September 9 – Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Jesus Took the Man Off by Himself Away from the Crowd."



Jesus, take us away, by ourselves, from the many, and bestow grace into our hearts.

We want to know you everywhere. In the crash of waves, the call of a friend, the cry of the poor.

> Touch our tongues. Open our deaf ears.

Let us hear and speak the truth and peace of the Word that you are.

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SUNDAY REFLECTIONS

While Pope Francis visited a parish in Rome, a young boy named Emanuele asked if his late father, an atheist, was in heaven. When he began to cry, the pope invited the boy to whisper into the pope's ear. With permission, Francis shared their conversation: "A boy that inherited the strength of his father also had the courage to cry in front of all of us. If this man was able to create children like this, it's true that he is a good man ... That man did not have the gift of faith. He wasn't a believer, but he had his children baptized. He had a good heart." The pope asked the group if they thought God would abandon a good man. The children of the parish shouted, "No." Then the pope said: "There, Emanuele, that is the answer." (Deacon Dick Folger)

PRAYER SERVICES

Wed., Sept. 12 7:45 AM NO Morning Prayer Fri., Sept. 14 7:45 AM **NO Morning Prayer**

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Sept. 8	4 PM	Mark & Julie Eckstein
Sun., Sept. 9	10 AM	Louis Dickman
Sat., Sept. 15	4 PM	Kenny Walke
Sun., Sept. 16	10 AM	Edward A. Newhart

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday – September 15 at 4:00 PM

Greeters: Paul and Beth Simon

Ken and Dottie Hellmich

Kayla Simon Server: Cantor: Scott Simon

Lectors: Terry Harmeyer, Judy Steuri

Euch. Ministers: Roseann Wirth, Amanda Sutton Beth Simon, Katy Schmidt

Sunday – September 16 at 10:00 AM

Greeters: Jeff and Cindy Weisenbach - back

David and Jenny Hardesty - back

Duke and Keri Johnson - side

Servers: Shaylee Volz, Spencer Johnson

Cantor: Rachel Toops

Lectors: Greg Wagner, Sharon Miller Euch. Ministers: Paige Simon, Leslie Hicks

Ray Merkel, Cindy Weisenbach

PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes	\$3381.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 10.56
Loose Collection	\$ 337.25
Total Regular Collection	\$3728.81
Capital Improvement	\$600.00
Assumption	\$100.00

Thank You!

"You cannot make yourself feel something you do not feel, but you can make yourself do right in spite of your feelings." ~ Pearl S. Buck

"If you have so many defects, why are you surprised to find defects in others?" ~ St. Josemaria Escriva

STEWARDSHIP – The good steward must not show favoritism. The rich may have many material gifts to share, but St. James reminds us in the second reading that God has chosen the world's poor to be rich in faith and inheritors of God's kingdom.

<u>SANCTUARY LIGHT</u> – The sanctuary light will burn September 9 through September 16 for Helen Schutte.

<u>SECOND COLLECTION</u> – A second collection will be taken up this weekend for our Religious Ed Program. Monies from this help buy supplies and books for our students. Your donation is greatly appreciated!

<u>OFFICE</u> – Sister Shirley will be out of the office this week and will return all phone calls and requests upon her return.

<u>RELIGIOUS EDUCATION</u> – Classes for Preschool through Grade 5 will begin Wednesday, September 12, 6:45 PM. The children will start off with a Prayer Service in church at 6:45. No meals will be served until October.

Classes for Grades 6 through 11 will meet next Sunday, September 16, 8:30 AM.

This year, the junior/senior high school students will be sending cards and care packages to our college students. Please send us the address of your college student and/or any questions to Joyce Muckerheide, 812-363-5929.

PRAYER LINE – We are always looking for more **"pray-ers"** for our Prayer Line. If interested, please call Arlene Gehl or Marita Billman. Their phone numbers in the Pictorial Directory.

FALL RAFFLE – You will soon receive your tickets for the Fall Raffle. Thank the committee and donors for these prizes worth more than \$9,000 by selling or taking your tickets. The 2018-2019 budget relies upon monies received from this raffle.

<u>RCIA</u> – Classes for the study of the Catholic Faith will begin at the end of September. These classes are for anyone interested in learning more about their faith or for those who are thinking of joining the faith.

<u>FALL RUMMAGE SALE</u> – The Martha and Mary Circle will have their annual Fall Rummage Sale on Friday, October 5, and Saturday, October 6. Donations of good clean clothing, fall plants, and household items are needed. Please keep this in mind as you do your fall cleaning!

<u>THE LORD'S LAUGHTER</u> – A couple invited their pastor for Sunday dinner. While the couple was in the kitchen preparing the meal, the pastor asked their little son what they were having for dinner.

"Goat," the boy replied.

"Goat?" replied the startled pastor.

"Are you sure about that?"

"Yep," said the youngster. "I heard Dad say to Mom, 'Might as well have the old goat for dinner today as any other day.'" (via Rev. Bill Park, Bethany, OK, from his book Go Ahead and Laugh!)

