

Sacred Heart Parish

The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 20, 2026



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Our Lady of Guadalupe, Siletz



LITURGY SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass: Tues—Friday	9:00 am	Chapel
Weekend Mass: Saturday	5:00 pm	(Vigil)
	7:00 pm	(Spanish)
Sunday	9:00 am	
	12:00 pm	(Siletz)
Adoration:	Friday	9:30—3:00 Chapel
Confession:	Friday	12:00—1:00 pm
	Saturday	3:30—4:30 pm or by appt

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 19 5PM	+Leona Bushbaum
Saturday, September 19 7PM	People of the Parish
Sunday, September 20 9 AM	+Fr. William Palmer
Sunday, September 20 12 PM	+Larry Clark
Tuesday, September 22	+Elaine McKee
Wednesday, September 23	+Larry Clark
Thursday, September 24	+Mary Kasper
Friday, September 25	+Denise Grady

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Gospel Reflection

Every December, the priests of my diocese gather for a Christmas dinner with our bishop. Nearly 200 of us in one room: newly ordained and long retired, pastors of large parishes and quiet confessors, men full of energy and others moving more slowly. Some carry visible success; others bear hidden wounds. It is a tapestry of vocations and lives. When the bishop thanks us, I am always moved. For a moment, none of our differences matter. What matters is that we belong to one another.

I usually leave that evening with a deep sense of peace, but also with a sober realization. Nothing drains joy from the vineyard of the Lord faster than comparison. The quiet habit of measuring, ranking, and resenting can creep in even among those who sincerely serve God. That is what Jesus exposes in today's parable of the workers in the vineyard. The early laborers are not upset because they were treated unjustly; they are angry because others were treated generously. Their resentment blinds them to the gift already in their hands. When the landowner asks, "Are you envious because I am generous?" he names the real wound.

This tension echoes throughout salvation history: the elder brother resenting the prodigal, the faithful servant scorning the latecomer. Jesus does not deny the labor of those who have borne the heat of the day, but he refuses to let God's mercy become a zero-sum game. In the end, the vineyard's reward is not about fairness but belonging. The joy offered is communion with a generous Father, who delights in gathering early and late, strong and weak, into one household of grace.

— Father John Muir



Readings for the week of September 20, 2026

Sunday: Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a
Monday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Mt 9:9-13
Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44/Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163/Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc/Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4/Lk 9:18-22
Saturday: Eccl 11:9-12:8/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17/Lk 9:43b-45
Next Sunday: Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32

Observances for the week of September 20 2026

Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday
Monday: St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
Tuesday: St. Lorenzo Ruiz and Companions
Wednesday: St. Padre Pio
Thursday: St. John Henry Newman
Friday: Sts. Louis and Martin & Zelie Guerin
Saturday: Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs
Next Sunday: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday

Please remember in prayer:

Janet DeSau, Bill Diss and Family, Marilyn Holmes, Wyette Leatherman-Chaplin, Karen Mantemach, Kevin, Lindsey Lenné Mantemach-Dorm, Marion Moir, David Morris, Dawn Newman, Larry Prantl, Vince Redhouse, Randy Ross (Judy Gibbon's son), Jack Springer, George Stockinger, Clemens Streck, Georgeanne Tucker, Caroline Zack

Do you need prayer? Debbie.prayercall@gmail.com or call the office to be put in the bulletin. God Bless You.

25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Religious Ed and OCIA Prayer

Dear God,

You never cease calling each of us to You. Be with our OCIA class and Children's Religious Education as we journey to know You better. Inspire our conversations, guide our lessons, and direct our hearts as each of us seeks Your will. Amen.

**Low gluten hosts are available - please go to the sacristy prior to Mass and let the sacristan or priest know.

Religious Education

Wednesday, 9/23 Religious Ed Class 6-7:30.

Wednesday, 9/30 Parent meeting will be held at 6:15pm in the parish hall

Sunday, 9/27 Youth Group in the parish hall 6-8pm. Students 7th grade through 12th grade are all invited to attend. We will be doing several projects to benefit both the parish and the community, as well as growing in our faith journey.

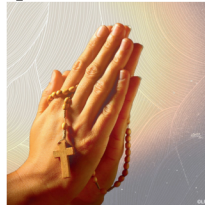
Children's Liturgy will begin the weekend of 9/26 & 27 at the 7pm - 9am and noon Masses. This liturgy is for children in kindergarten - 5th grade. If you would like to help with this liturgy, please contact Sue at the office 541-265-5101.

The Jesus Prayer, Explained!

The Jesus Prayer is a short invocation of mercy in the name of Jesus: **"Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner."**

The exact origins of the prayer are unclear, though it is often attributed to the tradition of Eastern Christianity, possibly via the Desert Fathers (early Christian ascetics who dwelled in Egypt). The prayer has been important to the traditions of both the Eastern Orthodox and the Eastern Catholic faithful. The text echoes the words of the publican in the parable from Luke 18:9-14, whose humble manner of prayer was praised by Jesus. Its short form and simple wording make it ideal for meditative prayer.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church, in paragraph 2667, highlights the Jesus Prayer, saying that "by it the heart is opened to human wretchedness and the Savior's mercy."



A Blessing for Pets

Blessing of the animals will take place on Wednesday, 9/30 at 6:05pm in the back parking lot. Everyone is welcome to bring their pet(s) to be blessed and prayed over.





Ministry Fair

What is a Ministry Fair?

A ministry Fair is where you can find out what ministries we have at Sacred Heart. You will have an opportunity to sign up to use your gifts, of time and talent, for the benefit of our Parish.

When: Saturday, Sept. 26 after the 5:00 PM Vigil Mass
Sunday, Sept. 27 after the 9:00 AM Mass

Location: Parish Hall

Opportunities include:
Liturgy (EME, Readers, Greeters/Ushers, Sacristans) - Homebound - Music - Hospitality - Altar Servers - Church Decor - Flowers - Religious Education (Adults/Children) - Community Outreach - Facilities/Grounds - Knights of Columbus - Custodial - And More!

Visit the ministry tables and sign up!

WEEK OF AUGUST 30, 2026

OFFERTORY

SACRED HEART: \$ 4,507

OLG: \$ 919

TOTAL: \$ 5,426

MAINTENANCE

SACRED HEART: \$ 312

OLG: \$ 0

TOTAL: \$ 312

MONTH OF AUGUST: \$31,439

Question: After a civil divorce, is a Catholic obligated to pursue an annulment?

Answer: Many Catholics are not exactly sure what an annulment does. An annulment does not deny that a marriage took place, nor does it deny that there once was love. It does not mean that people say anything untrue, such as they never loved each other or that everything in their marriage was wrong. An annulment does not negate children, nor make them illegitimate. An annulment addresses the spiritual aspect of marriage. In effect, an annulment says that at the time of the wedding, there was either something present or something absent that prevented the sacrament from taking place. It is a spiritual determination that, if granted in the affirmative, allows a person to marry in the Church.

Annulments have no legal standing and are unable to be used in a civil court. Therefore, a Catholic has no moral obligation to pursue an annulment. However, when the tragedy of divorce occurs, and there is no hope for reconciliation, annulments may help bring some spiritual closure to a person's life. Some people have found the process to be healing and others have found it to be difficult. Speak to your priest or a member of the Diocesan Tribunal staff to decide what is best for you.



St. Padre Pio - September 23

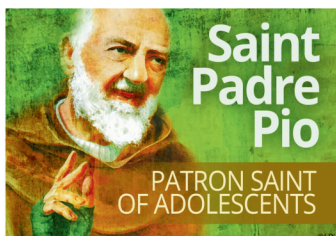
Best known as Padre Pio, St. Pius was born Francesco Forgione in 1887 in Pietrelcina, Italy. As a young boy, he suffered many illnesses, including typhoid. He joined the Capuchin Franciscans at 15 and took the name Pius, or "Pio," in honor of Pope Pius I. He was ordained in 1910, and at this time he received the marks of stigmata, the wounds of Christ, but they eventually healed. Frequent illnesses continued to plague him as a young man.

Padre Pio served in the Italian Medical Corps during World War I, but he was discharged early because of illness, which was likely tuberculosis. He was assigned to the friary in San Giovanni Rotondo. In 1918, while continuing to serve at the friary, the stigmata appeared again, and this time remained until his death.

Many faithful came to see him at the friary; his days were long, beginning with Mass at 5 a.m., then hearing confessions all day with breaks to bless the sick. A simple man, content to do God's will on earth and with the ardent desire to serve the sick and poor in whom he saw Christ, he urged a hospital, Casa Sollievo della Sofferenza (House for the Relief of Suffering), to be built in San Giovanni Rotondo. It opened in 1956.

Padre Pio died at the age of 81 in 1968, and in 2002 Pope John Paul II proclaimed him "St. Pio of Pietrelcina."

St. Pius of Pietrelcina, pray for us!



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