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September 27, 2026

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, September 27

8:00 am ***Eleanor Reindl ~ 3 Year Anniversary of Death***

10:00 am Mass at St John's Dorothy Fellion

Tuesday, September 29

8:15 am Communion Service at St John's with Dcn Rich Matuszak

Wednesday, September 30

8:15 am No Services or Mass at St John's

9:00 am ***Holy Communion Outside of Mass***

Thursday, October 1

8:15 am No Services or Mass at St John's

Friday, October 2

8:15 am ***Alois & Dorothy Leisgang and Ollie, Bob & Helen
From Jill & Dan Carey***

Saturday, October 3

4:00 pm Mass at St John's Gerald Saindon & Deceased Members
of the Saindon & Mueller Families

Sunday, October 4

8:00 am ***Gary & Dori Kropp and Leona & Rick De Ruyter
From Jim & Jodi***

10:00 am Mass at St John's Gary Schaumberg & Deceased Family

The September Bulletin
is Sponsored in Memory of
**Donald Vande Hei
& Jane Angrabright**
Love, The Helen Vande Hei
Family



A Prayer for Priests

"The priesthood is the love of
the heart of Jesus."

- St. Jean Vianney

Jesus Christ,

Great High Priest,

You are able to sympathize

with our human weakness

Strengthen your priests

for the work of ministry.

You healed, proclaimed, and

taught. Renew your priests

in their concern for the poor,

zeal for the Gospel, and

personal witness to virtue.

You instituted the

sacraments as signs of

heavenly grace.

Make holy your priests

for this sacred service.

You bore our sufferings and

sins upon yourself.

May your priests remain

close to the broken-hearted.

Jesus Christ, Great High

Priest, bring your priests ever

closer to your Sacred Heart.

Amen.

Virtues, Explained!

Our God is just — but our God is also merciful. Practicing the virtue of equity means striving to imitate God in both these important aspects.

Governments draft legislation and authorities enforce laws in an attempt to create a system of rules and regulations that will ensure the common good. But we live in a fallen world, and there will never be a perfect justice system. Following one law will demand much more of one man than it does another, just the same as breaking one law will be easier for one woman than it is for another — and exacting punishment for the sake of punishment is never justice.

The virtue of equity is practiced by those who attend to the letter of the law, but who do so using their God-given human faculties and the mercy required of a Christian. To practice equity is to look at the whole picture — especially the divinely crafted person at the center of it.

"When John came to you in the way of righteousness, you did not believe him; but tax collectors and prostitutes did. Yet even when you saw that, you did not later change your minds and believe him." — Mt 21:32

INCOME FOR WEEK:

Church Support	\$ 775.00
Loose Collection	\$ 235.00
Votives	\$ 17.00
Christian Women Dues	\$ 12.00
RE Program- Sacramental Fee	\$ 30.00
Cemetery Maintenance	\$ 50.00

DISBURSEMENTS FOR WEEK:

RE Catechist Dinner - Reimbursement	\$ 308.77
Salvation Army Giving Tree Gifts	\$ 300.00
RE Breakfast - Reimbursement	\$ 200.00
Robinson Heating & Cooling	\$ 498.16
Abitz Water Service	\$ 2404.88
Lawnmower Fuel - Reimbursement	\$ 39.38
St. Therese of the Little Flower	\$ 805.97
WeShare CC Fees	\$ 5.29

Liturgical Schedule**Sunday, October 4 8:00am****Lector** Pat Posbrig**Distributor** Don Eisenreich

Servers Ella Ambrosius
Saddie Ambrosius
Olivia Ambrosius

Ushers Dick Stedl
Brennin Wojcik

**Live The Liturgy
Inspiration of the Week**

The owner of the vineyard gave both his sons the same opportunity. Only one took it, even though he had rejected it at first. Always remember: it is never too late to do the will of God. He waits for you.

**St Sebastian ~ 2027 Fiscal Year
Monthly Stewardship & Expense Report**

Ordinary Revenue	August	Year to Date
Parish Support	\$9,261	\$18,546
Offerings & Other Unrestricted Income	\$ 933	\$ 1,470
Total Revenue	\$10,194	\$20,016
Ordinary Expenses		
Worship, Music, non-Religious Ed Catechis	\$699	\$1,155
Personnel Expenses and Salaries	\$5,915	\$12,292
Purchased Services and Supplies	\$118	\$1,873
Utilities	\$1,052	\$1,868
Building and Grounds	\$379	\$1,801
General and Office Expenses	\$647	\$1,151
Diocesan Assessments	\$806	\$1,499
Other Expenses	\$102	\$214
Parish Donations	-	\$143
Total Expenses	\$9,687	\$21,996
Revenue Net of Expense	\$506	\$ (1,981)

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

What was the relationship among the three children who witnessed Mary's apparition at Fátima?

Answer: Sister, Brother, and Cousin

Perpetual Monthly Giving Calendar
Seymour Food Pantry
St Vincent de Paul to collect & deliver.

SEPTEMBER: Peanut Butter & Jelly**Matthew 21:28 32**

This Sunday, Jesus tells a short, uncomfortable story. A father asks two sons to go work in the vineyard. One says no, but later goes. The other says yes, but never shows up. It is a parable so simple, we almost miss how sharp it is. Jesus is clear about who it is for. This is not aimed at pagans or outsiders. It is aimed squarely at religious people, people who know the right words and sound obedient.

Jesus is not condemning unbelief so much as disobedience. The polite hypocrisy that says the right things while quietly resisting the Father's will. St. John Chrysostom put it bluntly, "Not words, but deeds, are what God requires. Nothing so exasperates Him as insincere obedience, while nothing so delights Him as repentance." Every disciple must face that mirror. Do I publicly profess faith in Christ while privately resisting what He asks of me? It is easy to say, I believe in God in my heart. But if faith never becomes action, it slowly becomes an illusion. Jesus does not expose hypocrisy to shame us. He reveals it to heal us. He wants our hearts and our deeds to speak the same word, to let our yes truly mean yes. Like the second son who initially refused but afterwards changed his mind and went, Jesus invites us to step into the Father's will, however late, however imperfectly. Challenge: Where are your public faith and private obedience divided? Where do you say, I will go, but never enter the vineyard? Go, get to work, even if it is late. The Father's vineyard is still open. — Father John Muir