

Saint Paul The Apostle

Catholic Church


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Parish Office Hours:
Tuesday - Thursday:
9:30am to 1:00pm
Sunday:
8:30am to 12:00pm

September 19th 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time



25th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever receives one child such as this in my name,
receives me." - Mk 9:37a

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**We have Confessions on Wednesdays from 4:15-5:45pm
No appointment necessary.**

Notes from the Racine's
There will be a Reconciliation/ First Communion parent meeting Thursday, September 23rd @ 6:30 pm
There will be a parent meeting for Confirmation 2 students, Sunday, September 26th @ 1pm.
Reconciliation classes are on the following dates:
Oct. 7 6:30PM
Oct. 21 6:30PM
Nov. 4 6:30PM
Nov. 18 6:30PM

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

4:00 PM MASS (ANTICIPATORY)
† Lawrence Medina (Family)
† Robert & Priscilla Smith
† Bennie Sr. Velasquez (Richards & Palmer Families)
† JoAnn Falduto (Miles Family)
Valerie Manweiler Health and wellbeing (Miles Family)
Velasquez Family—Health & Wellbeing (Richards & Palmer Families)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

7:30 AM MASS
9:00 – RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 1-6
10:15 GRADES
10:30 AM MASS
12:00— CONFIRMATION 1 & 2
1:30PM
† BJ Macnamara (Gil Orr)
John Fisher Happy B-Day (Fisher Family)
Josephine Liau health & wellbeing (Sharon Pollock)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

NO MASS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

NO MASS

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

9:00 AM MASS
4:00 PM- ADORATION &
6:00 PM CONFESSIONS
† Bennie Jr. Velasquez (Richards & Palmer Families)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

9:00 AM MASS
† Maria Candelaria Velasquez (Richards & Palmer Families)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

9:00AM MASS
† Maria Elena Richards (Richards & Palmer Families)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

4:00 PM MASS (ANTICIPATORY)
Joey Sterner health & wellbeing (McCulloch's)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

7:30 AM MASS
9:00 – RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 1-6
10:15 GRADES
10:30 AM MASS
12:00— CONFIRMATION 1 & 2
1:30PM
Josephine Liau health & wellbeing (Sharon Pollock)

Readings for the week of September 19, 2021

Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/Jas 3:16—4:3/Mk 9:30-37

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Mt 9:9-13

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8 [1b]/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4 [5]/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]/Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

**GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER
UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

September 19, 2021

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

There is something about being first. Whether it be first in line, first to be picked for the team, or the first one to finish their work, great satisfaction is achieved. Our egos love being first. It somehow sets us apart from everyone else, gives us a sense of pride and positions us to feel better than others. When we are first, we can glory in our efforts, skills, and achievements. Isn't that what really matters? After all, we are taught from a very young age to be proficient, stay on top, be the best at what we do, and win the praise and esteem of others. This is the stuff that makes us successful and provides us with a comfortable, satisfying life.

Jesus wants none of it. All of the details we anguish over mean little to the kingdom of God. You want to be first? Then, be a servant and welcome a child. All of this is the opposite of our often vehement pursuits. If we are serious about following Jesus and living the Gospel, then we must put the needs of others before our own. If we continue to listen only to the noise of the world, we are going to continue to believe the illusions we inherit. Those illusions come in many forms, but all have things in common: me before you, being on top and not the bottom, us versus them, personal security over universal harmony and peace. When are we going to learn that always striving to be the best and first is an empty pursuit in our struggle for happiness? While satisfying our ego with this momentary boost of esteem may feel good for a moment, is it what we really desire?

If we can break from the world's noise and create a space of sacred silence in our lives, we can begin to listen and see that we are being called in another direction. What we really desire is not the bolstering of our egos but the innocence we lost somewhere along the way. When we can be playful, joyful, and even somewhat carefree, life is good. We want our relationships to work, a place to call home, and to live peaceful lives with our sisters and brothers. Only a servant can do this. The servant's prayer seeks to detach from self-concern in order to be used by God. Rather than worrying about being first and coming out on top, we can be inspired, guided, empowered, and led to do good works. Stop worrying about being first and put greater energy into feeling joy. ©LPi

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Please remember our Sick and Homebound.

Conni Billinger	Tony Torres Jr.
John Buglewicz	Judy Howard
Patrisia Cordova	Martha Archuleta
Cortese Family	Steve Olsen
Janet Cruz	Kathy Krueger
Olga Dick	Angela Vigil
Keith Emert	Mary Jo McDermott
Char Finch	Klara Silipo
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Robert Hayman	James Hiner
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Mary Lontine	Cheryl Salay
Isaiah Maez	Fred Gonzales
Cameron Martin	Frank Palacio
MaryAnn	John O'Day
McCloskey	Alice Gill
Kevin McCloskey	Jaxon Copen
Fr. Mike (friend of the	Katie Fisher
McCloskey's)	Alice Gill
Dorothy Orr	Jack Mattingly
Kirsten Pachek	Linda Wilson
Kai Pedersen	Linda Welte
Shirley Palacio	James Derr
Holly McPhearson	Claudia Schopf
Christine Dickson	Amy Huth
Chris Pettigrew	Alejandra Escheveste
Peter Sorensen	



Come Join the Knights of Columbus in praying the Rosary for Life after all weekend Masses in the Chapel. After 7:30 AM Mass, the Rosary will be in the Marian Garden.

Divine Mercy Said:

"My daughter, who it is to whom your heart is so closely united by the vows. Before I made the world, I loved you with the love your heart is experiencing today and, throughout the centuries, My love will never change."

St. Faustina Diary, 1754 "Used with the permission of the Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception of the B.V.M."

Lost and Found

If you think you may have lost something in the church please stop by the office as we have several unclaimed items.