

PRAYER CORNER

Holy Spirit, we ask that You pour out Your healing anointing upon our loved ones. Touch evry cell, tissue and organ in their bodies bringing forth miraculous healing and wholeness. In Jesus name. Amen.

Benny Mitchell

Adam Gasca

Mary Maldonado

Jimmy Miller

Amanda Ford

Sylvia Sykes

Marie Williams

Eliaser Perez

Fernando Ochoa

Isabel Mesker

Mary O'Rourke

Eva Willars

Solomon McCarter

Zenobia Robinson

Marie Williams

Christian Montalvo

Johnny Kirven

Tommie Moore

Dexter Patterson

Terry McCravey

Veronica Garcia

Juanita & Kevin Thornton

Albert Johnson Jr.

Ysleta Franklin

Floyd &Evadell Ware

Iris Reedom

Darlene Parker

Malinda Walker

Alberee Haynes

Amiel Shelton

Jaylan Escobedo

Mary Bearden

Kurt Williams

George Waddell

Chris & Arriel Marshall

Adrian Salas

Wesley Matthews

May the souls of the faithfully departed rest in peace

Fr. Manuel Holguin

| Our Mother of Mercy                     |            |
|-----------------------------------------|------------|
| Stewardship Weekly Offering: 10/12/2025 |            |
| Regular Collection                      | \$1,476.83 |
| Weekday Mass                            | \$97.00    |
| Mass Intentions                         | \$35.00    |
| Parish Maintenance                      | \$10.00    |
| St. Anne's Candles                      | \$67.62    |
| St. Anne's Religious Articles           | \$         |
| Bulletin Ads                            | \$         |
| St. Vincent de Paul                     | \$578.25   |
| St. Peter Claver Reimburse              | \$228.25   |
| CCE                                     | \$20.00    |
| Bible                                   | \$10.00    |
| Total Collection                        | \$2,523.05 |
| Total Weekend Attendance                | 171        |

OUR MOTHER OF MERCY

Historically African-American Catholic Church—all are welcome!

October 19, 2025



Bulletin printed in-house at:  
**Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church**  
**1001 E. Terrell Avenue**  
**Fort Worth, TX 76104**  
**(817) 335-1695**  
**ourmother@omomftworth.org**

Pastoral Staff  
**Fr. Peter Wiafe Akenteng, Pastor**  
Tom Giovannitti, Deacon  
Lydia Salas, Sec/Safe& Sacred Coord.  
Jennifer Rattliff, Bookkeeper  
Michael Ussin, Maintenance/Custodial  
Charlotte Mitchell, Bulletin  
Donna R. Patrick, Director, Gospel Choir  
Bernadine Silva, Music, Saturday Mass  
Emma Uwaniyigena, Rwanda/Burudi Catholic Community Choir

Religious Education:  
Laura Moreno, Director  
Society of St. Vincent de Paul Help Line:  
817-768-1950/svdpomm@gmail.com  
St. Anne's Society: Marie Guidry  
marieguidry@sbcglobal.net  
Knights St. Peter Claver , Council #89  
Michael Barks /817-845-1125  
St. Veronica Ladies Auxiliary Court 89  
Carolyn Yusuf/817-726-6726  
carolynyusuf@sbcglobal.net  
Lector Coordinator:  
Lanette Martinez Vidaaurri  
817-228-3338/lanettemartinez@ymail.com  
Pastoral Council:  
LaWonda Peoples, Chairperson  
Financial Council:  
Fred Bob, Chairperson  
\*\*\*\*\*

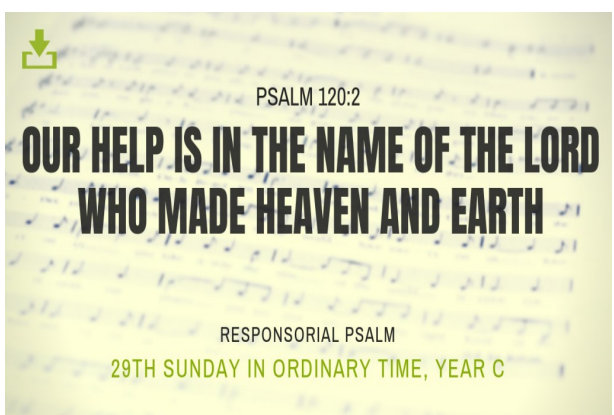
Office Hours  
**Wednesday and Thursday:**  
**11:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.**  
**Friday: 10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.**  
  
**Father Peter's Office Hours**  
**11:00 am-3:00pm**  
**Tuesday through-Friday**  
**Call or text him at 469-971-9854**  
\*\*\*\*\*

**Mass Times**  
Sunday: 10:00 am  
Vigil Mass Sat: 5:00 pm  
Mon thru Fri—7:00 am  
Saturday: 8:00 am  
**Adoration Times**  
Wednesday: 5pm-7pm  
Thursday: 7:30am-3:00pm  
Divine Mercy Chaplet 3pm  
Friday: 7:30am-noon  
Saturday: 4pm-4:50pm  
**Rosary**  
Sunday 9:00 am  
(1st Sunday Live-streamed)  
Monday-Friday 6:20 am  
**Confession**  
Mon-Fri: 6am—6:50 am  
7:30am-7:55am  
Saturday 4pm-4:50pm  
By appointment during office hours



**Sunday Oct. 19**  
*Repose souls of Lucia Esquirel, Nativida & Mauricio Pulido*  
**Monday Oct. 20**  
*Repose soul Josephina Ornelas Diaz. Health of Mateo Bernabe. Margarito Rosales*  
**Tuesday Oct. 21**  
*Happy Birthday, Celia Estrada*  
**Wednesday Oct. 22**  
*Repose souls of COVID*  
**Thursday Oct. 23**

**Friday Oct. 24**  
*Repose soul Josephina One- alas Diaz. Health of Mateo Bernabe*  
**Saturday Oct. 25**  
**8am Mass—**  
**5pm Mass—Edward & Cath- erine Jennings**



The 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C re- minds us to stay close to God. The readings speak about prayer, faith, and trusting God's help. They show that God listens to His people and gives them strength. Even when life is hard, God does not leave us alone.

The First Reading highlights the importance of community support in our spiritual journey.

The Second Reading emphasizes the role of scripture in guiding our lives. Scripture is de- scribed as useful for teaching, correcting, and training in righteousness.

The Gospel highlights the power of persistent prayer through the parable of the persistent wid- ow. This story teaches us that even when we feel like our prayers are unanswered, we should con- tinue to pray and trust in God's timing.

On this Sunday, we are encouraged to maintain hope and persistence in our faith journey. Even when we face challenges or delays, we can trust that God is with us and is working for our good. This hope sustains us, helping us to persevere in prayer, action, and trust in God's ultimate plan for justice and peace.

*Prayer*  
*Lord, help us to be persistent in our prayers and faithful in our actions. Strengthen us with the support of our community and guide us through your word. May we trust in your timing and al- ways seek justice and peace in our lives. Amen.*

<https://young-catholics.com>

**ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL**  
CATHOLIC stewardship IN ACTION  
Give to the Annual Diocesan Appeal at:  
<https://bit.ly/DiocesanAppealfwdioc.org>

The **KNIGHTS** of **PETER CLAVER**  
and **LADIES AUXILIARY**

**Council and Court #89**

ALERT360.COM  
**JACK PAIS**  
Security/Consultant  
**MOBILE 817-988-6344**  
FREE DOORBELL CAMERA  
FREE SMART LOCK  
14500 Trinity Blvd #106, FTW, TX 76155  
**JACK.PAIS@ALERT360.COM**

**Bon Voyage Travels**  
**Mary Pichon Battle**  
Travel Agent/Owner  
985-774-3141  
Bonvoytrav@gmail.com

**In Loving Memory of**  
**Larry & Olga Martinez,**  
**One Day at a Time.**

Forever in Our Hearts

**Abe K. Wilson**  
February 23, 1955 - August 26, 2025  
Jesus said to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

**Space Available**

**NOLAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**  
ACADEMICS | CHARACTER | FAITH | LEADERSHIP

**STEP INTO A TRADITION OF FAITH, EXCELLENCE, AND LEADERSHIP**

Nolan Catholic High School — located at 4501 Bridge Street, Fort Worth, TX 76103 — has immediate openings for grades 9–12.

As the only traditional Catholic high school in Fort Worth, Nolan Catholic forms students in faith, virtue, and leadership through a rigorous, Christ-centered education.

**Why choose Nolan Catholic?**

- Closed campus & no student cell phones
- Weekly Mass, Confession & Adoration
- 99% college-bound
- AP & Dual Credit class options
- Olympic-size indoor pool
- World Ranked Robotics

**Financial aid is available.**  
Call today to schedule a tour: 817-457-2920  
Or scan the QR code to learn more.

**APPLY TODAY!**  
[www.nolancatholic.org](http://www.nolancatholic.org)

**NTP Plumbing & Utilities**  
Contractor  
**Chris Weaver, master plumber**  
M-13411  
P.O. Box 2110  
Fort Worth, TX 76113  
Cell: (817) 909-1475  
Office: (817) 483 6200  
Fax: 877 478 2909  
chrisweavertp@yahoo.com  
Complaints: TSBPE (800) 845-6584x65249

**Thank you for supporting our parish family**



Dear Parish Family

Grace and peace of Christ be with you all!

As we journey through the beautiful month of October, our hearts are filled with gratitude for the many blessings God continues to pour upon our parish community. October holds a special place in the Church’s calendar as it is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. It is a time to renew our devotion to our Blessed Mother, Mary, who always leads us closer to her son, Jesus.

**The Month of the Rosary**

The Rosary is a simple yet profound prayer—spiritual “chain of love” that binds heaven and earth. In these times when our world is in great need of peace and healing, I encourage every family to take up the Rosary daily. Whether prayed together as a family, individually, or in parish groups, it brings grace, unity, and peace into our lives. Let us remember that Mary is not distant from our struggles. She walks with us, interceding for our needs and guiding us in faith, hope, and love.

*“The Rosary is the weapon for these times” - St. Padre Pio*

**Parish Life and Events**

- Mission Sunday (October 20): A reminder of our call to share the Gospel through prayer, action, and generosity.
- Catechetical Programs: Our catechism classes are ongoing—thank you to our dedicated catechists and parents!

**Pastoral Reflection: Faith in Action**

This month’s Sunday readings remind us of the call to live our faith through **trust, perseverance, and service**. Faith is not only belief—it’s a way of life that transforms how we see God, ourselves, and others. Let us not grow weary in doing good. Each act of kindness, each prayer, and each moment of forgiveness reflect the face of Christ to the world.

**Looking Ahead** As we approach the end of the liturgical year, let’s continue to support one another in faith and charity. Let us remember the sick, the elderly, and those who feel forgotten. A simple visit, a call, or a prayer can bring light into someone’s darkness

**A Final Word**

Thank you for your love, faith, and dedication to our parish family. May this month of October draw us ever closer to Jesus through the loving heart of Mary. Let us pray together: *Mary, Queen of the Holy Rosary, pray for us!*

With every blessing,  
**Fr. Peter Wiafe Akenteng**  
*Pastor*

**FROM THE  
Pastor's Desk**

**Reflection for the 29th Sunday**

I am neither a man of letters nor of science, but I humbly claim to be a man of prayer. It is prayer that has saved my life. Without it I would have lost my reason long ago. If I did not lose my peace of soul, in the midst of my many trials, it is because of the peace that came to me through prayer. One can live several days without food, but not without prayer. Prayer is the key to each morning, and the lock to each evening. It is a sacred alliance between God and us. Let everyone try this experience, and they will find that daily prayer will add something new to their lives, something which cannot be found elsewhere.

*(Mahatma Gandhi)*

**Daily Readings for the Week**

- Oct. 19—Ex 17:8-13; 2 Tim 3:14—4:2; Lk 18:1-8  
Oct. 20—Rom 4:20-25  
Lk 12: 13-21  
Oct. 21—Rom 5:12-18  
Lk 12: 35-38  
Oct. 22—Rom 6:12-18  
Lk 12: 39-48  
Oct. 23—Rom 6: 19-23  
Lk 12: 49-53  
Oct. 24—Rom 7: 18-25a  
Lk 12: 54-59  
Oct. 25—Rom 8:1-11  
Lk 13: 1-9

**October Live Stream Schedule**

- 10-19—Isabel Garza  
10-26—Jennifer Rattliff  
\*\*\*\*\*

**October Lector Schedule**

- 10-18—Lanette Martinez-Vidaurri  
10-19—LaWonda Peoples, Amanda Flood  
10-25—Natasha Cha  
10-26—Mary Battle, Carolyn Yusuf  
\*\*\*\*\*

**October Special Collections**

- 10-19—World Mission Sunday

DONATE TO:  
Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church



SCAN this QR code using your mobile device and enter the amount and payment information

ONLINE DONATION CARD  
Thank you for your contributions of financial support to the parish.



Join OMM members on **October 26** for early voting after mass.

Mail in Ballot Application Deadline is **October 24.**

Early Voting begins: **Oct 20, 2025—Oct. 31, 2025**  
\*\*\*\*\*

**Daily Rosary for Peace**

This October Mission Month, the Pontifical Mission Societies invites us to pray the World Mission Rosary each day at 2:00 PM (CST). The World Mission Rosary, designed by Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen, is unique in its colors, each representing a continent, entrusts the missionary Church in Africa, Oceania, Europe, the Americas, and Asia, to the intercession of our Blessed Mother, Queen of Missions.

\*\*\*\*\*



For Breast Cancer Awareness Month, you are invited to wear pink to mass on Oct. 25-26 weekend.

\*\*\*\*\*

A monthly mass for deceased family members will be October 29 at 7am. Fr. Peter is planning on having this mass on the last Wednesday of each month.

\*\*\*\*\*

**News you can use for  
November Voting Ballot**

Are you aware of the constitutional amendments on the Nov. 2025 Ballot? This week let’s look at **Proposition 13 (SJR 2) - Increase Property Tax Exemption.** Increases the school district property tax exemption on residence homesteads from \$100,000 to \$140,000. The state would reimburse school districts for the resulting loss in revenue. This is projected to save the average homeowner \$484 annually. If this amendment passes it would be retroactive and apply towards the 2025 school property taxes.

**Voting “yes”** supports amending the Texas Constitution to allow the Legislature to exempt \$140,000 of a residence homestead’s market value from school district taxes.

**Voting “no”** on proposition 13 means opposing an amendment to the Texas Constitution that would let the Texas Legislature exempt \$140,000 of a residence homestead’s market value from school district taxes.

\*\*\*\*\*

**Prayer for Deceased Family**

On November 12, 6:30 pm, OMM will have a mass to pray for deceased family members. At the back of church, there are cards to put family members names (limit 10 or who have died within the last 3 years). At mass your family member’s name will be recited. Fr. Peter will also be blessing candles for this ceremony. Please provide your own candle.

\*\*\*\*\*

**TODAY IS WORLD MISSION DAY**  
Today, every parish across the globe joins together for the only worldwide collection mandated by Canon Law—World Mission Sunday. Your generosity today supports the Pope’s missions in more than 1,124 territories where the Church is young or struggling. This year’s theme—**“Missionaries of Hope Among the Peoples”**—is a call to embody the love of God, poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit (cf. Rom 5:5).



Your offering today provides hope where despair too often dominates—through the building of churches, formation of seminarians and religious sisters, healthcare clinics, and Catholic schools. Thank you for responding with faith, love, and generosity. As Pope Francis told us, “Each of us is a mission on this earth” (Evangelii Gaudium, 273). Together, we share in that mission by ensuring that no one is excluded from the invitation to encounter Christ

\*\*\*\*\*

**THANK YOU!**

Fr. Strittmatter would like to thank all those who participated and made his birthday party a happy and joyous event. Thank you to all who brought food, and helped with the cleanup.

\*\*\*\*\*



St. Anne’s Altar Society is excited to announce the recipient of the 2025 Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Nominee representing OMM is Ms. Rosemary Harden. Please join us in congratulating Ms. Rosemary on this well-deserved recognition!

\*\*\*\*\*



**MISSIONARIES OF HOPE among the Peoples**

**World Mission Sunday 2025 October 19th**

YOUR GIFT HELPS SUPPORT:

|                       |                                  |                          |                       |                              |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| 82,498<br>Seminarians | 8,749<br>Shelters and Orphanages | 11,992<br>Health Centers | 843,785<br>Catechists | 258,540<br>Religious Sisters |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|

SHARE: GIVE NOW

TEXT “MISSIONS25” 817-402-3525

Lapier, Colong, Kon Tum, Vietnam, April 7, 2025. (C)1996 USA/Phongward Missionary