

Jackson County Catholic Community



Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 19th, 2025

REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD

In this Gospel reading, Jesus focuses on the need for prayer in preparation for God's coming kingdom and judgment, emphasizing the wisdom of constant prayer. Like the second reading in which Paul exhorts us to persist in sharing the Good News of our faith, Jesus teaches us here that we must persevere in prayer. This persistence in prayer is a key theme in Luke's Gospel.

In today's parable, the widow, representing the most vulnerable in society, has no recourse for justice other than to continually insist that the judge do what is right. The judge, who does not fear God or respect any person, fears what the incessant petitioning of the widow might lead her to do to him. This fear motivates him to do what is right. It is not a conversion on his part but a choosing to do what he considers the most convenient solution for himself.

Jesus concludes the parable by reminding us that God is everything the judge is not. God is just, respects his creation and their free will, and cares for all, especially the vulnerable. He will not be slow to respond; instead, he even more readily responds to those who persevere in prayer. When we pray, we demonstrate our trust that God will remain faithful to his promises and respond to our needs. The Book of Sirach notes that having this trust in God's response is itself a sign of wisdom (for example, Sirach 35:21-22). Ultimately, how we pray reveals our relationship with God.

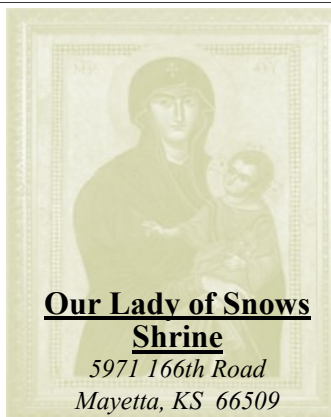
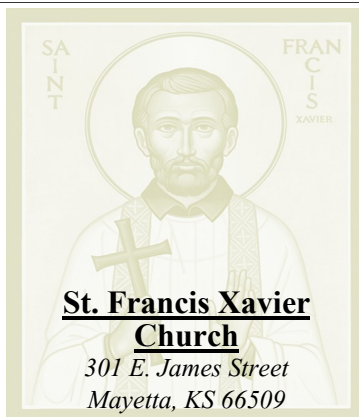
~Maria E. Barga, PHD, MPHIL, MA

TODAY'S READINGS:

Reading I: Exodus 17:8-13

Reading II: 2 Timothy 3:14--4:2

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8



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OFFICE HOURS:

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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

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Oct. 25th & 26th	Sat. 10/25 @ 5:30 pm SD	Sun. 10/26 @ 7:00 am SD	Sun. 10/26 @ 8:30 am SFX	Sun. 10/26 @ 10:30 am SD
SACRISTAN	Alberta Lierz		Vera Rioux	Josh Shupe
MUSIC	Kenneth Kietzman Dyann Parks		Andrea Bailey Tony Rioux	Jenea Chartier Leigha Sweet
LECTOR	Vickie Pruett	NO MASS	Joann Walker	Susan Schirmer
GREETER- USHER	Rick & Katie Heinen	NO MASS	Thad & Paige Holthaus	Dale & Kathleen Noel
EMHC	Mark Pruett		Marceta Reilly	Theresa Watkins
Acolytes			Nick Rioux Zack Rioux, Dalton Cole	Westin Tanking Kyla Tanking, Calvin Henry

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

CALENDAR of EVENTS

October 20th, Monday	
Parish Office is Closed	
6:30 p.m. Rosary Fellowship	St. Dominic Parish Hall
October 21st, Tuesday	
8:30 a.m. NO MASS	St. Francis Xavier
October 22nd, Wednesday	
5:30 p.m. NO MASS	St. Dominic
6:00 p.m. NO Adoration and Reconciliation	St. Dominic
6:30 p.m. Religious Ed	St. Dominic
October 23rd, Thursday	
8:30 a.m. NO MASS	St. Francis Xavier
6:00 p.m. OCIA (Adult Faith Formation)	St. D Parish OFFICE
October 24th, Friday	
8:30 a.m. NO MASS	St. Dominic
October 25th, Saturday	
5:00 p.m. Confession	St. Dominic
5:30 p.m. Mass	St. Dominic
October 26th, Sunday	
7:00 a.m. NO 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
9:30 a.m. Religious Ed.	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
October 27th, Monday	
Parish Office is Closed	
7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus	St. Dominic Parish Hall

PASTORAL COUNCILS

<i>St. Dominic</i>	<i>St. Francis Xavier</i>
Jenea Chartier	Jeri Albright
Jessi Deters	Marie Burdick
Cathy Haug	Ben Ehrhart
Wayne Leiker	Chris Everts
Niki Meerpohl	Mike Henry
Joshua Shupe	Marquerite Mzhickteno
Theresa Watkins	Dot Sosna

FINANCE COUNCILS

<i>St. Dominic</i>	<i>St. Francis Xavier</i>
Barb Heideman	Mary Lou Koch
David Ashcraft	Sharon Cole
Diane Gross	Farrell Holthaus
Mark Starr	Donald Sunday

NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS



We would like to recognize our Veterans, past and present, in conjunction with Veterans' Day, on November 11th.

Please **submit** the above information to bethnelsonmk@yahoo.com

*Name *Branch of Military

*Rank *Years Served

*Special recognition earned

Due date for submissions = Friday, October 31st, for publication in the November 9th bulletin

Through ~ October 31st:

Fr. Jonathan WILL BE VISITING HIS HOMETOWN

NO weekday Masses or 7:00 a.m. Sunday Masses **during this time**, nor will there be Adoration or Confession on Wednesdays.



Gratitude Sunday 2025 St. Francis Xavier	
Envelopes	\$11,892.00
Auction Items	5,570.00
Total (as of 10/15/25)	\$17,462.00

PARISH STEWARDSHIP October 11th & 12th, 2025	St. Dominic	St. Francis Xavier
Envelopes	\$2,420.00	\$1,050.00
Plate	421.00	330.50
TOTAL	\$2,841.00	\$1,380.50
<i>Week of October 4th & 5th</i>	\$5,044.10	\$2,619.75
<i>Week of Sept. 27th & 28th</i>	\$3,664.26	\$1,293.00

PRAYER INTENTIONS

INTENTIONS OF POPE LEO XIV FOR OCTOBER:

For collaboration between different religious traditions

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

INTENTIONS OF FR. JONATHAN FOR OCTOBER:

For all the children and young people in our parishes returning to school, that they may find the pursuit of knowledge as a means to discovering God's love for them.

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	Arneil Springer	Evelyn Sullivan	Ray Zeller

Relatives of Parishioners:

Jorgan Beck	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	Dan Gruber	Eric Harris	Floyd Klein
Carrie Lierz	Felicia Nicholes	Lainey Parks	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.

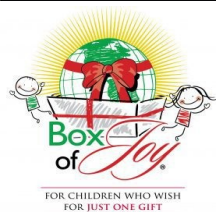


St. Dominic Knights of Columbus

Scholarship Application

The deadline for submission = November 1st, 2025.

Applicants need to have completed at least one year of post-high school education: ie, college, trade school or apprenticeship. Forms are available in the entrance of St. Dominic Church, or the Parish Office, during business hours.



BOX OF JOY KICK-OFF!

Please prayerfully consider contributing to this worthwhile endeavor. Boxes are available in the vestibules of both parishes and shrine.

BOXES ARE DUE OCTOBER 29TH

"Our hearts are restless until they rest in you" - St. Augustine

OCIA Religious Education classes have begun, but any and all are welcome to come and learn about the Catholic faith.

THURSDAYS, 6:00 PM, AT ST. DOMINIC PARISH OFFICE

For more information, please call **(785) 364 3262**
 or email **parish.jacocatholics@gmail.com**

MASS INTENTIONS for the WEEK

October 18th (Sat) 5:30 p.m. St. Dominic	29th Sunday Ordinary Time All Parishioners Living & Deceased+
October 19th (Sun) 7:00 a.m. St. Dominic 8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier 10:30 a.m. St. Dominic	29th Sunday Ordinary Time NO MASS Betty Fuqua+ Sonya J. Bergman+ Alice Ann Kerr+
October 21st (Tues) 8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier	Weekday, Ordinary Time NO MASS
October 22nd (Wed) 5:30 p.m. St. Dominic	St John Paul II, Pope NO MASS
October 23rd (Thurs) 8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier	St John of Capistrano, Priest NO MASS
October 24th (Fri) 8:30 a.m. St. Dominic	St Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop NO MASS
October 25th (Sat) 5:30 p.m. St. Dominic	30th Sunday Ordinary Time Ben & Marge Fox+
October 26th (Sun) 7:00 a.m. St. Dominic 8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier 10:30 a.m. St. Dominic	30th Sunday Ordinary Time NO MASS Debbie Larkin+ All Parishioners Living & Deceased+

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 10/19: 7th Grade Confirmation Mtg.**
10:30 am, @ St FX
- 10/19: High School Youth Group**
6:00~7:30 pm, at St. D Hall
- 10/22: 7th Grade Confirmation Mtg.**
7:00 pm, at St. D
- 10/26: Confirmation Retreat**
for those being confirmed this fall.
10:00 am~6:30 pm, @ St Isidore's,
Manhattan, KS
- 10/29: Box of Joy Donations = DUE**
**ALL of Jackson County Parish
Communities**
- 11/02: CONFIRMATION Practice**
after 10:30 am Mass at St. D
Practice & Interviews, with Fr. Jonathan
- 11/04: CONFIRMATION** 6:30 pm @ St. D:
Reception following @ St. D Parish Hall

Religious Education (CCD) Times:

St. D Wednesdays: 6:30-7:30 p.m.
St. FX Sundays: 9:30-10:30 a.m.

This Week on Formed

Week of October 19, 2025



Pope John Paul II

Starring Jon Voight and Cary Elwes, this epic film follows Karol Wojtyla's journey from his youth in Poland through his late days on the Chair of St. Peter.



Slaves and Kings

Following the life of St. Anthony Mary Clare—Archbishop, writer, publisher, social reformer, and confessor to the Queen of Spain—this film tells the compelling story of one of Spain's most popular preachers and founder of the Missionary Sons of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.



Saint John Paul II | Lukas Storyteller

Lukas, tired of seeing the same bored look on his friends' faces, decides to tell them a captivating story. Not just any story, but a tale of a young Karol Wojtyla, who would one day become Pope John Paul II! The kids wouldn't believe the adventures young Karol had, and how they would inspire them to create their own unforgettable day.

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SCRIPTURE INSIGHTS:

29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

The readings offer insights into perseverance, prayer, and the strength found in faith. The readings emphasize the importance of trusting in God and being persistent in our spiritual life.

- ◆ **Persistence in Prayer:** The Gospel of Luke shows Jesus encouraging persistent prayer through the parable of the unjust judge and the widow. This teaches that we should keep praying even when it seems difficult.
- ◆ **Support in Community:** In Exodus, Moses is supported by Aaron and Hur to keep his hands raised, symbolizing the power of community support. It reminds us that we need each other to sustain our faith.
- ◆ **Faithful Endurance:** The second reading from 2 Timothy emphasizes staying true to what we have learned and believed. It encourages us to endure hardships and be faithful to the teachings of Christ.
- ◆ **Justice and Trust:** The parable in the Gospel highlights the importance of seeking justice and trusting that God hears our prayers. Even when answers seem delayed, we should trust in God's timing.
- ◆ **Role of Scripture:** Paul in 2 Timothy speaks about the importance of scripture in teaching and guiding believers. This reminds us of the value of the Bible in our daily lives and decision-making.
- ◆ **Power of Intercession:** The scene in Exodus, where Moses prays with uplifted hands, illustrates the power of intercessory prayer. It shows how praying for others can bring about God's help and support.

This week's readings remind us to be steadfast in our faith and persistent in prayer. They encourage us to trust in God's timing and the strength found in community and scripture.

(Young-Catholics.com)

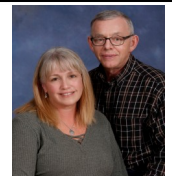
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