

Calendar

Monday

September 3
*St. Gregory the Great,
Pope and Doctor
of the Church*
1 Cor 2:1–5
Lk 4:16–30

Tuesday

September 4
Weekday
1 Cor 2:10b–16
Lk 4:31–37

Wednesday

September 5
Weekday
1 Cor 3:1–9
Lk 4:38–44

Thursday

September 6
Weekday
1 Cor 3:18–23
Lk 5:1–11

Friday

September 7
Weekday
1 Cor 4:1–5
Lk 5:33–39

Saturday

September 8
*Nativity of the Blessed
Virgin Mary*
Mi 5:1–4a or
Rom 8:28–30
Mt 1:1–16, 18–23
or Mt 1:18–23

Sunday

September 9
*Twenty-third Sunday in
Ordinary Time*
Is 35:4–7a
Jas 2:1–5
Mk 7:31–37

Dear Padre,

I enjoy going to the casino to gamble, but I have seen people gamble and lose all of their money. Is gambling considered a sin?

To play games of chance, to bet on horse or dog races, or to buy lottery tickets are, in and of themselves, innocent undertakings that can be sources of fun—and even financial returns. But circumstances can change an innocent game into something morally suspect, even downright wrong. When a person gets so involved with gambling that it becomes addictive, when the welfare of the gambler and the gambler's family is jeopardized, gambling ceases to be a harmless amusement. Instead, it becomes an irresponsible practice—indeed, objectively, a sin. The sin lies in the neglect of one's responsibilities to self, family, and God.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* says this about gambling: “Games of chance or wagers are not in themselves contrary to justice. They become morally unacceptable when they deprive someone of what is necessary to provide for their needs or those of others. The passion for gambling risks becoming an enslavement” (CCC 2413).

A survey of a local group of Gamblers Anonymous highlights the potential destructive nature of this activity. Within this group, the gambling addiction has led 22 percent to divorce, 40 percent to lose their jobs, 49 percent to steal money with which to pay their gambling debts, and 63 percent to contemplate suicide. Hopefully, we and others will seek healthier ways to relax or seek out our fortunes.



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A Word From Pope Francis

We all know...how much harm and scandal is done to the Church by those people who say they are deeply Catholic and often go to Church, but who then neglect their family in daily life, speak badly of others and so on. This is what Jesus condemns because this is a counter-witness to Christianity.

—Angelus, August 30, 2015



22nd Sunday Of Ordinary Time

September 02, 2018



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You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition."



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Friday Adoration from 8:30 a.m.
to 9:30 a.m

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Both Before Mass and by Appointment.

Mass Schedule for this Week

Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule

Sun 7:30 am Our Parish Family

St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sat 5pm +Red Pittman

9:00am Our Parish Family

6pm Our Parish Family

Mon 8:00am Spec Int

Tues 8 am Spec Int

Wed 8 am Spec Int

Thu 8:00 Spec Int

Fri 8:00 am Spec Int

From Father Khoa's Desk...

Dear Parishioners and Friends, Jesus likes you. Jesus loves you. Jesus longs for you!

Judgment tends to have a bad reputation. We often associate it with condemnation, and in the Gospels, we associate it with the Pharisees. Today's Gospel features the Pharisees doing exactly what we expect. "They observed that some of his disciples ate their meals with unclean, that is, unwashed, hands." The Jewish people had strict purification laws that applied to all areas of life. The Pharisees attempt to accuse Jesus of not following the ancestral traditions. Jesus doesn't take offense at their judgments per se. He instead points out the hypocrisy of their words. "You hypocrites this people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me."

From there, Jesus turns his attention to the concerns of the heart. "The things that come from within are what defile." He lists off a number of sins, including some the Pharisees were likely struggling with, including evil thoughts, envy, and arrogance. When we examine the list, perhaps we're reminded of our own trips to the confessional! As we strive to follow Jesus and live with integrity, we must be aware of our hearts. We must judge our own actions. Are they leading us closer to God or away from Him? Are we growing in love of our neighbor, or are we becoming more closed in on ourselves?

As we move into this week, consider the state of our own heart. Perhaps you are overly scrupulous in less important areas. Perhaps there are large areas of overlooked sin that you've excused for too long. Whatever it is, the judgment of God need not cripple us. He offers us a share in His mercy as soon as we

turn to Him. This week, allow your heart to be transformed!

On this **Labor Day weekend**, we are called to be mindful of God's goodness to us, the value of work and the dignity of our labor. Pope John Paul II, in his encyclical, *Laborens Exercens*, He reminded us that work, in the Book of Genesis, was part of God loving plan for humanity from the beginning. Jesus made work holy. He worked with his own hands, the very hands that would be stretched out upon the cross for us. The work we perform is used by God to form us in His image and likeness so that all may come to know Him through our words and actions. We pray for all who work and for all who are seeking work. Have a safe and enjoyable Labor Day weekend!

May God bless all of us and enjoy your praying!

...Fr. Khoa

†With Sympathy †

Fr Khoa and the community of St. Ann and OL of Chartres Parish extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Red Pittman. May he rest in Eternal Glory and may his loved ones receive God's consolation and peace. Please keep Peggy and the family in your prayers.

This weekend, there is a special collection for the Catholic University of America.

First Friday Adoration Please join us at St Ann at this *Friday, Sept 7th* for *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*. Adoration will begin after the 8:00am Mass until 9:30am. Please come as "*Jesus longs for your visit*".

Knights of Columbus: Meet this Sunday. For more info, contact Garland M. 697-1266.

MASS	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MIN.	SERVERS	USHERS	GIFT B.
Sat Sept 01 5pm	Lanny Acosta	Rita Acosta, WC & Lennell King.	Austin S.	Kermit August	Dwendy Johnston
Sun Sept 02	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Terry Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Sept 02 9am	John Davis	Lester Palmer, Robin Robinson, Carolyn Brewer	Will Jaseigh	Robert Pat	Jason Necaie Family
Sun 6pm	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
Sat Sept 08 5pm	Gwendy Johnston	Mike & Dianne Mays, Kay VanPelts	Austin S.	Shorty Mike	August & Ruth Schonewitz
Sun Sept 09	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Terry Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Sept 09 9am	Matthew Peleaz	James Quintini, Susan Peleaz, Kim Wood	Parker Lassabi Harmon Lassabi	Will Garrland	Will Dreher Family
Sun 6pm	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA

ST. ANN ACTIVITIES.

ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP:**

50Identifiable: **\$1,146.00**; Loose: **\$786.00**;
ACH: **\$55.00**; Total: **\$1,987.00**; Children:
\$14.25;

OL OF CHARTRES STEWARDSHIP:

Identifiable: **\$125.00**; Loose: **\$251.00**; Total:
\$371.00. Building Fund: **\$15.00**.

**Amount needed weekly \$2,908.84.

Thank you for your generosity.

CCD: CCD starts next Sun **Sept 9**. We need teachers for CCD. Please contact Robert Lizana the DRE 228-697-9124. Thank you.

Garage Sale: will be on **September 29 and Oct 6 from 7am to 4:30pm**. Please contact **Beverly**. Thank you.

RCIA: *Are You Considering Becoming Catholic? Are You A Catholic Interested In Being Confirmed? Are You A Confirmed Catholic Who's Ready To Explore Your Faith Anew?* Please contact Sherrie DeMello, 228-547-2689. The 2018/19 sessions get started on Wednesday starts on Sept 12. RCIA classes are on Wednesdays 6:30pm from September to May at Parish Chapel. Thank you.

Changing Ceiling Tiles: Our parish is changing the ceiling tiles in the parish hall and the church. Next week, the daily Mass may move to the chapel. Fr Vo will inform and post more info on the church's door. Thank you.

Blood Drive: **There will be a blood drive on Wednesday September 19th**. For more information, please contact **Jodi Trosclair** 228-832-4757. Thank you.

Bible Study: We study **Belonging**. Please join us. Classes are on **Wed at 6:30pm**. For more information, please contact **Ruth**.

PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:

Leslie Cuevas, Dcn Jack Hunter, Lee James, Darlene Billingsley, Victoria Moran, Jerry Malley, Ezekiel Rutherford, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Debbie Bowen, Andrew Fillengame, Melissa Peterson, Breanna Ladner, Margaret Northrop, Andrew, Sharon Somora, Robert Necaie, Nancy Ladner, Matt Bryant, Paul Ladner, Dianne Dearman, Emmie Tubbs, Jenny Hinton, Marie Cuevas, Sharon Smith, Hayden Helton, Kathy, Phyllis Raymond, Marleen Moran, Teresa McAllister, and Beverly Saucier.

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS † PLEASE FILL OUT A NEW MEMBER REGISTRATION FORM AND SUBMIT TO PARISH OFFICE FR. KHOA WOULD BE HAPPY TO VISIT WITH YOU AND HELP YOU ASSESS YOUR SPIRITUAL NEEDS.