

## Focusing the gospel

On the Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time we hear Paul exhorting the Philippians, “Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus,” offering us a powerful image of Jesus' humble, self-less service. In Matthew's Gospel Jesus offers a story about two sons, one who agrees to work in the vineyard but doesn't; the other who tells his father he will not work but then quietly goes to work. It is a story that challenges the chief priests and elders of the people, “Tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you.”

This week we celebrate memorials of the Guardian Angels, Saint Francis of Assisi, and Our Lady of the Rosary.

The first readings continue with the prophet Zechariah of the period of recovery after the exile. “They shall be my people, and I will be their God, with faithfulness and justice.” The Book of Nehemiah, like Ezra, chronicles this history. The prophet Baruch gives us a prayer of the people in captivity and God's reply, “Fear not, my children; call out to God!”

We continue reading Luke's Gospel, as the disciples argue about who is the greatest. Jesus points out a young child and asks them to strive to be the “least” not the greatest. Jesus stops his disciples from preventing people, not of their group, from healing, because they are with Jesus, too. He stops the disciples from “calling down fire from heaven” on the Samaritan people who didn't give them a good reception. People come up, offering to follow Jesus, but have excuses for why they can't do it now. Jesus calls them to not “look back” once they have said, “yes.” He sends his disciples to other towns: “The harvest is rich but the workers are few.” Jesus warns the people blessed by the graces of his visits there, but who have not changed their ways. He prays, “I give you praise, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to the childlike.”

*Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer” on Creighton University's Online Ministries Website: <http://www.creighton.edu/collaborativeministry/prayer>. Used with permission.*

### “Oh Come Let Us Adore Him.”

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"...In this world I cannot see the Most High Son of God with my own eyes, except for His Most Holy Body and Blood."- St. Francis of Assisi

Volunteers needed for the following hours:

Sunday - 2 a.m.

Monday - 9 a.m., 7 & 8 p.m.

Tuesday - 8 a.m.

Wednesday - 7 a.m.

Friday - 6 p.m.

Saturday - 1 a.m., 2 a.m., 6 p.m. & 9 p.m.

For more details, call Jana at 945-5379.

### Please Remember In Prayer:

Sr. Lucille Kerschen  
Juanita Mans  
Jim Ridder  
Sue Warren  
Regina Gaytan  
Jim Monroe  
Leroy Nedeau  
Ruth Freund  
Joan Kandt  
Peggy Bowen  
Doug Howell  
Betty Sherlock  
Dorothy Dotterer



Nancy Smith  
Nell Ball  
Doug Stuhlsatz  
Don Williams  
Tim Chadd

Rolly Chadd  
Nancy Bradley  
Vernie Bloch  
Dave Rohlman  
Sandy Gleeson  
Jim Flanigan  
Sarah Bigley  
Jeff Dyer  
Tim Holden  
JoAnn Heimerman  
Patricia Ardissonne  
Marilyn Jordan  
+Carolyn Eastland



### United in Prayer

St. Joseph Family

Rosary Crusade

12,910 decades prayed

Please join us in praying for our parish families and the poor souls. Decade cards are available in the vestibule of the church.

## Weekly Readings

Mon.	10/02: Zec 8:1-8, Ps 102:16-23, Mt 18:1-10
Tues.	10/03: Zec 8:20-23, Ps 87:1-7, Lk 9:51-56
Wed.	10/04: Neh 2:1-8, Ps 137:1-6, Lk 9:57-62
Thur.	10/05: Neh 8:1-12, Ps 19:8-11, Lk 10:1-12
Fri.	10/06: Bar 1:15-22, Ps 79:1-9, Lk 10:13-16
Sat.	10/07: Bar 4:5-29, Ps 69:33-37, Lk 10:17-24
Sun.	10/08: Is 5:1-7, Ps 80:9-20, Phil 4:6-9, Mt 21:33-43

## Thank you for your gift of treasure! July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018

Weekly Collection 9/24/2017	\$10,370.29
Weekly tithe amount needed	\$13,483.09
Surplus or (Deficit) YTD	(\$12,968.26)
<b>CMI Fund</b>	<b>\$8,107.00</b>
<b>2017-2018 Fiscal Year</b>	
<b>Roof &amp; Climate Control Repairs</b>	<b>(\$15,242.27)</b>
<b>(cost so far this fiscal year)</b>	
<b>CMI Balance</b>	<b>(\$7,229.27)</b>
<i>(Campus Maintenance &amp; Improvement Fund)</i>	

In today's Gospel, Jesus suggests that there are two types of "followers": the first is the one who says he will follow the law of the LORD, but he does not follow through; the second one says he does not wish to follow the law of the LORD, but changes his mind and does so. Jesus' question is a difficult one for us today. Stewardship is obviously the right way of life, but it is sometimes a difficult one. Many people find that, while they intend to live the stewardship way of life, they don't ever get around to it. The good news is that it is not too late! Psalm 25 says, "...teach me your paths, guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my savior." When we know the right path, and recognize we are not on it, we must be diligent to correct our behavior.

## Prayers for Our Military

Please pray for all members of the military,  
especially our parishioners:

<i>Jay Schoen</i>	<i>Tony Jeffress</i>	<i>Jonathan Burke</i>
<i>Sam Francis</i>	<i>Matt Mork</i>	<i>Timothy Collier</i>
<i>Justin Light</i>	<i>Jeff Cranor</i>	<i>Nicholas Gerhold</i>
	<i>Trevor Samples</i>	

## Holy Mass Schedule & Intentions

### Monday, October 2

The Holy Guardian Angels

6:45 a.m. House of Formation Mass - Public welcome  
8:15 a.m. Mass +Nguyen V. Sans

### Tuesday, October 3

6:45 a.m. House of Formation Mass - Public welcome  
6:00 p.m. Mass +Anna Au Kieu

### Wednesday, October 4

Saint Francis of Assisi

8:15 a.m. Mass +Catherine Simon

### Thursday, October 5

*Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos*

6:45 a.m. House of Formation Mass - Public welcome  
8:15 a.m. Mass +Wilma McDonough

### First Friday, October 6

*Saint Bruno, Blessed Marie Rose Durocher*

6:45 a.m. House of Formation Mass - Public welcome  
8:15 a.m. Mass S.I. Hilda Maria Carzras Gonzalez  
6:00 p.m. Mass +Bill Babich

### First Saturday, October 7

Our Lady of the Rosary

8:15 a.m. Mass - Respect Life  
4:00 p.m. Mass +Alice Mertens

### Sunday, October 8

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:15 a.m. Mass The People of St. Joseph  
10:00 a.m. Mass +Marita Flanigan

## Ministry Schedule October 7th & 8th

4:00 PM

(S) Linda Bolster  
(L1) Mike McDanel  
(L2) Katie Gruver  
(H) Corrinna Irvin  
(C1) Mike Irvin  
(C2) Jeff Dyer

(Rosary) Linda Bolster  
(M. Server) Volunteer needed  
(Candle 1) Zach Stickney  
(Candle 2) James Janzen  
(GB) Angie Bolster-Epps

8:15 AM

(S) Charlie Deitchler  
(L1) Bonnie Setzkorn  
(L2) Larry Setzkorn  
(H) Sr. Nancy Jane Kuntz  
(C1) Sandy Bugner  
(C2) Bill Bugner

(Rosary) Ken Sueper  
(M. Server) Minnie Schreffler  
(Candle 1) Dan Wagner  
(Candle 2) Joe Wagner  
(GB) LeFevre Family

10:00 AM

(S) Jack Johnson  
(L1) Julie Sanders  
(L2) Janet Walsh  
(H) John Riddel  
(C1) Bridget Sublett  
(C2) Bert Purcell

(Rosary) Florence Marx  
(M. Server) Matthew Redick  
(Candle 1) Joshua Schnoor  
(Candle 2) Emma Dowell  
(GB) Robin & Donna Riddel

## Curriculum Fair at Bishop Carroll

Bishop Carroll Catholic High School (BCCHS) will host a Curriculum Fair Fri, Nov 10th, 8:00 a.m. to noon. This event introduces prospective students to BCCHS. Sessions highlight activities, clubs, curriculum & responsibilities of students at BCCHS. Registration begins in the Activities Complex (Door 4) at 7:30 a.m., with celebration of the Eucharist beginning promptly at 8:00 a.m.

All eighth grade students are invited to attend. If your eighth grader would like to participate, & is not currently enrolled in a Catholic grade school, contact the Counseling via email at [mckenzieususan@bcchs.org](mailto:mckenzieususan@bcchs.org) or phone 316.729.5278.

**The recommended reservation deadline for the Curriculum Fair is October 19th, 2017.**

## Thank you to this Parish Dinner Sponsor

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Jennifer (Keiter) Burtch, Proprietor

## St. Vincent de Paul

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a Catholic lay ministry that focuses on helping those in need. Please consider joining us at our next meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, October 2nd in the Mother Teresa room, or by supporting us with financial donations which can be given through the parish office,

*Be still and know that I am God.*

*Psalm 46:10*

## Spiritual Life Center

**12 Steps—A Spiritual Journey** Wednesdays, starting Oct. 4; 10 a.m.-noon. A program of healing and renewal for adults who grew up in repressive or dysfunctional families. - 30 sessions taking place over 7 months. Helpful workbook available for \$20 and donations accepted for program. Registration open through Oct. 12th. Evening sessions also available that started Thursday, Sept. 28 (registration still open).

**Praying the Rosary for Inner Healing** Thursdays; starting Oct. 5; 1:30-3 p.m. or 7-8:30 p.m. This course reveals a powerful and personal approach to using the Rosary as a process of transformation and healing. Meets each Thursday through October 26. \$40. Register early to insure materials!

**Series: Finding Happiness in Marriage** Six Mondays; starting Oct. 9; 7-8:30 p.m. Spouses are invited to grow closer to each other and to God in this Fall series! This class uses the new program *Beloved* from the Augustine Institute. Only \$30 per couple

**Thomas Merton: A Hermit in Times Square** Thursday, Oct. 12; 7-9 p.m. Father Ken VanHaverbeke will present this discussion offering insights to how Merton lived a life between two poles, and offer some suggestions of how we can too find balance in our lives. \$15

**A Retreat in Nature with Thomas Merton** Oct. 13-15; A special weekend retreat led by director Fr. Ken Vanhaverbeke that takes participants through the writings and teachings of Thomas Merton. The retreat will include time under the stars and out on our nature trails in prayer. \$100

**KidsPrayToo! Mass with Children** Thursday, Oct. 19; 11:15 a.m. Children and their caregivers are invited to this special daily Mass dedicated specifically to the littlest among us. Pack a lunch to enjoy in our courtyard or dining room afterwards if you like. No charge.

*Advance registration requested. For more info and to register, visit [www.slcwichita.org](http://www.slcwichita.org) or call 316.744.0167.*