

# Sacred Heart Catholic Church

The Twenty-sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time ~ September 28, 2025



## Sunday Reflection

In our gospel, we hear another parable of the condemnation of the wicked because he failed to do good works. It begs the question: **How important are good works?**

“Justification” is a contentious word in Christianity. In general, protestants argue that justification comes from “faith alone.” Despite our sinfulness, God declares that we are just. Though we deserve condemnation, God the judge passes down a “not guilty” verdict and forgives our sins. The righteousness of Christ is applied to us. The Catholic Church teaches that what we do is related to our justification, but only because of who we become when we are justified. The righteousness of Christ is not imputed to us, but it is infused into us. We are not only declared sons and daughters of God, but are actually made such. This justification is totally gratuitous. We cannot earn God’s justifying grace any more than a child can earn his birth. However, once a child is born, he is expected to grow into maturity, and what he does actually affects his standing in the family. This holds true for our standing in God’s family too. Through grace, we not only have faith, but do good works in love. This is not “works of law” (the idea that we earn our salvation) or justification by faith alone, but “faith working in love” (good works). Thus, justification is more of a process that continues until the day we stand before God. Several key points to remember:

- Faith Justifies Initially, but Works Perfect and Complete Justification
- Justification is an Inner Change of Person (Infusion), Not Just a Declaration by God (Imputation)
- Works of Law versus Good Works

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### Mass Schedule

Tues, Wed, Friday	8:00 a.m.
Saturday	6:00 p.m.
Sunday	9:00 a.m.

### Misa en español

Jueves	7:00 p.m.
Domingo	11:00 a.m.

### Confessions/Confesiones

Tues, Wed, Friday	7:30 a.m.
Mar, Mié - Vie	7:30 a.m.
Jueves	6:30 p.m.
Saturday/Sabado	5:00 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.
Sunday/Domingo	8:30 a.m. - 8:50 a.m. 10:30 a.m. - 10:50 a.m.

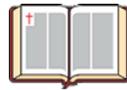
### Parish Office/Oficina

302 South B Street  
620-442-0566  
Monday/Lunes  
9:00 a.m. - 3:30p.m.  
Tuesday-Friday/Martes-Viernes  
9:00 a.m. - 4:00p.m.  
parish@sacredheartarkcity.org  
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### School/Escuela

312 South B Street  
620-442-6550  
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- For the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Matrimony, and Anointing of the Sick contact Fr. Sam Brand @ 620-442-0566
- Couples planning marriage must contact the pastor nine months in advance of the marriage.
- For homebound visits or OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) call the office, 620-442-0566
- Eucharistic Adoration weekly from 9 a.m. Tuesday through 2 a.m. Wednesday in the Chapel.



**Tuesday, September 30**

8:00 a.m. †Carlos Lopez by Delbert & Sherley Lopez

**Wednesday, October 1**

8:00 a.m. †Rama Sorrell by Grace Lujan

**Thursday, October 2**

7:00 p.m. †Joe Clark by Cindy Herbst

**Friday, October 3 ~First Friday**

8:00 a.m. †Barbara Dornhoffer by Steve & Lupe Weide

6:00 p.m. For the people of the parish

**Saturday, October 4 ~First Saturday**

8:00 a.m. For the people of the parish

6:00 p.m. †Chris Montgomery by the Leddy Family

**Sunday, October 5**

9:00 a.m. †Aloys & Mary Ann Betzen  
by Bernie & Ida Betzen

11:00 a.m. For the people of the parish

Monday	Dan 7:9-10,13-14	Ps 138:1-2ab,2cde-3,4-5	John 1:47-51
Tuesday	Zech 8:20-23	Ps 87:1b-3,4-5,6-7	Luke 9:51-56
Wednesday	Neh 2:1-8	Ps 137:1-2,3,4-5,6	Luke 9:57-62
Thursday	Neh 8:1-4a,5-6,7b-12	Ps 19:8,9,10,11	Matt 18:1-5,10
Friday	Bar 1:15-22	Ps 79:1b-2,3,4,8,9	Luke 10:13-16
Saturday	Bar 4:5-12,27-29	Ps 69:33-35,36-37	Luke 10:17-24
Sunday	Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4	Ps 95:1-2,6-7,8-9	Luke 17:5-10

	<i>Liturgical Ministers for the Week of October 4 &amp; 5</i>		
	SAT- 6:00 PM ENGLISH	SUN – 9:00 AM ENGLISH	SUN – 11:00 AM SPANISH
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER	Mary Trillo	Kellie Hull	Minister of Holy Communion- Fr. Sam
LECTOR	Foss Farrar	Shannon O'Toole	Silvia Martinez
ALTAR SERVER	Dirk Lake Alexandria Lake	Fred Bergkamp Lizzy Bergkamp Katherine Bergkamp	Haven Esparza Isaac Esparza Josselina Picornio
OFFERTORY	Joi Jay & JoLynn Foster	Benny & Lori Roths	Eleazar & Maria Mendez
GREETERS	Joe & Connie Carder	Steve & Kelley Schones	Gaspar Lopez & Eva Juan Felipe
October Gift Counters	Diane Fiorentino, Theresa Kuffler		
Church Cleaners	Karen & Chris Adamson, Jean Tidwell, Ashley Coirier, Maria Mendez		

**Our Stewardship of Treasure**

September 21, 2025

Envelopes .....	\$ 3,312.00
Loose Offerings .....	\$ 2,313.50
Votive Candles .....	\$ 101.00
TOTAL .....	\$ 5,726.50
Budgeted .....	\$ 11,650.00
<b>Below .....</b>	<b>\$ 5,923.50</b>



*Please keep our parishioners and friends in prayer. If they have recovered, please call the parish office and let us know.*

**Thank you. (620-442-0566)**

*Paul & Mary Ramirez, Jim Bernhardt, Leola Rippe, Lois Webb, Violet Waggoner, Michelle Emily Ambriz, Emily Sims, C.N., Nate Montgomery, Eddie Erickson Jr., Dick & Mary Ann Schneider, Ann Erickson, Matthew Aikins, Amy Adamson Riel, Ted Ford, Mary Wiggins, Lester David Hernandez, Kathy Schmeidler, Catalina del Rosario Batres, Theresa Mata, Eileen Docherty, Jessica Gregory, Joseph Schones, Jerry Old, Sherley Lopez, Donna Prichard, Gage Watkins, Kim Adams, James Martin, Tami Potter-Pullins, Debbie Guerrero, Liz Jacoby Carson, Joe & Donna Rauscher, Lauren McPherson, N.L., Robert & Diann Hull, J.G., David Schmeidler, Ernest Tauscher, Jeff Schroder, Jeremy Walker, Kenny McNutt, Jean Jacoby, Marcia Trillo, Lori Rudman, Ken Martell, Judah Sonego, J.A.G., Micah Smith*



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visiting our website at [www.sacredheartarkcity.org](http://www.sacredheartarkcity.org) and choosing the link for E-Giving.

## PARISH NEWS



### First Friday and First Saturday

Holy Hour @ 5 PM, Friday, Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>  
First Friday Mass @ 6 PM, Friday, Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>  
First Saturday Mass @ 8 AM, Saturday, Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>



### First Confession Parents Meeting



**Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>:** Mandatory meeting for parents who have a child receiving their First Confession. English class at 10 AM and Spanish class at Noon. *At least one parent must attend.*

### First Confirmation Parents Meeting



**Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>:** First mandatory meeting for parents who have a child in Confirmation classes. English class at 10 AM and Spanish class at Noon. *At least one parent must attend.*



### TURKEY DINNER MEETING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Please join us on Monday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM in the cafeteria to plan for this year's Turkey Dinner. We will be needing a group of friends or a family to step forward and take on the roll of making the dressing this year. We will also need a group for the cranberry sauce. If you have questions, please contact Janet Bismark at 620-660-0499. Hope to see you there!

### Sacred Heart Youth Groups



**Bullpups** (Grades 6-8) will meet on the first and third Wednesdays from 7 -8 PM (**October 1<sup>st</sup>**)

**Bulldogs** (Grades 9-12) will meet on the second and fourth Wednesdays from 7-8 PM (**October 8<sup>th</sup>**)



### PSR CLASSES

Sunday, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> - 10 AM  
Sunday, Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> - 10 AM

### St. Vincent de Paul



We invite you to come to our next SVdP meeting **October 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM** in the school cafeteria.

### Holy Land Olive Art



Holy Land Olive Art is dedicated to sharing the rich heritage and craftsmanship of the Holy Land through its exquisite olive wood products. Each piece is handcrafted by artisans from Bethlehem, reflecting a deep connection to ancient traditions and the sacred history of the region.

Representatives will be here next weekend, October 4 & 5, after the Masses with products for sale.

## SACRED HEART

Looking ahead:

**NO SCHOOL:** Friday, Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Sunday, September 28<sup>th</sup>:** Mandatory

Confirmation Parents Meeting. English class at 10 AM and Spanish class at Noon. *At least one parent must attend.*

**Monday, September 29<sup>th</sup>:** Smart Families

Presentation. *This is a mandatory meeting for all school families.*

**Sunday, October 3:** Mandatory First Confession

Parents Meeting. English class at 10 AM and Spanish class at Noon. *At least one parent must attend.*



## SAVE THE DATE

### Who is Smart Families:

Our mission is to empower families to build communities that engage with technology in a healthy, intentional way that is respectful of our innate human dignity.

### Please mark your calendars for:

#### PARENT EVENT

Know Your Neuro:  
Brain Development Explained  
by Dr. Jodi Hunt

**September 29**  
**6:00 pm**



#### FAMILY EVENT

Family Code Workshop:  
Collaborate with Your Family to  
Define Your Values

**February 9**  
**6:00 pm**



#### TOPICS COVERED:

Adolescent Brain Development  
Risky Behaviors  
Addictive Algorithms  
Online Safety  
Social Media's Impact on Mental Health



LEARN  
MORE

Proud to be a  
Smart Families School.



### Knights of Columbus News

Our next meeting is **Monday, October 13<sup>th</sup>** at 7:30 PM in the council chambers. All are welcome.

### ATTENTION KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS!



Our annual Tootsie Roll Drive will be held the weekend of October 4-5, 2025. This event raises money for the Intellectually Disadvantaged in our community. Put your commitment to Charity to work and volunteer your time to help make this event a success. A sign-up sheet will be available after Mass this weekend. Please stop by and sign-up for one of the available 2-hour time slots. Thanks, and we appreciate your help. For more information, contact Dave Pankaskie at 620-441-0315. Vivat Jesus!

## 28 de septiembre ~ El Vigésimo Sexto Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

En nuestro evangelio, escuchamos otra parábola sobre la condenación del malvado por no realizar buenas obras. Esto nos lleva a preguntarnos: ¿Cuán importantes son las buenas obras?

"Justificación" es un término polémico en el cristianismo. En general, los protestantes argumentan que la justificación proviene "solo de la fe". A pesar de nuestra pecaminosidad, Dios nos declara justos. Aunque merecemos la condenación, Dios, el juez, nos declara inocentes y perdona nuestros pecados. La justicia de Cristo se nos aplica. La Iglesia Católica enseña que lo que hacemos está relacionado con nuestra justificación, pero solo por lo que llegamos a ser al ser justificados. La justicia de Cristo no se nos imputa, sino que se nos infunde. No solo somos declarados hijos e hijas de Dios, sino que somos hechos tales. Esta justificación es totalmente gratuita. No podemos ganarnos la gracia justificadora de Dios, como tampoco un niño puede ganarse su nacimiento. Sin embargo, una vez que nace, se espera que un niño madure, y lo que hace afecta su posición en la familia. Esto también aplica a nuestra posición en la familia de Dios. Por la gracia, no solo tenemos fe, sino que también realizamos buenas obras en amor. Esto no se trata de "obras de la ley" (la idea de que ganamos nuestra salvación) ni de justificación solo por la fe, sino de "fe que obra en amor" (buenas obras). Por lo tanto, la justificación es más bien un proceso que continúa hasta el día en que nos presentamos ante Dios. Algunos puntos clave para recordar:

- La fe justifica inicialmente, pero obra una justificación perfecta y completa.
- La justificación es un cambio interno de la persona (infusión), no solo una declaración de Dios (imputación).
- Obras de la ley versus buenas obras.

**Clases del Bautismo en español:** Las clases pre-bautismales son obligatorias para todos los padres y padrinos. **La clase de bautismo es solo con cita previa.**



### Santa Misa con Padre Machado Domingo, 12 de octubre @ 11:00 AM

El padre Machado está ofreciendo una clase de Biblia en la cafetería después de la misa de las 11 am



### *SAN VICENTE DE PAUL*

Lo invitamos a venir a nuestra próxima reunión de SVdP el **9 de octubre (jueves) a las 5:30 pm** en la cafetería. Por favor considere unirse a nosotros en esta reunión.



### CLASES DE PSR

Domingo, 28 de septiembre – 10 AM  
Domingo, 5 de octubre – 10 AM

### Primera Reunión de Padres de Confirmación



**Domingo, 28 de septiembre:** Primera reunión obligatoria para padres con hijos en clases de Confirmación. Clase de inglés a las 10:00 h y clase de español al mediodía. Es imprescindible la asistencia de al menos uno de los padres.

### Reunión de Padres para la Primera Confesión

**Domingo 5 de octubre:** Reunión obligatoria para padres de niños que reciben su Primera Confesión. Clase de inglés a las 10:00 a. m. y clase de español al mediodía. **Al menos uno de los padres debe asistir.**

### Noticias de la Escuela Sagrado Corazón:

Mirando hacia el futuro:

**NO HAY CLASES:** viernes 3 de octubre

**Domingo 28 de septiembre:** Primera reunión de confirmación de padres. Clase de inglés a las 10:00 a. m. y clase de español al mediodía. Al menos uno de los padres debe asistir.

**Domingo 5 de octubre:** Primera reunión de confesión de padres. Clase de inglés a las 10:00 a. m. y clase de español al mediodía. Al menos uno de los padres debe asistir.



Presentación de Familias Inteligentes: **lunes 29 de septiembre a las 6 PM.** Se ofrecerá cena. Por

favor, informe a la escuela cuántos asistirán.

**Obligatorio para todas las familias de la escuela.**

### REUNIÓN PARA LA CENA DEL PAVO ¡SE NECESITAN VOLUNTARIOS!



Acompañenos el lunes 13 de octubre a las 18:30 h en la cafetería para planificar la Cena del Pavo de este año. Necesitaremos un grupo de amigos o familiares que se encarguen de preparar el aderezo. También necesitamos un grupo para la salsa de arándanos. Si tiene alguna pregunta, comuníquese con Janet Bismark al 620-660-0499. ¡Esperamos verlos allí!