

Jackson County Catholic Community



Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 24th, 2025

REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD

Today's Gospel picks up the theme of pilgrimage to Jerusalem that we heard in the first reading. One of the major themes in Luke's Gospel is Jesus' journey to Jerusalem, making his way to the cross. Through his death on the cross, Jesus brings salvation to everyone, making it possible for the words in the first reading to be fulfilled, that foreign nations will come to worship the one, true God.

Although salvation is offered to all, this reading reminds us that not everyone responds positively to this gift. It is this reality that reinforces the exhortation in today's second reading. We must endure through the trials, remaining strong in our trust in God so that we can say yes to him and enter the narrow gate.

Jesus' words offer a warning against falling into one of the more subtle trials, that of complacency. It can be likened to the difference between acquaintances and friends. Those who are turned away by the master of the house in today's reading only know him on a superficial, social level, eating and drinking in each other's company. They claim they have a right to enter because he taught in their streets; however, this means they did not have to make much effort to see him. On the other hand, those who are welcomed are those who travel from the four corners of the earth to encounter God. These efforts mark a deeper commitment to the relationship, or at the very least the desire for a deeper relationship, one that allows them to enter the kingdom of God and to partake in the divine feast laid before them. As we journey along our Christian life, we are invited to choose an ever-deeper relationship with God.

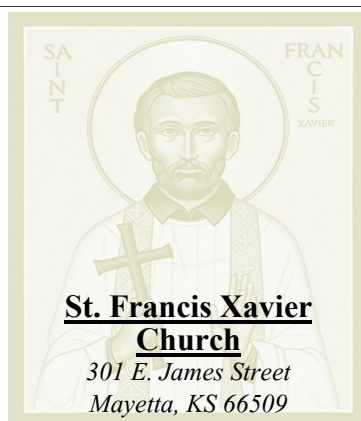
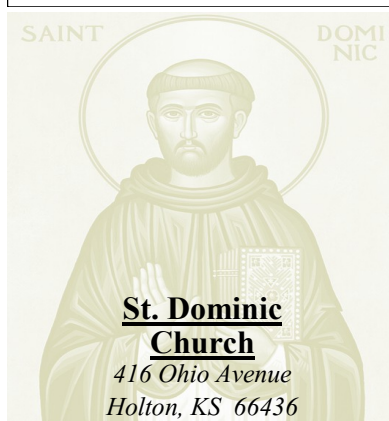
~Maria E. Barga, PHD, MPHIL, MA

TODAY'S READINGS:

Reading I: Isaiah 66:18-21

Reading II: Hebrews 12:5-7, 11-13

Gospel: Luke 13:22-30



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9:15 a.m. ~ 12 noon Friday

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WEEKDAY MASS Schedule:

St. Francis Xavier:

8:30 a.m. ~ Tues., and Thurs.

St. Dominic:

5:30 p.m. ~ Wednesday

8:30 a.m. ~ Friday

WEEKEND MASS Schedule:

Saturday Vigil

5:30 p.m. ~ @ St. Dominic

Sunday

7:00 a.m. ~ @ St. Dominic

8:30 a.m. ~ @ St. Francis Xavier

8:30 a.m. ~ @ Our Lady of Snows

10:30 a.m. ~ @ St. Dominic

CONFESSION Schedule:

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. @ St. Dominic

Weekends, 30 minutes prior to each weekend Mass

(excluding 7:00 a.m. Mass)

ADORATION Schedule:

Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. @ St. Dominic

BAPTISM: Those requesting baptism for their children need to be registered parishioners. Preparation classes are required for parents and Godparents prior to event.

MARRIAGE: Preparation begins with initial consult with parish priest. Please allow at least six months notice to fulfill the Archdiocesan marriage requirements.

ANointing of the SICK: Call the office during business hours. Call the rectory after hours or for emergencies. If no answer, call (785) 364-7402.

DECLARATION of NULLITY: Please call the parish office for details.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE: next week

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Aug. 30th & 31st	Sat. 08/30 @ 5:30 pm SD	Sun. 08/31 @ 7:00 am SD	Sun. 08/31 @ 8:30 am SFX	Sun. 08/31 @ 10:30 am SD
SACRISTAN	Alberta Lierz		Joann Walker	Terry Ludvicek
MUSIC	Cody Utz		Andrea Bailey Patricia Goering	Robin Sides Michelle Niehues
LECTOR	Maggie Schiefelbein	Tena Brucken	Catherine Holthaus	Mike Tanking
GREETER- USHER	Kenyon & Carolyn Moran	Galen Brucken	Jim & Marsha Seematter	Dale & Kathleen Noel
EMHC	Mark Pruett		Marceta Reilly	Gregg Watkins
Acolytes			Lana Brown (CB) Maddie Everts, Meghan Putnam	Westin Tanking (CB) Julia Keling, Kayla Tanking

Homebound Communion Ministers: Alberta Lierz (*St. Dominic*), Marceta Reilly (*St. Francis Xavier*), and Angie Reith (*Nursing Homes*)

CALENDAR of EVENTS

<u>August 25th, Monday</u>	
Parish Office is Closed	
7:00 p.m. K of C Holton Mtg.	St. Dominic Parish Hall
<u>August 26th, Tuesday</u>	
8:30 a.m. Mass	St. Francis Xavier
6:00 p.m. AFF: Transgender Movement	St. Dominic Parish Hall
<u>August 27th, Wednesday</u>	
5:30 p.m. Mass	St. Dominic
6:00 p.m. Adoration and Confession	St. Dominic
<u>August 28th, Thursday</u>	
8:30 a.m. Mass	St. Francis Xavier
<u>August 29th, Friday</u>	
8:30 a.m. Mass	St. Dominic
<u>August 30th, Saturday</u>	
5:30 p.m. Mass	St. Dominic
<u>August 31st, Sunday</u>	
7:00 a.m. Mass	St. Dominic
8:00 a.m. Confession	St. Francis Xavier
8:30 a.m. Mass	St. Francis Xavier
9:30 a.m. Fellowship Sunday	St. Francis Xavier
8:30 a.m. Mass	Our Lady of Snows
10:00 a.m. Confession	St. Dominic
10:30 a.m. Mass	St. Dominic
<u>September 1st, Monday</u>	
Parish Office is Closed	
6:30 p.m. Rosary Fellowship	St. Dominic Parish Hall

Jackson County Ministerial Alliance

Please consider donations...

August/September — Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Kleenex, Napkins

Please drop off donations in the designated tub in the lobby of

St. Francis Xavier

NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS



Catholic Charities Bus will be present at the Saint Dominic Parish Hall on

Tuesday, Aug 26th, 2025
9:30 a.m. ~ 1:30 p.m.

Walk-in services will include:

- *Food *Clothing
- *Seasonal Items
- *Books *Diapers
- *Personal Hygiene Items

Photo I. D. is required. Items will vary depending on availability

Resource Bus Hotline: (913) 433-2039
catholiccharitiesks.org/bus

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TRAINING

SEPTEMBER 6 & 13
9:00 - 11:00 AM

SAINT DOMINIC CHURCH



RETURNING AND NEW SERVERS
(4TH - 7TH GRADE)

Please join us in one of the scheduled training sessions. Snacks will be provided.

**ALL PARISH PICNIC VOLUNTEERS**

For all your effort in feeding and bringing the community together

PASTORAL COUNCIL		FINANCE COUNCILS	
St. Dominic	St. Francis Xavier	St. Dominic	St. Francis Xavier
Jenea Chartier	Jeri Albright	Barb Heideman	Mary Lou Koch
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Wayne Leiker	Chris Everts	Mark Starr	Donald Sunday
Niki Meerpohl	Mike Henry		
Joshua Shupe	Marquerite Mzhickteno		
Theresa Watkins	Dot Sosna		

PARISH STEWARDSHIP Aug 15th, 16h, & 17th, 2025	St. Dominic	St. Francis Xavier
Envelopes	\$2,305.00	1,000.00
Plate	849.00	345.00
TOTAL	\$3,154.00	\$1,345.00
Week of Aug 9th & 10th	\$2,801.00	\$1,242.00
Week of Aug 2nd & 3rd	\$6,915.00	\$2,969.25

PRAYER INTENTIONS

INTENTIONS OF POPE LEO XIV FOR AUGUST:

For mutual coexistence. Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.

INTENTIONS OF FR. JONATHAN FOR AUGUST:

For all members of our parishes, that we may find ways to engage, support and build up our communities through our presence and stewardship.

PARISH PRAYER INTENTIONS:

Parishioners:

Richard Arnold	Barbara Bausch	Bill Berns	Bob Butts
Mary Devader	Steve Devlin	Mildred Eisenbarth	Sheila Fernkopf
Freda Galer	Martin John Hamm	Mary Harris	Pat Hasenkamp
Ed Hrenchir	Carolyn Koger	Karen McClaskey	Mike McClaskey
Don Morford	Mary Morford	Richard Mulroy	Mike Myers
Joe Purcell	Larry Reilly	Ramona Robinson	Barb Schussler
Kade Sides	Evelyn Sullivan	Ray Zeller	

Relatives of Parishioners:

Donna Andriano	Christopher Brown	Roger Brown	Leann Decker
James DeVader	Brad Fiedler	Dennis Fiedler	Jennifer Fiedler
Mike Fiedler	Sherri Fiedler	Warren Fiedler	Van Fuqua
Allan Gibson	Gladys Gibson	Kase Glassel	Jamie Goldman
Vickie Goodman	Floyd Klein	Felicia Nicholes	Danyell Russell
Butch Schiffbauer	Linda Schiffbauer	Anna Segenhagen	

PRAYERS FOR OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN UNIFORM:

US Army: MP ANG Therron Fox SSgt. Matthew Zeller **US Marines:** Maj. JP Turner
US Navy: E-5 Dennis Reed Potter **US Air Force:** MSgt. Dylan Parks, TSgt. Nicole Parks

To place or remove someone's name on the prayer list, please call the Parish Office.



**2nd COLLECTION for a
new HVAC system
for Saint Dominic Church**



On the weekends of **September 6 and 13**, our parish will be taking up a **second collection** to fund the replacement of an aging heating and air-conditioning unit (cost: \$28k) for our church building.

Your generosity in the past has been invaluable, and we prayerfully ask you to **consider contributing what you can** to help ensure a comfortable environment for all during our services and events for years to come. Thank you and God bless!



ALL PARISH HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

Join us on **SEPT. 7 (SUN) at 6PM** for kick-off event of our parish youth group. We'll meet at **Fr. Jonathan's backyard**. Please bring your own lawn chairs!

MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

August 23rd (Sat) **21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**
4:00 p.m. PARISH PICNIC @ BANNER CREEK

Joe Kennedy & Cathleen Reed+

August 24th (Sun) **21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 7:00 a.m. St. Dominic NO MASS

8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier Bob Hood+

10:30 a.m. St. Dominic Ernest & Dolores Hoffman+

August 26th (Tues) **Weekday in Ordinary Time**

8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier Doug Reicherter+

August 27th (Wed) **St Monica**

5:30 p.m. St. Dominic Danielle Nelson+

August 28th (Thurs) **St Augustine, Bishop, Doctor**

8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier Ed Gros Family+

August 29th (Fri) **The Passion of St John the Baptist**

8:30 a.m. St. Dominic Donna Andriano

August 30th (Sat) **22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:30 p.m. St. Dominic All Parishioners,

living and deceased

August 31st (Sun) **22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:00 a.m. St. Dominic Marion Korte+

8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier Marcelline Meyer+

10:30 a.m. St. Dominic Gail Schmitz+



"Our hearts are restless until they rest in you"

— St. Augustine

If you or someone you know have an interest in exploring or deepening your knowledge of the Catholic faith, please join us. All are welcome!

SEPTEMBER 18 2025 6:30 PM
ST. DOMINIC PARISH OFFICE

To sign up, please call **(785) 364 3262**
 or email **parish.jacocatholics@gmail.com**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER

Angie Reith, Director of Religious Education
(785) 364-5941 or **jacocatholicsre@gmail.com**

First Day of Classes,
 for Religious Education

St. D Wed. 9/03/25: 6:30-7:30 p.m.

St. FX Sun. 9/07/25: 9:30-10:30a.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION KICK-OFF EVENT

September 3 (Wed) 5:30 PM

Children and parents of BOTH parishes are invited to join us as we start the academic year with Mass, dinner and tons of "bouncy" FUN!

This Week on Formed

Week of August 24, 2025



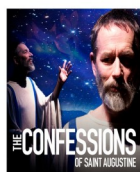
The Confessions of St. Augustine | Littlest Saints

A child, a sinner, a saint. Join us as we share the story of St. Augustine, tailored to our children, as he wrestles with God and comes to the faith.



Feast of Saint Monica | Catholic Saints

Throughout her life, St. Monica constantly prayed for the conversion of Augustine, her beloved son. In a moment of desperation, she even asked for the bishop's help. In response, he said, "the son of those tears surely will not perish." Truly, as this bishop remarked, Monica's tearful prayers helped build her son into the Doctor of Grace. In this video, join Dr. Gray and Dr. Sehorn as they discuss this great Saint.



The Confessions of Saint Augustine

Actor Leonardo DiCaprio captures the poetry and passion of Saint Augustine of Hippo (AD 354-430) in a performance that is accessible and deeply moving. The play is astonishingly relevant for our own times. Augustine struggled with promiscuity, fathered a child out-of-wedlock and dabbled in a "new age" style cult. Be inspired by his relentless pursuit of Truth and encouraged by the prayerful perseverance of his faithful mother, Saint Monica.

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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

SCRIPTURE INSIGHTS:

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

This week's readings offer rich readings that focus on themes of inclusion, humility, and God's call to all people. These themes encourage us to reflect on God's invitation to enter His kingdom and the attitudes we should cultivate to be part of His family.

- ♦ **Universal Call:** The readings remind us that God calls people from all nations to know Him. Isaiah speaks of gathering people from distant lands, showing God's desire for a diverse and inclusive family.
- ♦ **Discipline and Growth:** In Hebrews, we learn that God disciplines those He loves, like a parent guides a child. This discipline helps us grow in righteousness and peace.
- ♦ **Humility and Effort:** Jesus emphasizes the need to strive to enter through the narrow gate. This requires humility and effort, recognizing that salvation is not automatic but involves our cooperation.
- ♦ **Reversal of Expectations:** The Gospel warns that some who are last will be first and some first will be last. This teaches us not to be complacent or assume our place is secure without genuine faith and love.
- ♦ **The Importance of Listening:** Listening to God's word is crucial for entering His kingdom. Hebrews stresses the importance of hearing and responding to God's call with a willing heart.
- ♦ **Judgment and Accountability:** The readings highlight the reality of judgment. Jesus' teaching on the narrow gate reminds us that we will be accountable for our choices and actions.

These themes encourage us to live faithfully and humbly, recognizing God's call to all and the importance of our response. Reflecting on these messages helps us understand our role in God's plan and the importance of our commitment to Him. (Young-Catholics.com)

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