

**St. Mary's
&
Holy Name of Jesus
Catholic Churches**



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Mass Schedule			
		Umbarger	Happy
Mon, Sept 3	St. Gregory the Great	No Mass	No Mass
Tue, Sept 4		7 PM - In Thanksgiving	No Mass
Wed, Sept 5	St Teresa of Calcutta	8 AM - Knights of Columbus	No Mass
Thu, Sept 6		8 AM - Conchita Dacula	7 PM - Richard Phelan
Fri, Sept 7		8 AM - Gaylord Malecha	No Mass
Sat, Sept 8	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	No Mass	5:30 PM - Parish Family
Sun, Sept 9	23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time	9:00 AM - Parish Family	No Mass

ST. MARY'S

Date	Lector	Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	Usher
September 9, 2018	Laurie Wegman	April Artho Brynleigh Crockett Jillian Johnson	Suzy Hicks Kelly Wegman Kathy Wieck	Tim Steffans

Divine Mercy Chaplet: 1st Sunday at 10:30 AM
Anointing of the Sick: By Request
CYO 4th Sunday 6:00 pm. at the Hall
CCD: Sundays at 10:15-11:30

Knights of Columbus meeting on September 9th after Mass at the K-C Hall. All Catholic men are invited. Come join us as we start the new season.

Parish Cookbook: Please contact a member of Christian Mothers to let them know that they can count on you to provide several recipes for the cookbook. Christian mothers need to Verify that enough recipes will be provided to fill up a cookbook.

Ladies that have volunteered to bring breakfast for September 9th are Crystal Garrett, Joan Stoker, Debbie Batenhorst, Lesann Hartman, and Suzy Hicks

St Mary's Prayer Blanket Ministry If you or a loved one suffers from a serious illness and would like a blanket, please contact Laurie Wegman or Fr Grant.

Vocations Chalice: Sign-up to take the chalice home on the parish website (Liturgy/ Vocations Chalice tab) or by filling out one of the cards found in the narthex and placing it in the collection.

Bible Study, apologetics and fellowship at Bill and Frances Dorsey's home every Thursday at 7:00 PM. **Classes will resume September 13th.**
 23400 Brown Rd., Canyon, **806-290-0734.**

Umberger Sausage Festival

Sauerkraut: September 22, 2018

Mark you calendars for this fun parish event. Contact Mike or Laurie Wegman for more information.

Positions Needed: Head Cooks and chairs for the rest of the committees for festival, please call Tim and Monica Wilhelm to let them know where you want to be placed. 806-627-8255 All chairs of the committees need to attend the next parish council meeting, Tuesday, September 11th after the 7pm Mass

Lost in the darkness of this world? Pray this prayer of Bl. John Henry Newman

By Philip Kosloski

Often in our world we experience periods of darkness, where it is difficult to see any hope or light around us. Blessed John Henry Newman knew this all too well when he was bedridden in Italy, as he later wrote.

Before starting from my inn, I sat down on my bed and began to sob bitterly. My servant, who had acted as my nurse, asked what ailed me. I could only answer, I have a work to do in England. I was aching to get home, yet for want of a vessel I was kept at Palermo for three weeks. I began to visit the churches, and they calmed my impatience, though I did not attend any services. At last I got off in an orange boat, bound for Marseilles. We were becalmed for whole week in the Straits of Bonifacio, and it was there that I wrote the lines, Lead, Kindly Light, which have since become so well known.

During the shadows of his own life, Newman was inspired to write the popular hymn Lead, Kindly Light, which is also a great prayer that all of us can pray during times of darkness. It is a prayer that asks God to lead us to that light and give us hope when all hope is lost.

*LEAD, Kindly Light, amid the encircling gloom
 Lead Thou me on!
 The night is dark, and I am far from home—
 Lead Thou me on!
 Keep Thou my feet; I do not ask to see
 The distant scene—one step enough for me.*

*I was not ever thus, nor pray'd that Thou
 Shouldst lead me on.
 I loved to choose and see my path, but now
 Lead Thou me on!
 I loved the garish day, and, spite of fears,
 Pride ruled my will: remember not past years.*

*So long Thy power hath blest me, sure it still
 Will lead me on,
 O'er moor and fen, o'er crag and torrent, till
 The night is gone;
 And with the morn those angel faces smile
 Which I have loved long since, and lost awhile.*

*Meantime, along the narrow rugged path,
 Thyself hast trod,
 Lead, Savior, lead me home in childlike faith,
 Home to my God.
 To rest forever after earthly strife
 In the calm light of everlasting life.*

Holy Name of Jesus

Parish Finances August 25, 2018

Regular Collection: \$80

What is reparation? And why is it my best response to evil?

By Nicholas Senz

When faced with terrible evils, we often feel powerless. “What can I do? How can we help?” Perhaps the most powerful thing we can do is easy to forget, because we can’t detect the results with our five senses: that is, making spiritual acts of reparation for these sins. Holy hours, an extra Rosary, fasting—all of these are ways we can help to heal the wounds caused to the Body of Christ by terrible crimes.

Reparation comes from the Latin *reparare*, meaning to make ready again. So, when we make reparation to God, we are making our souls, indeed, the world, ready again, disposed again, to receive His grace, like tilling the soil.

But how exactly does this work? How can I do something to make up for someone else’s wrong? And in addressing the wrongs of the world, what could we do that Christ didn’t?

The answers to both questions are found in that phrase you probably glossed over in the first paragraph: the Body of Christ.

By our baptism, Christians are reborn as new creatures in Christ, and become a part of Him—He lives in us, and we live in Him. He is our head, and we are His body, as St. Paul explores beautifully in his letter to the Ephesians.

So, since we are all joined in the mystic corpus, our actions affect each other spiritually, both for good and ill. My sins wound not only myself, but the whole body. The priest, acting in the person of Christ and representative of the whole Church, thus reconciles me both to God and to the Church.

Jesus has won our salvation for us, and we take to ourselves the effect of that atonement by Baptism and Reconciliation, where the grace merited by the Cross is available to us. Our baptism also allows us to cooperate in our sanctification, our being built up in holiness—and not just for ourselves, but for the whole Church, indeed, the whole world—by uniting our actions with the

sacrifice of Christ.

We can make our own sacrifices, our own acts to repair the wounds made by sin in the world, and by virtue of being Christians, and uniting our actions to those of Christ, our acts become truly efficacious. By ourselves, we can do nothing, but we can do all things in Christ, for it is by his strength that we act. (Philippians 4:13)

This helps us to understand one of the most confusing passages in the New Testament. In Colossians 1:24, St. Paul writes, “Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ on behalf of his body, which is the church.” What could possibly be lacking in the work of Jesus? Our participation in it! St. Paul unites his own suffering to Christ’s and offers it for the Church.

St. Thomas Aquinas has a beautiful commentary on this:

I complete, that is, I add my own amount; and I do this in my flesh, that is, it is I myself who am suffering. Or, we could say that Paul was completing the sufferings that were lacking in his own flesh. for what was lacking was that, just as Christ had suffered in his own body, so he should also suffer in Paul, his member, and in similar ways in others. And Paul does this for the sake of his body, which is the Church that was to be redeemed by Christ.

In his homily on this passage, St. John Chrysostom notes that St. Paul offering his suffering “demonstrates how deeply in love he is,” born with Christ, the head, and the Church, His Body. It is acting with the love of God, agape, to take on suffering for another’s sake. Just as Christ, out of love, offered his sufferings for our sake, so we, out of love and united with Christ, can offer our suffering for the sake of others.

So, when we see our Church suffering, our love for Christ and His Bride moves us to suffer on its behalf, to offer our trials and tribulations for its sake. There are so many things we can do, from going to adoration or saying a Rosary to fasting through breakfast or asking for Mass intentions for that purpose. When we join our acts with the saving action of Christ, they become not only ours, but His, making them efficacious.

When we feel helpless in the face of evil, we must not fail to do what we can, and to remember how truly effective it is.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE

FOR BULLETIN NOTICES – Bulletin Deadline: Thursday @ noon. For St Mary’s please contact Lana Bracken cell: 806.640.4672; email: LanaSueBracken@gmail.com. For Holy Name of Jesus please contact Lana Bracken cell: 806.640.4672; email: LanaSueBracken@gmail.com.

Baptism or Wedding Please contact Fr. Grant at least 1 month in advance for baptisms and 6 months advance for weddings.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Umbarger: Sundays at 8:30 am or by appointment. **Happy:** Saturdays at 5 p.m. and Thursday at 6:30 p.m. or by appointment.

To use or rent the church or parish hall, please contact Fr. Grant or Debbie Batenhorst at least 3 months before the event.

FOR MASS INTENTIONS please call Fr. Grant or leave the intention in the collection basket.

Please pray for all the sick in our parishes

ST. MARY’S: Mary Beth Sayers, Marie Wieck, Jeanie Bartley, Emma Weid, Dianna Donathon, Jeremy Koch, Bill Stocker, John Grabber, April Artho, Mary Kolac, Gene Schenk, John Wilson, Kyle Henderson, Jose Sanchez, Ashlee Trevino, Audree Rose Gomez, Patsy Huseman, Mike Smith, Oscar Olvera, Collier Friemel, Marcella Brandt, Tuffy Schenk, Lusi Ortiz, Willie Wieck, John Kreighauser, Sean Schenk, Misty Blevins, Darrol Adams, Chris Adams, Misty Vasquez

Holy Name of Jesus: Rosa Villa, Astrid Perez, Santos Perez, Gloria Rodin, Larry Simons, Pedra Soto, Louis Castellon, Lionel Sosa



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**Upcoming Events Sponsored by
Diocese of Amarillo
Office of Family Life**

Beginning Experience Retreat – October 26-28th - what if the worst thing you think could happen does and you are widowed, separated, or divorced? How do you cope with the grief, loss and pain? You do not have to suffer alone.

**Call about Beginning experience today
806-383-1811**

**Would you Like to attend an
ACTS Retreat Weekend?**

Next Retreat: **Women’s Retreat October 11-14, 2018**

There is more information about the ACTS Retreat online. If you or someone you know would like to attend you can register online at:

ACTSamarillo.org

