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WEEKLY CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

Visit the National WWW.EUCHARISTICREVIVAL.ORG site today!

Twentieth Week of Ordinary Time (Fr Igwilo in Hot Springs)

8/18 Mon. 7:00A Holy Communion Service
 5:30P KC's Rosary
8/19 Tues. 7:00A Office of Readings &
 Morning Prayer
8/20 Wed. 7:00A OR & Morning Prayer
8/21 Thurs. 7:00A OR & Morning Prayer
8/22 Fri. 7:00A OR & Morning Prayer
8/23 Sat. 7:30A Most Holy Rosary *for Life*

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:30P Vigil Mass
 (Int.: *Pro Populo* ["for the
 People" of the Parishes])
8/24 Sun. 8:00A Sun. Mass
 (Int.: Birtie Lou Gruber †)

*Note: * indicates that incense will be burned.*

Sunday Blessings

This might not be your best Sunday, but it's
 sure your best day, to live, to hope for better
 days ahead. Happy Sunday, Friends.

mark your calendars!! Sunday Sept. 7 is Chili
 Cookoff and Cornhole Competition. New this year
 Brownie Cookoff! We do need cornhole boards. If
 you have one available-- contact Dennis Dahm—
 1-812-480-2772 More to come..

Last of the Season!

Women of St John Bake
 Sale August 30-31



Scan the QR code to visit our online
 giving page.

**And my God will meet all your
 needs according to the
 riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.**
 Philippians 4:10

FINANCIAL SUPPORT: through August 10, 2025

General Collection	\$ 2,769.61	Anawim Fund	\$ 100.00
- via e-giving	\$ 887.61	Major Capital Fund	\$ 130.00
Adopt-A-Seminarian	\$ 115.00	Votive Candles	\$ 105.13

Special Collections		Gathering Area	\$ 235.00
Sol. Fund Africa	\$ 45.00	Assumption of BVM	\$ 10.00

General Fund Income, Actual (to date) : \$ 18,849.15

General Fund Income, Budgeted (to date) : \$ 18,525.00

Difference of YtD Actual against Budgeted (+/-) : \$ 324.15

Note: Avg. \$3,705/week needed for FY26 budgeted income.



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

– an opportunity to pray before our Eucharistic
 Lord. “Lord Jesus Christ, pierce my soul with
 your love so that I may always long for you
 alone, who are the bread of angels and the
 fulfillment of the soul’s deepest desires. may be
 filled with the sweetness of your presence.”

IN THE CHARITY OF YOUR PRAYERS:

Lilly Armstrong, Pope Francis †, Russ Arnold †, Bruce & Linda
 Davis, Carol Earles †, Jay & Laurie Hammer & Family, Earl Howell,
 Kim Lessert †, Joe McGowan †, Larry Morris, Donna Pfeifer,
 Randy Plowman, Duke & Gayle Kocer-Schneller, Lou Sebert †,
 Gerald Temple †, Kathryn Tindera, Bill & Linda Young,
 & all residents of MH’s facilities in Custer.

*Those on this list will be listed for 3 months at a time;
 they can be re-listed for an additional 3 months.*

St. John’s HOMEBOUND MINISTRY

*If you are homebound or in the hospital
 and would like to have someone bring
 you the Holy Eucharist, please contact*
Dn. Pat Coy personally.
 Arrangements will be made.



If you or anyone you know have projects of any sort that
 need to get done while the temps are nice, please call
 Scott May 281-881-2875 or Eric Adams 952-303-2366.
 Exterior painting, beautiful greenhouses. Profits will go
 towards the parish addition or Faith Family Fun events.

Traveling and could use a prayer? Facing health
 challenges? Know someone in need of
 spiritual support? At St. John’s, our
 dedicated team of prayer warriors is here
 for you—ready to lift up your intentions
 in prayer, whatever they may be. No
 request is too small—just let us know
 how we can pray for you!



STEWARDSHIP SPOT: In today's second reading, St. Paul encourages us not to grow weary or lose heart, but to persevere in following Jesus. Our willingness to give of ourselves, even in the face of conflict and division, is one way to measure our discipleship.



Our Father, we come before You with grateful hearts, cherishing the gift of every life You have created. Help us to see the beauty in each soul, to honor their journeys, and to nurture compassion within us. May we be instruments of Your love, celebrating the diversity of Your creation and fostering a world where every life is valued and respected. Amen.

~~ 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~~



**~Monthly Devotion for August~
~the Immaculate Heart of Mary~**



Prostrate at thy sacred feet,
O august Queen of Heaven,
I venerate thee with the most profound respect, and I believe that thou art the daughter of the Eternal Father, the Mother of His Divine Son, and the Spouse of the Holy Ghost. Full of grace and virtues and heavenly gifts, thou art the purest temple of the most Holy Trinity, thou art the treasury and dispenser of

divine mercy. Thy Immaculate Heart, full of charity, sweetness and tenderness, has given thee the name of Mother of Divine Clemency.

Therefore, in my affliction and agony I present myself with confidence before thee, our most loving Mother, and I pray thee to make me experience the love which thou bearest us; Grant me (specify the favor) if it be the Will of God and for the good of my soul.
Amen.

FEEDING S.D. is distributing food/produce in Custer at the **Custer Lutheran Fellowship parking lot, 12622 HWY 16A,** on every month's second Tues., 1-2P. Next scheduled distributions for 2025: **September 9.** Contact Feeding S.D. (605/348-2689) for more info.



The Holy Father's Intentions for the Month of August

For mutual coexistence

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.

Bible Trivia Bible Names & Meanings

- ___ is the name of the first man and it means ___.
- ___ is the name of the first woman and it means ___.
- ___ was called to leave his home and travel to a new land. His name means ___.
- ___ was born to Abraham when he was old and means ___.
- ___ wrestled with an angle and won; means ___.
- ___ sold his birthright; his name means ___

Come join in the Prayer of the Rosary before Mass.
Saturday at 4:55pm & Sunday at 7:25am.
And with the KC's on Mondays at 5:30pm

~~We invite all parishioners to follow **St. John the Baptist Catholic Church on Facebook!** By liking and sharing our posts, you help us spread the Good News, promote parish events, and reach more people in our community. Every click makes a difference—let's work together to grow our online presence and extend our message of faith and fellowship beyond our church walls. <http://facebook.com/custercatholic>~~To stay up to date with the latest events and liturgical celebrations, don't forget to visit our parish website custercatholic.com~~



Trivia Answers
** Adam; man
** Eve; life
** Abraham; father of many nations
** Isaac; laughter
** Jacob; supplanter
** Esau; hairy or rough

No matter how difficult, every step taken is one pace closer to the goal.

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I

desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you.
Amen.