

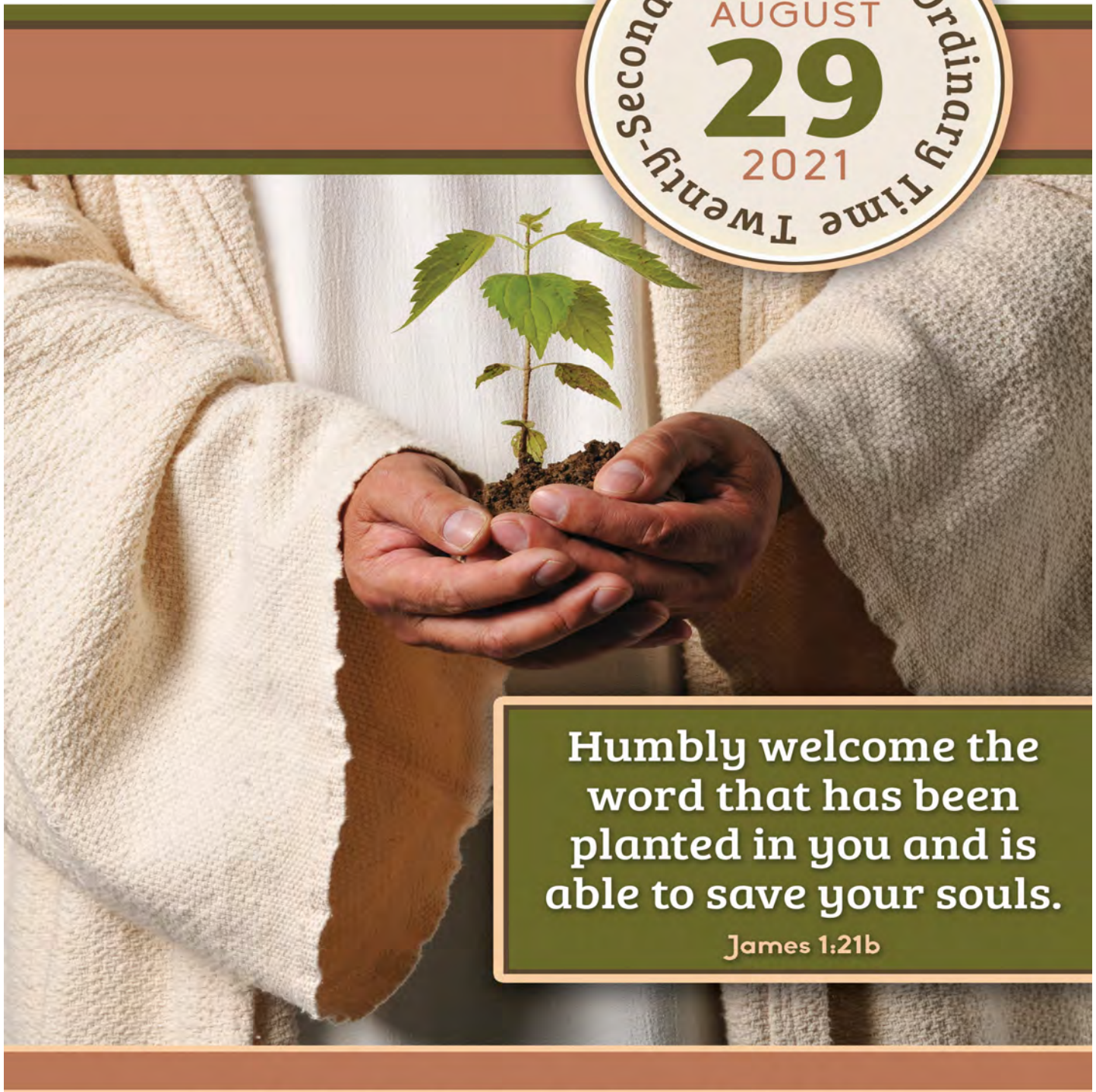


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**Humbly welcome the
word that has been
planted in you and is
able to save your souls.**

James 1:21b

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday,
10 a.m. - 4 p.m.; Tuesday: noon - 4 p.m.

BULLETIN

Deadline is **noon on Monday** unless otherwise specified. Please submit announcements to Jenifer Dills.

PARKING

Free Sunday morning Mass parking is available in the Eagles' lot across Cafego Place, the LMU lots on Locust Street and Cafego Place, and the Crowne Plaza parking garage. On weekdays, the **only** free parking available is our own parking lot. **Free parking for evening (after 5 p.m.) and weekend events** is available in the LMU lots on Locust Street and Cafego Place.

HOPE

FOR THE FUTURE:

*A Comprehensive Campaign
for the Paulist Fathers*

The Need for Sacrificial Giving

Jesus asks us to make our mark on this world and to serve the Lord by sharing His gifts with others.

A gift to the **Hope for the Future** campaign is a way of doing so. Your gift to the campaign will:

- ◆ Fund construction of the Paulist House of Mission and Studies
- ◆ Support senior Paulists
- ◆ Help attend to deferred maintenance at Paulist Houses around the country, and
- ◆ Invest in Paulist ministries such as Busted Halo, the Paulist Press and Landings International.

Funding each of these goals with the financial resources we have been blessed with will, in turn, multiply those blessings back to us and to God.

The Paulist Fathers are fortunate to have thousands of supporters from coast to coast who actively participate in their faith life. We have an opportunity to solidify the future of the Paulists, and thus, make our world better for those who follow us thanks to their missionary endeavors. We want to make the formative experience we have received from the Paulists available to future generations.



†**Meghan Mearns**, beloved sister of Jessica (Spencer) Mearns Joy, died on Aug. 23 of complications related to COVID-19. The family appreciates your prayers at this difficult time.

A special collection benefiting **Catholic Relief Services** will be taken at Masses this weekend in support of **relief aid for Haiti**, following the deadly 7.2 magnitude earthquake there on Aug. 14. As we do not yet *pass the basket*, please simply mark your donation in such a way that it can be attributed to the Haiti Relief.

Choir

Would you like to sing with the 10 a.m. Mass Choir on Sundays?

Please see Karl or Amanda after any of the Masses in the next few weeks or email KarlJake@gmail.com. All are welcome to join us!



**Rite of Christian
Initiation
of Adults**

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic or exploring the Catholic Faith? Inquirers are always welcome. Please contact Brigid Johnson at (865) 522-1508 ext. 28 or email brigidjohnson50@gmail.com. **Join us in the Parish Hall at 7 p.m. on Mon., Sept. 13.** Team members will be there to answer any questions.



Knights of Columbus

In 1882 when Father Michael McGivney established the Knights of Columbus, he sought to establish a fraternal Order whose members live the Christian virtues through the principals of Charity, Unity, and Fraternity.

As we try to live out the principles of Charity, through good works and greater service to our community, **Knoxville Council 645 has partnered with Ladies of Charity to assist those in need through a bicycle program.** Our goal is to put bicycles into the hands of the needy. In most cases, this is their only means of transportation. We are also helping them repair and keep their bicycles running.

If you have a bicycle that you no longer need and would like to donate, you can drop them off at the Ladies of Charity building, 120 West Baxter Avenue. We are also in need of bicycle locks and chains to keep them from being stolen. If you would like to help in this ministry, we do a **bicycle repair workshop every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.** at the Ladies of Charity building.



Immaculate Conception Parish will be collecting items to be placed in a **Bag of Blessings**

that will be given to the homeless in Knoxville. Needed items include: **adult socks, sanitizing wipes, tooth brush & paste, and chapstick. Water, fruit cup/applesauce, granola bars, cheese or PB crackers and tuna salad kits** are food items needed. Donated items may be left in a tub in the back of the church. Financial donations are most appreciated. Thank you for your support of this needed project.



St. Anne's Soup Society is seeking members to cook one-pot meals or soups at home for hungry folks who can't easily make a hearty, healthy meal for themselves. Current members have made over 100 meals for our neighbors at Summit Towers - THANK YOU! We are looking to expand our reach to be able to feed more people in need. If you know of other people we can serve or want to cook for "SASS," please contact Caroline Zengel, at duckzengel@gmail.com or (865) 335-2885, or check out the small table by the windows in the parish hall for more information.

Immaculate Conception Outreach

Helping disabled and elderly residents at Summit Towers

Current Needs – in priority order:

- 1 - Household Cleaners, e.g., Mr. Clean, Pine Sol or Fabuloso.
- 2 - Toilet paper.
- 3 - Dish detergent & sponges.
- 4 - Liquid laundry detergent.
- 5 - Simple "tube socks" for men or women.
- 6 - Gently used or new towels.

Please mark for Summit Towers.
Thank you for your kindness.

MASS SCHEDULE Weekend

Saturday: 5 p.m.
Sunday: 8:15, 10, 11:45 a.m.

Weekdays

Monday - Friday: 12:10 p.m.*
Saturday: 8:30 a.m.
**The church is open from 11 a.m. until the end of Mass.*

Livestream Masses on Facebook Live

Sunday: 8:15, 10 a.m.
Special Occasion Masses: TBA
A link is posted on our website.

DEVOTIONS

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: First Friday after 12:10 p.m. Mass
Rosary: First Saturday after 8:30 a.m. Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Monday - Friday: 11:30 a.m. - 12 noon
Saturday: 4 - 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents must attend a preparation meeting. Please call the parish office to register in advance.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

6 months preparation time required. Contact one of the priests to schedule an appointment. Deposit required to secure date.

FAITH FORMATION FOR CHILDREN

(September - May)
Pre-K (age 4) - 5th grade
Sundays: 9:15 - 9:45 a.m.
6th - 12th grade
Wednesdays: 7 - 8:30 p.m.

CALVARY CEMETERY

1916 Martin Luther King Jr Ave
Knoxville, TN 37915
Volunteer Work Day:
2nd Saturday, 10 a.m. - noon

SCHOOL

St. Joseph School (PK - 8th grade)
www.sjsknox.org
1810 Howard Drive
Knoxville, TN 37918
(865) 689-3424

TWIN PARISH

St. Francis Xavier
in Fond des Blancs, Haiti

Gospel Reflection

In today's Gospel, Jesus is again at odds with the Pharisees. As part of the religious practice of the Pharisees and of some Jewish people, they washed their hands, purified their food utensils and said prayers while they did this. Some people thought that people who did these things were holier than people who didn't. But Jesus taught that there was something more important than these actions. Jesus taught that the words and attitudes behind our actions are what show us to be holy people.

As you gather as a family, list some of your most important family rules. Together, try to write a single, positive statement that captures the essential value behind your family rules.



Religious Education

It's that time of year again!

Registration for Religious Education took place last weekend but we always have room for more.

If you received the registration information in the mail, you are welcome to mail it in or drop it off at any time. Our classes this year will meet at **9:15 a.m.**, between the 8:15 and 10 a.m. liturgies. We hope this change will give everyone a chance to go to Mass with family. If you are new to our program or missed last week's registration, please contact Brigid Johnson at brigidjohnson50@gmail.com.



Youth Ministry

Youth Ministry is open to all middle and high school students in the parish. We meet in the Parish Hall on **Wednesdays at 7 p.m.** **Next meeting: Sept. 1.** Come meet the Youth Ministry team! For info, contact Brigid Johnson, (865) 522-1508 ext. 28 or brigidjohnson50@gmail.com, or Wendy Waxmonsky at wwaxmonsky@gmail.com.

Let There Be Light Eternal
A musical remembrance of 9/11

Sunday, Sept. 12
4:00 pm
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Paulist Vocations

Please keep Paulist seminarian **Christopher W. Lawton, CSP** in your prayers. Chris entered the Paulist Fathers' novitiate on Aug. 25, 2018 and made his first promise on Sept. 6, 2019.

Chris graduated *cum laude* from Harvard University, earning an AB in Biochemical Sciences, and from Columbia Medical School. He was active in campus church life as an undergraduate and



later as a parishioner and ministry team member of The Church of St. Paul the Apostle.

After living in New York City for years, he moved back home to reconnect with his family and enjoy a simpler routine while working as an Assistant Professor of Medicine in palliative care. He believes that rest and contemplation for his new phase in his life was needed to discern whether God was calling him to religious life.

Chris trusts God and His plan for him. Medicine afforded him the opportunity to walk with people. Similar to medicine, he now wants to be a "vessel for people -- someone that walks with people in whatever God Experience they are made for."

Thank you to the IC Women's Group, for their donation of \$75 from the proceeds of their Kitchen Sale. We appreciate their generosity!



The ICWG annual **Craft Fair** will be held in the Parish Hall *tentatively* **Nov. 13 & 14.**

If interested in a booth, contact Beth Meyer at (865) 456-8857 or meyer.beth73@gmail.com.

If you would like to donate a basket contact Jeanie Matthews at jeanie@urbanwellnesstn.com or (865)320-4673.



As the Season of Creation begins on Sept. 1 and culminates on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi on Oct. 4 with the release of the Vatican's *Laudato Si'* Action Platform, **Catholic Response to Climate Change** asks you to reflect on the following thoughts from *Laudato Si'*:

"...stop and give thanks to God before and after meals... That moment of blessing, however brief, reminds us of our dependence on God for life; it strengthens our feeling of gratitude for the gifts of creation; it acknowledges those who by their labours provide us with these goods; and it reaffirms our solidarity with those in greatest need." (*Laudato Si'* Section 227)

Action Tip:

Reduce food waste through meal planning, understanding freshness dates, and composting.

For more information, please contact Beth Carroll Hunley at genrop@aol.com or (865) 216-1927.

Annette Andrews, Dionna Battle, Jennifer Blake, Colette Boudreaux, Gene Brown, Avery Browning, Irene Cecere, Patty Chen, Maggie Costigan, Ron Cross, Catherine Cunningham, Megan McMurray Dugan, Tom Dunne, Michael Hooper Foster, Cherry Gambol, Maria Gervin, Richard Guay, Bill Healy, Chris Herman, Chance & Trish Adams & Ben Hicks, Susan Hiser, Jeane, Diane Johnson, Veronica Jolly-Howell, Dale Jordan, Noria Jeanne Likobo Ekaso, Phyllis Lockwood, Fritz Massaquoi, Norma McGee, Fred McMurray, Anna McNair, Nita McNare, Adele Moneymaker, Peggy Moore, Ann Morse, Elizabeth Mullet, Bobbi Newsom, Noah, Peter Ostermayr, Victoria Ostermayr, Nancy Parisi, Gerri Duran Pierce, Louis Rankin, Michael Rankin, Karen E. Reynolds, Bob & Carol Rhinehart, Michael, Michele & Lily Rhinehart, Joel Rivera, Dorothy Romines, Becky Ryan, Freeda Ryan, Susan Saah, Sarah, Viola Schneider, Howard Schnellenberger, Linda Schreiner, Meg Coode Shannon, Shirley Sheffield, Sierra Shuck-Sparer, Pat Sohanchak, Nina Spencer, Ken Sullivan (brother of Fr. Tim), Zoila Tellez, Buster Terrell, Bobbie Thompson, Patsy Trollinger, Bill Tullos, Janine Turley, Barbara Vest & family, Rose Vickery, Anthony Walles, Nicholas Walles, Jean Wedekind, Lorie Weeden, Dani Willard, Grace Willard, Sutton Williams-Gurley, & Pat Yochim.

Please contact Nancy Brennan Strange, at (865) 522-1508 ext. 21 or icoffice@bellsouth.net, with any additions or deletions.



The parish office will be closed on Fridays until Labor Day. Our Mass schedule remains the same.



Are you currently serving as an **Usher** or would you like to become one? Please sign up on the clipboard in the vestibule.



The annual **Ladies of Charity Golf Tourney**, in memory of Fr. Albert Henkel and long-time volunteer Joe Fuhr, will be held **Thurs., Sept. 2 at Egwani Farms GC in Rockford**. The format is a four-person scramble (select shot) and is fun for golfers of all abilities. Registration fee is \$500/team or \$125/player and includes a light breakfast, golf, prizes and lunch. **Check-in & breakfast begin at 7:30 a.m. with an 8:30 a.m. shotgun start**. If unable to play, please consider one of the many sponsorship opportunities. Register online at <https://www.ladiesofcharityknox.org/events/lock-golf-tournament-2021>. For more info, contact the Golf Committee Chair, Joe Sutter, at (865) 588-4013, or sutterjtn@aol.com.



Married Couples: The next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend** will be held **Sept. 24-26**. Get more information or apply online: <https://wwme.org/for-couples/> or call (678) 242-WWME.

Retrouvaille helps couples rebuild their marriages. For confidential information about or to register for the next program, beginning with a weekend **Sept. 3-5**, call (800) 470-2230, email nrv3043@gmail.com, or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

The **Knoxville Schools Fund** is seeking a **Tuition Evaluator**, who is responsible for reviewing and processing the tuition support applications for families from the Knoxville Catholic Schools requesting tuition support. This position reports to the Lead Tuition Evaluator and has no supervisory responsibilities. For information on how to apply for this position, please go to <https://www.catholicjobs.com/job/7112147067>.

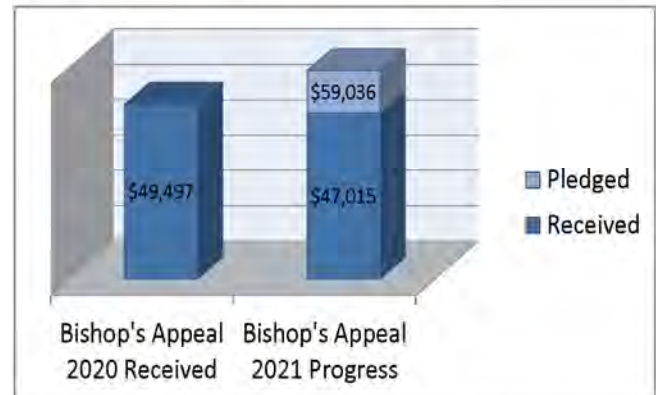


If you are experiencing emotional or spiritual difficulties from a past abortion, there is help and hope. Our **Rachel's Vineyard Retreat** is ready to assist you in your healing. The next retreat is scheduled for **Sept. 24 – 26, at the Christ Prince of Peace Retreat Center** in Benton, TN. **Complete confidentiality is honored at all times**. Registration deadline is Sept. 17. If you are unable to attend a weekend retreat, one-on-one counseling is available with counselors who have been specially trained in this area. For more info, contact Sandi Davidson, (865) 776-4510, sandi@ccetn.org. **For participants' safety and comfort, all COVID-19 restrictions will be followed during the retreat.**



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Annual Parish Goal: \$52,200



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Newlywed Date Nites is an email program to support couples in their first year of marriage. Sent every second week, each Date Nite includes topic information, reflection questions and a discussion guide for a 30 minute relationship activity that can be easily incorporated into a regular couple date. Compiled by the founders of SmartLoving, Dr. Byron and Francine Pirola, it addresses common challenges facing newlyweds with wisdom, insight and humor. Subscribe now – FREE for a limited time.

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St. John Neumann Catholic School is hiring! For more information on open positions, visit <http://www.sjncs-knox.org/school-job-postings/>.

Parish Offertory

Aug. 22 Collection
\$ 7,342.87

Online Donations
\$ 3,122.50

Home Capital Campaign June 2021

Pledges & Donations
\$ 384,520.51

Total Received
\$ 333,813.72

Balance Remaining
\$ 50,706.79

Parish Share
\$ 168,157.96

Together....

Our Future Fulfilled St. Joseph School Capital Campaign

Pledged
\$ 319,672.00

Total Remitted
\$ 253,137.17

Balance Remaining
\$ 66,534.83

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 28

5 p.m. †Clete Walles by Louis Rankin

Sunday, August 29

8:15 a.m. †Pat Wade by Mary Catherine Willard

10 a.m. The People of Immaculate Conception

11:45 a.m. †Noli Bellasario by Karin Hoover

Monday, August 30

12:10 p.m. †Noli Bellasario by Karin Hoover

Tuesday, August 31

12:10 p.m. †Noli Bellasario by Karin Hoover

Wednesday, September 1

12:10 p.m. Mass of Thanksgiving by Ron & Judy Cross

Thursday, September 2

12:10 p.m. People in Haiti

Friday, September 3

12:10 p.m. People in Afghanistan

Saturday, September 4

8:30 a.m. †Willie Lee Holman by Marcel Holman

5 p.m. †Martha Meyer by Beth Meyer

Sunday, September 5

8:15 a.m. †Frank & †Alice Ryan by Pat Ryan

10 a.m. †Liz Gann by the family

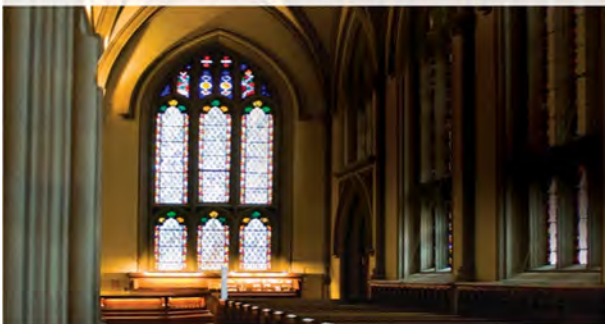
11:45 a.m. The People of Immaculate Conception

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for September:

An environmentally sustainable lifestyle.

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

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Readings for the Week

Monday: Weekday

1 Thes 4:13-18 Ps 96:1,3-5,11-13 Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: Weekday

1 Thes 5:1-6,9-11 Ps 27:1,4,13-14 Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Weekday

Col 1:1-8 Ps 52:10-11 Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Weekday

Col 1:9-14 Ps 98:2-6 Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Saint Gregory the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church

Col 1:15-20 Ps 100:1b-5 Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: Weekday

Col 1:21-23 Ps 54:3-4,6,8 Lk 6:1-5

Sunday: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 35:4-7a Ps 146:7-10
Jas 2:1-5 Mk 7:31-37

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