



St. Rose of Lima

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October 19, 2025

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Mon-Wed 9 am—4:30 pm

St. Joseph Mission

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MASS SCHEDULE @ ST. ROSE

Mon. No Daily Mass
Tue, Thu, Fri 8:15 am
Wed 6:00 pm
Sat 5:30 pm Sun 9:30 am
Confessions Sat one hour prior to Mass
Or by appointment.

St. Joseph Mission, Fairplay

Sunday 12:30 pm
Anticipated Holy Days Mass
5:30 pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Wednesday, 9:00 am
to 4:30 pm
Closed Noon to 1:00 pm
Thursday and Friday Closed

SRL COUNCILS/COMMITTEES

COORDINATOR OF COMMUNION MINISTERS OF THE SICK:

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ENVIRONMENTS

COMMITTEE: Chairperson:

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Chairperson: Fr. Stephen
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Chairperson: Dorothy Distel
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PLANT COMMISSION:

Chairperson: Steve Kuennen
719.221.0209

SOCIAL CONCERNS

COMMISSION:

Chairperson: Barb Paarz
719.486.2922

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday one hour prior to Mass

Sacramental Preparation
Infant Baptism: Baptismal
Instruction Required; please
contact Parish Office for more
information

Marriage: Contact Pastor at least
1 year before date of wedding.

OCIA: Adult preparation for
Sacraments; please contact Parish
Office for more information.

SERVICE GROUPS

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BOOKKEEPER

Patty Barrows

SJM PARISH COUNCIL

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Elizabeth Kay

Bill Steidl

Ed Wilson

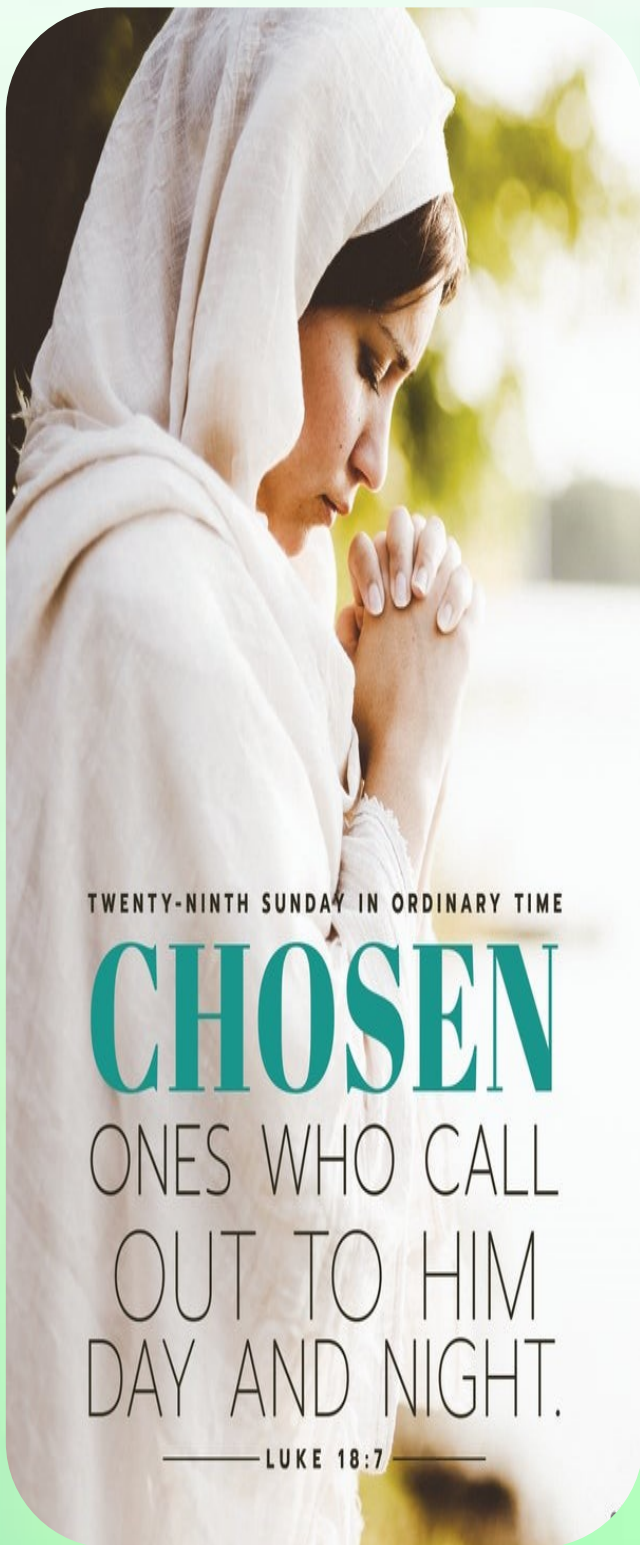
Lillian Wissel

Carolyn Erdle

Bulletin Deadline

Monday

Noon

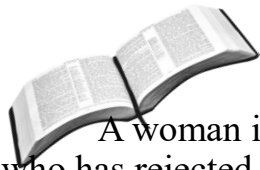


TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CHOSEN

ONES WHO CALL
OUT TO HIM
DAY AND NIGHT.

— LUKE 18:7 —



Gospel Reflection

A woman in my parish has an adult son who has rejected his faith. She prays for him every day. She lights candles, says rosaries, and asks God again and again to bring him back. But nothing changes. Is God listening? Is He delaying? She told me once that she feels like the widow in Jesus' strange parable — crying out for justice, but hearing only silence. And yet, she said, she is at peace. I asked why. She responded, "God is already answering. I just can't see it yet."

She embodies something of the mystery in Jesus' parable this week in Luke 18. A powerless widow demands justice from a corrupt judge. This isn't about wearing God down until He gives in. It's about faith in the justice that is already coming. The widow isn't just persistent; she believes that justice is inevitable. And when Jesus points to the judge's words — his fear of being "struck" — He hints at something deeper: God's justice does not creep in gradually. It strikes. It comes like lightning.

Blessed Mary is, of course, the ultimate widow demanding justice. At the foot of the cross she stands before what looks like the ultimate injustice — the brutal execution of her son. But she did not despair. She did not beg for a last-minute rescue. She knew that justice was not delayed. In fact, it was happening. The power of the cross was already unleashing justice upon the world — suddenly, decisively, like a blow that would topple every corrupt power, making even the most corrupt fear her strike.

This parable asks us: will the Son of Man find faith on earth? Or will we mistake God's silence for absence? The cross proves that justice is not slow. It is only hidden. The lightning has already struck. In the cross, justice is speedily being done.

— *Father John Muir*

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LITURGICAL + ROLES

All liturgical ministers, please arrive 15 minutes before mass begins to meet in the sacristy for prayer.

Saturday, October 25, 2025 5:30 PM

Lectors: A Junick

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Deacon Russ, D Kuennen, C Novak

Altar Servers: T Small

Hospitality Ministers: D Barrows, R White

Sacristan: D Kuennen

Music: J Giles

Sunday, October 26, 2025 9:30 AM

Lectors: A Paschall

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

K Paschall, R White, B White

Altar Servers: A White

Hospitality Ministers: J Redetzke, R White

Sacristan: R White

Music: Brady Group



Mass Intentions for the Week

October 20, 2025 – October 26, 2025

Tuesday— 8:15 am ✠Joan Scott Tucker

Wednesday—6:00 pm ✠Deb Kersteins

Thursday— 8:15am ✠Joan Scott Tucker

Friday— 8:15 am For a Young Parishioner

Saturday— 5:30 pm ✠Julio Bejarano Sr.

Sunday— 9:30 am ✠Don Philpott

St. Joseph Mission 12:30pm For the Parish

With Him All Things Are Possible

We continue to keep in our prayer list— Debra Tidd, Bev Hoover, Jennifer LeDue, Dorothy Maestas, Karen Klugh, Curt Cordova, Joann Willburn, Adam Smith, Robert Hines, Johnny Rowe, Frank Maestas, Mary T. Meurs, Cathy Rowe, Trish Young, George Janik, Cecelia Chapman, The Family of Pete and Jenna Ambrose, and all of our home bound and those in nursing homes.

For our recently departed parishioners and family members, please pray for their souls. Please keep their families in your thoughts and prayers.



October 20, 2025

Rom 4:20-25/Lk 12:13-21

Men's Bible Study 7:00 am (PH)

St. Rose Crafters 10:15 am (PH)

October 21, 2025

Rom 5:12,15B,17-19,20B-21/

Lk 12:35-38

Ladies Bible Study (LBS) 9 am (RR)

Zumba 4:30 pm (PH)

Men's Bible Study 6:30 pm (RR)

Pastoral Council 5:30 pm (PH)

October 22, 2025

Rom 6:12-18/Lk 12:39-48

Lifeline Screening 8 am—5:30 pm (PH)

Ladies' Meditation 10:30 am (CH)

October 23, 2025

Rom 6:19-23/Lk 12:49-53

LOTS (Ladies' Old Testament Study) 9 am (PH)

God's Girls 11:45 am (PH)

Pokeno Noon (PH)

Zumba 4:30 pm (PH)

Faith Formation Class 5:30 pm (CH & PH)

Finance Mtg 6 pm (PH)

October 24, 2025

Rom 7:18-25A/Lk 12:54-59

October 25, 2025

Rom 8:1-11/Lk 13:1-9

Rosary 5 pm

October 26, 2025

Sir 35:12-14,16-18/2 Tm 4:6-8,16-18/Lk 18:9-14

Rosary 9 am



The Knights of Columbus are always willing to lend a hand. Please reach out to a Knight if you, or someone you know, is in need of assistance. This assistance can be in the form of a visit, computer technical support or a small home repair. For further information call Steve Kuennen (719) 221-0209.



If anyone would like prayer for any reason, contact Janine and she'll get the prayer request on the prayer chain. Additionally, if anyone would like to join and pray for one another, please contact her as well. janine.giles@yahoo.com.

Are you desirous of receiving the Holy Eucharist, but are homebound due to chronic illness, a disability or a recent surgery and therefore unable to attend Mass? Are you aware that St Rose has parishioners mandated and trained as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the sick? Whether your situation is short or long term, we are blessed to bring Christ in the Eucharist to you. Please contact Deb Kuennen, (719) 966-4757, or debkuennen@hotmail.com for more information.



Men's Bible Study

Saturday mass time will change to 4:30 pm on Saturday, November 1. This means the Men's Bible Study held on Mondays at 7 am will also change their meeting time to begin at 8:15 am during the winter months (until the next time change on March 8, 2026). They are currently studying Exodus and Bible In A Year. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Bob Groeger at 719-966-9403.

Continued thanks for your donations to and blessings on the rectory renovation. With your continued support, our 1967 rectory will proceed to march triumphantly into the 21st century. Scan QR to donate to the rectory renovation or offertory. After scanning, click on the yellow link then follow the prompts. You can also donate by texting "GIVE" to 719-631-2233.



Come one...Come all. The Knights of Columbus are offering their monthly Breakfast proceeds for the benefit of the Arkansas Valley Christian Mission, on Sunday, October 19. Enjoy a wonderful meal and support a much needed organization helping those in need.

We are more than half-way through October, which also means we're, roughly, 10 days away from the St. Rose of Lima Craft Fair. If you've not already done so, all crafters and bakers are reminded to bring their "wares" to the parish hall on Friday, October 31 between 10 am—6 pm. The Craft Fair will happen on Saturday, November 1 from 9 am-2 pm in the Parish Hall. Meatball sub sandwiches or minestrone/potato soup lunch will be available for dine-in or carry-out. Proceeds from the Craft Fair will benefit the Rectory Renovation. This is a great time to begin (or continue) your Christmas Shopping for friends and family.



LITURGICAL + ROLES

St. Joseph Mission
Sunday, October 26, 2025
12:30 PM

Lectors: T Nelson

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: L Wissel, S Wilson

Altar Server: OPEN

Ushers: P Greguoli, OPEN

Sacristan: P Greguoli

Music: C Erdle



The Prayers We Don't Say
By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

It has always confused me: why a judge? Jesus could have compared prayer to the subject who requests a gift of his king. He could have compared it to the child who asks a favor of a parent. But in the parable of the widow and the judge, Jesus compares prayer — specifically constant, unwearied prayer — with the marginalized person who doggedly pursues her claim through an unforgiving legal system.

It's not a rosy or reassuring picture. So what is he trying to tell us?

Unlike a king or a parent, a judge has strictly drawn lines which he cannot, under any circumstances, cross. He can only help people who bring their case to court. Even good, earnest judges cannot render justice if charges are not brought.

God is all-powerful. But that doesn't make Him a meddler. He will not force his way into our problems. What would be the point? What is our life on earth for, if it is not to teach us how to turn willingly to God, in every instance — adoration, gratitude, need?

Today, I sat down and made a list of problems I don't pray about. When I was done, I looked at the list and asked myself: why not? Why don't I pray about these things? Some are huge issues over which I have absolutely no control, and prayer feels futile. Some are small grievances I never even considered mentioning to God.

If I prayed about them all, my life would be totally consumed by prayer. Constant, unwearied prayer. The kind of prayer Jesus calls me to in the parable of the widow and the judge: continual surrender of myself to the mysterious, limitless power of God.

Praying that way could make me tired. The widow was tired, too — but she kept bringing her charges. She got justice. And her judge wasn't even a nice guy.

So say the prayer. Bring the charges. Our judge is one who wants to help, but He won't overstep His bounds.

PREGNANCY HOTLINE NUMBER
24 HOURS 719-395-6703