



Jackson County Catholic Community



Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 20th, 2026

REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD

While Matthew, Mark, and Luke share the saying “the last will be first, and the first will be last,” Matthew alone connects the saying to a parable. When we consider the text within Matthew’s context, the parable likely takes the features of an allegory, where various elements have added meaning. According to traditional allegorical interpretation, the landowner is God, the vineyard is Israel, and the harvest reflects the final judgment. The first hired workers are the religiously observant, whereas those last hired are tax collectors and sinners who have responded to Jesus’ call, albeit late. Such a reading, combined with the concluding saying, strives to explain a conundrum of Jesus’ ministry: Jesus showed concern for the marginalized who were often viewed as sinners and resented by the righteous. It also strives to respond to critique levelled at the Christian community by the religious establishment.

Still, the true richness of the parable flows from its insights into God. Broken into three parts, the parable begins with as many as five different hirings of workers. The second and third parts occur in the vineyard, where the owner gives accounting instructions to the steward, and those hired first interact with the owner over their wages. Three lessons may be drawn. First, the owner is relentless in searching out workers, regardless of time or qualification. Second, the owner is a model of justice, promising a just wage. Third, the owner is also a model of mercy, giving even the latecomers a just wage. In other words, God is both just and merciful, as the case requires. That this text finds some resistance from contemporary believers indicates that we still misunderstand how God exercises both justice and mercy.

~ Fr. Stephen Lampe

TODAY'S READINGS:

Reading I: Isaiah 55:6-9

Reading II: Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16a

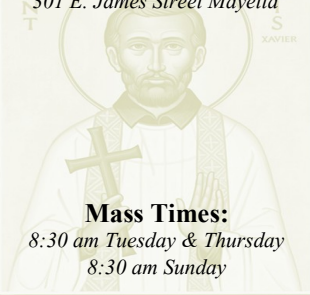
Saint Dominic Church
416 Ohio Avenue Holton



Mass Times:

5:30 pm Wednesday & Saturday
8:30 am Friday
10:30 am Sunday

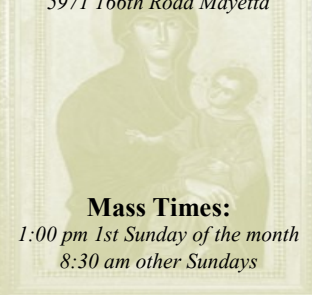
St. Francis Xavier Church
301 E. James Street Mayetta



Mass Times:

8:30 am Tuesday & Thursday
8:30 am Sunday

Our Lady of Snows Shrine
5971 166th Road Mayetta



Mass Times:

1:00 pm 1st Sunday of the month
8:30 am other Sundays

PASTOR

Rev. Fr. Jonathan Dizon

jdizon@archkck.org

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Kenyon Moran (St. D)

Vera Rioux (St. FX)

CONFESSION Schedule:

Weekdays, Wednesday @ St. Dominic

following 5:30 pm Mass

Weekends, 30 minutes prior to Mass

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

6:00 pm Wednesday @ 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.

DECLARATION of NULLITY:

Please email the pastor for details.

HOSPITAL VISITS: Please call the parish office if you or a loved one has been admitted to the hospital.

NEW PARISHIONERS: Please fill out registration forms located at the entrance of the church. Submit it to the parish office.

REGISTERED PARISHIONERS: Please notify us of any changes in address or contact number.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE: next week

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 26th & 27th	Sat. 9/26 @ 5:30pm SD	Sun. 9/27 @ 8:30 am SFX	Sun. 9/27 @ 10:30 am SD
SACRISTAN	Lori Sohn	Vera Rioux	Terry Ludvicek
MUSIC	Dyann Parks Cody Utz	Andrea Bailey Patricia Goering & Alysse Berns	Robin Sides
LECTOR	Vicki Pruett	Emma Poort	Niki Meerpohl
GREETER- USHER	Rick & Katie Heinen	Jim & Marsha Seematter	Cullen & Nikki Jackson
EMHC	Gregg Watkins	Joann Walker	Wayne Leiker
Acolytes		Nick Rioux Zack Rioux & Dalton Cole	Westin Taking (CB) Kyla Tanking & Rhett Doyle
Homebound Communion Ministers: Niki Meerpohl (<i>St. Dominic</i>), Marceta Reilly (<i>St. Francis Xavier</i>), and Angie Reith (<i>Nursing Homes</i>)			

CALENDAR of EVENTS

September 21st, Monday

Parish Office is Closed

6:30 p.m. **Rosary Fellowship**

St. Dominic Hall

September 22nd, Tuesday8:30 a.m. **MASS**

St. Francis Xavier

5:30 p.m. **OCIA**

FIAT Room

September 23rd, Wednesday5:30 p.m. **MASS**

St. Dominic

6:00 p.m. **Adoration and Confession**

St. Dominic

6:30 p.m. **Religious Ed.**

St. Dominic Hall

September 24th, Thursday8:30 a.m. **MASS**

St. Francis Xavier

September 25th, Friday8:30 a.m. **MASS**

St. Dominic

September 26th, Saturday5:00 p.m. **Confession**

St. Dominic

5:30 p.m. **MASS**

St. Dominic

September 27th, Sunday8:00 a.m. **Confession**

St. Francis Xavier

8:30 a.m. **Mass**

St. Francis Xavier

9:30 a.m. **Religious Ed.**

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

September 28th, Monday

Parish Office is Closed

7:00 p.m. **St D. K of C Meeting**

St. Dominic Hall

NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS



ST. DOMINIC
COMMUNITY HARVEST FESTIVAL

Celebrate with us! | October 24, 2026 | 5 pm Onwards

Scan to Donate and Get Involved!



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We're accepting new or like-new auction items, experiences, and monetary support.
Aaron & Jessi Deters: 785-738-8778 | Bethany Henry: 785-534-9333



GRATITUDE SUNDAY
Saint Francis Xavier

OCTOBER 4, 2026

Want to volunteer or donate?
Contact: Ruth Slocum
785 506 4101
ruth.slocum13@gmail.com

Immediately following 8:30am Mass



CONGRATULATIONS!
Derek Haverkamp and
Riley Houston
Married on September 12th, 2026

PASTORAL COUNCILS		FINANCE COUNCILS	
St. Dominic	St. Francis Xavier	St. Dominic	St. Francis Xavier
Darrin Reith	Ben Ehrhart	Barb Heideman	Mary Lou Koch
Bethany Henry	Marie Burdick	David Ashcraft	Sharon Cole
Leigha Sweet	Chris Everts	Diane Gross	Farrell Holthaus
Cody Utz	Marguerite Mzhickteno	Mark Starr	Donald Sunday
Niki Meerpohl	Jeri Albright		
Joshua Shupe	Mike Henry		
Theresa Watkins	Tina Bailey		

PARISH STEWARDSHIP September 12th & 13th, 2026	St. Dominic	St. Francis Xavier
Envelopes	\$2,220.00	\$1,580.00
Plate	\$532.00	\$153.00
TOTAL	\$2,732.00	\$1,733.00
<i>Week of September 5th & 6th</i>	\$2,842.00	\$2,338.05
<i>Week of August 29th & 30th</i>	\$4,404.00	\$3,247.00

PRAYER INTENTIONS

INTENTIONS OF POPE LEO XIV FOR SEPTEMBER:

For the care of water:

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

INTENTIONS OF FR. JONATHAN FOR SEPTEMBER:

For all our farmers and crop-growers, may they be blessed with an abundant harvest this fall season.

PARISH PRAYER INTENTIONS:

Parishioners:

Don Hasenkamp Leon Becker Mary Harris
Ray Zeller Karen McClaskey Judy Arnold

Relatives and Friends of Parishioners:

Lendman Family Teresa Rioux Allan Gibson Gladys Gibson Darlene Glassel
Terry Weldin Jorgan Beck Jacob Hastings Butch Schiffbauer Danyelle Russell

Our Recently Departed: Robert Atkinson (+July 29), Joy Faulkner (+July 29)

PRAYERS FOR OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN UNIFORM:

US Air Force: Andrew Morris, McClain Morris, MSgt. Dylan Parks, TSgt. Nicole Parks

US Army: MP ANG Therron Fox SSgt. Matthew Zeller **US Marines:** Maj. JP Turner

US Navy: E-5 Dennis Reed Potter **KS Air National Guard:** Sadey Gross

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Weekly Mass Intentions

September 19th (Sat)

5:30 p.m. St. Dominic

September 20th (Sun)

8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier

10:30 a.m. St. Dominic

September 22nd (Tues)

8:30 a.m. St. Francis Xavier

September 23rd (Wed)

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25th Sunday, Ordinary Time

Lane Pruett+

25th Sunday, Ordinary Time

All parishioners

Living & Deceased

Lucille Gormley & Family

Weekday, Ordinary Time

Andrew Heiman+

St. Pius of Pietrelcina

Scott Eclinger+

Marilyn Schmitz+

Weekday, Ordinary Time

Harold Walker+

Weekday, Ordinary Time

Phyllis Sieve+

26th Sunday, Ordinary Time

All Parishioners Living & Deceased

26th Sunday, Ordinary Time

Mike McClaskey+

Gail Schmitz+

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

JOIN THE ST. DOMINIC BUILDING COMMITTEE WE NEED YOUR HELP!

IDEAL CANDIDATE:

- Active Parishioner
- Able to Commit to Meetings
- Somewhat Knowledgeable in Construction/Design (Preferred but not required)

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS:
MID-OCTOBER AT THE LATEST

THE PASTOR WILL CHOOSE & ESTABLISH THIS COMMITTEE.
EMAIL NOMINATIONS TO: jdizon@archkck.org

Saint Francis Xavier Knights of Columbus

*Knight & Family of the Month
September*

Jim & Marsha Seematter



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CORNER

CONFIRMATION MEETING

**September 30th @ 7pm
at St Dominic Hall**

*For parents of 7th graders attending
St. Dominic Parish.*

At least one parent must be in attendance.



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Hospitality Committee!

If you, or someone you know, is new to the parish, has recently welcomed a new family member, had a recent illness or surgery, lost a loved one or is just in need of a home cooked meal, please reach out to us!

We would love to serve you!

For more information contact
Theresa Watkins
Phone: (785) 640-7040 | Email: oma092713@gmail.com

WE NEED YOU

As the OCIA transitions to a Year-Round process, the OCIA team needs more volunteers

CATECHISTS

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INQUIRY TEAM

CAN YOU HELP OUT?

Angie Reith
jacocatholicsre@gmail.com

Fr. Jonathan
jdizon@archkck.org

OCIA | ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

JOIN THE TEAM!

Camp Tekakwitha Women's Retreat

The Camp Tekakwitha Women's Retreat brings women into the life-giving, Christ-centered, and naturally beautiful experience of Camp Tekakwitha.

Women can expect to experience sacraments, community, outdoor adventure, relaxing scenery, and a slow-down from busy lives.

For the last 10 years, we have developed this retreat into something worthwhile and truly unique.

Women from all over the area seeking time with Jesus, nature, and other like-minded women are welcome!

For more information, please see our website:
<https://psrcatholic.org/calendar/womens-retreat>

Join us
October 16-18, 2026
at
Prairie Star Ranch.

THEMES: 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A, reminds us that God's ways are different from ours. He is generous and merciful, offering grace to all who seek Him.

- **God's Mercy is Generous:** God forgives and welcomes sinners who turn to Him. His mercy is greater than human expectations.
- **God's Ways are Higher:** People expect fairness based on effort, but God's justice is different. He gives according to His wisdom, not human standards.
- **Living for Christ:** Paul shows that life is about serving Christ. Whether in life or death, we belong to Him.
- **The Call to Seek God:** Isaiah urges people to turn to God while there is time. God is near to those who seek Him with sincerity.
- **God's Justice is Different:** The landowner pays all workers the same wage, showing God's generosity. He gives freely, not based on human ideas of fairness.
- **Humility Before God:** People should not question God's decisions. His ways are beyond human understanding.
- **Faithful Living:** Paul encourages Christians to live in a way that honors the gospel. Actions should reflect faith in Christ.

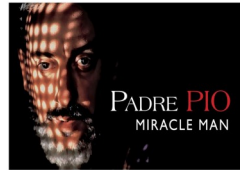
The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A, teaches that God is merciful and generous. He calls people to trust in His ways and live in faith.

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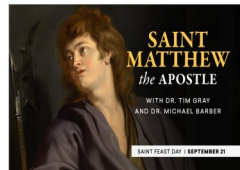
This Week on Formed

Week of September 20, 2026



Padre Pio: Miracle Man

This movie captures the Capuchin friar's intense faith, devotion, and deep spiritual concern for others, as well as his great compassion for the sick and suffering. It reveals the amazing details and events in Padre Pio's life as a boy and throughout his fifty years as a friar, dramatizing the frequent attacks from the devil, as well as the persecution he suffered at the hands of people, including those in the Church.



Saint Matthew | Catholic Saints

Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. We are all familiar with the four Gospels, but what makes them stand out from the rest? Join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Michael Barber as they discuss St. Matthew, the great Apostle and evangelist.



Bible Study: The Gospel of Matthew 1:1-25

Join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Michael Barber as they begin studying the Gospel of Matthew by introducing St. Matthew and looking at chapter 1 of this incredible gospel.

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An offering from the AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE

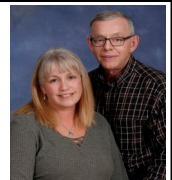
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