

The Week Ahead

Sat / September 5

4pm - Vigil Mass: Irene Barrack † by M Barrack
Food Pantry and St. Vincent de Paul Society Collections

Sun / September 6 - 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9am - Mass: People of the Parish
Food Pantry and St. Vincent de Paul Society Collections
12pm - Mass (L): Pellant Family - SI by G Pellant

Mon / September 7 - Labor Day

Church Office Closed / Adoration Open
No 9am Mass (Fr. Amal will be out of town for a meeting)

Tue / September 8 - Nativity of Bl. Virgin Mary

Wed / September 9 - St. Peter Claver
6pm - Mass: Mary L. † by B & A Kootz

Thu / September 10

9am - Mass: Canonization of Bl. Frederic Ozanam by SVDP

Fri / September 11

9am - Mass: Pres. Donald Trump - SI by M & M Winston

Sat / September 12 - Holy Name of Mary

3-3:45pm - Confessions, in the Library
4pm - Vigil Mass: Marty Barrack - SI by M Barrack
Monthly Maintenance Fund Collection

Sun / September 13 - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9am - Mass: Frs. Bola Showry, Anthaiah, and Francis Xavier †
by J & D Waggoner
Monthly Maintenance Fund Collection

Altar Flowers and Tabernacle Roses

this week are compliments of:

•Jim & Anna Whorl in honor of their Anniversary

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK...

**“Let us understand that God is a physician,
and that suffering is a medicine for salvation,
not a punishment for damnation.”**

~ St. Augustine of Hippo

🙏 Wishing you a blessed week! 🙏

Baby Bottle Boomerang

There are still 5 unreturned baby bottles. If you have an empty one at home, please bring it with you next week and leave by the Office door, as unreturned bottles are an added expense to the Pregnancy Center. Thank you!

Labor Day

Labor Day is a national holiday that evolved from a celebration and parade held in New York City in 1882 to honor the working class. The Church uses this day to emphasize **the duty to work and the dignity of human labor.**

God our Father, by the labor of mankind you govern and guide to perfection the work of Creation. Hear the prayers of Your people and give all Your children work that enhances their human dignity and draws them closer to each other in the service of their brothers and sisters. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen
(Please remember to pray for the unemployed!)

Welcome to Our Visitors

Thank you for joining us! May your holiday weekend with family and friends be blessed, and may you return home safely.

Birthdays Next Week:

11-Georgia Harris

We wish you many blessings on your birthday!

CASA UPDATE

Our 2020 parish goal is **\$14,900**; to date, **\$9,669** has been donated/pledged. Don't forget to follow through with your pledges. If you have not donated yet, it is not too late. The sacrificial amount you give is not as important as the fact that you do choose to participate. Please remember, make checks payable to CASA and note on them our Parish CASA # 7215.

Open Adoration Hours

Monday: 7-8pm / Thursday: 6-7pm
Alternate Fridays: 3-4pm

Adoration Substitutes Needed

If you are able to fill-in now and then, please give Rose, 994-2744, or Anne, 870-847-1985, a call. Thank you!

Collection for the Holy Land

Rescheduled for September 26/27

This collection, requested by Our Holy Father and normally taken up on Good Friday, was postponed this year due to the pandemic. This fund supports the Christians living in the Holy Land who protect the sacred places there. It also supports the Franciscans who maintain the shrines and parishes, as well as feed and house the poor. *(If you use envelopes and didn't save this one from earlier in the year, you can use a plain white envelope.) Thank you!*

Women's Retreat at Subiaco

The Women's Retreat, directed by Br. Damien, was postponed until Sept. 18-20, 2020. The theme will be "The Cross that Carries Us". The cost is \$150 per person in a shared room, \$200 for a private room. This fee covers two nights' stay, all conferences, and six meals. The commuter rate is \$75 which covers all conferences plus two dinners and two lunches. Masks must be worn at all times in buildings and temperatures must be checked each day. We hope you'll join us. Call 479-934-1290 for more information or to register.

***Has a past abortion left you with a broken heart?
You are invited to...***

A DAY OF PRAYER & HEALING

The Respect Life Office, through the Ministry of Project Rachel, is offering one-day, post-abortion healing retreats for women or men, on Saturday, Sept. 26th, near Bentonville, and Saturday, Oct. 10th in the West Memphis area, *with* COVID precautions. The retreat is Catholic in nature, but anyone who desires to begin or continue their journey to hope and healing are welcome to attend. The exact location of the retreat is only disclosed to participants. To speak with someone about a retreat or other Project Rachel Ministry healing opportunities, please call or text our confidential phone line, 501-663-0996, or email rpuello@dolr.org. All inquiries are strictly confidential. Please contact Project Rachel. You aren't alone. We care. We understand.

Automated Calls from Church

For those using cell phone numbers in the calling system, please be watching your email/mail for important information coming to your inbox/mailbox. We will now be offering the option of receiving notifications from the church as a text message instead of a phone call. Due to some cell phone plans charging per text message, you have to agree to it by signing up, we can't just add you on our end. Knowing how poor the cell phone reception is in our area, we highly suggest you use this option as it will solve most of the issues with garbled and partial messages. The information coming in your email/mail will give you the instructions needed.

If, when we first set this up, you asked us to call your landline phone number with notifications, but like the idea of receiving a text message rather than a phone call, please call the Church Office and let us know. We will be happy to change your contact number in the system so that it is now your cell phone number allowing you to sign-up as well.

Knights of Columbus' Annual Yard Sale

The KCs 2020 Yard Sale is scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 10th. Please look through your basements and garages for items you no longer need in good condition that you'd be willing to donate to them. Donations may be dropped off at church Mondays AND Fridays from 10am-Noon. For other arrangements, please call Dean, 870-856-3229, or Mike, 870-751-3419.

Prison Ministry

Volunteer Preview Meeting

Monday, Sept. 14th at 7pm

www.absc.org/2020prisonpreview

The Virtual preview meeting is for those with no previous experience but who are interested in prison ministry. For further information, contact Matt Winston, at 870-257-2857, or marttywinston@centurytel.net.