

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4, 2019
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME

- 11:00 AM—Mass (Belen Carpio & Met Esparaz, Mother and Sister of Mercy Meador)with second collection for food pantry
- 12:00 PM—Coffee & Donuts following Mass

MONDAY, AUGUST 5, 2019
 Weekday (18); *The Dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major*

Tuesday, August 6 2019
THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

- 6:00 PM—Knights of Columbus dinner & meeting

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2019

Weekday: *Saint Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; Saint Cajetan, Priest*

- 9:00 AM—Communion Service, followed by Coffee

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8, 2019

Saint Dominic, Priest

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9 2019

Weekday; *Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Virgin, Martyr*

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10 2019

SAINT LAWRENCE, DEACON, MARTYR

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11, 2019
NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME

- 11:00 AM—Mass (Duane Clark)



Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God.”
 Luke 12:31

SCRIPTURE FOR THE WEEK

Monday

Nm 11:4b-15
 Ps 81:12-17
 Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14
 Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9
 2 Pt 1:16-19
 Lk 9:28b-36

Wednesday

Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29, 34-35
 Ps 106:6-7b, 13-14, 21-23
 Mt 15:21-28

Thursday

Nm 20:1-13
 Ps 95:1-2, 6-9
 Mt 16:13-23



Friday

Dt 4:32-40
 Ps: 77:12-16, 21
 Mt 16:24-28

Saturday

2 Cor 9:6-10
 Ps 112:1-2, 5-9
 Jn 24-26

Sunday

Wis 18:6-9
 Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22
 Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12
 Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

Some Dates to Note

- Aug. 6—Knights of Columbus dinner and meeting
- Aug. 15—Feast of the Assumption

School Supply Drive
Sponsored by Social Action Committee

The Immaculate Conception Social Action committee is sponsoring a school supply drive again this year. We will be dividing whatever comes in between the PCM food bank and Colfax-Mingo school districts. The supply list for each school will eventually be in the paper. A contribution of anything listed will be appreciated. However, I have selected a items that are common to both lists and many classes that you may choose from.

One of the best ways to stop the cycle of poverty is through education. The proper supplies help students attain that education. Contributions should be brought to the church by Sunday August 11. Students at C-M also need earbuds if you have any spares that you aren't using.

- 24 ct. Crayola crayons
 - #2 pencils, plain yellow
 - Blunt 5: Fiskar scissors
 - Sharp 5” Fiskar scissors
 - 160 ct. boxes of Kleenex
 - Small Elmer’s glue sticks
 - Large Elmer’s glue sticks
 - Pink beveled eraser
 - Supply box (9x5)
 - Highlighters
 - 12 ct. Crayola colored pencils
 - 4-pack dry erase markers
 - Pocket only folders
 - 70 ct. spiral notebook/wide rule
 - Wide rule notebook paper
- The full list is available at the school web sites.



"Gird your loins and light your lamps and be like servants who await their master's return from a wedding, ready to open immediately when he comes and knocks."
 Luke 12:35-36



Knights of Columbus Dinner and Meeting

Tuesday, August 6

Dinner at 6:30, meeting at 7:00.

All men of the parish are welcome.



Coffee and Donuts

Thank you to Rich and Mercy Meador for hosting donuts and coffee this morning. If you would like to host in the future, please let Dc. Joe know.

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday, August 15, is the Solemnity of the Assumption. It is a holy day of obligation are all obligated to attend mass. Mass in Colfax will be on Wednesday, August 14 (the vigil) at 6:00 PM. Mass in Newton will be on August 15 at 12:05 PM and 7:00 PM.



Parish Council Election

Claire Williams was re-elected for a three year term. Thank you to Joann Carrothers, Terri Rosonke, John Dross, and Michelle Holmes for agreeing to run and serve if elected.

 Give and it shall be given to you, good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over...
 Thank you for your gifts.

Envelopes\$1,525.00
 (\$743.00 in auto tithing)
 Diocesan Works of Charity\$55.00



FROM THE DEACON'S DESK

We enter the month of August. This month, we have two feasts that reveal the promise of what is in store for all of us if we only remain faithful to God and his Son. On Wednesday, August 6, we will celebrate the Feast of the Transfiguration. Jesus takes three of his apostles up the mountain where the glory that is to be Jesus' is revealed. Scripture tells us that Jesus was transformed before the apostles eyes and that he shone like the sun. While transformed he spoke to Moses and Elijah. The apostles were amazed at what they saw.

The apostles were probably getting discouraged. Jesus was telling them that he had to go to Jerusalem to suffer and die. This was something they could not understand. The transfiguration came as a form of encouragement for them. God revealed through the transformation of Jesus the glory that would be Jesus' if he remained faithful to him. He simultaneously revealed the glory that would be ours when we are raised from the dead if we also remain faithful. Jesus, through his suffering, death, and resurrection, earned that glorification, not only for himself but for us also. We, as free gift, will share in the glory.

On August 15, we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption. This too is a revelation of what is in store for us. Mary, as the Mother of God, was granted the privilege of entering into the glorified life immediately after her death. This again was a gift from God earned by the death and resurrection of her Son, Jesus. Mary is already experiencing the resurrection and glorified life that we will all experience at the end of time and the final judgment.

Every time we say the creed, either Nicene or Apostle's Creed, we say that we believe in the resurrection of the body. As Catholic Christians we believe that at the end of time and at the final judgment, our bodies will be raised from the dead. However, we know that it will be different from our present condition although we don't completely understand how or why. We know that we will be glorified even as Jesus was on the mountain and after his resurrection. We get some idea by reading the resurrection stories. In these stories from the Gospels, we see that Jesus eats and can be touched by others, yet he is no longer confined by space or time. He appears where he wills and is not in anyway hampered by locked doors or upper rooms. Sometimes he is changed so much that he isn't even recognized. It is a mystery that we can not fully understand but we know it is a promise and a glimpse of what will be for us. And we praise God for it.

God's blessing

Dc. Joe

Food for Food-Insecure Kids

This past school year, the Christian Church has been sending backpacks of food home with kids for the weekend. They have decided to provide food during the summer for those kids who may not have enough food when there is no school lunches. The churches of Colfax have agreed to share and help with this program. **We will be distributing food to the kids on Monday, August 19.** If you would like to help you may donate either money or food. Items needed:

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| Spaghettios | Granola bars |
| Ravioli | Ramen noodles |
| Instant Potatoes | Boxes of cereal |
| Microwaveable rice packets | Mac and cheese |
| Soup | Peanut butter |
| Tuna Salad packs | Chicken Salad packs |
| Boxes of individual crackers | Fruit, pudding, Jello cups |
| Chips | Individual raisins |
| Cans of green beans, corn or fruit | Fruit snacks |

If anyone knows of a program like this or any program to help kids in Prairie City, please let us know.

Colfax-Mingo Community Blood Drive

(Please note that the drive has been moved from the first Saturday to the second Saturday—this month only)

Saturday, August 10, 2019

7:15 AM-10:15 AM

Colfax United Methodist Church
BLOODMOBILE 7 S Locust St.

To make an appointment, contact Sheryll Skidmore at 515-689-4927 visit www.lifeservebloodcenter.org or 800-287-4903

Prayer for Vocations

Compassionate God, You speak your word to us through prophets of long ago and you continue to reveal your message of love today. With great expectation we look to your Spirit empowering us to serve you as Jesus did.

May we listen for your word and respond generously to your call. Renew in us the grace of our baptism. Strengthen married couples, single men and women, deacons, priests, sisters, and brothers as they seek to serve you by sharing their love and compassion.

Grant wisdom to those who are discerning their call. With gratitude we proclaim the Good News of Jesus in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen. ©2006NCCV www.nccv-vocations.org

SAINT OF THE WEEK

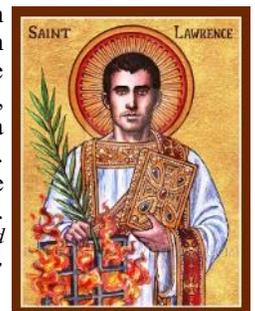
St. Lawrence: Third Century

Feast Day: August 10

One of seven Roman deacons, Lawrence distributed alms to the poor. The deacons and Pope Sixtus II were arrested Aug. 6, 258, during the persecution of Valerian. All but Lawrence were martyred by the next day.

When Rome's prefect demanded church funds from Lawrence, the deacon assembled the poor and said, "This is the treasury of the church." On August 10, the prefect began roasting Lawrence on a gridiron, thinking it would break him. But, according to legend, he asked to be turned and roasted on the other side. .

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August 4, 2019—11:00 AM

Lectors: John Heggen & Linda Barnum
Eucharist Ministers: Karen VD, Kathy Williams, Pam Brown, & Mackensie Brown

Servers: Sharon Jones & Matthew Rosonke

Greeters: Ed & Mary Dell Flattery

August 11 2019—11:00 AM

Lectors: Brad Hagarty & Lisa Bussan

Eucharist Ministers: Irma Bell, Rita Krueger, Elizabeth Birkenholtz, & Susan Heggen

Servers: Matthew Holmes & Meta Hill

Greeters: Joann Carrothers & Karen VD



Pray for God's Peace and Joy

Please pray for:

Diane Wood

Michael John Nelson, cousin of Mike Wood, nephew of Diane Wood

James and Edward cousins of Janette Baldwin and Claire Gillan

Mary Swauger

For Wes Koebrick (Father of Linda Barnum) and all who have died.

For vocations, our parish, and our faith formation program.



Are You Registered in a Parish

If you have not registered with this parish, please do so. It is important that everyone be registered in a parish for the parish is the way the universal church serves the individual. Registration forms are available in the gathering space if you have not yet registered with the parish.



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- ⇒ Pope urges Syrian president to protect civilians, seek peace.
- ⇒ Rwanda church seeks agreement with state on contraception, abortion..

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THE LORD'S LAUGHTER

“The One whose throne is in heaven sits laughing.” Psalm 2:4
Psalm 2:4

Udeniable Adult Truths

1. Nothing sucks more than that moment during an argument when you realize you're wrong.
2. I totally take back all those times I didn't want to nap when I was younger.
3. How are you supposed to fold a fitted sheet?
4. Map Quest really needs to start their directions on # 5. I'm pretty sure I know how to get out of my neighborhood.
5. Obituaries would be a lot more interesting if they told you how the person died.
6. I can't remember the last time I wasn't at least kind of tired
7. Bad decisions make good stories.
8. You never know when it will strike, but there comes a moment at work when you know that you just aren't going to do anything productive for the rest of the day



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A Stewardship Moment

August 4, The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's Gospel, Jesus offers a warning to those who pursue leisure and pleasure as their goal in life without concern for the poor and less fortunate. He tells the parable of the wealthy landowner who, upon yielding an exceptionally profitable harvest one year, determines that he will live the rest of his days in relaxation; to eat, drink and be merry. God calls the miser a “fool” and lets him know that his greed and self-indulgence will not bring him the security he seeks. Good stewards acknowledge that the money and possessions entrusted to them are to be used to further the mission of Jesus Christ. This week let us reflect on our own daily consumption habits. Do we spend money on articles that make us better ambassadors of Christ? Does our personal lifestyle bring “good news to the poor” (Luke 4:18)?

Wounded by Abortion? Project Rachel Can Help:

Project Rachel understands the emotional pain that follows an abortion. Please call the Helpline: 563-333-4107 or 1-888-456-HOPE. Calls are answered personally and confidentially Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Voice messaging is available all other times. Calls will be returned promptly and directly.

PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN

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