



ST. MARY PARISH CATHOLIC CHURCH

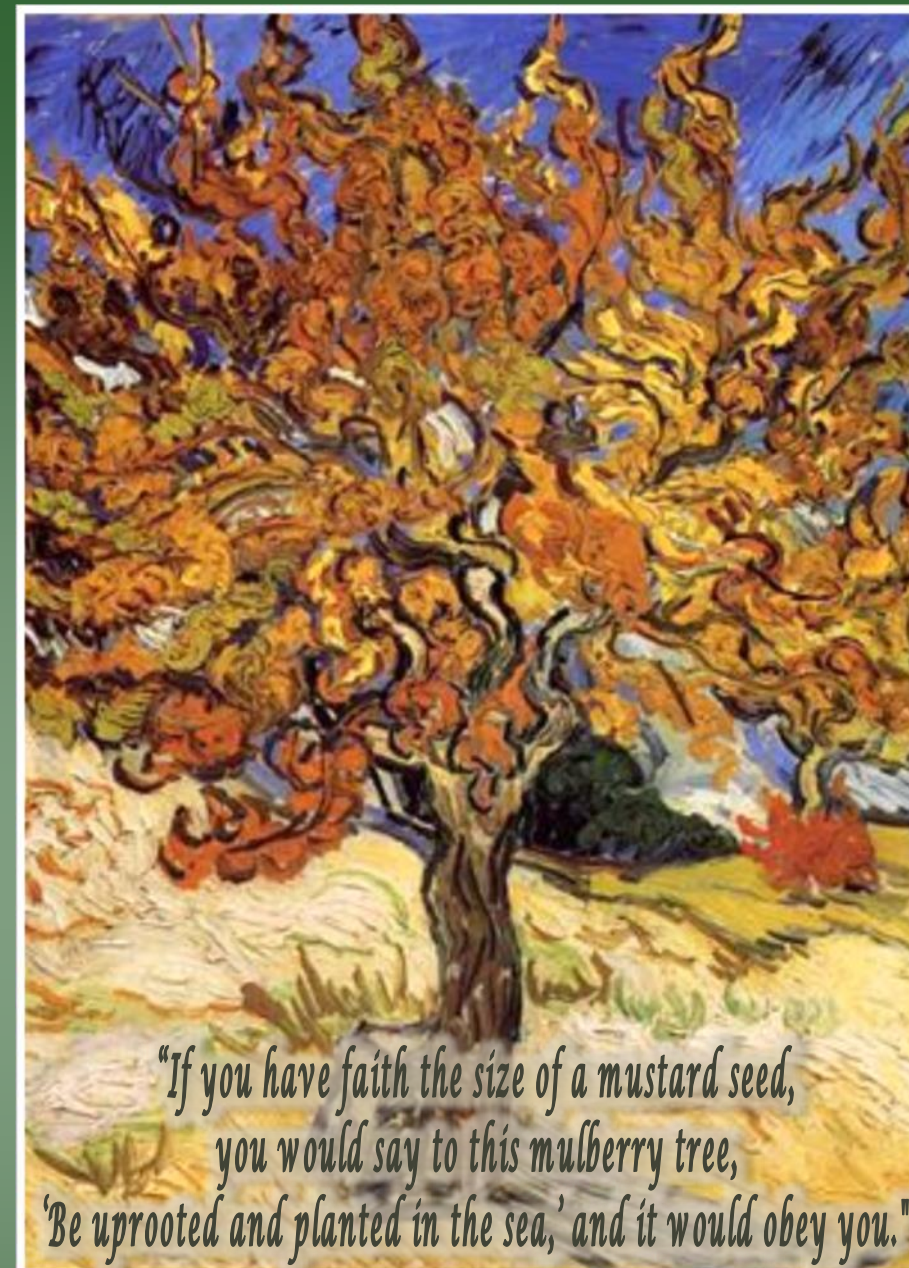
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*"If you have faith the size of a mustard seed,
 you would say to this mulberry tree,
 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you."*

Liturgical Schedule

English Mass Schedule:

- Mon., Tues., Fri. — 7:30am
- Saturday — 4:30pm
- Sunday — 9:30am

Sacred Heart- 230 N. 6th St., Silt

- Sunday 7:30am

Misa en Español Schedule:

- Thursday — 7:00pm
- Saturday — 7:00pm
- Sunday — 12:30pm

Reconciliation Schedule:

- Mon., Tues., Fri. — 7:00am
- Thursday — 6:30pm
- Saturday — 3:30pm & 6:30pm
- Sunday — 12:00pm

Adoration Schedule:

- Mon., Tue., Fri. — 8:00am-9:00am
- First Friday of Each Month— 8:00am-10:00pm

Oct. 3 and 4
 no morning Confession or Adoration

simple, yet profound, truth: everything we have comes from God. Everything we 'own' is really on loan from him. Stewardship is not a 'program' or a fundraising campaign. As we grow in our understanding of true stewardship, we recognize everything as gift. Living stewardship allows us to use our gifts wisely, to the best of our ability, for the good of God's church. Living as a true steward requires a conversion of heart: taking us down a path toward a deeper, more meaningful relationship with God. Prayer, worship, reflection: these are the foundational building blocks of faithful stewardship. In the coming weeks you will be encouraged to think and pray about the ways God has blessed your life. You will be invited to consider how your life is enriched by our parish community, and about how you make a difference for others through your support of parish ministries. We are grateful for all our parishioners do to build our faith community!

In this week's Gospel the Apostles are concerned with their lack of faith. Jesus tells them that even if their faith is the size of mustard seed they will be able to do what they have been asked. Jesus speaks to their commitment to ministry, rather than measuring how much or how great the results.

FAMILY LIFE/YOUTH MINISTRY INFORMATION

October Youth Ministry Newsletter can be found in the Info Rack

Youth Group meets Sunday, Oct. 9

- **Edge** Middle School: (6-8th grade): 4:15pm-5:45pm: Spiderman, the hero of Joy and Faithfulness
- **Lifeteen** High School: (9-12th grade): 6:00-7:30pm: Advocate Safehouse presentation on healthy relationships. Bring your Catholic & non-Catholic friends!

Upcoming Special Events:

MS/HS Joint Event: Our next youth group event will be to host the Baby Shower, to benefit Advocate Safehouse, during coffee hour on October 9th. Please meet at 8:30AM to organize games and then we will join in praying the rosary at 9:00AM.

Edge: Today is the last day to sign up for Mountain Madness! Registration forms can be found in the Info Rack. Drop the completed form, and the \$45 deposit, into the drop box, or give directly to Sophie, Karla or any other Core Leader to secure your spot for this powerful conference!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INFORMATION

Religious Education Newsletter can be found in the Info Rack

- Grades 1-8:10:45AM-Noon, Oct. 2 & 9
- Grades 4PM, 5PM, 6PM and all RCIC: 2:00-3:30PM, Oct. 9 & 23
- 1st Year High School: 2:00-3:30PM, Oct. 23 & Nov. 20
- Confirmation: 2:00-3:30PM, Oct 9 (parent & student), Oct. 23 (student only)

MEETINGS & THINGS

- **Blessing of the Animals:** Sunday, 10/2, following 9:30AM & 12:30PM Masses
- **RCIA** (English): Monday, 6:30PM, Room 4
- **Mosaic Ensemble Practice:** Tuesday, 5:00PM, Church
- **Maria Auxiliadora Prayer Group** (Spanish): Tuesday, 7:00PM, Hall
- **First Friday Eucharistic Adoration:** Friday 8AM - Saturday 8AM
- **RICA** (Spanish): Friday, 7:00PM, Room 4
- **Quinceañera Class #2:** Saturday, 4:00PM, Room 2

This weekend we welcome Fr. Devassy Painadath from the Rogationist Fathers of the Heart of Jesus. This order is dedicated to praying for and nurturing vocations to the priesthood and religious life. There will be a second collection.

This is *Respect Life Sunday: Moved by Mercy*. "We are called to show mercy because mercy has first been shown to us." Pope Francis May we be channels of God's mercy by loving each person and celebrating the gift of his or her life.

VOTE NO ON PROPOSITION 106! yard signs are available after all masses this weekend, and in the Hall during the Knights of Columbus breakfast. We ask you to consider taking a sign and displaying it in your yard to help defeat the legalization of physician-assisted suicide in Colorado.

Don't forget the Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast this Sunday following the 9:30AM Mass. Enjoy a great breakfast and support the Special Olympics. Tootsie Rolls also available!

In honor of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi (Oct. 4), there will be a Blessing of the Animals following both the 9:30AM and 12:30PM Sunday masses this weekend.

This Monday and Tuesday there will be daily Mass at 7:30AM, however, there will be no morning Confessions or Adoration. Regular Mass and Confession schedule resumes on Thu., Oct.6.

Friday, October 7 is First Friday Eucharistic Adoration: 24 Hours with the Lord. Silent Adoration in the chapel from 8:00AM to 6:00PM. Please contact Agnes Skelly (713-366-9014) if you would like to commit a specific time. From 6:00PM to 10PM, Adoration is in Spanish, in the Church. Then until 8:00AM Saturday morning, Adoration each hour is either silent, or in the language of the person scheduled for that time. Contact Maria Lara (970-710-0636) or Antonia Alvarez (970-948-0744) for the overnight hours.

We give special thanks to Agueda de Leon, Kimberly Gamba, Leticia Hurtado and Imelda Rodriguez – the incredible team that helps produce the weekly bulletin and inserts!

Living Faith booklets for October - December are now available.

October is the Month of:

The Most Holy Rosary, "a prayer loved by countless Saints and encouraged by the Magisterium". *St. Pope John Paul II*

- We pray the rosary prior to all weekend masses (after Mass at Sacred Heart). Please enter the Church in silence with a reverent heart, ready to pray.
- Beginning next Sunday religious education students will lead the rosary at 11AM. All parishioners, especially family members, are encouraged to pray with the children. "With their parents leading the way by example and prayer, children will find a readier path to human maturity, salvation and holiness." *Pope Paul VI*

Respect Life: Edge and Lifeteen groups will be hosting a Baby Shower, to help aid the Advocate Safe House Project, during coffee hour on October 9th. Place your donations of: laundry detergent, NEW toiletries, phone cards, feminine hygiene products, diapers and baby wipes, bottles, and used cell phones in the crib in the front entry way. Drop gift cards in the box on the wall next to the elevator. Then join in the fun and games on October 9th!

Stewardship: True stewardship calls us to recognize one

WE PRAY FOR...

Darren Crabtree, Dorothy Ceremuga, Linda Como, Rick & LuAnna Kuester, Zack Sowieja & family, Ruben Quintero, Marilyn Bryan, Lisa Edwards, Bernice Ghastin, Chris Chavez, Chuck and Pat Becker (*Margaret Simms parents*), Joan Weaver, Gayl Bernhardt, Darrell Redman, the family of Rustin Franke, Kyle Scholla, Butch Pressler, Alice Holmes, Mark Holmes, Billie Jansky, Craig Leonard, Brian Garland, Bill Oaks, Anita Sundin, Rick Sundin, Joshua Jones, Julia Avonovich, Tammy Waller, Fred Garcia, Julie Kuper, Marty Thompson, Terry Whitley, Pat Schmeckel, Luke Anderle, Ted Diaz, Corky Wilson, Alex & Linda Garcia, Georgi Aibner, Megan Doll, Alicia & David Thorpe, Tony Martinez, Linda Tomasi, Lauren Giard, Cathy Richard, Mary Ann Olson, Irene Goergen, Kim Nieslanik, Susan Armstrong, Freddie Romero, Gerald Waters, Nancy Newton, Joe Elliot, Ann Arrington, Kathy Willeart, Patrick Chavez (Esther Jones' uncle), Reagan Nelson, Joyce Cawley, Clarence Gomez, Esther Jones, Lucy Wolff, Bob Christensen, Yvonne Diaz, Tanya Giard, Loretta Kochis (Mable Sanders' sister), Scott Gordon, Kari Kuerstan, Bert Garlitz, Eliza Gallegos, Mary Benson, Daniel Tena, Connie Ritter, Rosalia Garza, Derek Miles, Gordan Hammel, Kimberly Green, Virginia Escalante, John & Therese Daly, Clarence Gomez, Amanda Axelson, Mary Brennan, Betty Fulton, Andrea Gallegos (Eliza Gallegos' granddaughter), Nadine Gadis, Pat Squire, Marlene Brandt, and for all others in our Parish and Community who are in need of our prayer. **For the souls of our departed:** Frank Breslin, Ed Andzel, Ernest "Joe" Thompson, Shannon Bascomb, Elaine Gomez, James Flynn, Billy Mauer, Tom Scanlon, Fr. Robert Hehn, Bellard Garcia. For prayer requests or to join our e-mail/phone prayer ministry contact Dorothy Zinn (625-4509).

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER

Universal: That journalists, in carrying out their work, may always be motivated by respect for the truth and a strong sense of ethics.
Evangelization: That World Mission Day may renew within all Christian communities the joy of the Gospel and the responsibility to announce it.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Sunday: 3rd & 4th Year Theology
Monday: 1st & 2nd Year Theology
Tuesday: 1st & 2nd Year Theology
Wednesday: Spirituality Year
Thursday: College Freshmen & Sophomores
Friday: Vocations Ministry
Saturday: Applicants & Prospective Seminarians

MASS INTENTIONS

Oct. 1	4:00pm	Joe Thompson ☩
	7:00pm	Manuel Javier Martínez Acosta ☩
Oct. 2	12:30pm	Graciela Mendoza ☩
Oct. 6	7:00pm	Hugo Munoz ☩
Oct. 7	7:30am	Pedro Soria Sanchez ☩

To request a Mass intention, please make your request after Mass in the sacristy.

EXPANDING THE WORD

NO SHORTCUTS

Turn on a TV on any day of the week and start switching channels. You are likely to find at least one ostensibly Christian preacher expounding on a strange central message. The message? If you are a believer, God wants you to be rich. How do you become rich? You give as much as possible to God's minister (the preacher), who will do God's work on your behalf, and then God will bless you with whatever you desire. This message is known by many names, such as the "name-it-and-claim-it gospel," the "gospel of success," and the "prosperity gospel." Based on unrelated verses in the Old and New Testament, this so-called gospel is not good news. Nor is it the real teaching of Jesus. In the scriptures God is the greatest giver of all; God is the origin and creator of all that is good. God's mercy and goodness are not a result of our gifts of money, or even our prayers and good behavior. Rather, God gives to us first: life, health, skills, and resources. We are invited to change our hearts, to live like Jesus, the apostles, and the saints, and to trust in God to provide what we need henceforward. This requires more of us than simply putting a check in the mail and waiting for miracles to come our way. Yet it is the daily effort of being a disciple that some of us cannot accept. Like the disciples in today's Gospel, we harbor the secret desire that God will wave a magic wand just for us, make our troubles cease, and give us all the things that we want. But Jesus tells us that is not God's way. It shouldn't be ours, either.

Living Stewardship Now

Start a "gratitude bulletin board" in your home, classroom, or office. Use sticky notes or index cards to post the gifts of God that you encounter in your daily life. Review them at regular intervals.

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READINGS OF THE WEEK

October 3 - Weekday
Galatians 1:6-12 Luke 10:25-37

October 4 - St. Francis of Assisi
Galatians 1:13-24 Luke 10:38-42

October 5 - Weekday
Galatians 2:1-2, 7-14 Luke 11:1-4

October 6 - Weekday
Galatians 3:1-5 Luke 11:5-13

October 7 - Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary
Galatians 3:7-14 Luke 11:15-26

October 8 - Weekday
Galatians 3:22-29 Luke 11:27-28

October 9 - Twenty-eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time
2 Kings 5:14-17 2 Timothy 2:8-13 Luke 17:11-19

The Lord has revealed his saving power to all the nations! Naaman, a Syrian, is healed, and lepers are made whole, but only the Samaritan returns to give thanks. Let us remain steadfast in faith, and thankful for the Lord's blessings.

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY

"How long, O Lord?" (Habakkuk 1:2). With Habakkuk's question echoing across twenty-six hundred years, Respect Life Sunday finds all life claiming sanctuary in our hearts: unborn infant, senior citizen, immigrant and refugee, imprisoned and addicted, people burdened with illness and disabilities of body, mind, or spirit. Even Mother Earth, Pope Francis notes in *Laudato Si'*, bears scars of disrespect for the life she nurtures and sustains.

Life is still threatened, as in Habakkuk's day, with ruin and misery, "destruction and violence, . . . strife and clamorous discord" (see 1:3). Since our efforts so often seem ineffective, we "unprofitable servants" cry with the apostles, "Increase our faith" (Luke 17:10, 5). But Jesus' reply might be paraphrased, "Not quantity—quality." Next weekend marks the Jubilee Year of Mercy's special devotion to Mary, whose willingness to shelter Jesus in her womb and stand at the foot of his cross bears witness to the qualities that Jesus expects our faith to manifest: the willingness to trust, to risk, and to dare to speak up for life.

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"A mustard seed is tiny, yet Jesus says that faith this size, small but true and sincere, suffices to achieve what is humanly impossible, unthinkable. And it is true! We all know people who are simple, humble, but whose faith is so strong it can move mountains! Let us think, for example, of some mothers and fathers who face very difficult situations; or of some sick, and even gravely ill, people who transmit serenity to those who come to visit them. These people, because of their faith, do not boast about what they do, rather, as Jesus asks in the Gospel, they say: "We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty" (Lk 17:10)."

Pope Francis
October 6, 2013

SACRED HEART PARISH

230 North 6th Street, Silt — Sunday Mass at 7:30am
Coffee Hour following Mass on the Third Sunday of Each Month

Ministries for October:	Jean & Paul Pristas
Extraordinary Ministers (10/9):	Yvette Blanc and Gene Diaz
Lector (10/9):	Yvonne Diaz
Offertory (9/25):	\$575.00
Attendance (9/25):	39

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

4:30pm Saturday, October 8

Extraordinary Ministers: Fred Garcia and Rose Fraser
Lector: Melanie Holmes
Ushers: Meghan Orona
Cantor: Anna Bagley
Gifts: Needed
Sacristan: Bertha Saville

9:30am Sunday, October 9

Coffee Hour following Mass

Extraordinary Ministers: Mickie Hosack, Tim Jacobs, Lyle Green, Eileen Pressler, and Larry Brady
Lector: Megan Alstatt and Michelle Duran
Ushers: Daniel Urenda and Aaron Hosack
Server: Chloe Duran
Cantor: Mosaic Ensemble
Gifts: John & Nan Sowieja
Coffee: Harold & Bernie Piper and Susan Armstrong

Church Cleaner: Hispanic Community
Money Counters: Monday: Kathie Bernat, Patsy Noel and Roberta Garcia

Sacristan: Eileen Pressler

If you are unable to serve as scheduled please find a replacement and notify the Parish Office at 625-5125 x 20 or info@stmaryrifle.com. Thank you.

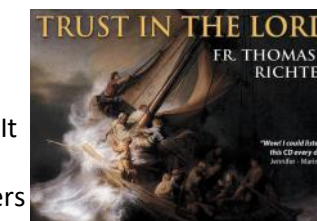
STEWARDSHIP

SEPTEMBER 24 & 25:

Offertory: \$2,783.81
 Attendance: Sept. 24: 60 Sept. 25: 222



Trust in the Lord



This talk is practical. It is for everyone—beginners and masters in the spiritual life. We all know that growth in holiness is largely about growing in trust in our Lord Jesus Christ. But how does one do that realistically? In this talk, Bismarck Diocese Vocations Director Fr. Tom Richter will describe in concrete terms what the interior act of trust looks like, and what we must choose in order to grow in trust.