

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 9, 2007

Mass Intentions

<i>Mon.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Edwin Vaclavik
<i>Tue.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Geraldine O'Neill
	10 A.M.	Gus Machart
<i>Wed.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Barbara Stary
	8:15 A.M.	Willie, Roger & Mary Ann Immenhauser
<i>Thu.</i>	6:30 A.M.	June Ohrt
<i>Fri.</i>	6:30 A.M.	Lois Grubert
	10 A.M.	Lena Bolom
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Joe & Viola Brown
<i>Sun.</i>	8 A.M.	Irene Mican
	10 A.M.	Vaney Jalufka
	11:30 A.M.	Parish Family <i>Pro Populo</i>

Sanctuary Candle Intention

The Sanctuary Candles will burn this week for those grieving the loss of loved ones.

Remember in your prayers...

Agnes Culak, Dorothy Kremling, Joe Netardus, Carlos Mata, Sabrina Castro, Felix Villareal, Selena Ramirez, Joe Trojcek, Tom Nunez, Bea Brookover, Charlie J. Myers, Susan Slack, David Vera, Gary Lacina, Agatha Conrow, Celia Cisneros, Neil Campbell, Marissa Maciel, John Torres, Henrietta Pesek, C.B. Jacobs, Rosie Dobbs

Your Gift to God

St. Joseph Parish Support	\$5,221.81
Building Fund	\$418
Diocesan Retired/Infirm Priests	\$515.77
St. Ann Parish Support	\$906.50
Building Fund	\$125
Diocesan Retired/Infirm Priests	\$77

Gabriel Project Angel Training

Saturday, October 27, O.L. Lourdes, 9 A.M.-3 P.M.

Anyone interested in attending please call Elva Rivera at 361-652-6274 or Esther Trevino at 361-655-9551 to register. If you would like more information about the Gabriel Project, call Janet Adamek at 293-7860.

Meeting about Yoakum Concerns

If you are interested in the welfare of the Yoakum community, our children and grandchildren, then you are encouraged to attend the "concerned citizens" meeting with a panel of local dignitaries on Saturday, Sept. 15th at the Gibson Center from 2 P.M. – 4 P.M.

Liturgical Assignments

Lectors

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Dawne Wendel
<i>Sun.</i>	8 A.M.	Dianna Darilek
	10 A.M.	Mark Jemelka
	11:30 A.M.	Teresita Hernandez

Offertory Gifts

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Henry & Wanda Zabransky
<i>Sun.</i>	8 A.M.	Albert & Suzanne Sestak
	10 A.M.	Fred & Gloria Lerma

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	David & Sherri Spaeth, Wanda Zabransky
<i>Sun.</i>	8 A.M.	Robert & Jerrie Kacir, Barbara Renken
	10 A.M.	Jimmy & Shirley Mudd, Georgia Kutach
	11:30 A.M.	Nina Arriaga

Ushers/Hospitality

<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Charles & Diane Havlik, Robert & Gladys Jiral
<i>Sun.</i>	8 A.M.	Emil Blaschke, Janet Zabransky, Dennis & Shirley Kocian
	10 A.M.	Glenn & Darlene Renken, David & JoAnn Muehlstein
	11:30 A.M.	Carla Rosales, Alice Nunez

Altar Servers

<i>Wed.</i>	8:15 A.M.	Anna Kvinta, Reagan Renken, Lane Faust
<i>Sat.</i>	5 P.M.	Alisha, Sarah & Kelley Kusak
<i>Sun.</i>	8 A.M.	Preston Kocian, Ben Drozd, Skyler Nobles
	10 A.M.	Adam & Ryan Kvinta, Brandye Jemelka
	11:30 A.M.	Emmanuel & Roger Castro, Rhiana Solis

XX Annual Catechesis Conference

The XX Annual Conference for Catechesis and Ministry will be held Saturday, September 29th at Holy Family Parish in Victoria. Registration forms are available through the parish office. Early registration (\$14) ends on September 24.

ACTS Gathering

The women's ACTS monthly gathering will be in Yoakum at 7 P.M. in the Family Center on September 11th.

Women's ACTS

Registration forms for the Women's ACTS retreat (November 8-11) may be found in the Church entrance.

CRU Youth Gathering

A CRU youth Gathering will be held this Sunday, September 9th from 6:30 P.M.-8 P.M. at the Parish Family Center. T-shirts are in and can be picked up at this time. There are extras available at \$12.50.

Capital Campaign Reception Note

There has been some confusion as to the scheduled Sunday reception (on the 16th) after the Spanish Mass. It will primarily be for Spanish language speakers, although everyone is welcome. The two receptions on Wednesday (19th) will be in English.

K.C. "3rd Annual" Sportsman Raffle

The 3rd Annual Sportsman Raffle will be held Sunday, October 7th at the Chicken BBQ Dinner. \$10 per ticket. Raffle tickets are available at the Parish Office, First State Bank, or Yoakum National Bank.

Capital Campaign Committee

Those on the committee for the Capital Campaign are reminded of an organizational meeting on Tuesday, September 11th for the RSVP phone calls for the upcoming receptions.

Knights of Columbus Meeting

The Knights will have their regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, September 12th at the K.C. Hall. Officers will meet at 6:30 P.M. and the regular meeting will begin at 7:30 P.M. Clean-up time is 3 P.M. at the Hall.

K.C. BBQ Plates-to-Go

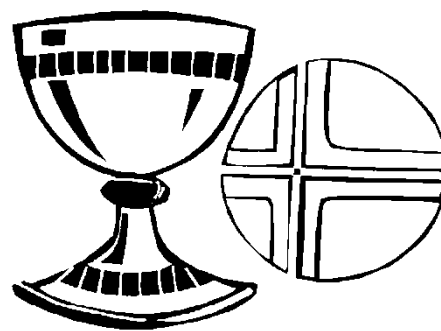
The Yoakum K.C.s will have their BBQ Chicken plates-to-go on Sunday, October 7th from 11 A.M. – 1 P.M. at the Yoakum Community Center. Donation is \$6. Tickets may be purchased at the Parish Office, First State Bank or Yoakum National Bank.

Take a look...

When you have a moment or two, stop by the Church and give it a good "looking over." In the 11 years or so since the major renovation work was done, much has held up...and much needs attention. Roofing leaks, plaster cracks/peeling, statuary peeling, carpet soiling and staining, stained glass warping and cracking, and ceiling fans "clicking" their last hours away with age and use...all of these are just a few of the ongoing maintenance issues we will begin to have to address in the coming year. We must do our best at preserving and safeguarding our Church building.

Appreciation & Gratitude

We want to recognize and express our appreciation to all of the many volunteers who are giving of their time and talent in sharing the faith through our CCD/Faith Formation program. Sometimes parents take for granted that the staff and teachers in our program also have a full day's responsibilities and family duties of their own. After long days of work they generously come and offer their gifts in handing on the faith to our youth. We need more parents to involve themselves in this work and be ready to assist.



Our Prayer for Vocations

A venerable tradition here is the recitation of the prayer for vocations after Holy Communion. We must all cooperate in working and praying for vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated life in particular. There has been a desire on the part of the Church to maintain the Liturgy in its true sense...that is...without additions or aspects that do not form part of the official prayer of the Church. This does not mean that special events/Masses cannot be personalized...just that the regular "public" worship of the Church shares the unity found in the form dictated in the Roman Missal. And since after these decades of saying the prayer together we should know it by heart, we will discontinue the public recitation at Mass. The time period "post" Communion will be available for private thanksgiving and supplication--perhaps our own personal request to God for more laborers in His vineyard as a way of focusing on the great gift of the Eucharist given to us by way of the Priesthood.

Choir Practice

The Choir resumes Monday Practice at 6 P.M.

Hearing Impaired?

The sound system in the Church has been upgraded to assist those who have hearing problems. Small battery packs with an attached earpiece will be available in the Church entrance book rack cabinet. These are connected via wireless antenna to our sound system and amplify the sound with a control for increasing the individual unit's volume. After Mass please return the unit to the cabinet for the next Mass.