

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PARISH SEPTEMBER 2024 BULLETIN

CHALLENGES FOR SEPTEMBER

Have you ever played a Bible trivia game? Now's your chance! See if you can answer these trivia questions about the Bible: (1) Various parts of the Bible were written in one of three languages. What are those three original languages? (2) What name is given to the first five books of the Bible? (3) What is the last word of the Bible? (4) What is the shortest verse in the Bible? (5) And which is the longest book in the Bible based on word count? See page 7 for the answers to this month's challenges, and check throughout the bulletin for other fun facts about the Bible.

HOLY FAMILY PRAYER



May God bless each family present and bless our entire Holy Family Parish. Make it like the family of your Son. May our moments of sorrow give way to the seasons of joy. May the memory of harsh words fade before the warmth of a loving touch. May the tears of sorrow be replaced by the music of laughter. May resentment be banished from our families. And may forgiveness reign in our hearts today and everyday. Amen.

SPECIAL INVITATION



Are you looking for a way to serve God and your fellow parishioners? We are recruiting Altars Servers, Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors. Lectors must be 5th grade or older. Eucharistic Ministers must be at least 16 years old. Applications can be found on the table and the rack in the foyer and should be submitted to the office.





P.S. Holy Family Parish continues to offer Communion for the sick and homebound. If you are interested (for yourself or others) contact the parish office.

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Bible fun fact: The first ever book book printed on Gutenberg's original movable type printing press was the Bible in 1452, which had a run of about 200 copies. It was printed - not in German but - in the Latin Vulgate version of the Old Testament and the Greek version of the New Testament.

Bible fun fact: The word "new" has three letters and the word "testament" has nine letters. $3 \times 9 = 27$ and there are exactly 27 books in the New Testament!

Mass Schedule

Tuesday - Friday: 8:30 AM

Saturday: 5:15 PM

Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM Every 3rd Sunday @ 11:30 AM - Youth Mass

Please call the office and leave a message for Committee or Ministry Volunteer leaders below:

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Men's Club – David Pott
Women's Club – Nancy Nabrynski
Art and Environment - Arlene and John Collins
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Cleaning Groups - Erika Myers
Recycling Society - Erika Myers
Community Outreach - Deacon Victor Leach
Communication Media Outreach - Tyrone Navarro
Banyuhay Group USA – Amy San Pedro
Hispanic Ministry – Anna Castro
Knights of Columbus – Grand Knight Rolando
Negranza
Missionary Families of Christ – Frank Lee

Sacraments / Sacramentals

Marriage Prep (6 month notice please) - Fr. Fred Baptism Prep (3 month notice) - 2nd Wednesdays of each month at 6:00pm at the church Reconciliation - See Fr. Fred after Mass Quinceañera Celebration - Call Office Secretary Sacrament of Anointing - Contact Fr. Fred Blessings - Contact Fr. Fred



Holy Family Catholic Church American Canyon, CA

MONTHLY CALENDAR

No Women's Cub meeting in September!

Sept 2 - Labor Day holiday

Sept 3 - Men's Club meeting 6:00 pm - pot luck dinner/meeting at the Walton's home (238 Carolyn Drive).

Sept 6 - Silver Rose Icon prayer - see below.

Sept 7 - Children's Rosary 2:00 pm in church. Children and parents invited.

Sept 7/8 - Special second collection to support our diocesan seminarians and the Diocesan office for vocations.

Sept 14 - Exultation of the Holy Cross feast day.

Sept 14/15 - Collection to pay off church loan.

Sept 14/15 - Parish registrations will be updated at all Masses this weekend. Please listen for announcements.

??? - Knights of Columbus meeting TBA.

Sept 24 - Pastoral Council meeting 6:00 pm in the parish office.

Sept 28 - Finance Committee meeting at 9:00 am at church.

SILVER ROSE ICON

Please join the Knights of Columbus in the Silver Rose Icon Prayer service on Friday, September 6th, at 7:00 pm at H.F. The Silver Rose artifact travels to churches, with an accompanying prayer service and reflection to respect Our Lady of Guadalupe, and commemorate Juan Diego and the miracle of the roses. All are welcomed to come and pray. Are you familiar with the logo of the Knights of



Columbus? The anchor is the symbol for Christopher Columbus, the Patron of the Order. The swords are weapons of a knight. And the letters K of C represent the knighthood of Catholic men in the organization who live by a code of chivalry and support for the Church.

ALL SOULS' DAY

MFC (Missionary Families in Christ) is preparing now for the upcoming Memorial Mass for All Souls' Day to be celebrated on **October 26, 2024 at 10am** at Holy Family Church. To commemorate this event, we are encouraging our parishioners and the community to place an ad in our souvenir program. All donations for the ads are tax-deductible and all the proceeds will benefit Holy Family Church towards the building fund. A form will be available for parishioners to list the names of their loved ones who have gone to glory and will be remembered on this Memorial Mass. More information next month.

The most commonly used word in the Bible is "Lord," followed by God, Man, Israel, and People.

PASTOR'S CORNER!

Dear Faithful Parishioners,

I just want you to join me in this new month of September to say a BIG THANK YOU to Jesus for all He has done for us. We are grateful to Him and His Father God.

We had a wonderful celebration during our 30th Anniversary. I thank you all for making it a success. Overall it was sensational. If anything was delayed on your side, be it food or drink, it was because we were over 700 parishioners that participated. I think I warned ahead of time that we should exercise patience and we will all be served. I never heard any complaints though; but if you complained and we did not hear it, please forgive us.

September is the month we remember 9/11, and it always reminds us of innocent blood that was lost that day. We continue to ask God to preserve all the fallen heroes in eternal life.

We have CCD starting the first week of September and we remind parents and kids that are enrolled in any of the classes to brace themselves for the classes.

My prayers are with you all. Let's all enjoy the month of September with blessedness and peace. AMEN.

- Fr. Frederick K.A. Kutubebi, Pastor

Bible fun fact: The word "bible" comes from the Greek $\tau\alpha$ β 1 β 1 α meaning "the books."



SUNDAY MASS READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER

Sunday, September 1st (Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time)

A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8 - Moses tells the people that they should observe the commandments of the Lord, not adding to them or subtracting from them. The Israelite nation will thus become great and produce wise and intelligent people. They should observe the statutes that Moses is teaching them.

Responsive Psalm 15:2-5 - "The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord."

Epistle Reading from the Letter of James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27 - James tells his brothers and sisters that all perfect gifts are from above, coming down from the Father. We are His first fruits. He is able to help us save our souls. Don't delude yourselves by only being hearers of the word; be also doers of the word.

Gospel of Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 - The Pharisees and scribes challenged Jesus' followers for eating their meals without observing the Jewish customs and rules of cleanliness. The Apostles go about their business without purifying themself according to Jewish law. Jesus calls these people hypocrites because they disregard God's commandments but pretend to stick to human tradition. Food from the outside cannot defile a person but what evil is inside a person has already defiled them.

Sunday, September 8th (Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time)

A reading from Isaiah 35:4-7 - The Lord tells the people through Isaiah that they should be strong and not fear the evil in the world. God will come to save them. All those who have afflictions will be healed and the land will be abundant with refreshing waters to fulfill their thirst.

Responsive Psalm 146:6-10 - "Praise the Lord, my soul!"

Epistle Reading from the Letter of James 2:1-5 - James warns the people not to be judgmental and treat the wealthy better than they treat the lowly. Treat all equally Whether rich or poor, everyone is rich in faith and heirs of the Kingdom that God promised to all who love the Lord.

Gospel of Mark 7:31-37 - The people took a deaf-mute to Jesus and begged Jesus to lay hands on the man and cure him. Jesus took the man to a private place away from the crowd. He put His finger in the man's ears and touched his tongue and immediately the man's impairments were healed. He told the crowd not to tell anyone about how the man was cured and could hear and talk, but the people proclaimed the miracle to all around.

Sunday, September 15th (Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

A reading from the Book of Isaiah 50:5-9 - Isaiah tells the people that even if he is ridiculed, he does not rebel against the Lord. God is his helper and savior and no one can prove him wrong.

Responsive Psalm 116:1-6, 8-9 - "I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living."

Epistle Reading from the Letter of James 2:14-18 - What good is it, James asks, if someone has faith but does not do good works? If someone has no coat to keep them warm and no food to eat, what good does it do to tell them to go in peace, stay warm, and eat well. If faith does not have good works, it is dead.

Gospel of Mark 8:27-35 - Jesus questions the disciples about who people say Jesus is. The disciples tell Him that some say He is a prophet. But Jesus asks who do <u>they</u> say He is? Peter spoke for the others and said they believe He is the Christ. Jesus told the disciples that He will suffer greatly and be rejected by the leaders. Jesus said that whoever wishes to be His disciple must take up their cross and follow Him. Whoever may lose their life for the sake of the Lord will be saved by the Gospel.

Sunday, September 22nd (Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

A reading from the Book of Wisdom 2:12, 17-20 - If someone claims to be just, let us put that person to the test and see whether he really is just and has patience to deal with those around him. If he is truly just, God will defend him and take care of him; but if not, we may condemn him as violating true justice.

Responsive Psalm 54:3-6, 8 - "The Lord upholds my life."

Epistle Reading from the Letter of James 3:16–4:3 - Disorder exits where jealousy and selfishness and ambition exit. Wisdom on the other had is peaceful, gentle and full of mercy. Peace comes to those who seek it. War and conflict among the people must be avoided. Do not covet, fight, kill or envy others. Those are wrong.

Gospel of Mark 9:30-37 - Jesus told His disciples in private that He will be handed over to the evil leaders and will be killed. But after three days, He will rise. The disciples did not understand this message and were afraid to question Jesus. Jesus later overheard the disciples arguing among themselves as to which one is the greatest. Jesus rebuked them saying that whoever wishes to be first must be the servant of the others. Jesus took a child and told the disciples that whoever receives a child such as that one receives Him and the one who sent Him.

Sunday, September 29th (Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

A reading from the Book of Numbers 11:25-29 - The Lord came down from the clouds and spoke to Moses and brought the spirit on the elders of the people who then each prophesied. Two of the men, Eldad and Mead, were not originally with the others, but they too were given the Spirit and began to prophesy. The others demanded that Moses stop these two from prophesying but Moses accused the others of being envious that the Lord's Spirit also rested on them. Moses rejoiced that the Lord bestowed the Spirit on them as well.

Responsive Psalm 19:8,10, 12-13, 14 - "The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart."

Epistle Reading from the Letter of James 5:1-6 - James tells those who are rich and flaunt their wealth that their riches will pass away. Their clothes will rot away and their wealth will ruin them. If they withhold wages from their workers, the workers wailing will be heard by the Lord and they will will be upheld by the Lord.

Gospel of Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-49 - The disciple John complained to Jesus that someone who was not from their group was driving out demons in the name of Jesus. Jesus said that anyone who performs deeds in His name will never speak ill of Him. Anyone who is not against them is for them and will be rewarded. On the other hand, anyone who sins or causes someone else to sin should be thrown into the sea.



DAILY READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER



Monday, September 2nd 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 Psalm 119:97-102 Luke 4:16-30

Tuesday, September 3rd 1 Corinthians 2:10-16 Psalm 145:8-14 Luke 4:31-37

Wednesday, September 4th 1 Corinthians 3:1-9 Psalm 33:12-15, 20-21 Luke 4:38-44

Thursday, September 5th 1 Corinthians 3:18-23 Psalm 24:1-6 Luke 5:1-11

Friday. September 6th
1 Corinthians 4:1-5
Psalm 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40
Luke 5:33-39

Saturday, September 7th 1 Corinthians 4:5-15 Psalm 145:17-21 Luke 6:1-5

Monday, September 9th 1 Corinthians 5:1-8 Psalm 5:5-6, 7, 12 Luke 6:6-11

Tuesday, September 10th 1 Corinthians 6:1-11 Psalm 149:1-6, 9 Luke 6:12-19 Wednesday, September 11th 1 Corinthians 7:25-31 Psalm 45:11-12, 14-17 Luke 6:20-26

Thursday. September 12th
1 Corinthians 8:1-7 11-13
Psalm 139:1-3, 13-14, 23-24
Luke 6:27-38

Friday, September 13th 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-27 Psalm 84:3-6, 12 Luke 6:39-42

Saturday, September 14th (Exultation of the Holy Cross) Numbers 21:4-9 Psalm 78:1-2, 34-38 Philippians 2:6-11 John 3:13-17

Monday, September 16th 1 Corinthians 11:17-26, 33 Psalm 40:7-10, 17 Luke 7:1-10

Tuesday, September 17th
1 Corinthians 12:12-14,
27-31
Psalm 100:1-5
Luke 7:11-17

Wednesday, September 18th 1 Corinthians 12:31–13:3 Psalm 33:2-5, 12, 22 Luke 7:31-35

Thursday, September 19th 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 28 Luke 7:36-50

Friday, September 20th 1 Corinthians 15:12-20 Psalm 17:1, 6-8, 15 Luke 8:1-3

Saturday, September 21st (Feast of St. Matthew) Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13 Psalm 19:2-5 Matthew 9:9-13 Monday, September 23rd Proverbs 3:27-34 Psalm 15:2-5 Luke 8:16-18

<u>Tuesday, September 24th</u>
Proverbs 21:1-6, 10-13
Psalm 119:1, 27,30,34-35,44
Luke 8:19-21

Wednesday, September 25th Proverbs 30:5-9 Psalm 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163 Luke 9:1-6

Thursday, September 26th Ecclesiastes 1:2-11 Psalm 90:3-6, 12-14, 17 Luke 9:7-9

Friday, September 27th Ecclesiastes 3:1-11 Psalm 144:1-4 Luke 9:18-22

Saturday, September 28th Ecclesiastes 11:9–12:8 Psalm 90:3-6, 12-14, 17 Luke 9:43-45

Bible fun fact: Despite the 8th Commandment, the Bible is the most stolen book from hotels, hospitals, churches and bookstores!



© Harley Schwadron Reprinted with permission Bible fun fact: Genesis never says Adam and Eve ate an apple, only that they ate a forbidden fruit.

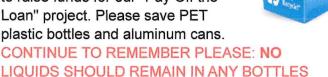
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Mark your calendars! Religious Education classes will begin the week of September 3rd. Check the schedule on the CCD classroom windows according to grade and teacher. Parents need to attend the first day of class with their student to meet teachers.

Bible fun fact: The Bible is the best selling book in the U.S. with 20 million copies sold annually!

H. F. RECYCLING

We continue recycling at Holy Family to raise funds for our "Pay Off the Loan" project. Please save PET plastic bottles and aluminum cans.



WHEN YOU TURN THEM IN. When you have a full bag, call Erika at 707-648-6335 to arrange drop off.

Bible fun fact: The Bible is the best selling book in all of history, with total sales of all editions in all languages exceeding 5 billion copies.

UPCOMING SPECIALS

Stay tuned for these yearly activities and events:

- † All Souls' Day banner remembering our departed (See page 2 for more information)
- † Thanksgiving food drive in November
- † Blessing bags put together for the homeless

Bible fun fact: Dogs are mentioned 41 times in the Bible, cats are never mentioned.



YOUTH **SERVICE** AWARDS

The Women's Club and Men's Club honored three young adults of Holy Family who have been involved over the years with youth ministry at the parish, including the youth choir, youth lectors, religi-

ous education and other service to the parish. A cash gift for school expenses and a certificate were awarded to: Ezra Llave, Gabriel Llave and Aaliyah Capiti. Congratulations and thank you to all three.

30TH ANNIVERSARY SUCCESS

Do you remember Holy Family Mass at Donaldson Way Elementary School cafeteria where we set-up borrowed folding chairs for about 125 attendees at a single Mass on Sundays? Fast forward 25+ years to our own worship space with four Masses on a weekend with permanent chairs in the Sanctuary. But on the weekend of July 27/28 we were back down to only two Masses - one on Saturday and one on Sun-



day. But what a Mass it was on Sunday July 28th! We were too large to fit in the Sanctuary, so under tents and awnings outside, 500 parishioners gathered for Mass. We heard the history of 30 years of worshiping together, and 600 of us gathered for a meal together (left) following

Mass. Thanks to all who organized and arranged the event and to all who celebrated our anniversary.

KELAY FOR LIFE

100 luminary bags in all were decorated by Holy Family parishioners along with donations sent to the American Cancer Society as part of the 2024 Relay For Life effort. The bags were blessed at church (left), taken to St. Patrick/ St. Vincent High School, and placed around the track during the 24-hour walk-a-thon held there. Thanks to all who made bags, to those who contributed, and to those who walked the track. As the final donation totals are compiled it appears that close to \$100K was raised for the Napa/Vallejo Relay. Our prayers continue for those fighting cancer.

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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LECTOR SCHEDULES

1st reader / 2nd reader

CHALLENGES FOR SEPTEMBER BIBLE OUIZ Bible



(1) The three languages in which the Bible was originally written were: Hebrew, Aramaic and Greek. A translation into Latin came later (during the 4th Century) and translations into over 700 languages came later still!

(2) The first five books of the Bible (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers and Deuteronomy) are referred to as "The Torah" (taken from the Hebrew word תּוֹרָה meaning "teaching"). They are also known as "The Pentateuch" (from the Greek pente meaning "five"), and also called "The Books of Moses."

(3) The last word of the Bible is "Amen." (The Book of Revelation 22:21).

(4) The shortest verse in the Bible contains only two words: "Jesus wept," (John 11:35) which refers to when Jesus arrived at the home of Marv and Martha and discovered that His friend Lazarus had died.

(5) Many would immediately say that Psalms is the longest book since it has 150 chapters, but a lot of those are short chapters and it contains 30,147 words. Two books have even more words: Genesis with 32,046, and the longest book is Jeremiah with 33,002 words.

Santa Rosa Rel. Ed. Congress

The Diocesan Office for Religious Education, warmly invites you to attend the 2024 Santa Rosa Religious Education Congress and experience all that our event has to offer. Fliers are available (en Español también) in the church lobby. FREE! Coffee & donuts / lunch available.

Date: Saturday, September 21, 2024

Time: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm includes Mass

Place: Cardinal Newman High School, Santa

Rosa



Holy Family Catholic Church American Canyon, CA

Weekend of August 31/Sept. 1

5:15: Debbie Adams / David Mezzera 7:30: Roselle Tamoro / Leslie Gaffney

9:30: Josie Rubbing / John Collins

11:30: Rose Tamoro / Marina Maldonado (Esp.)

Weekend of Sept.7/8

5:15: MFC / MFC

7:30: Davet Mohammed / Ernie Zambrano

9:30: Bill Walton / Marie Walton

11:30: Danny Barcelon / Lily Maldonado (Esp.)

Weekend of Sept .14/15

5:15: Debbie Adams / Melita Negranza

7:30: Hemmy Bacareza / Greg Bacareza

9:30: Josie Rubang / Bernie Borges

11:30: Rose Tamoro / Marina Maldonado (Esp.)

Weekend of Sept 21/22

5:15: Shirlese Hayes / David Mezzera

7:30: Rose Borja / Roselle Tamoro

9:30: Rona Yacob / Betty Lorenz

11:30:Christiana Mahoney / Florelyn Lomantad (Youth)

Weekend of Sept .28/29

5:15: Rolly Negranza / Catherine Pott

7:30: Leslie Gaffney / Davet Mohammed

9:30: Bernie Borges / Frank Lee

11:30: Justine Gemo / Francisco Jimenez (Esp.)

Weekend of Oct. 5/6

5:15: MFC / MFC

7:30: Hemmy Bacareza / Greg Bacareza

9:30: Josie Rubang / John Collins

11:30: Rose Tamoro / Marina Maldonado (Esp.)

EM SCHEDULES

Eucharistic Ministers' stations: (1) Knights of Columbus Room (2) Lobby (3) CCD Room

Weekend of August 31/Sept.1

5:15: Romy Blanquera

7:30: Nina Tolentino

9:30: (1) Arlene Collins (2) Dolly Flores (3) Rex Samaniego

11:30: (1) Numer T. (2) Francisco Jimenez (3) Danny Barcelon

Weekend of Sept. 7/8

5:15: MFC

7:30: Virginia Zambrano

9:30: (1) Erika Myers (2) Betty Lorenz (3) Rona Yacob

11:30: (1) Numer Tamoro (2) Percy Barcelon (3) Marnel Yturralde

Weekend of Sept. 14/15

5:15: David Mezzera

7:30: Nina Tolentino

9:30: (1) Maria Leach (2) Rex Samaniego (3) Dolly Flores

11:30: (1) Danny Barcelon (2) Francisco Jimenez (3) Marnel Y.

Weekend of Sept. 21/22

5:15: Romy Blanquera

7:30: Leslie Gaffney

9:30: (1) Rona Yacob (2) Dolly Flores (3) Norma Flores

11:30: (1) Rose Tamoro (2) Danny Barcelon (3) Marina Maldonado

Weekend of Sept. 28/29

5:15: David Pott

7:30: Nina Tolentino

9:30: (1) Bannie Lee (2) Maria Leach (3) Bill Walton

11:30 (1) Numer T. (2) Francisco Jimenez (3) Marina Maldonado

Weekend of Oct. 5/6

5:15: MFC

7:30: Leslie Gaffney

9:30: (1) Maria Leach (2) Erika Myers (3) Rex Samaniego

11:30: (1) Danny Barcelona (2) Marnel Yturralde (3) Numer Tamoro