

PRAYER CORNER

Lord, fill me with Your peace that surpasses all understanding. Wipe away my tears and replace my sorrow with joy. Where there is grief, bring comfort. Where there is fear, bring assurance. Where there is despair, bring new hope. Restore my heart O Lord, and let me walk in fullness of Your love. In Jesus name. Amen.

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May the souls of the faithfully departed rest in peace

Ron Lee Wankowicz, Sr.

Fr. Manuel Holguin

Tomasa Abalos

Our Mother of Mercy	
Stewardship Weekly Offering: 9/21/2025	
Regular Collection	\$2,403.16
Weekday Mass	\$60.00
Mass Intentions	\$0
Parish Maintenance	\$
St. Anne's Candles	\$53.00
St. Anne's Religious Articles	\$
Bulletin Ads	\$
St. Vincent de Paul	\$
Hospitality Sunday (donuts)	\$15.20
KPC Utility Reimbursement	\$244.83
Catholic University	\$176.33
Total Collection	\$3,131.72
Total Weekend Attendance	182

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

Safe Environment Certification

To volunteer in any capacity for the Parish you will need to complete a Safe Environment class. The initial class is **Protecting God's Children** and is good for 2 years. The renewal class is **A Plan to Protect**. Renewals must be completed every 2 years. To renew/or start log in to **www.virtus.org**: For assistance, call Lydia Salas/church office.

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OUR MOTHER OF MERCY

Historically African-American Catholic Church—all are welcome!

September 28, 2025

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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

Friday: 7:30am-noon

Saturday: 4pm-4:50pm

Divine Mercy Chaplet

Thursday: 3:00pm

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

Mass Intentions
FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Sept. 28

Repose souls who died from COVID and Fr. Ignatius Antioch Mary Nguyen

Monday Sept. 29

Repose souls who died from COVID

Tuesday Sept. 30

Happy Birthday
Arriel Marshal

Wednesday Oct. 1

Repose soul of Avelina Castillo

Thursday Oct. 2

Repose soul of Fr. Ignatius Antioch Mary Nguyen

Friday Oct. 3

Happy Birthday
Sebastian Velazquez

Saturday Oct. 4

8 am Mass—Repose soul of Fr. Ignatius Antioch Mary Nguyen

Repose soul of Avelina Castillo

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C calls us to look at how we treat others. The readings warn against selfishness and ignoring those in need. God asks us to live with kindness and care, not to turn away from the poor or weak. This Sunday reminds us that faith is shown in how we act.

The first reading from Amos delivers a strong warning. It speaks to those who live in comfort and ignore the suffering of others. Amos criticizes those who indulge in luxury while remaining blind to the needs of the poor. This message is not just for the people of his time but for us as well.

In the second reading Paul gives Timothy practical advice. He urges him to seek virtues like faith, love, and gentleness. These virtues help us live a life focused on God and others, rather than ourselves. Paul's words contrast with the selfishness shown by the rich man in the Gospel.

In the Gospel reading, Jesus tells the parable of Lazarus and the rich man. This story is a clear reminder of what can happen when we focus only on ourselves. The rich man enjoyed his wealth while ignoring the suffering of Lazarus, who was right outside his door. After death, the rich man faced judgment, and Lazarus found peace.

Prayer

Lord, help us to see beyond our comforts and to respond to those in need with a generous heart. Teach us to treasure mercy and compassion over wealth, so that we may truly participate in Your work and know the joy of Your Kingdom.

<https://young-catholics.com>



Father Cruz Manuel Holguin Ogaz, a priest for the Diocese of Fort Worth, died on September 20, 2025, after a lengthy illness. He was ordained as a priest for the Diocese of Fort Worth on June 9, 2012, at St. Patrick Cathedral. From 2016 – 2020, he was pastor of St.

Peter the Apostle Parish in White Settlement, then was appointed pastor of All Saints Parish in Fort Worth until 2021, when he requested to step away from active ministry. Funeral arrangements are pending.



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Reflection for the 2th Sunday

A week ago the sycamore tree was loaded with gold. However, instead of sitting back and enjoying it, it began to give it away. At first it was just a leaf here and a leaf there, whenever the wind asked for a contribution. But soon it was giving it away in fistfuls, without being asked, and without a thought for a wintry tomorrow. Wealth is judged, not by the amount that is accumulated, but by the amount that is given away. The only wealth that is worth having is the wealth of the heart. To close one's heart is to begin to die; to open it is to begin to live.

Prayers & Love

Daily Readings for the Week

- Sept 28—Am 6:1a, 4-7;
1 Tm 6: 11-16;
Lk 16:19-31
- Sept 29—Dn 7:9-10, 13-14
or Rv 12:7-12ab
Jn 1:47-51
- Sept 30—Zec 8:20-23
Lk 9:51-56
- Oct. 1—Neh 2:1-8
Lk 9:57-62
- Oct. 2—Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12
Mt 18:1-5,10
- Oct. 3—Bar 1:15-22
Lk 10: 13-16
- Oct. 4—Bar 4:5-12, 27
Lk 10: 17-24

September Live Stream Schedule
9-28/ Jennifer Rattliff

September Lector Schedule
Sept. 27—Natasha Cha
Sept. 28—Anaiah Barrera
Daniel Gonzalez

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**Memory Support
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**FW DCCW 2025 Convention
“Believe in the Eucharist
Blessed Broken and Shared”**

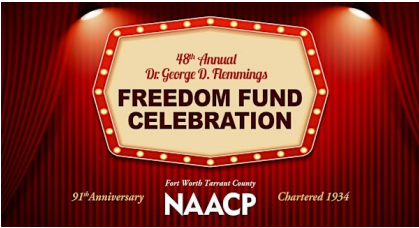
You are cordially invited on **October 22, 2025**, to join your fellow members to recognize the women of the diocese who have been nominated by their parishes for the Benediction of Mankind Award. This will be held at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 2901 Barnett Road, Wichita Falls, TX, starting at 9 am. Registration forms are on the back of the table in the church. Deadline is Oct. 10



We will be praying the rosary noon at OMM on October 11, meeting outside around the Mary statue. Everyone is invited to attend and bring a friend. Human efforts alone have failed to solve America's problems. We turn to God through His Holy Mother asking His urgent help.

Help for Troubled Marriages
The Retrouvaille ministry ("ret troo vah ee" means rediscovery in French- it began in Canada) offers hope, support, and practical communication tools to help heal and rebuild troubled marriages. Information is at **HelpOurMarriage.org** or you may register at the site for the next Weekend program October 10-12 in Irving.

Warriors of the Yarn Ministry
The Warriors meet on Wednesdays from 1pm-3pm. All crafters are welcomed to attend to knit, crochet, fellowship, etc. Ms. Sandy, and Ms. Lanna have added prayer shawls and booties. Come join the fun.



We invite you to join us **Saturday, October 11, 2025, at the I.M. Terrell Academy for STEM and VPA in Fort Worth** for the Red Carpet Premiere of **"Unlocked Voices: Bridging the Future,"** an original documentary film commissioned by the FW Tarrant County NAACP. This captivating film stars eight iconic citizens of Fort Worth and Tarrant County, each with remarkable stories that have shaped our future in profound ways. Don't miss the chance to connect with this American story of endurance, strength, and pride. **Checks can be written to NAACP Fort Worth Tarrant County and mailed (PO Box 6704, Fort Worth TX, 76115) or Credit Cards accepted via Eventbrite.** Please call the office with Questions - (817) 332-8919.



First Friday Senior Bingo is Oct. 3. Join us in the PLC for light lunch, fellowship and cool prizes. To RSVP, Text 817-689-4344 by noon Wednesday Oct.1.



If you have received a email or text message from Fr. Peter, or any priest asking for money or gift cards, this is a **SCAM**. Don't respond.

Memorial Mass for Children who died before Baptism
A special mass will be held by Bishop Michael Olsen on Saturday, Oct. 4, at 10:00 am, at St. Patrick Cathedral. This Mass offers comfort and healing for parents who have lost children before Baptism through miscarriage, stillbirth, or abortion.



Dear Our Mother of Mercy Catholic Church,

It is with profound sadness that we make this announcement. Despite good faith efforts of community partners and donors and the tireless work of our staff, the Board and executive leadership of Fortress have made the difficult and final decision to close permanently effective Friday, September 26, 2025. Fortress wishes to thank the numerous foundations, churches, corporations, and individual supporters who stepped up to support us throughout the years. We owe gratitude to the hundreds of volunteers who enhanced our mission through their hands-on, servant-hearted work. With gratitude,

Stacy Agee Martin

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Executive Director



A Discipleship Quad, which helps you to grow in friendship with three others by joining a community that provides you with support, encouragement, and gentle accountability. Throughout the process, you will discover the beauty of the Catholic faith in a comprehensive and practical way by reflecting on Scripture and the Catechism. You will experience a more intimate relationship with Jesus as he equips you, through the power of the Holy Spirit, to live boldly as his disciple. If interested join Marie Barks. Contact her at 817-846-0332.