



# Tri-Parish Community

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Lusk

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September 21, 2025



25<sup>th</sup> Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

"If, therefore, you are not trustworthy with dishonest wealth, who will trust you with true wealth?" - Lk 16:11

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## WHAT'S MOST IMPORTANT?

I hold to the belief that you cannot have allegiances to both Duke and UNC, the Packers and the Bears, or the Yankees and the Red Sox. In Matthew 6:24, it says, "*He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other.*" That verse isn't talking about sports! It's talking about God and money. Most of us love both of those and that can be a problem. If you were to love any of the sets of teams mentioned above, you have a huge problem as well.

Simply put, you can only have one thing that is the most important in your life. When I ask my children what is the most important thing in their lives, they know to respond, "God." But just because you know that is the right answer doesn't make it the truthful answer. Total allegiance to a sports team seems easier. You won't find a Packers fans secretly wearing a Bear's jersey. However, we can find Christians secretly hoarding their money or doing things based solely on the love of money.

times, we are merely lukewarm fans of Jesus and not disciples. If we truly have matured in our faith and strengthened our relationship with him, then real commitment comes easier. There will always be a temptation for money to take the place of Jesus, but the more committed we are, the harder it is to allow anything to come between us and our God. The question we all must continually ask ourselves is, "Is God truly the most important thing in my life?"

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS  
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Maybe the problem lies in the fact that, at



## St. Leo

### MASS SCHEDULE

Sundays	11:30am
First Fridays	12:00pm

## St. Anthony

### MASS INTENTIONS

Sat.	9/20	6:00p	For the Parish
Sun.	9/21	9:00a	Shelia Murphy
Mon.	9/22	Noon	For the Parish
Wed.	9/24	5:30P	Fr.Pete Intention
Sat.	9/27	6:00p	† Jesus Sanchez
Sun.	9/28	9:00a	Dick Durand & JoAnne Durand
Mon.	9/29	Noon	For the Parish

Several days are currently available for Mass intention requests. Please contact Mercedes in the office at 532-5556.

### CONFESSIONS

Saturday—5:00pm Monday 11:30—noon

### ROSARY

The Rosary is prayed 30 minutes before the Saturday and Sunday Masses.

### ST. ANTHONY LITURGICAL MINISTERS

	Lector	Ushers	Eucharistic Minister
9/20	Marian Janas	Volunteers	Barbara Holiday
9/21	Joy Tissler	Volunteers	Tim & Sharon Newton
9/27	Barbara Holiday	Volunteers	Wendy Meredith
9/28	Daphne Malcom	Volunteers	Mark Walker Antonio Padilla

If you can not be there, please call a substitute. If you are not included on the schedule, and would like to be, please contact Diana Griffith, 575-2033. The schedule can be found on the website. Jon Malcom will be a substitute lector if needed.

*Happy Birthday*

9/16—John Offe  
9/18—Ron Hughes  
9/19—Sharon Newton

9/23—Mike Cain  
9/24—Doug Janas  
Ron Parker  
9/30—Barbara Holiday

**CELEBRATE!**



### ST. ANTHONY PRAYER CHAIN

If you would like to add someone to the St. Anthony Prayer Chain, please contact Tim Newton 307-331-4086 and/or Kay Walker 307-836-2928.

### ST. ROSE PRAYER REQUESTS

If you have a special prayer request, or would like to be included on the prayer chain as a volunteer to pray for others, please contact Mary Agnes Haagensen at: beacon117@yahoo.com or 308-247-9228.

## St. Rose

### MASS INTENTIONS

Sat.	9/20	8:30a	Leyne George
Sat.	9/20	4:00p	Tierney George
Sun.	9/21	7:00a	For the Parish
Sun.	9/21	9:00a	Connee Quinn
Mon.	9/22	8:30a	Reuben Quinn
Tue.	9/23	8:30a	Radlee Rising
Wed.	9/24	8:30a	Sue Chaulk
Thu.	9/25	8:30a	Tony George
Fri.	9/26	8:30a	Wendy George
Sat.	9/27	8:30a	Kaitlin George
Sat.	9/27	4:00p	† George & Frances Reyes
Sun.	9/28	7:00a	For the Parish
Sun.	9/28	9:00a	Reuben Quinn

### CONFESSIONS

Confessions are heard daily, 30 minutes before every Mass, and on Saturday from 11:30—12:30.

### THIS WEEK AT ST. ROSE OF LIMA

#### Saturday Sept. 20 Ignatius Book Fair

7:30a Rosary  
8:30a Mass  
11:30a Confessions  
4:00p Vigil Mass

#### Wednesday Sept 24 CCD Starts

7:30a Rosary  
8:30a Mass  
4:30p CCD PK—2  
6:30p Confirmation Class  
6:30p Youth Group

#### Sunday Sept. 21 Ignatius Book Fair 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00a Mass  
9:00a Mass  
10:00a CCW Meeting

#### Thursday Sept. 25

7:30a Rosary  
8:30a Mass  
5:30p Bereavement Support Group

#### Monday Sept. 22 Ignatius Book Fair

7:30a Rosary  
8:30a Mass  
6:30p K of C Bingo

#### Friday Sept. 26 Sts. Cosmas & Damian

7:30a Rosary  
8:30a Mass  
9:15a Eucharistic Adoration  
5:30p Stations of the Cross

#### Tuesday Sept. 23 Ignatius Book Fair—Last Day

St. Pius of Pietrecina  
8:30a Mass

#### Saturday Sept. 27 St. Vincent dePaul

7:30a Rosary  
8:30a Mass  
11:30a Confessions  
4:00p Vigil Mass

### GAZA EMERGENCY RELIEF COLLECTION NOTE FROM THE DIOCESE OFFICE

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the Gaza Emergency Relief collections. Due to the urgency of the situation, we have been sending the donations weekly for the past three weeks. So far, we have remitted a total of \$53,474.44, which has been evenly divided between Catholic Relief Services and the Catholic Near East Welfare Association. This is a generous amount, and we still expect more money to be contributed.



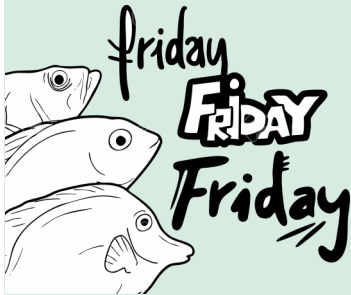
## PRAYER REQUESTS FOR OUR SICK AND DECEASED

**ST. ANTHONY:** Mary McBrier, Ron Parker, Penny Wells, †Emil Kreifels, Vicki Moss, †Margorie Fronapfel

**ST. LEO:** Evelyn Carland, Prosper Etchemendy, Karen Jassman, Frances Tschacher, Richard Waldock, Arlene Rapp, Bill & Patty Matthews, †Mary Freesha, †Barbara Rapp

**ST. ROSE:** Lori Peterson, Roger Busskohl, Ron Cameron, Mary Jones, John Friedlan, Mary Aleman, Andrea Castro, Patricia Reyes, Elena Siqueiros, Teresa Rodriguez, Pablo Acevedo, Barb Pittsley, Toki Castro, Lazaro Deleon, Grayson Shields  
†Frank Weyrich, †Dorothy Zavorka, †Willia Fay Willadsen, †Gabriel Contreras Sr., †Regina Flores, †Nevada Moehr

To update this list, please call/text Tam at 307-286-9663 or call the St. Rose office, 532-5556.



### FISH ON FRIDAY

#### Question:

Why do Catholics eat fish on Friday?

#### Answer:

For centuries, meatless Fridays were the norm for Catholics throughout the world.

Friday was chosen because that was the day on which Jesus died, and Christians wanted to find a way to honor that day with special prayers and acts of penance and self-denial. The practice of abstaining from meat on Fridays — under pain of sin — grew out of that desire, and it became an official part of Church teaching until the time of the Second Vatican Council.

In the 1960s, there was a shift in the Church's thinking, in large part because there was a recognition that differences in cultures and economic realities meant that eating or not eating meat had different meanings for different peoples. For example, in cultures that were largely dependent on seafood or a vegetarian diet, abstaining from meat was no sacrifice at all. While in other places, eating fish and other kinds of seafood was actually something rare and special and not a sacrifice. This was all part of a basic reflection on "why we do what we do" among the Church's pastors.

Today, Catholics throughout the world are still instructed to abstain from meat on the Fridays of Lent. The bishops of some countries, such as in England and Wales, ask Catholics to abstain from meat every Friday, continuing the older tradition. The Bishops of the United States have taken a slightly different approach, encouraging Catholics to honor Friday as a special day by abstaining from meat every Friday or by taking on some other work of penance or charity for the sake of others.

Regardless of what we choose to do, the real value in all of this is to see a reflection of Good Friday in each Friday, to remember the self-giving love of Jesus, and to honor that love through some sort of sacrifice or act of mercy.

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### LIVING AND GIVING 2025

	AMOUNT DUE	PAID SINCE LAST REPORT	TOTAL AMOUNT PAID
St. Rose	\$45,947.00	\$483.41	\$35,483.41
St. Anthony	\$12,687.00	Goal has been met	
St. Leo	\$6,713.00	Goal has been met	

### WEEKLY SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS

Parish	Date	Amount
St. Rose	9/14/25	\$3,404.00
	Retired Religious	\$255.00
	Living & Giving	\$585.00
St. Anthony	9/14/25	\$882.50
	Retired Religious	\$145.00
St. Leo	9/7/25	\$842.00

### ALTAR FLOWERS MINISTRY

9/20	Correas
9/27	Mariana, Sienna, & Camila Sanchez
10/4	Jim & Carol Soeth
10/11	Parish—Confirmation

### HOMEBOUND MINISTERS

9/21	Mercedes Loya Rachel Martin Greg Rutar
9/28	Donna Charron Richard & Holly Lara Sue Schmidt
10/5	Mercedes Loya Rachel Martin Greg Rutar

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS

#### September 20 & 21

Mass	Reader	Greeter/Collection	Eucharistic Minister
4:00p	Jared Hofer	Maureen Baumgartner	Mary Krause
		Robert Baumgartner	Chris Krause
7:00a	Barb Becker	Jim Wagner	Mercedes Loya
		Greg Rutar	Lou Kuhnel
9:00a	Kendra Stienmetz	Bill Schmidt	Riki Sanchez
		Sue Schmidt	Dane Griggs
			Britt Marsh

#### September 27 & 28

Mass	Reader	Greeter/Collection	Eucharistic Minister
4:00p	Maureen Baumgartner	Henrietta Clutter	Maureen Stull
		Ecil Reyes	Robert Baumgartner
7:00a	Lou Kuhnel	Joe Landeros	Rachel Marrtin
		Stan Speckner	Alyce Jolovich
9:00a	Gloria Fitzsimmons	Chris Johnson	Sue Schmidt
		Terri Cochran	Mark Miller
			Tim Pieper



## WELCOME

We hope that you feel at home and among friends here. If you are a visitor for the day, we pray God's speed on your journey. If you are looking for a parish community, we would be delighted to welcome you into our parish family. Please introduce yourselves. To register in one of our parishes, please visit the St. Rose office at 605 East 22nd Ave in Torrington or call 532-5556.

## COMMUNICATION DEADLINES

Additions to the bulletin are due by 7:00AM on Monday. Other forms of communication (website, Flocknote, Facebook) do not have a time constraint.

Contact [triparish.bulletins@gmail.com](mailto:triparish.bulletins@gmail.com), or text/call Tam at 307-286-9663 with any announcement you may have.

## UNTOLD BLESSING: THREE PATHS TO HOLINESS

by Bishop Robert Barron outlines a path to spiritual growth and sanctity through three interconnected stages:

- + Finding the Center
- + Knowing You're a Sinner
- + Realizing Your Life Is Not About You

The work guides one to find their focus in Christ, to humbly acknowledge their imperfections in the light of God's goodness, and to understand their lives as a means to serve God's greater purposes.

All episodes will be sent via Flocknote at 7:00am on the date shown for you to enjoy as time allows. Additionally, each episode will be shown in the St. Rose Parish Library on the date shown at 9:30am. Please enjoy!

Date	Title	Episode	Length
10/2	Intro	1	3:01
10/2	Finding the Center—Part 1	2	19:50
10/9	Finding the Center—Part 2	3	20:21
10/16	Knowing You're a Sinner—Part 1	4	21:20
10/23	Knowing You're a Sinner—Part 2	5	20:38
10/30	Your Life is Not About You—Part 1	6	17:14
11/6	Your Life is Not About You—Part 2	7	23:25

If you haven't signed up for Flocknote, this would be a perfect opportunity. Flocknote is the foremost method of communication for the Tri-Parishes.. To sign up, text the code **SRLTORR** to **84576**

## JESUS, MERCY

### THE JESUS PRAYER, *EXPLAINED!*

The Jesus Prayer is a short invocation of mercy in the name of Jesus: "Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner."

The exact origins of the prayer are unclear. However, it is often attributed to the tradition of Eastern Christianity, possibly via the Desert Fathers (early Christian ascetics who dwelled in Egypt). The prayer has been important to the traditions of both the Eastern Orthodox and the Eastern Catholic faithful. The text echoes the words of the publican in the parable from Luke 18:9-14, whose humble manner of prayer was praised by Jesus. Its short form and simple wording make it ideal for meditative prayer.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church, in paragraph 2667, highlights the Jesus Prayer, saying that "by it the heart is opened to human wretchedness and the Savior's mercy." ©LPI

### ANSWER TO THIS WEEK'S TRIVIA QUESTION

- A. No. Valid matter for hosts is bread made with only wheaten flour and water.
- B. There is no requirement regarding the shape of hosts.
- C. There is no requirement that anything be embossed on hosts. The letters *IHS* do not stand for "In His Service" but for the name of Jesus, which are taken from the first three letters of his name in Greek (iota, eta, sigma) and recast in Latin letters.
- D. Only wheaten flour mixed with plain water may be used to make hosts. If anything else is added to the mix in a notable quantity—meaning that you can notice that it's there—the resultant bread is invalid because in common estimation, it no longer would be plain wheat bread. Thus, notable amounts of sugar, salt, baking soda, or honey—not to mention nuts or fruits or any grains other than wheat—will make the bread invalid matter for Mass (See paragraph 48 of the 2004 instruction *Redemptionis Sacramentum* {*The Sacrament of Redemption*}, which was issued by the Congregation for Divine Worship.) The only exception to this is leaven. Eastern Catholic Churches use leavened bread, while the Western or Roman Church uses unleavened bread. The presence or absence of leaven doesn't affect validity.
- E. Answer e is correct.

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**PRAY**  
ON IT  
**PRAY**  
OVER IT  
**PRAY**  
THROUGH IT

# ST. ROSE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

## Remember: CCD & Youth Group begin September 24

### WAYS to Help our KIDDOS

#### CCD SNACKS

On Wednesday afternoon, there are 35 hungry kiddos who arrive at CCD. Would you like to sign up to feed them? Bring 35 snack and drinks at the parish kitchen by 3:30pm. Sign up here.



CCD Afternoon Snack Signups

#### CCD MEALS

Dining together every Wednesday as a CCD family has blessed our program in more ways than can be counted. Would you like to sign up? Each signup would include dinner and dessert for 100 people; paper products are provided by the parish.



CCD Meal Signups

Megan will send a reminder when the time comes. Thank you for your generosity.

Or

Donate money electronically instead of buying the food. Here's your code.



If you would prefer to donate money the good old-fashioned way, please put it in the basket or take it to the office with a memo indicating its purpose.



### MAIN STREET MARKET RECEIPTS

Help us support our Religious Education program by saving Main Street Market receipts! Your contributions make a difference.

You can conveniently drop off your receipts in the collection boxes located in the back of the church, at the parish office, or in the religious education building. Thank you for your support and generosity! Together, we can make a positive impact.



### Virtual Ignatius Book Fair



Looking for wholesome and engaging books for your kids or grandkids this school year? The book fair is going on until Tuesday. You have access to hundreds of religious and

non religious books for ages preschool through high school. There is something for everyone with both fiction and nonfiction titles will available. All books purchased through the book fair will receive free shipping to St. Rose and may be picked up upon arrival. This is your chance to get quality reading material for all of the children in your lives (and don't forget about Christmas. If you have any questions, please contact Mandy at (307) 575-9626.

### TRIVIA CHALLENGE

#### HOSTS USED FOR COMMUNION

- A. Can be made of any kind of bread
- B. Have to be shaped as small disks
- C. Must be embossed with the letters HIS, which stands for "In His Service".
- D. May be made with additives such as sugar, salt, baking soda, or honey
- E. None of the above.



#### YOU ARE NEEDED AT ADORATION

The following slots are available:

11:30am -12:30pm  
1:30pm—2:30-pm  
3:30pm—4:30pm

4:15pm—5:15pm

Please contact Mercedes, in the office.

By using this code you are able to donate electronically to:

- † St. Rose
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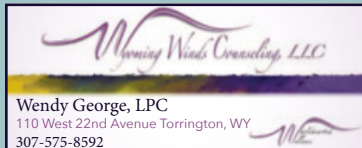
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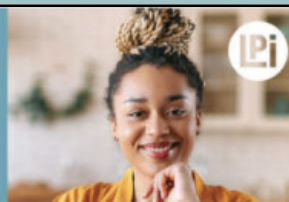
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