



# Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church

Oct 7-Oct 8, 2017

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## PARISH STAFF:

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## ***27 SUNDAY - THOUGHT POLLUTION***

"Your thoughts should be wholly directed to all that is true, all that deserves respect, all that is honest, pure, admirable, decent, virtuous, or worthy of praise." —Philippians 4:8

Once a father caught his young son using a curse word. The father took his son into the kitchen and poured him a tall, clear glass of juice. He gave the drink to his son, who took a big gulp. Next, the father took a spoonful of sewage and dropped it into the glass. He gave it to the boy to drink. This time, the boy made a face and refused to drink it. The father asked, "Why won't you drink it now? There's only a small bit of sewage in the glass. You can drink around it." "No," said the boy, "it's polluted now." "Ah," said Dad, "and that's what your mind looks like when you think a bad thought and curse like you just did now."

Likewise, the Lord requires all our thoughts to be under His lordship (Phil 4:8). Our thoughts must be "wholly directed to" His kingdom (Phil 4:8). We are to "bring every thought into captivity to make it obedient to Christ" (2 Cor 10:5). A few evil thoughts don't make our minds mostly good; rather, our minds are polluted.

How can we control every thought? We start by completely repenting and giving our whole mind to the Lord (Mt 22:37). He knows our thoughts (Ps 139:2; Lk 11:17). He will scrub away any filth from our thoughts (cf Jn 2:15). Then, we can immerse ourselves daily in God's word, which "judges the reflections and thoughts" of our mind. Like a double-edged sword, His word cuts evil thoughts away and displaces them with His living Word (Heb 4:12). In His word, God "declares to man His thoughts" (Am 4:13). Read and think God's word.

***Prayer: "Let the words of my mouth and the thought of my heart find favor before You, O Lord" (Ps 19:15).***

## Masses & Information

Monday, Thursday, Friday.....7:30 a.m.  
Saturday:.....5:30 p.m.  
Sunday:.....8:30 a.m.  
Wednesday:.....6:00 p.m.  
Confession: Saturday.....4:30-5:15 p.m.  
Sunday:.....7:55-8:15 a.m. or by appointment  
First Wednesday Adoration.....7:00 – 10:00 p.m.  
MARRIAGE PREPARTION: Contact Father Raj at least six months in advance.

BAPTISMS: Call the rectory for an appointment.

COMMUNION to shut-ins or the ill, call Fr. Raj at 248.7584 or 316.4146

Anyone who cannot come to the communion rail during Mass should let Father Raj know before Mass. Those who are ill or shut in should contact Bill Homer, if you would want communion brought to your home during the week or on weekends.

## Masses Intentions

## Pray for Our Sick

Brandi Sustaire, John Detten, Emma Detten, Tammy Bivens, Celeste Connelly, Conner Homer, Daniel Hinson, Schellon Major, Ralph Hutsell, Shamara Husemann, Bill Becker, Jim Eakin, Charlene Weller, Leonard Koetting, Alina Becker, Anna Marie Wink, Gary Collins, Juanita Stacy and Sambo Kotara

## Family Chalice Program

October 7/8 Jerod and Tami Keesee  
October 14/15 Brad and Tabitha Eggemeyer  
October 21/22 Pam and Cassie Ashford  
October 28/29 Keith, Kathleen and Halle Barkley  
November 4/5 Rodney and Michele Bohr  
November 11/12 Nick and Cara Ashford  
November 18/19 Tony and Mary Treadwell

## Birthdays

Oct 8<sup>th</sup> Jan Britten  
Oct 9<sup>th</sup> Maurice Britten and Lance Ollinger  
Oct 10<sup>th</sup> Wamyth Britten  
Oct 12<sup>th</sup> Nathan Wieberg and Tami Keesee  
Oct 13<sup>th</sup> Ruth Bubliss

## Anniversaries

Oct 9<sup>th</sup> Mike and Rita Lister

## Stewardship Reports

### 10/01/17 Stewardship Report

Individual	\$1640.00
Loose	\$ 239.00
Children	\$ 8.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2900.00</b>

### 10/01/17 Building Fund

Individual	\$1330.00
Loose	\$ 113.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1443.00</b>

## Church Cleaning for October

Neysa Friemel, Julie Friemel, Jessica Britten, Carolyn Brooks, Joannie Kling, Jan Britten, Tonda Torres, Laura Kuehler, Barbara Homer, Doris Homer, Kathleen Barkley, Adela Kotatra, Melanie Hinson and Karen Brown

## *Liturgical Ministers*

### **Saturday, Oct 7, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.**

Servers: Hope and Lauren

Lectors: Kay Britten

Extraor. Com. Minister: Sandie Hickey

### **Sunday, Oct 8, 2017 at 8:30 a.m.**

Servers: Madison and Ali

Lectors: Marcia Conrad

Extraor. Com. Minister: Nicole Kuehler, Carie Weinheimer, Joannie Kling

### **Saturday, Oct 14, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.**

Servers: Phineas and Saffron

Lectors: Jason Eugea

Extraor. Com. Minister: Kevin Brown

### **Sunday, Oct 15, 2017 at 8:30 a.m.**

Servers: Kate and Jackson

Lectors: Nick Kuehler

Extraor. Com. Minister: Michele Bohr, Marla Britten, & Susan Britten

### **Saturday, Oct 21, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.**

Servers: Derek and Ryan

Lectors: Carie Weinheimer

Extraor. Com. Minister: Nicole Kuehler

### **Sunday, Oct 22, 2017 at 8:30 a.m.**

Servers: Wesley and Owen

Lectors: Marcia Conrad

Extraor. Com. Minister: Joannie Kling, Sandie Hickey, Kay Britten

### **Saturday, Oct 28 2017 at 5:30 p.m.**

Servers: Braxton and Zady

Lectors: Cliff Britten

Extraor. Com. Minister: Susan Britten

### **Sunday, Oct 29, 2017 at 8:30 a.m.**

Servers: Halle and Carrigan

Lectors: Ron Kuehler

Extraor. Com. Minister: Nicole Kuehler, Carie Weinheimer, Joannie Kling

## *Announcements:*

**RCIA** will meet on Tuesday nights @ 7p.m. Everyone is welcome to sit in on classes. Please contact Tabitha Eggemeyer @ 806-651-9176 if you need any other information.

**Christian Mothers** is needing donations for the Parish Hall Kitchen, we still need a heavy duty cart to move food in and out of the kitchen. If you are interested in donating please contact Debbie Ollinger or Pam Ashford, or mail a contribution to PO Box 293, Groom Tx 79039. Thank you

The **Parish Council** is looking for volunteers to act as points of contact for different infrastructure systems throughout the grounds and buildings of the Parish. If you have experience or simply willingness to volunteer for one of the positions, or for more information please contact Jason Eugea at 806-335-6805.

**Contact:** Cara Ashford at 806-584-6250 or [ashfordcara@gmail.com](mailto:ashfordcara@gmail.com) (preferred), if you have information for the bulletin.

October 15, 2017 is the World Mission Sunday: Our Holy Father says that, Gospel joy comes from sharing. The joy of the Gospel is born of the encounter with Christ and from sharing with the poor. World Mission Sunday is an opportunity to rekindle our desire and our moral obligation to participate joyfully in mission across the whole world. A monetary contribution on the part of individuals is the sign of a self-offering, first to the Lord and then to others and so in this way a material offering such as a donation of money by individuals to Missio can become a means built on love for the evangelisation of humanity. The Church, a welcoming home for all. Let us pray through the intercession of Mary, the model of joyful evangelisation, that the Church may become a welcoming home for all peoples and the source of rebirth for our world.

"Mission Sunday offers each of us an opportunity to put more emphasis on our common missionary vocation which leads Christ's disciples to become apostles of his Gospel of reconciliation and peace. The mission of salvation is universal -- for every person and for the whole person. It is a task which involves the entire People of God, all the faithful. Mission must therefore be the passion of every Christian; a passion for the salvation of the world and ardent commitment to work for the coming of the Father's kingdom."

### **RCIA The Journey of Faith begins with your questions**

What is faith? How does faith grow? What do Catholics believe and why is it different from other faith traditions? How different is it really?

Classes for the Christian Initiation of Adults are available for anyone who wants to learn more about the Catholic faith. The process begins with an "Inquiry" period when questions lead to exploration. Drop in – no obligation, no commitment, no pressure at our Q & A sessions.

The second phase is the "Catechumens" period for those who are interested in becoming fully Catholic. Classes end in the Mystagogy

period, with a focus on how to identify God's special calling and purpose for your life.

If you'd like to take this journey of faith, call the

#### **RCIA Directors:**

Tabitha Eggemeyer 806-651- 9176

Krista Johnson 806-223- 6244

#### **Already Catholic?**

**If you love your faith and would like to help mentor someone on their journey, please sign up to become a sponsor or join the RCIA team.**