

A reflection from the Pastor

"What do you want me to do for you?," Jesus in today's gospel. This question posed by Jesus to the blind man was right to the point. Not that Jesus didn't want to know his whole life history, but he wanted to know how he could best serve him. And the response was equally as poignant: "I want to see." This exchange is paradigmatic of our own lives on so many levels. Through most of our lives, we go about feeling the effects of sin and evil, blinded if you will. When we finally meet Jesus, we realize that he was always there to ask us, "what do you want me to do for you?" Jesus is always there to help us, even in our blindness. This power is seen today in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. A sinner who is forgiven by Christ through sacramental confession, has his blinders taken off and is able to see again for Christ. In our immediate interactions with one another, we need to remove that which blinds us – race, creed, language, infirmities, etc. And be able to see beyond to the soul which cries out for mercy. This week, sit with Jesus' question, "what do you want me to do for you?" Don't just make it about the laundry list of things you don't like about yourself; make it about the ways in which Jesus can touch your soul and inform your character to be more like him. Then like the blind man of the gospel: follow him.

Liturgy / Mass Schedule and Priest's Intentions

Tuesday, 27th	8:00 a.m. Mass – <i>Anne Mundine + By Theresa Hernandez</i>
Wednesday, 28th	7:00 p.m. Mass – <i>David Escalante, Sr. + Simon & Jude by Rosie Hernandez</i>
Thursday, 29th	8:00 a.m. Mass – <i>Arnulfo Reyes Jr. + by Mrs. Maria Gonzalez</i>
Friday, 30th	8:00 a.m. Mass – <i>Freddy Valdez Jr. + by M/M Marelin L. Williams Jr.</i>
Saturday, 31st	1:00 p.m. Quinceaños – Morales
	5:15 -5:45 p.m. Sacrament of Penance
	5:40 p.m. Rosary – leader: <i>Carol Sutton</i>
	6:00 (vigil) Mass – <i>Catholic Daughters</i>
Sunday, 1st	8:00 a.m. Mass – <i>Pro Populo All Saints</i>
	10:00 a.m. Mass – <i>Roland R. Canchola + by M/M Ernest Moya</i>

Readings – Sunday November 1

First Reading – Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14
Second Reading – 1 John 3:1-3
Gospel – Matthew 5:1-12

Liturgical Assignments for the week ahead

Saturday 31st, 6 p.m.
Lector Carol Sutton
Altar Servers Gabriella & Madeline Canales
Ushers J. Canales, Jr., T. West, R. Cisneros, R. Reyes

Sunday 1st, 8 a.m.
Lector Martina Aguayo
Altar Servers April Chapa, Evan Andrade, Mauricio Ledezma
Ushers A. Posada, H. Cardona, L. Rivera Jr., T. Cabral

Sunday 1st, 10 a.m.
Lector Lupe Olguin
Altar Servers Katie Williams, Derek Folmar, Matthew Vela
Ushers A. Reyes, J. Troncoso, H. Longoria, C. Martin

Religious Education News

This Wednesday, October 28, 2009

All Classes:
**Mass
at 7:00 p.m.
in the Church**

Needed: We are still in need of a security guard for both sessions. If you are interested, please contact Fr. Ty.

Collection Overview:

Last Sunday: \$ 1613.69
2nd-World Missions - \$ 283.30

Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court 2494 Fall Tamale Sales

Order forms will be available soon for Tamales. \$6.50 per dozen. Please specify: Regular or Spicy, cooked or uncooked. Payment may be made with order or no later than delivery. Call Carol Sutton 648-9878 for more information or orders.

What's your Catholic IQ -Faith Quiz

This week's question:
Jesus' name in Hebrew is?

- Jesse
- Joshua
- Jehosophat
- Jezreel

Answer coming next week.

Blessing of the new Multipurpose – Hermes Hall – Building at the Spiritual Renewal Center will be held

**Wednesday, November 4
at 1:45 p.m.**

All are invited to attend.

This building was a major part of the renewal of the Spiritual Renewal Center under the capital campaign of the diocese, which our parish contributes over \$1300 a month to support. To get to the Spiritual Renewal Center: Take Hwy 59 South from Victoria, Continue on Hwy 59 past Hwy 87 exit, Hwy 59 turns into 77 South, Cross the Guadalupe River, Continue 10 miles past Exxon Store on Hwy 77 South, Pass Warburton Road sign, Turn right at McFaddin sign and Spiritual Renewal Center highway sign, Turn left at "T" and follow winding road about 3 1/2 miles, Look for left entrance to Renewal Center (rock entrance & gate)

October Meeting Calendar of Events

31 Baptismal Class 10-12 Heritage Room
To baptize, you must live within the parish boundary and should be attending Mass. If from another parish (immediate family [i.e., parents or grandparents] are active parishioners) you must provide a letter from your pastor stating you are active and you must attend your parish's baptismal class. Baptisms are held the first Sunday of each month except during the seasons of Advent and Lent.

Birth certificate of child is required before baptism.

A Prayer for Peace

Loving Father, **give me your peace.**
When life seems to be too much to handle, **give me your peace.**
When I have focused more on myself than your Son, Jesus, **give me your peace.**
When I am weak, show me the strength of your Holy Spirit, **give me your peace.**
In all things, I seek your holy will for me.
Grant me peace.

November – Month of All Souls

During the month of November, we honor all the souls of the faithful departed. If you would like to remember a loved one in the church prayer space, please bring your framed photo and place it on the tables provided.

May all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

SAINT PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
BLOOMINGTON, TEXAS

The Reverend Ty Joseph Bazar
Pastor

(361) 897-1155 - voice Post Office Box
2122
(361) 897-1064 - fax 13316 State Highway
185

Financial Statement – August

Income	
Building Fund	640.19
Sunday Collections	8516.50
Designated Collections	49.00
Candles	429.51
Interest Income	3.00
Requests and Memorials	100.00
Religious Education	277.00
Other	308.13
<u>Turkey Dinner</u>	<u>1474.08</u>
Total Income	\$11,797.41

Expenses	
Salaries	750.00
Health Insurance	570.00
Pension	97.00
Gas & Electric	1615.21
Garbage	84.73
Water	67.25
Satellite TV	79.74
Telephone	109.07
Repair and Maintenance	2591.67
Lawn Maintenance	350.00
Church Cleaning	118.50
Rectory Expense	165.98
Church Expenses	938.43
Auto	574.16
R.E. Expenses	684.35
Bishop's Capital Campaign	1361.92
<u>Diocesan Services Appeal</u>	<u>1000.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$11,158.01

Overall Total: 639.40

Bank Balance \$32,497.00

50th Anniversary T-Shirt Sale

T-shirts for \$8 and Shirts with a collar for \$15 bearing the anniversary of St. Patrick's are still available. Please contact Mrs. Torres in the parish hall on Wednesday evenings if you are interested. They make a great keepsake or gift.

Financial Statement – September

Income	
Building Fund	582.17
Sunday Collections	6775.62
Designated Collections	335.57
Candles	192.00
Other	55.00
Interest Income	2.85
Requests and Memorials	100.00
Religious Education	904.00
Other Designated Funds	47.00
<u>Turkey Dinner</u>	<u>23,311.45</u>
Total Income	\$32,305.66

Expenses	
Salaries	750.00
Health Insurance	570.00
Pension	97.00
Gas & Electric	1863.66
Garbage	36.43
Water	78.92
Lawn Maintenance	525.00
Church Cleaning	216.65
TV	88.21
Telephone	103.18
Repair and Maintenance	498.38
Rectory Expense	145.85
Church Expenses	1369.71
50th Anniversary T-Shirt Expense	1343.50
Collections to Diocese	335.57
Auto	558.82
Turkey Dinner	6,851.88
R.E. Expenses	468.31
New Hall Stove & Refrigerator	4988.00
Bank Charge	30.00
Bishop's Capital Campaign	1361.92
<u>Diocesan Services Appeal</u>	<u>1000.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$23,280.99

Overall Total \$9,024.67

Bank Balance (as of 10/23/09): \$32,822.40

Certificate of Deposit (as of 10/23/09) \$21,125.20

Turkey Dinner 2009

Income	
Auction	3378.50
Cake Walk	560.70
Cash Box	1250.00
Country Store	373.15
Kid's Room	374.32
Kitchen	278.50
Meat Donations	1427.61
Other Donations	1556.00
Plates	10,731.75
Raffle Prize Donations	1675.00
Raffle Tickets	2891.00
T-Shirts	464.00

TOTAL INCOME \$24,960.53

Expenses	
Auction	250.00
Cash Box	1250.00
Food	1686.41
Meat Expenses	900.00
Paper Goods	890.47
Raffle Expenses	1875.00

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 6851.88

Overall Total: \$18,108.65

**Thank you to all
who made the
Turkey Dinner
a success.**

**Saint of the Week
Saint Jude, apostle**



Son of Cleophas, who died a martyr, and Mary who stood at the foot of the Cross, and who annointed Christ's body after death. Brother of Saint James the Lesser. Nephew of Mary and Joseph; blood relative of Jesus Christ, and reported to look a lot like him. May have been a fisherman. Apostle.

Wrote the canonical Epistle named for him. Preached in Syria, Mesopotamia, and Persia with Saint Simon. Healer. Exorcist. Could exorcise pagan idols, which caused the demons to flee and the statues to crumble.

His patronage of lost or impossible causes traditionally derives from confusion by many early Christians between Jude and the traitor Judas Iscariot; not understanding the difference between the names, they never prayed for Jude's help, and devotion to him became something of a lost cause.

The feast day of St. Jude is October 28.

St. Jude, pray for us.

**ALTAR SERVER
APPRECIATION SUPPER**

The annual appreciation server for altar servers is Thursday evening November 12 from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. in the Heritage Room. Servers and their parents and siblings are invited. Dinner will be served. Please R.S.V.P. in the sacristy or by calling the parish office 897-1155 by November 9th.