & Patti Kern

**Ushers:** Parish Council

#### Sunday, Oct 1, 2023 at 9:15am

Servers: Jack Welps, Addie Schulte,

Adalyn Braddock

Lectors: Joshua Raef, Jim Hoelting Hospitality: Harold & Kay Venhaus

Gift Bearer: Matt & Debbie King

Ushers: Parish Council

#### This Week's Mass Intentions

Monday - Sept 18, 2023 No Mass

**Tuesday - Sept 19, 2023** 

5:30pm - Deceased members of Ruby Mae Annen Family (Ruby Mae Hubbard Musser)

Wednesday - Sept 20, 2023

5:30pm - Deceased members of Leo Huseman Family (Dolly Schulte)

Thursday - Sept 21, 2023

5:30pm - Living & Deceased Mothers and Grandmothers

Friday - Sept 22, 2023

7:00am - Evelyn Albracht, RIP (Mark & Missy Kleman)

Saturday - Sept 23, 2023

5:30pm - Bea Hoelting, RIP (Clyde Hoelting)

Sunday - Sept 24, 2023

9:15am - Sharon Brockman, RIP (Virgil & Carolyn Wilhelm)

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

Sept 9th & 10th, 2023

Identifiable Contributors—\$3,427.00

Children Collection - \$46.00

Votive Collection - \$78.25

Total Collection - \$3,551.25

Youth Mass - \$861.00

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

# Please Pray For . . .

#### All our sick and elderly

Joshua Moore, Ralph Albracht, Glenn Ehly, Madelyn Kern & baby, Clayton Acker, Allison Zunker & baby, David Schulte, Ashlyn Birkenfeld, Carey Acker, Sue Frisch

<u>all those in Ministry, especially</u> Our Parish Vocations: Father Raj Samala, Father Bala, Fr. Nick Gerber and Fr. John Dalton, Father Bhaskar; Den Bob Birkenfeld, Den Joe Hochstein and All Religious from Holy Family Parish

And for our deceased loved ones

# This Week's Calendar

# Sunday, September 17, 2023

9:15am - Mass in Holy Family Church

#### Monday September 18, 2023 No Mass

Tuesday, September 19, 2023

5:30pm - Mass in Holy Family Church

### Wednesday, September 20, 2023

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

11:30am Wed Meal - Lasagna

5:30pm - Mass

6:30pm - CCD K-12

#### Thursday, September 21, 2023

5:30pm - Mass in Holy Family Church

#### Friday, September 22, 2023

7:00am - Mass in Holy Family Church

#### Saturday, September 23, 2023 **Catechetical Sunday**

5:30pm - Mass in Holy Family Church

#### Sunday, September 24, 2023 **Catechetical Sunday**

9:15am - Mass in Holy Family Church

# Religious Article Store

Come see what we have!!!

Open after Each Weekend Mass Call Dorothy Kleman 806-945-2396 or Vera Hoelting



### NAZARETH LIBRARY

Open Monday 10am - 12pm Thursday - 4pm - 6pm

Contact Bev Schulte 806-647-8217 Rita Hoelting 806-781-8888



#### Announcements

Father Raj will be leaving for India the 25th of September, if there is anything you need to discuss with him before he leaves, please make plan to do that this week. Thanks

**American Legion Auxiliary Bingo** Sunday, September 17, at 2:00pm at the Senior Citizens.

Christmas Pageant: Has been moved to December **2024.** Due to dates in December and several conflicts it will not work for this year. Please keep next year in your plans for the Pageant. Thank you, Nicole & Lisa

**Lost & Found:** We have found some items for a little girl, (around the water slide area from Labor Day Celebration) that has been placed in the lost & found box. Please come by or call if your daughter has any lost items.

Home Merc Board will be cleaning out the kitchen on Sunday, Sept 17th. If you would like any dishes, please come pick them up for free at 11:30am on Sunday.

Catechetical Sunday has been moved to the September 23rd & 24th Masses.

Children's Choir will be singing at the 5:30pm Mass on September 30th.

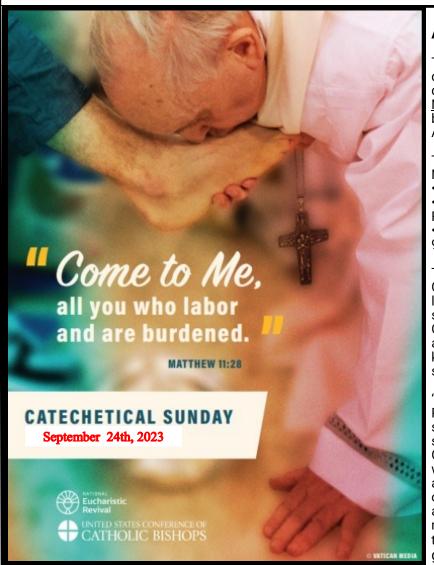


RCIA will begin soon: Theses classes are open to anyone. If you need to refresh your faith or know someone who wants to join our church, please give Dcn. Joe 806-627-7026 or Father Raj 806-316-4146 a call.

We will begin an 8 part Bible Study on Thursday, Oct 5th on "Mary, a Biblical Walk With the Blessed Mother" by Edward Sri. We will learn more of the powerful drama in her earthly life, taking us through her joys and sorrows. We will also learn more about how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her divine Son! Everyone is welcome. If you are interested in participating, call or text Joel Gerber @ 806-647-7583 so workbooks can be ordered.

**Save the Date**: There will be a community steak dinner for B.J.& Madeline Kern & baby, October 21st. Will have more information at a later date.

> Thank you Lord for the moisture we have received! We pray for much needed rain, good weather and peace.



#### CATHOLIC RADIO IN THE DIOCESE OF AMARILLO IS NOW UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP

The assets of Catholic Radio of the Texas High Plains, dba, <u>St. Valentine Catholic Radio (SVCR)</u>, has been acquired by La Promesa Foundation, dba, <u>Guadalupe Radio Network (GRN)</u>. The transaction was formally approved by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) on Aug. 7.

The stations now under the umbrella of Guadalupe Radio Network are:

- KDJW, 1010AM;
   KTNZ, 1360AM;
- KSJH, 102.3FM and KHFN, 105.5FM, both low-power FM stations in Castro County; and,
- Two low-power FM's in Amarillo, at 93.5FM and 94.5FM.

The acquisition of the six stations formerly owned by Catholic Radio of the Texas High Plains, brings Guadalupe Radio Network to 45 stations operating in five states and the District of Columbia. GRN is the only Catholic radio organization establishing both English and Spanish Catholic radio stations in the same markets. The GRN reaches a population of over 26,000,000 souls.

"Now, working with St. Valentine's Catholic Radio (SVCR) President Dale Artho and it's Board of Directors, the six stations of SVCR will become a part of the GRN family," said Shaun W. Rice, director of Mission Development for GRN. "We are so thankful to carry on the legacy and work started by SVCR to bring Catholic Radio to the Texas Panhandle. You can expect the same wonderful Catholic programming that you have come to know, love, plus a few new shows. Please check out GRNonline.com for more information or to listen live and you can download the GRN APP and take the GRN with you everywhere you go."

# 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 <u>1st Sunday</u> of every month from 4 - 5pm.

### To Book Community Hall

Alyssa Barton 806-367-3438 Book Home Merc

**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!

#### WEDNESDAY - NOON MEAL

Every Wednesday Senior Citizen's Bldg \$10.00 a plate - 11:30am –12:30pm September 20th Meal: Lasagna

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# MEALS ON WHEELS Tuesdays & Thursdays

Holy Family Inn 945-2605 Christine Acker 945-2683