# September 15 – Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



# Exaltation of the Holy Cross LIFT HIGH THE CROSS

On Friday, August 14, the Church celebrated the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Christ is exalted, "lifted up" on the cross. He is exalted for he is our salvation, our life and our resurrection. We glory in the cross of Christ Jesus; he is a king lifted up and crowned triumphant upon the throne of the tree of life.

Catechumens are signed with the cross, and we begin every Mass with this sign of Christ and of Christian life. Do you begin each day with the sign of the cross? Do you trace it on the foreheads of your children and grandchildren? Wear this sign of our faith proudly.





Today the Church is celebrating Catechetical Sunday with the theme "Stay With Us." The words of this theme were spoken by the two disciples to Jesus as they were walking to the village of Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35). They urged Jesus to stay with them.

This is a day to celebrate and pray for the Church's mission to teach the Gospel to all people. It is also a day to pray for all of our catechists who have responded to the call to share the gift of faith with others, especially to your children and youth, even as they deepen their own faith. May God who ultimately called them, send the Holy Spirit to inspire and guide them.

May Jesus stay with them and with you this Catechetical Year!

# **PRAYER SERVICES**

Wed., Sept. 18	7:45 AM	Morning Prayer
Fri., Sept. 20	7:45 AM	Morning Prayer

# **MASS INTENTIONS**

Sat., Sept. 14	4 PM	Kenny Walke
Sun., Sept. 15	10 AM	Andy Huff
Sat., Sept. 21	4 PM	Violet Walters
Sun., Sept. 22	10 AM	Phil Wittich

# **LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

# Saturday - September 21 at 4:00 PM

Greeters: Brian and Karen Horan

Nathan and Courtney Wagner

Server: Macey Moorman

Cantors: Joe Wagner, Sarah Wenning Lectors: Dottie Hellmich, Jane Pictor

Euch. Ministers: Gene Moorman, John Wagner Janet Wagner, Beth Simon

# Sunday – September 22 at 10:00 AM

Greeters: Daniel and Becca Harlemert

Mike and Janice Simon

Servers: Shaylee Volz, Luke Simon Cantors: Wayne and Susan Schutte

Lectors: Paige Simon, Cindy Weisenbach
Euch. Ministers: Rita Kress, Dana Newhart
Amy Kinker, Jodi Muckerheide

# PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes	<u> </u>	\$2295.00	
Children's Envelopes	\$	6.67	
Loose Collection	Ψ	288.00	
Total Regular Collection		2589.67	

### \$3,193.00 needed weekly to meet budget.

Special Collections

\$1539.00

+ Religious Education - \$1018.00

+ Bake Sale - \$521.00

#### Thank You!

"Our human will is too weak to conquer its own evil. Just as the sick need medicine outside of themselves, we need a teacher for our minds, we need a physician for our bodies, and we need a redeemer for our souls, a redeemer outside of humanity with all its weakness, sin, and rebellion." ~ Fulton Sheen

**STEWARDSHIP** – We can hear God speaking to us today in the words of the father to his elder son: "You are with me always, and everything I have is yours." What is my response to such remarkable generosity? Do I give joyfully and generously as God gives to me?

**SANCTUARY LIGHT** – The sanctuary light will burn September 15 through September 22 for Doug Johnston.

<u>THANK YOU</u> – To all the people who donated baked items for the bake sale last weekend and helped set up and worked, we sincerely appreciate everything!

<u>FAITH FORMATION</u> – Thursday, September 19, 4:30 PM is the next Faith Formation Committee Meeting.

<u>**DID YOU READ**</u> – In last week's bulletin, two projects were listed: the replacing of several rectory windows at a cost of \$2,487.00, and a new cemetery fence on the east side of the cemetery for \$4,230.00. The charity gaming account will be used for the windows, and the cemetery account for the new fence. Thank you for your continued giving to the parish.

<u>**RELIGIOUS ED**</u> – Classes for Preschool through Grade 5, Wednesday, September 18, 6:45 PM.

Classes for Grades 6 through 11, next Sunday, September 22, 8:30 AM.

<u>FALL RUMMAGE SALE</u> – As you are cleaning out your closets this fall, please keep our October 4th and 5th Rummage Sale in mind. We will need good, clean household items, clothes, toys, plants, etc. We no longer accept old-style television sets or mattresses.

**FOOD FOR THOUGHT** – There is a story about a troubled old man. Life seemed to hand him one jolt after another, but he faced each obstacle with a smile and a cheery disposition.

An acquaintance of the man finally asked him how he managed to stay so happy despite his hardships. The old man quickly answered: "Well, the Bible often says, 'And it came to pass,' but never once does it say, 'It came to stay."



<u>THE LORD'S LAUGHTER</u> – In Florida, an atheist hired an attorney to bring a discrimination case against the Christians' and Jews' observance of Easter and Passover. Their argument was that it is unfair that atheists have no such recognized days.

The case was brought before a judge. After listening to the passionate presentation by the lawyer, the judge banged his gavel, declaring, "Case dismissed!"

The lawyer immediately stood and objected to the ruling: "Your honor, how can you possibly dismiss this case? The Christians have Christmas, Easter, and other holidays. The Jews have Passover, Yom Kippur and Hanukkah; yet my client and all other atheists have no such holidays."

The judge replied, "But you do. Your client, counselor, is woefully ignorant. The calendar says April 1st is April Fool's Day. Psalm 14:1 states, 'The fool says in his heart, there is no God.' Thus, it is the opinion of this court, that if your client says there is no God, then he is a fool. Therefore, April 1st is his day. Court is adjourned." (The Joyful Noiseletter)