

PRAYER CORNER

God, our Father, source of all health, be near those who suffer in the time of weakness and pain; relieve them of their burden and heal them, if it be Your will. Give peaceful sleep to those who need rest for soul and body, and be with them in their hours of silence. Bless those who know not what another day will bring. Make them ready for whatever it may be. Whether they must stand, sit, or be confined, grant them a strong spirit. In Jesus name. Amen.

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Regular Collection	\$1,983.03
Weekday Mass	\$145.11
Mass Intentions	\$
Parish Maintenance	\$
St. Anne’s Candles	\$44.00
St. Anne’s Religious Articles	\$
Texas Hill Co. Flood Victims	\$205.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$
	\$
	\$
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	\$
Total Collection	\$2,377.14
Total Weekend Attendance	128

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Tuesday through-Friday
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Mass Times
Sunday: 10:00 am
Mon-Fri—7:00 am
Saturday: 5:00 pm

Adoration Times:
Wednesday: 5pm-7pm
Friday 8 am-noon
Saturday 4 pm-4:50pm

Rosary
Sunday 9:00am
(1st Sun. Livestreamed)
Mon-Fri 6:20 am

Confession
Mon-Fri—After 7am
Mass
Saturday —4:00-4:50 pm

**Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday Aug 3
Repose soul of Agnes Cao
Monday Aug 4
Repose soul of Agnes Cao
Tuesday Aug 5
Repose soul of Avelina Castillo
Wednesday Aug 6
Repose soul of Avelina Castillo
Thursday Aug 7
Repose soul of Avelina Castillo
Friday Aug 8
Repose soul of Beatrice Bonilla
Saturday Aug 9
Repose soul of Avelina Castillo

Today
if you hear his voice,
do not harden your hearts.
Hebrews 4:7

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The first reading for the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C reminds us that chasing after wealth and success alone can feel empty. Ecclesiastes describes how our accomplishments and hard work may bring satisfaction, but only for a while. Earthly things, no matter how much we gain, eventually lose their meaning. We might find ourselves asking, “Is this really all there is?”

The second reading invites us to live for what is eternal. Paul tells us to set our hearts on things above, meaning on God’s kingdom. This calls us to live with faith, love, and kindness, reflecting God’s teachings in how we treat others. When we act with honesty, compassion, and forgiveness, we are living beyond just the present moment.

The Gospel this Sunday encourages us to place our trust in God rather than in material things. By letting go of our desire for more and choosing to live simply, we can find peace. This doesn’t mean we can’t enjoy what we have, but it reminds us that God, not wealth, is our true source of joy. The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C calls us to find that joy by putting God and others first in our lives.

Prayer
Lord, help us let go of worldly worries and seek Your love above all else. Remind us to live simply, with kindness and trust in You. Guide us to focus on what truly matters and to find joy in Your presence each day. Amen.

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In the Transfiguration Christ enjoyed for a short while that glorified state which was to be permanently His after His Resurrection on Easter Sunday. The splendor of His inward Divinity and of the Beatific Vision of His soul overflowed on His body, and permeated His garments so that Christ stood before Peter, James, and John in a snow-white brightness. The purpose of the Transfiguration was to encourage and strengthen the Apostles who were depressed by their Master's prediction of His own Passion and Death. The Apostles were made to understand that His redeeming work has two phases: The Cross, and glory—that we shall be glorified with Him only if we first suffer with Him.

—Rt. Rev. Msgr. Rudolph G. Bandas

Pastor’s Reflection

Church Family,

While out for an evening walk I emerged from an area where the streets were lit by bright lamps, and came into an open, dark area. It was only then I discovered that the sky was full of stars. An I thought to myself; how easily and how effectively the earthly lights extinguish the heavenly ones. Lord, help us to seek the things that make us rich in your sight, and grant that the glitter of this world may not dim our hopes of heavenly glory.

Prayers & Love

Daily Readings for the Week

Aug 3—Eccl 1:2,2:21-23
Col 3:1-5, 9-11
Lk 12:13-21

Aug 4—Nm 11:4b-15
Mt 14:13-21

Aug 5—Nm 12:1-13
Mt 14:22-36
Or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Aug 6—Dn 7:9-10, 13-14
2 Pt 1:16-19
Lk 9:28b-36

Aug 7—Nm 20:1-13
Mt 16:13-23

Aug 8—Dt 4:32-40
Mt 16:24-28

Aug 9—Dt 6:4-13
Mt 17:14-20

August Special Collections

August 3—Parish Maintenance
August 10—St. Vincent De Paul
August 17—Special Collection Summers Utilities

August Live Stream Schedule

Aug 3— Lisa Jones
Aug 10—Howard Rattliff
Aug 17—Isabel Garza

August Lector Schedule

Aug 2—Natasha Cha, Laura Moreno
Aug 3—LaWonda Peoples, Mary Battle
Aug 9—Charlotte Mitchell
Aug—10 Lydia Salas
Aug 16—Lanette Martinez-Vidaaurri
Aug 17
Aug 23—Desire Garcia
Aug 24—Amanda Flood



After mass August 3.

Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration
The Office of Young Adult Ministry, along with the Office of Hispanic Ministry, welcomes all young adults to a special Holy Hour of Eucharistic Exposition, Saturday, August 30, 2025 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM. This event will feature guided reflection and praise & worship led by Nico Cabrera. Afterwards, we encourage you to stay for fellowship and enjoy light refreshments provided by Countryside Bakery & Kitchen. The event will be held at Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church, 509 W. Magnolia Ave., in Fort Worth from 6:30 PM. Don't miss this opportunity to connect with other young adult Catholics. If you have questions contact Melly Andrade at GAndrade@fwdioc.org. Register to attend at fwdioc.org/young-adult-ministry-events.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter
Thus will it be for all who store up treasure for themselves but are not rich in what matters to God. Your marriage matters to God! Participate in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter experience. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience is Oct. 17-19, 2025. To apply go to www.wwme.org. Para mas informacion de Encuentro Matrimonial en Espanol, escriba a mdgallegos06@gmail.com 214-497-0188.



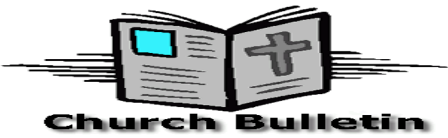
Happy Three-Year Anniversary to the WOTY'S!!!

Did you know that the Warriors of the Yarn will celebrate their 3-year anniversary? We are thrilled to congratulate them on 3 wonderful years of creativity, community, and service. Their dedication, talent, and teamwork have woven more than just yarn — they have stitched together a strong, supportive circle that continues to uplift and inspire. The WOTY's recently received donations of yarn from parishioners Bernadine Sullivan and Kay Norvel. The WoTY's truly appreciate the thoughtful gifts and donations that they have received — your kindness does not go unnoticed! However, what the WOTY's really need most right now are more volunteers. Remember, if you have never crocheted and just wanted to learn, you are most welcome! The group is opened to everyone, male and female young and seasoned! The WOTY's took a little break over the summer, but will resume meeting at the Parish Life Center, once a month on Wednesday s from 1:00pm-3:00pm. **Their next meeting is scheduled for August 13th.** Lana, Sandi, Marie, Jenn, Isabel, Charlotte, and Juanita are ready to greet you with needle and yarn!! Let's get busy one stitch at a time!

Annual Red Mass
Thursday, September 25, 2025
The St. Thomas More Society Fort Worth cordially invites all attorneys, judges, law students, public officials, and their families and staff to attend the Red Mass at 6:00 p.m. with the Most Reverend Michael F. Olson, Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth. All members of the legal profession are welcome at the Red Mass, regardless of religious affiliation. St. Patrick Cathedral, 1206 Throckmorton St., Fort Worth at 6:00 p.m.



A reception and dinner follow at the Fort Worth Club. This year's keynote speaker is the Hon. Stuart Kyle Duncan, Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. There is no charge to attend the Red Mass, but tickets are required for the dinner. To RSVP and for more information, please visit www.stmsfw.org/red-mass. Deadline to RSVP Sept. 21.



Church family, if you have any articles announcements, flyers that you would like to be put in our church bulletin, please email/send to: **Bulletin@omomftworth.org at least 3 weeks prior to the event.** Thank you for your help. You can also use this email address to add names to the sick/shut-in/deceased prayer corner.

2025 Frank B Staton Golf Classics
Registration is now open for the 2025 “Frank B. Staton Golf Classics” hosted by the Knights of Peter Claver CN 89. This will be our 19th annual event and we are proud to have benefited students and community throughout Tarrant County. Your support is paramount and we could not have been successful without you! Come out **Saturday Sept. 13,2025** at Hidden Creek Golf Course and join us in fun, golf and fellowship! “Don’t miss this one”

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