



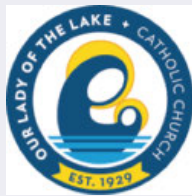
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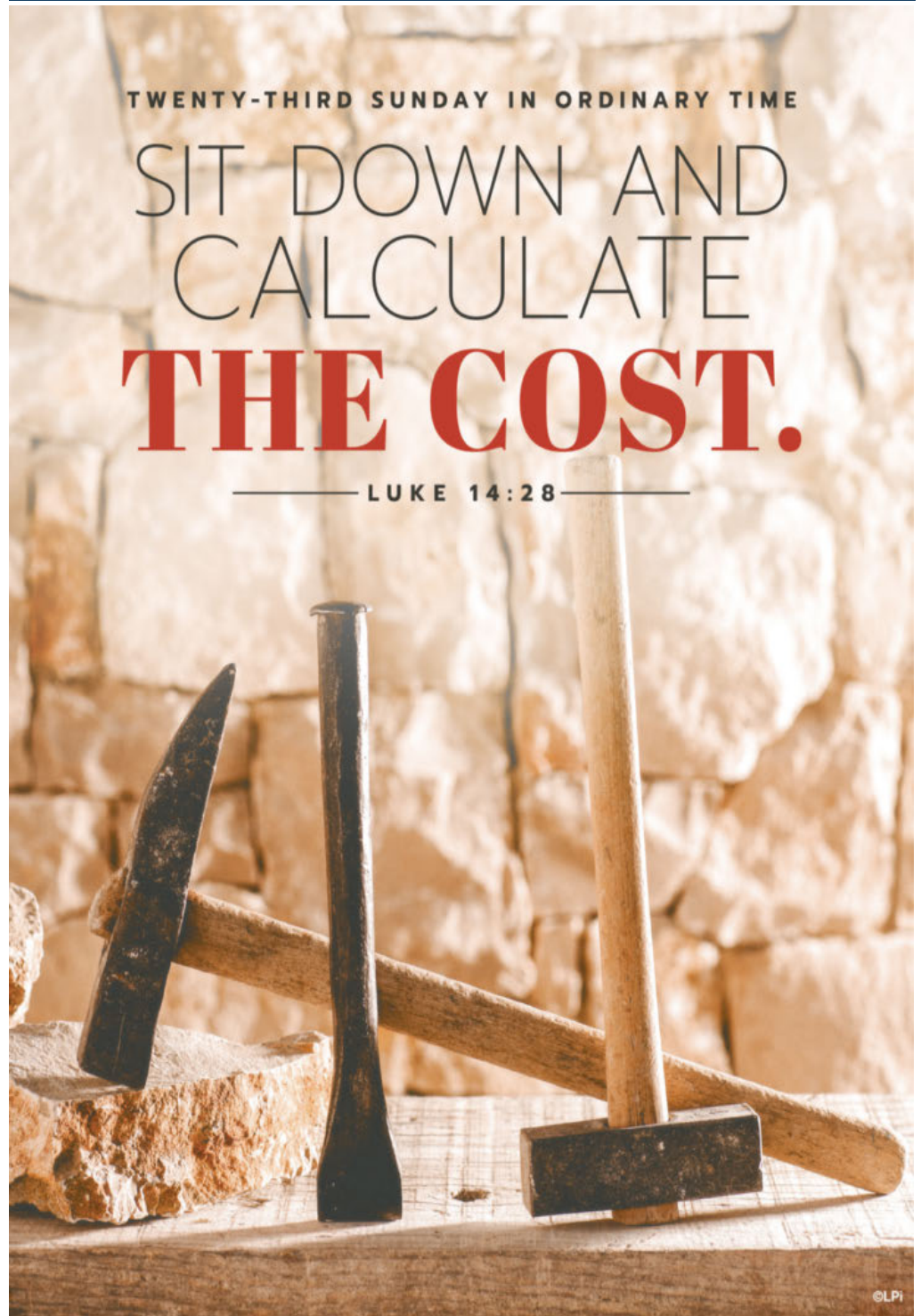
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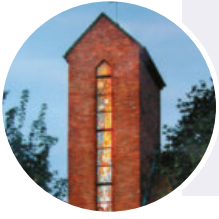


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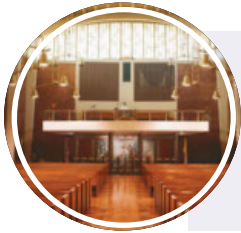
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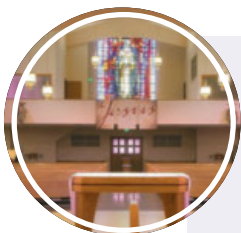
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Dear Friends in Christ,

A REFLECTION BY FR. HERIC

My bulletin reflection last week looked forward with hope and optimism to the learning opportunities waiting for everyone as we begin a new school year. That tone was shaken on Wednesday August 27th with the horrific reports of a gunman opening up fire on the community at **Annunciation Catholic School** in Minnesota as they gathered for their first Mass of the year. Two students were tragically killed, and 14 students wounded by the fire. This was yet another in a series of senseless school shootings in our country. They are all heartbreaking but this one hurt close to home as it was at a Catholic School with a local connection. The principal of Annunciation, **Matt De Boer**, once served at nearby St. Therese Academy in the Madrona neighborhood of Seattle. In the midst of this dark and terrible event, he stood out as a voice of encouragement and compassion for all those harmed by this evil deed. In remarks to the press Mr. DeBoer said:



"This is a nightmare, but we call our staff the dream team, and we will recover from this," DeBoer said. "We will rebuild from this."

"To any of our students and families and staff watching right now, I love you. You're so brave, and I'm so sorry this happened to us today," DeBoer said.

DeBoer also called for action following the mass shooting, imploring community members not just to support the school shooting's young victims and families but to also do more.

"We, as a community, have a responsibility to make sure that no child, no parent, no teacher ever has to experience what we've experienced today. "Never again," DeBoer said. "I need everybody to commit those words to your speech patterns. Never again."

"We lost two angels today, and please continue to pray for those still receiving care. We can't change the past, but we can do something about the future," DeBoer added. "There's an African proverb that says, 'When you pray, move your feet.' So, I beg you, I ask you to please pray, but don't stop with your words. Let's make a difference and support this community, these children, these families, these teachers. Never again can we let this happen."

May it be so!!!

Fr. William Heric

Fr. William Heric, Pastor

Holy Mary Mother of God...pray for us!
St. Bridget of Kildare...pray for us!
St. Catherine of Siena...pray for us!
Live Jesus in our hearts...forever!

Annunciation Catholic School
Principal Matt DeBoer speaks outside
the Annunciation Catholic School
following a shooting, Aug. 27, 2025, in
Minneapolis.



Mass Intentions

Our Mass celebrants will remember the following Intentions during the celebration of the Eucharist:

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

9:00 am | For the Parish - STB

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

No Mass

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

9:00am | For the Parish - OLL

6:30pm | For the Parish - STB

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

9:00am | For the Parish - STC

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

9:00 am| For the Parish - AP

Mass intentions may be requested through the parish office.



Readings for the week of September 7, 2025

Sunday:

Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17
(1)/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

Monday:

Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c/
Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

Tuesday:

Col 2:6-15/Ps 62:6-7, 9/Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday:

Col 3:1-11/Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab/
Lk 6:20-26

Thursday:

Col 3:12-17/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/
Lk 6:27-38

Friday:

1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11/
Lk 6:39-42

Saturday:

1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7/
Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday:

Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37,
38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

Prayer Corner

Please pray for those who are ill:

Vincent Anthony (OLL)
Carmina Bacani (OLL)
Ryan Corr (AP)
Patti Herlihy (AP)
JoAnne King (AP)
Julie Kirkevold
Jim McFarland (AP)
Patrick Mulvihill (OLL)
Carole Phillippi (STC)
Marianne Roulet (AP)
Carter Schlichmeyer

For those who have died:

Larry Doll (OLL)
Gary Gardner Hill (STB)
Raj Javeri (STC)
Jennifer (AP)
Ricky Katri Lesmana (OLL)
Michael Nguyen (STC)
Richard Steven Stockinger (STB)

05 | COMMUNITY LIFE

NE Seattle Catholic Community

Get Involved in Our Ministries!

Eucharistic Ministers ALL PARISH

Eucharistic Ministers have the important job during Mass of assisting the priest by serving the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ during Communion. You can be a Eucharistic Minister if you have received the sacraments of Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation! If you are interested in this important ministry, please contact the following to sign up!

STB - Alex Chopyak alex@stbridgetparish.org

STC - Shannon Wilson sswaniga@gmail.com

OLL - Barbara Ruzzo bruzzo@comcast.net

AP - Pat Janssen patjan377@gmail.com

DID YOU KNOW?

Volunteering in liturgical roles - both for adults and kids - **counts towards school service hours!** Please see the Weekly Word or your parish website for more volunteering opportunities!

Acutis Ministry

This ministry of NE Seattle Catholics is aimed for young adults ages 21-39. Carlos Acutis is their namesake as he embodies a young millennial who was passionate about technology and video games, while always keeping God close to his heart. Acutis Ministry meets about twice a month for Bible study, prayer, and to create a community. If you're in Seattle looking for your third space, build yours with us.



For more info email seattle.gabriela@gmail.com

YCP - Sept 4 at St Bridget's

Join us for an evening of mentorship and meaningful conversation!

Connect in small-group breakout discussions with mentors from diverse industries as we explore what it means to live and work as a faithful Catholic.

Each mentor will guide table discussions, sharing practical advice and personal insights from their own professional journeys. From goal-setting and professional skill-building to staying competitive in your field while living your faith, this event will equip you with both inspiration and actionable tools.

Open to YCP Belong and Belong+ members in their 20s and 30s, single or married, from all industries.

Learn more and register here: <https://tinyurl.com/2zke4pj9>



Marriage Jackpot Date Night

Attention Couples of all ages – Married, Engaged, Dating:

Come to the Marriage Jackpot Date Night! **Saturday, October 4 from 6:30 - 8:30 pm at Assumption Parish Hall.**

You'll meet Murphy, the Marriage Salesman; enjoy some great desserts; sing some of your favorite love songs; talk with your spouse; talk with other couples; and get inspired to work on your marriage / relationship.

Lori and Robert Fontana, marriage educators and directors of Catholic Life Ministries, will facilitate the evening and share some great information on the gifts and challenges of marriage. [Robert also works as a marriage and family therapist.]

Please register for the Marriage Jackpot Date Night: Call or text Robert – 509-731-6012 or email – robert@catholiclifeministries.org

Cost: Attendance is free. Refreshments provided.



Help Families in the Holy Land

The USCCB is encouraging parishes to donate to Catholic Relief Services (CRS) and Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) to provide humanitarian relief and pastoral support for our affected families in the Holy Land, including Gaza and surrounding areas in the Middle East.

Gaza's families are enduring conditions of catastrophic collapse as hostilities escalate and basic elements for survival vanish. Death from starvation and severe malnutrition have been rising daily. Families and civilians are grappling with death, injury, forced displacement, and deep psychological trauma.

This conflict has extended to Lebanon, where hundreds of thousands of people were displaced in 2024, and have returned to damaged homes and infrastructure.

With your gift, families and civilians across the Holy Land will continue to receive vital relief and care as they seek refuge and relief. Your prayers and support will make so much difference. Please give a vital gift today!

Donate here: <https://www.crs.org/donate/holy-land-conflict>

Thank you for your generosity!



Formation Films

A Catechesis at the Movies

Join Nina Butorac for a 13-week course in Catholic formation using classic films to illustrate our sacramental perspective. Class focus will be on the virtues, conscience, moral action, grace, the sacraments, and redemption. (You must have access to an online streaming platform to view the films at home, as we will not be showing them.)

Classes will be held at St. Catherine's Benincasa conference room on Thursday evenings, 7:00-8:30 pm, beginning September 18.

There is no fee, but class size is limited. Please email nbutorac@yahoo.com to register or for more information.



Retrouvaille Seattle

September 19-21

Retrouvaille is for couples struggling in their marriages, even those considering divorce. No matter the source of the hurt, couples can find healing with Retrouvaille. Through a weekend experience plus six follow-up sessions, couples learn to communicate once again, to reconnect with and rediscover each other.

For confidential information about Retrouvaille Seattle, call **(206) 706-2608** or visit their website at <https://marriagehelpnw.com/>

SVDP "Stuff the Truck"

Time to clean out your closets and garage! Bring your gently used, clean items to Our Lady of the Lake lower parking lot!

Location: 8900 35th Ave NE Seattle, WA 98115

Date: Sunday, September 21, 2025 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Your donations will be collected and sold at one of our SVdP Thrift Stores, providing financial support for our various programs dedicated to helping neighbors gain stability and self-sufficiency!

To view a list of items that we accept and DO NOT accept please visit: svdpseattlemembers.net



07 | COMMUNITY LIFE

NE Seattle Catholic Community



Special Collections

Special Collections will no longer be a second collection at Mass. There will be prominent signage about special collections, as well as information ahead of time in the Parish Bulletin and Weekly Word. To donate to a special collection, please use the envelopes provided in the pews to donate during the regular collection or ask at the Parish Office. Thank you so much for your generosity and support!

Special Collection

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development is the national anti-poverty program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops, working to carry out the mission of Jesus Christ.

The belief that those who are directly affected by unjust systems and structures have the best insight into knowing how to change them is central to CCHD. CCHD works to break the cycle of poverty by helping low-income people participate in decisions that affect their lives, families and communities. CCHD offers a hand up, not a hand out. **Learn more here:** <https://tinyurl.com/57ekrbw5> **Thank you for your generosity!**



Fr. Duc Out of Town

Fr. Duc will be out of town from September 9-30th. Please pray for his safe travels to Vietnam and a joyful visit with his family! There will be changes to the Mass schedule, so please check the schedule before attending!

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