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From the Pastor



The Mass Explained: By Cormac Burke

The purposes of the Mass

The Our Father: The Eucharistic Prayer or Canon is the central part of the Mass. Now the moment for communion is approaching. As we end the Canon we begin our more immediate preparation for communion. And first of all we say the prayer that our Lord himself taught his disciples: “Taught by him, we dare to call God our Father he is the Almighty who created heaven and earth, and he is a loving Father who waits for us to come back to him again and again, as the story of the prodigal son repeats itself in our lives.”⁵ The Our Father contains seven petitions. We would do well to meditate on each one of them as they cover all of our most important needs.

Preparation for Communion: “This is the Lamb of God... Lord, I am not worthy.. We are going to receive our Lord. On this earth, when we receive an important person, we bring out the best lights, music, formal dress. How should we prepare to receive Christ into our soul? Have we ever thought about how we would behave if we could only receive him once in a lifetime?”⁶ We are not worthy to have him enter even once into our house, into our poor soul. Yet he is so eager to enter there very often. What we can and ought to do is to ensure that however poor the house of our soul is, it is clean. We cannot receive our Lord with a dirty soul, with a soul dirtied by sin. If we ever stain ourselves with a serious sin, then we have to get cleaned in the sacrament of penance before going to communion. We are not worthy to receive our Lord. But we must never receive him unworthily with a mortal sin on our soul that has not been confessed. It would be like the kiss of Judas. It would mean betraying Christ, striking him, crucifying him all over again.

ST. JOSEPH NEWS:

A Potluck Event for Young Adults will be held in the Oakley rectory on Sunday, October 5th, at 7:00 p.m. This group is geared toward those aged 35 and under. Come, eat, hang out, get to know one another, and meet our new priests.

D of I - St. Catherine #686 monthly meeting will be on **Thursday, October 9, at 1:00 p.m.** in the parish annex. Newly elected officers will preside. Hostesses are Brenda Weiser and Fran Robben.


PARISH PRAYER LINE: If you signed up for the parish prayer line, you can pick up an updated list with names and numbers in the back of the church.

ST. PAUL NEWS:

Rosary Coast to Coast Sunday, October 5, at 3pm. Gather at St. Paul’s in Angelus to join thousands who are praying for our country.

Angelus Knights of Columbus Meeting on Monday, October 6th, at 7:00 p.m. at the hall.

SAVE THE DATE: The annual St. Anne's Altar Society Bingo/Raffle will be on November 16, 2025, beginning with a free will offering soup supper at 5 p.m., followed by Bingo, drawing for raffle prizes, and homemade pie.



Our Tithes from Last Week

Oakley: \$2,941.00 Angelus: \$5,646.00

We welcome all our guests to our parishes. If you have moved here, we encourage you to register on our website.



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DAILY SCHEDULE

Sat 04 – 8am First Saturday Confessions
 9am First Saturday Mass
 3pm Adoration ends
 5pm Mass + Regan Lewis
 Sun 05 – 8:00am Mass (Angelus) + Carol Baalman
 10:30am Mass – Parishioners
 7pm Young Adult Event at the Annex
 Mon 06 – NO Mass
 Tues 07 – 8:30am Mass + Patrick Porter
 9:30am Bible Study in the rectory
 Wed 08 – 7:30am Angelus Adoration begins
 7:30pm Mass (Angelus) + Jim Gormley
 7pm CCD Classes at Oakley
 Thur 09 – 8:30am + Joe Zimmerman
 Fri 10 – 7am Mass + Ralph Kruse
 Sat 11 – 5pm Mass + Danny George
 Sun 12 – 8:00am Mass (Angelus) + Pauline Davis
 10:30am Mass – Parishioners

Confessions are available 30 minutes before weekend Masses, by appointment, or as indicated on the schedule.

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	Lector	Bob Kuhlman		Lector	Jace Ochs
	Gifts	Jerry & Darlene Chaput		Gifts	Mason & Hannah Scheetz
	Hospitality	Pat Ryan & Bea Albers		Hospitality	Mason & Hannah Scheetz

Sunday, Oct 12 th 8 am	Servers	Johnathan Ostmeyer
	Lectors	Gary Ostmeyer and Nancy Schwarz
	Gifts	Mark and Bernice Rueschhoff
	Ushers	Joe Rehmer, Mark Rueschhoff, Ron Rietcheck, and Jay Rietcheck