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## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday, September 23rd, 2012; 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time** Wisdom 2:12, 17-20, James 3:16-4:3, Mark 9:30-37

Masses, 8:30 a.m. (English)  
10:30 a.m. (English)  
12:30 p.m. (Spanish)  
3:00 p.m. (Spanish)

**Monday, September 24th, 2012; Proverbs 3:27-34, Luke 8:16-18**

Masses, 9:00 a.m. (English)  
6:30 p.m. (Spanish)  
Confessions, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, September 25th, 2012; Proverbs 21:1-6, 10-13, Luke 8:19-21**

Masses, 9:00 a.m. (English)  
6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

**Wednesday, September 26th, 2012; Proverbs 30:5-9, Luke 9:1-6**

Masses, 9:00 a.m. (English)  
6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

**Thursday, September 27th, 2012; St. Vincent de Paul Ecclesiastes 1:2-11, Luke 9:7-9**

Masses, 9:00 a.m. (English)  
6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

**Friday, September 28th, 2012; Ecclesiastes 3:1-11, Luke 9:18-22**

Masses, 9:00 a.m. (English)  
6:30 p.m. (Spanish)

**Saturday, September 29th, 2012, 2012; Sts. Gabriel, Michael & Rafael Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14, John 1:47-51**

Vigil Mass, 5:30 p.m. (English)  
7:00 p.m. (Spanish)  
Confessions, 4:00-5:00 p.m.

**Sunday, September 30th, 2012; 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time** Numbers 11:25-29, James 5:1-6, Mark 9:39-43, 45, 47-48

Masses, 8:30 a.m. (English)  
10:30 a.m. (English)  
12:30 p.m. (Spanish)  
3:00 p.m. (Spanish)



## 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time



*"Taking a child he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it he said to them, 'Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me'."  
-Mark 9:36-37*

**Spanish Religious education registrations** run from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Sundays and every Tuesday and Thursday of September from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in the classroom area. A big thanks to our coordinators, teachers, and aides. They give generously and freely.

**The Women of St. Francis** are organizing the Fall dinner-dance set for October 20. This celebration helps mark the month of the feast of our Patron, St. Francis of Assisi, and in the past everyone who attended had a wonderful time. This year several members from various Spanish choirs are planning the music. Tickets for the dinner-dance and the accompanying raffle are available after the weekend Masses.

**Adults curious about the Faith** or needing Baptism, Confirmation, First Confession, or Holy Communion are invited to participate in our RCIA program. RCIA stands for Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. RCIA began last week in English and Spanish, but those in need may still attend. The English version meets Mondays at 7:15 p.m. downstairs in the Dominguez Room and the Spanish version also meets on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. downstairs. We'll see you there!

**Elements of Scriptural Spirituality:** God saved Israel from slavery in Egypt and more reflective Hebrews realized that this grand event meant something, that Israel was forever bound to God in love. Love called for Israel to respond to God in a different way, one in part outlined in the Ten Commandments.

The First Commandment is one of fidelity. Israel is to have only one God, the God who rescued the nation from Egypt. This idea is expressed by forbidding Israel to have idols. Idols might seem quaint today, but the idea behind them applies now just as it did thousands of years ago. In the days of the Old Testament many pagan nations thought that an "image of a deity could be used in a magical way to control and manipulate the god so represented." Today we might not use images to attempt to manipulate or control God, but there are still plenty of ideas and emotions that seek to manipulate or control God. Similarly, our words may be attempts to control God, or other people. The Second Commandment guards against this by telling us not to take the Lord's name in vain.

The Third Commandment is to keep holy the Sabbath and it's commonly interpreted as not working on Sunday. There's a dis-

inction between types of labor that could help flesh out this commandment. One type of labor is a work of control. "One of the most powerful tendencies of man is to eliminate mystery in his life because it cannot be controlled and thus seems threatening to him. The most natural way for man to control the mystery in creation is through his labor." Being too busy working – even doing good works – to spend time with God may be a way of distancing ourselves from the mystery of God. Another, more positive type of labor follows God's example in creation. "God did in fact subdue the chaos and darkness," and in the process he brought forth the beauty of creation, reflections of Himself. For us labor can be "for increasing and enhancing the mystery and beauty that are obscured by chaos. Labor is not an end in itself; rather, it is to prepare for the enjoyment of released beauty and goodness," reflecting God. Avoid the first type of work on the Sabbath. The second type of work may well be beneficial.

The Fourth Commandment directs us to honor our father and our mother. Even the pagans knew children needed to obey parents so the Fourth Commandment is more than children doing what their parents say. "What is commanded here is honor, respect and care for aged parents on the part of their grown-up children. In a society that is governed by merely human wisdom, old people will be considered useless and a burden. But in the community imbued with the divine wisdom expressed by Exodus, the special mystery and beauty of the aged will be revered and protected. Wherever worth determined, not by productivity but by personal mystery and love, the aged will always be welcomed and cherished."

A look at the remaining Commandments in love continues next week.

*-The above quotations not from the Bible are from Flowers in the Desert, by the Benedictine priest Demetrius Dumm, pp. 13-17.*

**"Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship"** is the name of a U.S. Bishop's publication dating from 2007. It seeks to cover general points on Catholic participation in the political process, something heating up as the November elections draw near. In an introductory note to this document, the Bishops urge Catholics to "contribute to civil and respectful public dialogue." Cardinal Wuerl of Washington D.C. expands on this phrase:

Today there's a "tendency to disparage the name and reputation, the character and life, of a person because he or she holds a different position." Those "against tax credits for Catholic schools educating minority children should not be labeled ... as 'anti-Catholic bigots' or 'racists' since the majority of the children are African American. People and organizations should not be denounced disparagingly as 'homophobic' simply because they support the traditional, worldwide, time-honored definition of marriage."

"Someone once described a 'gossip' as a person who will never tell a lie if a half-truth will do as much harm." When we listen to some accounts or read what is presented in some forums, "we are too often reminded that spin, selecting only some of the facts, highlighting only parts of the picture, has replaced too often an effort to present the facts – the full story. We all know the tragic results of gossip against which there is little or no defense. In an age of blogs, even the wildest accusations can quickly become 'fact.'" "We, therefore, have an obligation to ascertain that what we say or hear or read is really the truth."

"No community, human or divine, political or religious, can exist

without trust. At the very core of all human relations is the confidence that members speak the truth to each other.... To tamper with the truth or, worse yet, to pervert it, is to undermine the foundations of human community and to begin to cut the threads that weave us into a coherent human family. The call to truthfulness is far from being a denial of freedom of speech. Rather, it is a God-given obligation to respect the very function of human speech. We are not free to say whatever we want about another, but only what is true. To the extent that freedom is improperly used to sever the bonds of trust that bind us together as a people, to that extent it is irresponsible."

"Freedom of speech and respect for others, freedom of expression and regard for the truth, should always be woven together. This should be true of everyone, whether they speak from a pulpit, a political platform, or through the electronic and print media and other means of social communications."

*-The above quotations are from <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship/parishes-and-schools/upload/Civil-Dialogue-bulletin-insert.pdf>*

**Bishop Wester** will celebrate a Mass meeting the needs arising from a variety of medical conditions. This Mass will feature live captioning on a large screen, American Sign Language Interpreters, and low-gluten hosts. The Mass is for all in the Diocese and it will be celebrated here at St. Francis of Assisi Parish at 2:00 p.m. September 29. All who are interested and people with various physical needs are invited to attend.

**Our new priest**, Fr. Fernando Velasco, is still dealing with immigration issues in El Salvador. In the meantime, the Diocese has asked one of the Dominican Priests from St. Catherine of Sienna Parish in Salt Lake to help here at St. Francis on a short-term basis. So if you see a new face above a Roman collar, think Dominican.

**A Committee Hispano meeting** is scheduled for September 27 at 7:30 p.m. in the Dominguez Room. On the agenda will be plans for our annual Lady of Guadalupe celebration in December. Representatives from each of our Spanish groups are invited to this meeting.

**Preparation sessions for marriage** will be offered in Spanish October 6 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and in English by appointment with Fr. Dave. All who are considering a marriage within the Church should attend these sessions.

**A series of sessions on Vatican II** will help us mark the Year of Faith beginning October 11. These sessions begin at 7:30 p.m. on October 17 and will be offered in English. Don't miss out!!

**The Star of Bethlehem** will be in the gymnasium selling religious artifacts after the masses.

## COLLECTION, September 15-16

Loose Cash	\$2805.00
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Food Sales	\$2488.50

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY, September 23rd

8:30 AM Ints. Taylor Carter

10:30 AM Ints. Guadagnoli Family by Rose Marie Guadagnoli

12:30 PM Ints. Jordi Tachiquin

3:00 PM Parishioners

### MONDAY, September 24th

9:00 AM Ints. Tracy Carter

6:30 PM +Jose Ortiz Gonzalez

### TUESDAY, September 25th

9:00 AM +Flint Majers

6:30 PM +Maura Muñoz

### WEDNESDAY, September 26th

9:00 AM Ints. Logan Carter

6:30 PM +Maria del Rosario Uribe

### THURSDAY, September 27th

9:00 AM Faithful Departed

6:30 PM +Manuel Gomez

### FRIDAY, September 28th

9:00 AM Those in Need

6:30 PM +Jose Guadalupe Quezada

### SATURDAY, September 29th

5:30 PM Parishioners

7:00 PM +Maria del Refugio Martinez Valencia

## Events celebration our patron, St. Francis of Assisi:

- St. Francis Novena begins September 26 after the daily Spanish and English Masses and will continue to October 4.
- Home Mass in Springville in honor of St. Francis October 5 at 6:30 p.m. This Mass is at the Sandate residence, 1166 South 850 East.
- Blessing of the animals at 10:00 a.m. on October 6. Bring your pets for a blessing.
- Our Fall Fest dinner and dance October 20. Tickets are available in the vestibule after Mass.

## PRAYER LIST:

All our Military Troops, C.P.O. John Richardson, Msgr. B. Blecha, Carl Marchesi, Msgr. Jason Hindmarsh, Barbara & Burt Slavens, Randy Jahner, LaRae Bunting, Pilar Carrillo, Freddy Corrales, Ercilia Velasco, Melany G. Bowen, Sam Barber Jr., Fred Chavez, Ana Schooler, Mary Ann Liddiard, Max Kele, Jade Lucero, Ronda Weaver, Kiki Brown-White, Sidlow Family, Citlali Gomez, Hardy Family, Carlson Family, Dallas Kummer, Dawn Summers, Celine Patient and Family, Willard Grace, Pablo Davila, Niki Lopez, Todd Bowen, Ronnie Rivera, Phor Hiatt, Brother Anthony Lavorin, O.F.M., Helen Gurule.



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