



**Rev. Mike Austin, Pastor**  
**Rev. Donbosco, Associate Pastor**  
**Deacon Bill Vrazel**

Mass Schedule: Summer Months, Saturday: 5:00 p.m.  
Winter Months, Saturday: 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 7:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., & 5:00 p.m.

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**Sunday, September 29th**



**Where the Worm Does Not Die**

Maggots, grubs, worms. When I imagine one or many of these nasty slimy buggers living inside my body — unseen, feeding off my flesh, slowly rotting me out — I feel deeply disgusted. If I knew I had a worm, I would do anything to remove the alien invader, and fast. But what if I couldn't ever get it out?

This is precisely the image Jesus uses to describe those who cause others to sin and fail to cut out what leads them to sin. He contrasts the kingdom of God with Gehenna, “where the worm does not die.” If we can stomach it for a moment, there is much wisdom in this nauseating metaphor.

First, sin is always parasitic. It feeds on what is good like a worm in a host. It's not symbiotic or additive, as virtue and love always are. Sin invades, devours, and damages the sinner. Second, sin is always social. No matter how hidden, it quietly eats away at others — usually the most poor and vulnerable, the “little ones,” as the Lord says. How healthy it is for us to acknowledge this! Our gossiping, greed, over-indulgence, lying, pride, laziness, lust for power and reputation, and so on ... they do not add anything to life. They are worms eating away at others and ourselves.

We cut out these filthy parasites through genuine repentance and bold action. Imagine the peace and relief that follows the removal of a sickening worm from your body. How much greater is the peace we enjoy when the spiritual worms are gone for good. We'd never wait to act against physical parasites. Neither should we with the worms of sin. — *Father John Muir*

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading:** “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets!” (Nm 11:29)  
**Psalm:** The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart. (Ps 19)  
**Second Reading:** Come now, you rich, weep and wail over your impending miseries Your wealth has rotted away. (Jas 5:1-2)  
**Gospel:** “There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. For whoever is not against us is for us.” (Mk 9:39-40)  
**Monday:** Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7/Lk 9:46-50  
**Tuesday:** Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Ps 88:2-3, 4-5, 6, 7-8/Lk 9:51-56  
**Wednesday:** Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15/Mt 18:1-5, 10  
**Thursday:** Jb 19:21-27/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14/Lk 10:1-12  
**Friday:** Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14ab/Lk 10:13-16  
**Saturday:** Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130/Lk 10:17-24  
**Next Sunday:** Gn 2:18-24/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (see 5)/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Events of the Week**

<b>Monday, September 30, 2024 —</b>	- 7:25 am Rosary - Church - 8:00 am <b>COMMUNION SERVICE</b> - Church - 10:00 am Holy Family Parish Prayer Group - Chapel - 5:00 pm - 11:00 pm Adoration—Church	- 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm <b>RECONCILIATION offered Church</b> - 5:30 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal - Chapel
<b>Tuesday, October 1 —</b>	- 5:00 pm KOC Officers and General Mtg. - Parish Hall - 6:00 pm Holy Family Date Night - HFC Conf. Ctr.	- 6:30 pm Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Chapel - 7:00 pm <b>COMMUNION SERVICE</b> - Chapel
<b>Wednesday, October 2 —</b>	- 6:30 am Java and Jesus Men's Group - Parish Hall - 7:25 am Rosary - Church - 8:00 am - <b>COMMUNION SERVICE</b> with Moms - Church	- 9:00 am Bible Study - Parish Hall - 10:00 am Altar Society Mtg. - Multi-Purpose Room - 6:30 pm OCIA Faith Formation Classes - Parish Hall
<b>Thursday, October 3 —</b>	- 7:25 am Rosary - Chapel - 8:00 am <b>COMMUNION SERVICE</b> - Chapel	- 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Adoration until Benediction at 5:00 pm - Chapel
<b>Friday, October 4 —</b>	- 8:00 am Rosary - Church - 8:30 am <b>Children's MASS</b> - Church	- 9:30 am - 11:30 am St. Vincent de Paul Society - Parish Hall - 3:00 pm <b>Divine Mercy Chaplet - Chapel</b>
<b>Saturday, October 5 —</b>	- 7:00 AM First Saturday Mass -Church - 8:00 am Men's Fellowship Breakfast - HFC Conf. Center - 1:00 pm Youth Ministry Setup - Parish Hall - 5:00 pm Vigil <b>MASS</b> - Church	- 6:30 pm <b>DRAWDOWN &amp; Mix and Mingle - HFC Conf. Center</b> <b>RECONCILIATION offered 30 minutes prior to Mass</b>



*Lord, Hear Our Prayer*

Louise Altier, Adam Amort, Jerri Anderson, Lois Audley, Leota Ayuso, Lee Ayuso, Tammy Bates, Jeff Beaver, Kim Beech, James Bell, Jan Berry, Tracy Biggs, Sandra Bishop, Rusty Bohn, Dian Bradley, Jim Bradley, Mike Brown, John Bull, Josephine C., Martha Burdette, Fr. Ronnie Calkins, Jamie Ann Cantan, Patty Caranna, Sarah Carboni, Fr. David Carucci, Bruce Carver, Jerry Casey, Jim Cooke, Mae Mae Cooley, David Corollo, Donna Dantin, Lynn Dantin, Danny Davis, Sr., Morton Davis, Jim Dean, Megan Delgado, Marvel Desroche, Dawn Domecq, Brenda Dubuisson, Jeannie and John Dubuisson, Anne Erickson, Peter Fenn, Kim Fitzgerald, Janet Galen, Roy and Betty Gamez, Hannah Gest, Gerry Gough, Donnie Haley, Jr., John Hayden, Alan Hoda, Pat Hoda, Fay Hogan, Olivia Hood, Daniel Huck, Butch and Betty Hughes, Paul Hughes, David H. James, Sally James, Janet Jefferson, Sierra Jefferson, Faye Johnson, Phillip Jones, Marcus Kaszabowski, Natalie Koenenn, Jill Ladner, Missy Ladner, Pam Ladner, Griffis Lamar, Dustin Leochner, Debbie Lizana, Charlotte Logan, John Logan, Mark Logan, Marlene Logan, Michelle Logan, Rod Malburg, Evelyn Lumpkin, Laura Creel Meadows, Lori Miller, Carl Molesworth, Pat Morley, Dennis Motto-la, Kevin Niolet, Rita Norman, Joshua Parker, Larry Peterman, Konner Peterson, Michelle Pisciotta, Jane Prescott, Bill Redo, Bryce Riordan, Jacob Rivera, Jaxson Rivera, Bev Rogers, Taige Roof, Tammy Graham Rome, June Rutland, Janet Ryan, Kevin Ryan, Clyde Schepens, William "Scooter", Leah Scott, Beth Sealy, James Senac, Rachel Singleton, Melissa Starita, Barbara Swilley, Jim and Michael Trott, Morgan Ulrich, Pat Vial, Anastasia Virvilis, Bragg Williams, Nadia Williams, Becky Wooley, Wayne Wooley, Paul Yaegar, Angie Parker Yonkin



*In Memoriam*



Gary Michael Nance, Mary Jane Christman, Kathleen "Kerry" Maddox, Frank P. Wittmann, III, Robert Bishop, Hilda Lizana, Joe Spence

Please contact the Parish Office at 228-452-4686 to add or take some off the Prayer List. Thank you.

Weekly Operating Report

**September 23, 2024**

Weekly Operating Credits

Offertory/Collection: \$9,573

Building Fund: \$217

Youth Ministry: \$49

Masses: \$150

Cemetery: \$55

Memorials: \$5

TOTAL: \$10,049

Direct Debit—Electronic Transfers  
Forms are available in the back of the church or by calling the office at 228-452-4686

Weekly Fixed Expenses

Schools: \$3210

Salaries and Benefits: \$4750

Diocese Support Tax: \$917

Utilities: \$1187.50

Janitorial, Maintenance, Grounds: \$1189.75

Insurance: \$584

TOTAL FIXED WEEKLY EXPENSES: \$13,075.00

*"These are just the fixed expenses. There are many areas of ministry that require funding throughout the year (Youth Ministry, Religious Education, Adult Education, Liturgy, Office Supplies). I am publishing this as part of our new financial budgeting system. There will also be a general report quarterly.*

*God Bless!"*

*Fr. Mike*

Pray For a Priest Each Day

*"O Holy Mother of God, pray for our priests Your Son has chosen to serve the Church. Help them, by Your intercession, to be holy, zealous, and chaste. Make them models of virtue in the service of God's people. Help them be pious in meditations, efficacious in preaching and zealous in the daily offering of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Help them administer the Sacraments with love and joy. Amen"*

**Sun., September 29:** For Our Deacons and Deacon Candidates and Those Discerning

**Mon., September 30:** For Our Parish Priests

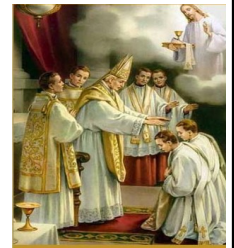
**Tuesday, October 1:** For Fathers Paddy Mockler and Everardo Mora-Tores

**Wed., October 2:** For Msgr. John McGrath

**Thur., October 3:** For Father Braxton Necaize

**Fri., October 4:** For Most Reverend (Bishop) Louis F. Kihneman III

**Sat., October 5:** Please Pray for An Increase In Vocations



**October 5 & October 6, 2024**

**5:00 pm - Saturday, 10/5/24 Vigil**

**Lectors**

Lauri Wood

**EEMs**

Miriam MacDiarmid, Roger Ridgeway and Catherine Wood

**Altar Servers**

Cooper W. Ferrill, Gage Garriga and Kaleb Garriga

**8:30 am - Sunday, 10/6/24**

Knights of Columbus Corporate Communion

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**11:00 am - Sunday, 10/6/24**

Sharon Lowe

Angele Boudreaux, Lena Farr, Stuart Farr, Michael Mayeaux and Joy Burke

Elleigh James Burge, Ashton Gamboa and R. J. Sandoz

**5:00 pm - Sunday, 10/6/24**

Laurie Huck

Richard Bohn, Michelle Hoskins and Jo Johns

Evelyn Giles, Carleigh Russo, Maci Thompson and Elise Bridges



### Communion Services

September 30th - October 3rd

Due to Priest retreat, there will be no masses at Holy Family Church or St. Paul Chapel – **ONLY COMMUNION SERVICES** –

**Monday, September 30th, through Thursday, October 3rd.**

### Mark your Calendars!

## Holy Family Altar Society Meeting

**Wednesday, October 2nd**

10:00 am ~ Church Multi Purpose Room



HOLY FAMILY PARISH ALTAR SOCIETY

*New members are welcome.*

Altar Society meets the first Wednesday of the month between September and May.

Please join us every **FIRST** and **THIRD FRIDAY** of the month for the **CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY**



The next Chaplet is **Friday, October 4th** at 3:00 pm at St. Paul's Chapel

*For the sake of His sorrowful passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.*



## Monday Morning Fellowship, Coffee & Donuts!

Let's Celebrate our **OCTOBER Birthdays, too!**

Start your first Monday morning of the month with Mass at 8 am followed by **Fellowship, Coffee, and Donuts** after Mass.

**Our next gathering is Monday, October 7th.**  
HFC Parish Hall

Hope to see you there!

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, September 28	<b>5:00 pm</b>	†Robert Bishop †Fred Soule, Sr. †Louise Emond Healing for Dian and Jimmy Bradley
Sunday, September 29	8:30 am  11:00 am  5:00 pm	†Rebecca Clemens †Roy and Sandra Prewitt  †Sonya Daussau †Ernest Bethea †Joe Spence
Monday, September 30	8:00 am	
Tuesday, October 1 (Chapel)	7:00 pm	
Wednesday, October 2	8:00 am	
Thursday, October 3 (Chapel)	8:00 am	
Friday, October 4	8:30 am <b>*†The Repose of the Soul</b>	†Dick and Ted Brennan



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THE PARISH TO JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF  
COLUMBUS AND THE LADIES AUXILIARY.

**Upcoming Events:**

- KOC Monthly Meetings: 6:00 pm First Tuesday of the month in the Parish Hall – **October 1<sup>st</sup>**
- KOC Monthly Corporate Communion: Sunday 8:30 am Mass following the first Tuesday of the month. Parish Fellowship will follow in the Conference Center with coffee and donuts- **October 6<sup>th</sup>**
- Ladies Auxiliary Monthly Meetings: 6:30 pm Second Tuesday of the month in the Parish Hall – **October 8<sup>th</sup>**
- KOC Silver Rose Prayer Service: 6:00 pm (Procession), 6:15 pm (Rosary), 6:45 pm Mass – **October 29<sup>th</sup>**
- KOC Fifth Sunday Rosary: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month following 8:30 am Mass – **December 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Celebration of Holy Baptism**

Congratulations to



*Parker Allen Bickel,*

Child of *Robert and Tabitha Bickel,*  
who received the Sacrament of Baptism  
Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>  
Congratulations!

*“Let the children come to me, because the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.”*

Mark 10:14

**Upcoming 2024  
Second & Special  
Collections**

October 19-20 *World Mission Sunday*

November 3-4 *St. Paul Cemetery*

November 9 - 10 *Catholic Campaign for Human Development*

November 23 - 24 *St. Vincent de Paul Pharmacy*

December 7 - 8 *Retired Religious*



**ADORATION PRAYER  
PARTNERS NEEDED**

*We need prayer partners  
on Thursdays at the Chapel 1-2 pm  
and 4-5 pm.*

For more information, please call  
the Parish Office at 228-452-4686

September 18, 2024

Rev. Mike Austin  
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Dear Father,

On behalf of the Little Sisters and the Residents here at Sacred Heart Home, we would like to express our gratitude for your kind support of our mission-loving service to the elderly poor regardless of religion, race or nationality. We are truly grateful for the generous contribution of your parish community in the amount of \$2,903.46.

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Please be assured that we remember you and your loved ones in our daily prayers. But, most importantly, your generosity improves the Residents' lives and the Sisters' ability to serve them.

Yours in Christ,

*Sr. Mary Imelda, I.S.P.*

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Little Sisters of the Poor

P.S. Please visit our website: [www.littlesistersofthepoormobile.org](http://www.littlesistersofthepoormobile.org) to share some of the activities at Sacred Heart Residence. For the convenience of our supporters, it is also possible to donate online. Thank you.



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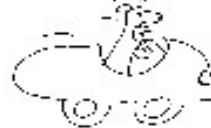


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