



Pastor:

Father Roselle Cyrille R. Azares

Deacons: Anthony Ruta P.D.

Timothy Dunlop P.D.

William Carson P.D.

Michael Conlin

- retired

MASSES

Seating is on a first come first serve basis.

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday - Friday 12:05 noon

Saturday 10:00 am

Doors will open 15 minutes before mass begins

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

11:30 am

7:30pm

Holy Hour:

Friday 11:00 am

Doors will open 15 minutes before Holy Hour begins

Confessions:

Saturdays 4:30 - 4:55 pm

Sundays 8:30 - 8:55 am &

11 - 11:25 am

Baptism:

Call to make arrangements

MARRIAGE

Twelve months notice and Marriage Course usually required

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday - Friday 9:30 am - 11:30 am & 2:30 - 4:30 pm

For parishioners to get mass intentions and other items.

Please call 705-526-6313 ext 1 and we will be happy to assist you with your other needs.

PARISH LIFE

Parish Secretary:	Sandy D'Alessandro	
Custodian:	Jim Lamers	
Choirs Saturday 5:00pm	Diana Swift	705-527-9999
Sunday 9:00am	Adele Heins	705-526-8816
Sunday 11:30am	Denise Tinney	705-322-3239
Finance Council	Pauline Brabant	
Floral Decorations	Katie Goulbourne & Ruth Dusome	
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Youth & Family Ministry

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Patricia Stenton 705-956-0632

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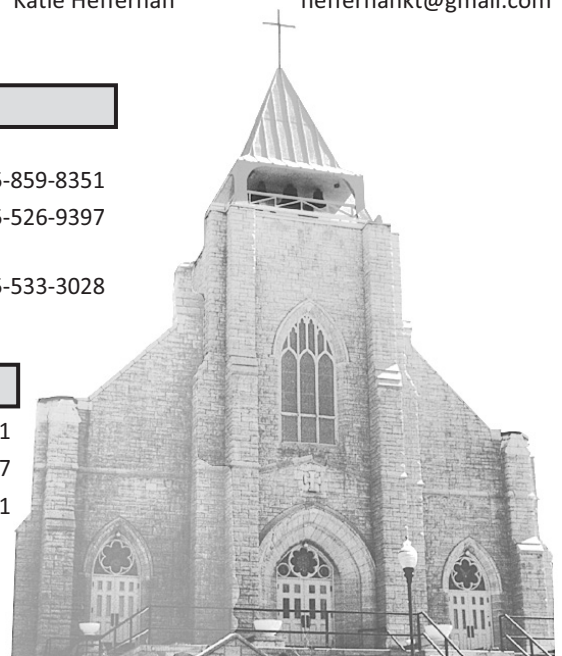
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Mass Intentions

26th Week in Ordinary Time

Tuesday September 29

St. Michael, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael

12:05 noon + Ivan Peterlin
Requested by Mimi & Ted

Wednesday September 30 **St. Jerome**

12:05 noon + Mary Taylor
Requested by Peter & Marie Lacroix

Thursday October 1 **St. Therese of the Child Jesus**

12:05 noon + Simone Flaim
Requested by John & family

Friday October 2 **The Holy Guardian Angels**

11am Holy Hour
12:05 noon + Mary Taylor
Requested by Rita Cote

Saturday October 3

10 am + Intentions of Peter & Marie Lacroix
Requested by Bob & Corinne Green

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vigil Mass - Saturday October 3

5pm + Richard Arczewski
Requested by Ed & Helen (Mom & Dad)

Sunday October 4

9am missa pro populo
11:30 am Red & Mary Urquart
Requested by their children
Heather, Twink & Loren
7:30 pm + Mary Taylor
Requested by Deacon Tim & Marie Dunlop



Mass Intentions

27th Week in Ordinary Time

Tuesday October 6

12:05 noon + Mary Taylor
Requested Theresa Laurin-Hunwicks

Wednesday October 7 **Our Lady of the Rosary**

12:05 noon + Terezija Drvaric
Requested Doug & Betty Swales

Thursday October 8

12:05 noon + Mary Taylor
Requested by Doug & Betty Swales

Friday October 9

11am Holy Hour
12:05 noon + Concessao Alves
Requested by Isabel Costa

Saturday October 10

10 am Intentions of Stephen & Sharron Bradshaw
50th Wedding Anniversary today

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Vigil Mass - Saturday October 10

5pm + Petronella & Oebele Boonstra
Requested by Larry & Anne Marie Radko

Sunday October 11

9am + George MacDonald
Requested by the Melchiorre family
11:30 am missa pro populo
7:30 pm + Alexander Reponte Tamarra
Requested by Mitch Emralino

BIBLE STUDY

Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom

Our bible study started this past Friday September 25th. There may still be spaces available for others to join, every Friday at 1:00 pm in the parish hall.

For more information please contact Patti: [705-528-3847](tel:705-528-3847)
trendzbypatti@gmail.com

Each person needs to purchase a study guide which is theirs keep – Guides are \$35. Also, safety protocols are in place for all participants that include social distancing, mandatory face masks at all times while in the building, No food sharing, & sanitization of working area

Parish Office Hours - CHANGE

Effective September 29

Tuesday through Friday 9:30 to 11:30 am

If you would like to book a mass intention but are unable to attend the parish office during the above times please call 705-526-6313 ext 1 and we will be happy to help. **Thank you**



Sanctuary Lamp

September 27 – October 10, 2020

This week the lamp burns for the intentions, blessing and protection of

Staff & Students of Our Midland Catholic Schools

Prayer Requests

Please pray for those who have asked for prayers:

Shelley Smith; Stephen Roach; Anne Marie Radko;
Anne Marie Calhoun; Nadine Adams; Nellie Kwapis;
Verna Goneau; Gerard Lyons; Maryann Wilfling;
Joe & Jan Galaski

Please pray for our recently deceased relatives & friends

Kimberley Hawke; Giuseppe LaSelva; Conceissao Alves;
Alexander Reponte Tamarra; Josphine Brinovec

The Big Surprise

The Gospel for the Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time is called the Parable of the Vineyard Workers. But more accurately, it can also be called the Parable of the Generous Landowner. His action greatly surprised everyone for he gave those hired very late in the day the same salary as those who worked the whole day.

There seems to be no fairness there. However fairness is not the issue here. Those hired early in the day were paid the right salary as agreed upon with the owner. Justice has been served. Instead, the issue here is generosity.

Whenever the issue of generosity comes up, it evokes both a positive and a negative response. The positive response is trust. In the parable, those hired early in the day were confident in the security provided by the formal contract with the owner. It was a business deal.

But for those hired much later in the day, there was no mention of a contract. They were just told: *you also go to the vineyard*. The workers relied on the word of the landowner and trusted that he will give them whatever is right. And they were not mistaken.

God's generosity is beyond the comprehension of anybody: *For God so loved the world that He gave us his only Son* (John 3:16). Knowing this should be enough reason and assurance to readily trust God unconditionally.

This is what St. Paul tells us in his Letter to the Romans: *He who did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all, how will he not also give us everything else along with him* (8: 32). Rightly then does the Holy Spirit-filled Elizabeth praised the Blessed Virgin Mother at the Visitation: *Blessed are you who believed that was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled* (Luke 1:45).

On the other hand, the negative response to generosity is envy: *am I not allowed to choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am so generous?* God's generosity is quite acceptable and even desirable when we are the recipients. More often a problem arises when it is other people who are the recipients, especially those whom we think/are less worthy than us.

This is precisely what happened to some of the Pharisees and religious leaders at the time of Jesus. They resented seeing people whom they consider less worthy, receiving favours from God. They hated /the sight of Jesus dining with tax collectors and prostitutes, curing leper and talking to pagans. At the

end of the gospel passage, Jesus said: *so the last will be first and the first will be last*.

We are the Mystical Body of Christ. We are truly blessed. The gospel exhorts us to avoid the mistake of the labourers who were hired early in the day. Let us continue to strive to resist envy. Being members of the Mystical Body of Christ does not mean we are better than the others. Also, let us always remember that if God is generous with us, he can also be generous to others.

Definitively, envy is rooted in pride. It happens when we compare ourselves with others. When we do so, two things can always happen. It is either we see people who are less talented or blessed than us. Then we can become proud and arrogant. Or we see people who are better than us, and we can become envious and bitter.

The only antidote to envy is humility. It is the virtue that helps us realize who we really are in the presence of God: nothing. But God continues to love and bless us despite this. Such is the formula of holiness by the saints. Instead of comparing themselves with other people, the saints compare themselves with God. And when they do, they only have two things to say to God: 'I am sorry, Lord' and 'Thank you, Lord'.

As we come to mass, we always come in the presence of God. And so, it is but proper to start the mass with the Penitential Rite, an act of humility: 'I confess to Almighty God, and to you my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned... Lord, have mercy.' And then we proceed with the Rite of the Eucharist. Eucharist means 'to give thanks'. The sacrifice of the Holy Mass then is an invitation for us to humble gratitude and unflinching trust and confidence in God's providence and mercy.

Bishop Fulton Sheen once said: 'How God will judge my life I know not, but I trust he will see me with mercy and compassion. I am only certain there will be three surprises in heaven. First of all, I will see some people whom I never expected to see. Second, there will be a number whom I expect who will not be there. And, even relying on God's mercy, the biggest surprise may be that I will be there.'

Special Building Fund Project – Security/Cameras

Recently, an incident at our parish resulted in the need to update and expand our parish cameras & security. A security company was in to look at our present system & recommend additions, the costs of the project have been . Funds donated to the parish building fund will be designated for this project until it is complete. Thank You

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