

**READINGS**

September 28, 2014

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Ezekiel 18: 25-28

Second Reading: Philippians 2: 1-11

Gospel: Matthew 21: 28-32

**STEWARDSHIP**

September 21st Collection.....\$1,793  
St. Vincent De Paul Collection.....\$611  
Our Lady of Wisdom relies on Bobcat Catholics like you for more than half the resources necessary to bring students of Texas State closer to the their Catholic faith. Contact our Development Director, Zane Stehling, to join this mission at 512-392-5925.

**Is there a danger our 'yes' could become a 'no'?** All of you have at some stage said 'yes' to God. The 'yes' may have been a strong one or not so strong. Is there a danger that while on the surface we may seem to be still saying 'yes' to God, on a deeper level our 'yes' may be weakening and going cold? I think that this is a distinct possibility. What might be signs of a weakening 'yes'?

Prayer is neglected or becomes very routine. We say prayers but don't really pray. We don't really open our hearts to God. We don't seek his will when it comes to decisions.

Our lives are self-centered. The Christian, life is *not* about us. It is about seeking God and his will. It is about sharing our gifts of time, treasure and talent to be service to others. If retired and healthy what are we doing to be of service to our parish or wider community?

Participation in the Mass. Another sign of a weakening 'yes'

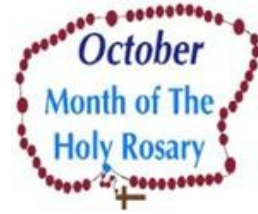
is they way in which we participate in the Mass. Our body is present, but our mind and heart is not engaged in the Mass. We don't sing. We don't show hospitality to those around us. We don't open our hearts to being touched and challenged by the readings or homily. We receive communion in a very routine way. We may even leave early because we don't want to be delayed in the parking lot.

Religious practice is a lot like marriage or a fire. If they are not attended to they gradually weaken or die.

**Fr. Dennis McBride**  
Ascension Catholic Church

**GOSPEL REFLECTION**

One of the many lessons of today's Gospel is that our word is our pledge – we should do what we say we will do. Have you broken your word to someone? Has someone done it to you? Think about what damage might have been done and what you can do to fix it.



**PLEASE CONDISER POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER**

That the mentally disabled may receive the love and help they need for a dignified life ...

**AND**

That Christians, inspired by the Word of God, may serve the poor and suffering ...

**ALSO**

**BISHOP VÁSQUEZ' PRAYER INTENTION FOR TODAY:**

That we may all respect the wisdom, dignity and value of our elders and older people...

**AND ALSO**

**FR. WILL'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR TODAY:**

For all those attending and participating in Bobcat Awakening this weekend...

**WEEKLY ACTIVITIES**

**ROSARY** every Sunday 9:30am in the Lounge

**ADORATION** of the Blessed Sacrament *Tuesdays* 5:45-9pm and *Mornings* Mon-Fri 8:30-9:30am in the Chapel

**FREE LUNCH** every Tuesday 11am-1pm in the Lobby

**BOBCATS FOR LIFE** 2nd & 4th Thursdays 6pm in the Library

**PRAYER MEETING** 2nd & 4th Thursdays 7:30pm upstairs

**BIBLE STUDIES** every day!

*CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION*

**NFP CLASSES** Cost is \$140/ per couple for books and a thermometer. Fulfills the diocese NFP requirement for marriage preparation. Tuesdays 7-9:30pm. The next series is here at Our Lady of Wisdom on October 7th, November 4th and December 2nd. Register at [www.register.ccli.org](http://www.register.ccli.org). For more information or questions contact Randy and Grace– Marie Kolb at [rkolb@austin.rr.com](mailto:rkolb@austin.rr.com) or (512) 891-5341.



**OUR LADY OF FATIMA** Marian Mornings will be commemorating the 97th anniversary of the Apparitions of

Our Lady of Fatima on Oct. 4 at St. Mary Cathedral in Austin. Father Kevin Rai will conduct a morning of prayer and reflection on "The Growing Importance of the Fatima Message for the Times We Are Living." A Holy Hour with the rosary begins at 8 a.m. and the day culminates with Mass at 12:05 p.m. The reflection and light refreshments will be offered in between. Free parking is available in the Capitol Towers Parking Garage on San Jacinto Street. For more information, David Koch at (512) 255-0645 or Bob Christiansen (512) 255-8551.

**CYSTIC FIBROSIS FOUNDATION BENEFIT RECITAL**



Enjoy an evening of classical music performed by our very own talented pianist, Alexias Ferrer on Sunday, October 5th at 2pm at the Price Center 222 W. San Antonio St. San Marcos, TX. Light refreshments will be served after the performance.

A minimum \$10 donation will be greatly appreciated.



Fr. Will Straten will be out of the office this week September 29th– October 4th in Chicago, IL for Spiritual Direction Training. He will celebrate our Sunday Masses on October 5th.

**MASS COVERAGE** All Masses regular schedule Sept. 29th– Oct. 3rd

Thanks to visiting priests:  
Mon. 9/29 Fr. Italo Dell'Oro  
Wed. 10/1 Fr. Ed Karasek  
Thurs. 10/2 Fr. Wade Russell  
Fri. 10/3 Fr. Wade Russell

**WOW** Our women's group meeting is Next Sunday October 5th in the library after the 10am Mass. All are welcome!



**MATCHING GIFT SUNDAY** next week starting, Sunday October 5th. Your generous gift will be doubled by a matching donor! Contribute during our Sunday collection, come by the office, go online at [www.txstatecatholic.org/giving](http://www.txstatecatholic.org/giving), or by mail. Please make checks payable to Our Lady of Wisdom. Thank you!

**WELCOME** Transitional Deacon Francisco Rodriguez, an alum of Texas State who will be ordained as a Priest next summer. He will be here today during our 10am Mass.