

PRAYER CORNER

Dear Lord, we come before you with open hearts, seeking your tender touch for our dear family and friends who are sick or shut ins. May your healing light wash over them, mending what is broken and renewing what is worn. In Jesus name. Amen.

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Eva Willars

Solomon McCarter

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Amiel Shelton

Jaylan Escobedo

Mary Bearden

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May the souls of the faithfully departed rest in peace

Sharon Collins

Vivian Cromwell

Morris Binyon

Abe Wilson

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September 7, 2025

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Mass Times

Sunday: 10:00 am
Vigil Mass Sat: 5:00 pm
Mon thru Fri—7:00 am
Sat. 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 Lives-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

23rd

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." - Lk 14:27

The 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C reminds us that following Jesus is not always easy. He asks for more than quick prayers or kind words. He calls us to put him first, even before family or friends. That can be hard to hear. But Jesus wants us to know what we're saying yes to. He wants us to think carefully and choose with open eyes.

The first reading reminds us how limited our human understanding is. It tells us that we often cannot see the bigger picture or fully grasp what God has planned for us. Without His wisdom, we are like people trying to find their way in the dark.

In the second reading, Paul asks Philemon to welcome Onesimus as a brother in Christ. Onesimus was once a servant, but Paul encourages Philemon to see him differently now. This is a reminder that faith changes how we see and treat others.

In the Gospel, Jesus says we must carry our cross. He uses examples like building a tower or planning a battle. These things take thought and care. Faith is like that too. It takes real commitment. It asks for trust and strength

Prayer

Lord, help us to trust Your wisdom above our own understanding. Teach us to welcome others with love and to see them as part of Your family. Give us the courage to follow You, even when it means making sacrifices. May we always put You first in our lives. Amen.
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Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK

Sunday Sept. 7

For the repose souls of
Avelina Castillo
and Andre Garza

Monday Sept. 8

For the repose souls of
Lydia Martinez and
Avelina Castillo

Tuesday Sept. 9

Happy Birthday
Jana Ogilvie

Wednesday Sept. 10

Happy Birthday
Adrian Salas

Thursday Sept. 11

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Friday Sept. 12

For the repose souls of
Avelina Castillo and
Edward Briscoe

Saturday Sept. 13

For the repose soul of
Lopez Will

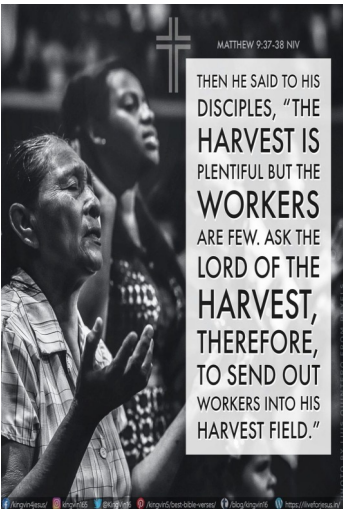


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<https://www.advancementfoundation.org/annual-diocesan-appeal-annual-report>

Or scan QR code



At OMM, we have several ministries in need of workers to help serve the faithful and invite new members to our church family. This week highlighted are Altar Servers and Eucharist Adoration. Please contact parish office for details.

Altar Servers:
We need boys & girls from grade 3 and above to assist the priest at the liturgy. Training available.

Eucharistic Adoration

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed and adored by volunteers who sign up for one hour or more to pray before the Lord Jesus present in the Monstrance. Please use the signup sheet located on the back tables in church or call parish office.

Reflection for the 23rd Sunday

Blessed are those who realize that they cannot live on bread alone but need the word of God too: they will be fully nourished. Blessed are those who, when they have sinned, follow the example of the prodigal son, and come back home to seek reconciliation: they will cause heaven to ring with joy. Blessed are those who stop to attend to a wounded neighbor, pouring in the oil of compassion and the wine of hope: they are the Good Samaritans of today. Blessed are those who remove the plank from their own eyes before telling their brother to remove the splinter from his: their efforts at reforming others will bear fruit. And blessed are those who, having put their hand to the plough, refuse to look back: they will be found worthy of the Kingdom.

Prayers & Love

Daily Readings for the Week

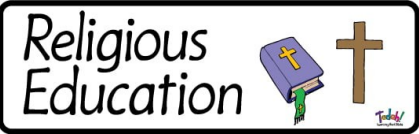
- Sept 7—Wis 9:13-18b; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33
- Sept 8—Mi 5:-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Mt1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23 (*Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*)
- Sept 9—Col 2:6-35
Lk 6:12-19 (*Feast Day of St. Peter Claver*)
- Sept 10—Col 3:1-11
Lk 6:20-26
- Sept 11—Col 3:12-17
Lk 6:27-38
- Sept 12—1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14
Lk 6:39-42 (*The Most Holy Name of Mary*)
- Sept 13—1 Tm1:15-17
Lk 6:43-49

September Live Stream Schedule

- 9-7/ Lisa Jones
- 9-14/Howard Rattliff
- 9-21/ Isabel Garza
- 9-28/ Jennifer Rattliff

September Lector Schedule

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- September Special Collections**
- Sept. 7—Parish Maintenance
- Sept. 14—St. Vincent De Paul
- Sept. 28—Catholic University of America
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CCE/OCIA classes starts this Sunday, September 7. If you have not registered go to: <https://www.omomftworth.org/forms>. Call church office at 817-335-1695 or email dredu@omomftworth.org



Join friends of OMM for good fellowship, light lunch, cool prizes and fun Friday, Sept. 12, for Senior Friday Bingo in the PLC. RSVP to attend by noon

Wednesday, September 10. Text 817-689-4344. In October, we will be back on the first Friday of the month.



The next OMM parish council meeting is scheduled for **September 14,**

8:30-9:30am. It will be held in the parish life center.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

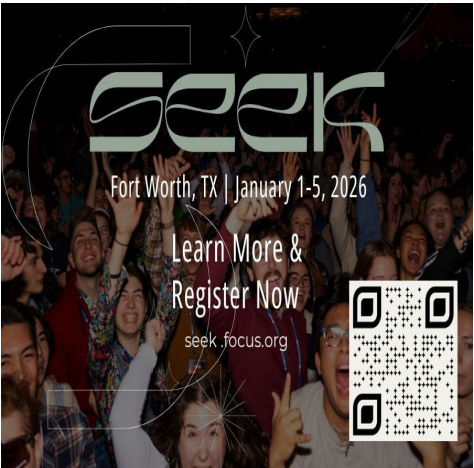
In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge." In your marriage, take refuge in the Lord. Attend the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience is Oct. 17-19, 2025. To apply go to www.wme.org. Para mas informacion de Encuentro Matrimonial en Espanol, escriba a mdgallegos06@gmail.com 214-497-0188.

Young Adult Mass

Bishop Michael Olson invites all Young Adults of the Diocese of Fort Worth (ages 18-35) to a special Mass on **Saturday, Sept. 27th** at 6:30PM - Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 2255 N. Bonnie Brae Street, Denton Texas. Please RSVP for the dinner following Mass at <https://form.jotform.com/DioceseFW/young-adult-mass-with-bishop-Sep27>.

SEEK 2026 is coming to Grapevine!

Join thousands of college students from across the country for the SEEK Conference, hosted by FOCUS, right here in our diocese at the Gaylord Texan Resort, January 1–5, 2026. SEEK is a life-changing event filled with inspiring talks, worship, fellowship, and encounters with Christ. Dates: January 1–5, 2026 Location: Gaylord Texan Resort, Grapevine, TX Registration: Reserve your spot with only a \$25 deposit Early-bird pricing ends October 29, 2025. **Go to www.seek.focus.org.**



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 St. Patrick Cathedral, Fort Worth 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. There is no cost for dinner, must have a ticket to attend. Register at stmsfw.flocknote.com/signup/212918

Catholic Bowl

Saturday, September 13, 2025

The Catholic Charity Bowl is heading to Choctaw Stadium! Global Football's Catholic Bowl V is poised to be an electrifying celebration of Faith, Freedom, and Football on **Saturday, September 13, 2025**, at Arlington's iconic Choctaw Stadium. This annual showcase brings together six elite Catholic high school teams from across the nation for a fierce gridiron battle, all while fostering camaraderie, character, and Catholic values mixed with remembering and honoring those who passed away in the attacks on September, 11, 2001. Attendees can expect a full day's worth of thrilling football action, uplifting halftime performances, engaging faith-based ceremonies, and opportunities for families to connect with local Catholic organizations. Tickets are available at www.globalfootball.com/catholic-bowl-v-tickets-now-available.

The Feast of The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary is celebrated each year on **September 8th**. This day marks the birth of Mary, who is honored as the mother of Jesus Christ. It is an important day for Catholics around the world. Many people use this day to reflect on Mary's special role in the life of Jesus.

Join us at 7am mass.