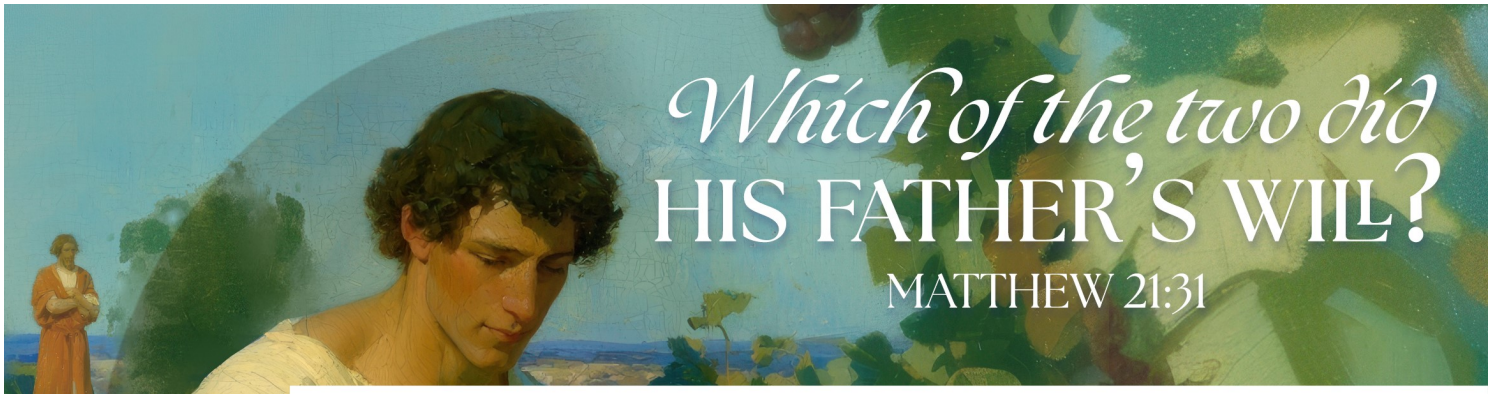

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9.27.26

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St Joseph of Onekama | Mass & Devotion Schedule

Saturday, September 26

5:15 - 5:45 PM Confessions
5:30 PM Rosary
6:00 PM Anticipated Mass for Sunday | Fr. Nursey *(Ladies Altar Guild)*

Sunday, September 27 | Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:45 - 11:15 AM Confessions
11:00 AM Rosary
11:30 AM Mass | For the People

Tuesday, September 29 | Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

9:20 - 9:50 AM Confessions
10:00 AM Mass | Fr. Nursey
10:30 AM Eucharistic Exposition *(until 4:00 PM)*

Wednesday, September 30 | Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

9:20 - 9:50 AM Confessions
10:00 AM Mass | †Harriet Daly *(Ray Daly)*

Thursday, October 1 | St Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

9:20 - 9:50 AM Confessions
10:00 AM Mass | †Julie Daly *(Ray Daly)*

Saturday, October 3

10:15 AM Rosary | Soul of Ernestina DeLeon
11:00 AM Mass of Christian Burial | Ernestina DeLeon

5:15 - 5:45 PM Confessions
5:30 PM Rosary
6:00 PM Anticipated Mass for Sunday | For the People

Sunday, October 4 | Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:45 - 11:15 AM Confessions
11:00 AM Rosary
11:30 AM Mass | Michael Kamaloski

Eucharistic Exposition is held immediately following the Tuesday morning Mass until 4:00 PM.

Please sign up so that we can be assured that at least two people are present with our Lord. Our Lord can not be left alone!

Celebrating Anniversaries ♥

09/28 M/M Robert LaPlant
09/30 M/M David Keene

Celebrating Birthdays

09/28 Alison Barnett
09/30 Darlene Falk, Kathy Miller
10/01 Phyllis Armstrong, Keegan Ensign, Kim Scarnavack
10/03 Alex Aguilar
10/04 Toni Adamski, Michael Kamaloski

Stewardship of Treasure

September 19-20, 2026

Envelopes	$2547
Loose Offertory	$779
Donation	$500
Votive Candles	$37
Building Fund	$315
Mass Stipend	$10
Total	**$4188**
Food Pantry	$65

During the month of November, we are called in a special way to remember our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection. The Legion of Mary will be praying the Rosary for our deceased loved ones at the cemetery. Please join the LOM in honoring and praying for those who have gone before us! Dates will be forthcoming.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, September 27
4:30 PM Guardian Angel Session *(Dinner & Movie)* .....SJ

Tuesday, September 29
4:15 PM Legion of Mary .....SJ
5:15 PM Choir Practice .....SJ

Wednesday, September 30
6:00 PM Youth Faith Formation | OCIA.....SJ

Pictured are Kole Anhalt (#57) and Shay Anhalt (#55), who play for the Frankfort High School Panthers as offensive and defensive linemen. We highlight and thank Kole and Shay for their dependable service as regular altar servers at our Saturday evening Mass. We also extend our deepest gratitude to all of our liturgical volunteers for their continued dedication and faithful service to our parish.

The Tri-Saints Knights of Columbus are hosting the final week of the **Warm Clothing Drive**, which officially **ends on Sunday, October 4th**. Please bring your donations of warm apparel to the designated drop boxes to help keep Casman Academy students warm this winter.

Following that, the Knights will also hold their annual **Tootsie Roll** campaign after all weekend Masses on **October 10th and 11th**. All donations directly support individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities through the Special Olympics. Thank you in advance for your wonderful generosity toward both of these Knight-sponsored causes!

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From the Desk of Fr James

Many Hands Make Light Work

As we continue preparing for Nan's retirement from St. Joseph Parish on December 31, I remain very grateful for the many years of faithful service she has given to our parish. Over time, Nan has carried many responsibilities, both visible and behind the scenes. As we look ahead, however, I do not believe the answer is simply to find one person who will do everything Nan has done. Instead, this transition gives us an opportunity to ask how more people can share in the life and responsibility of St. Joseph Parish.

At present, we are looking for a part-time parish secretary and a part-time maintenance person. I would also like to strengthen our Pastoral Council by drawing in people from various parish groups, such as the Knights of Columbus, Legion of Mary, Finance Council, Cemetery Council, and other ministries. My hope is that the Pastoral Council will become not simply a place for reports, but a working body where communication, planning, and shared responsibility truly happen.

Our liturgy is another important area. Father Nursey, Nan, and a small group of parishioners have carried much of this work. I am grateful for those who have stepped forward recently, but our pool of volunteers remains small. We need more people willing to be trained and placed on a regular schedule. This is also one reason we are not presently offering the Precious Blood at Mass—we need a larger and more dependable number of ministers.

I would also like to see the Finance Council take a more active role in areas such as budgeting, parish endowments, care of our aging church building, and the future of our cemetery. Cemetery space is now very limited, and we may eventually need to consider purchasing additional land or building a columbarium.

Finally, I want us to think about evangelization and prayer. As our seasonal parishioners leave, attendance becomes smaller. How do we invite others into the life of St. Joseph? Perhaps it begins with our own prayer life. If you are able, I encourage you to join us not only for Sunday Mass but also for daily Mass on Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday. Bring an intention for someone you love, someone who is sick, someone who has died, or someone who simply needs prayer.

The future of St. Joseph Parish will not depend upon one secretary, one priest, or one council. It will depend upon all of us recognizing that we each have something to offer.

Many hands truly do make light work.

— *Pax Vobiscum*