THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CYCLONE-WESTPHALIA

St. Joseph, Cyclone & Church of the Visitation, Westphalia.

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The Sacraments

BAPTISM: Saturday after Mass. Please contact the pastor for scheduling a meeting with him; a preparation program may be needed. Parents must be registered parishioners of St Joseph, Cyclone or Church of the Visitation, Westphalia and there is required paperwork to be completed.

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAYS 3:00-4:00 PM OR BY APPOINTMENT.

MARRIAGE: Couples planning to be married should contact the pastor at least six months in advance before date of wedding. Completion of required paperwork and a preparation program needed.

NOVEMBER 8, 2026 THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDIARY TIME

This Sunday's Gospel reading shows us what it means to be truly foolish. We believe in Christ — good! We pray — good! We put time into our faith growth and we value opportunities for more faith formation — very wise! And we say that we trust God — wonderful!

But what happens when God doesn't answer our prayers fast enough? What if we need Christ's loving embrace or his protection from evil and yet we're suffering with no end in sight? Where is Jesus then?

Usually, God's timing is not ours. We think we have the right idea about how soon God should intervene when we ask for his help. Right now is a good time for it, right? Of course! But perhaps not from God's perspective. (Why do we want to leave God in charge anyway, if he doesn't see things our way, huh?)

When we despair over unanswered prayer, the reality behind it is that we're emotionally unprepared for any timing that's different from what we think it should be. The foolish bridesmaids thought the groom would arrive before their lamps burned out. They thought they understood the situation. Do we?

Furthermore, if God's plans are illogical — if they don't make sense to us — we distrust them. And then we get ourselves into the mess of trying to handle things apart from God.

We cannot trust our logic. We cannot trust our perception or our understanding of the situations we're in. The sooner we decide to enjoy the absurdity of being a Christian, the sooner we will find out that God's ways are awesomely much, much better than anything we can imagine!

Bulletin Information: Nancy Posvar 254-913-2696.

Bulletin Deadline: Please call or send by email all info for the bulletin by Wednesday before the weekend!

MINISTRIES

Saturday, November 14, 2026

Communion:	**Kristen Parker**
Lector:	**Letha Novosad**
Altar Servers:	**Novosad & Souhrada Families**
Ushers:	**Volunteers**

Sunday, November 15, 2026

Communion:	**L Jarosek—C Brenek—C Kacir**
Lector:	**REP**
Altar Servers:	**E Cowen & Glasgow Family**
Ushers:	**REP**

UPCOMIING MASSES

11/8	**Sunday 8:15 am:**	**+ Jerome Brenek by Michael Brenek** **+ Maxie Roessler by Becky Roessler—Mahan**
11/10	**Tuesday 7:00 am:**	**+ Josephine Psencik by Charlie & Jackie Green** **+ Monica Mikeska by Carol Stermer**
11/12	**Thursday 7:00 am:**	**+ Lucille Stock by Rose Marie Schoppe** **+ Elsie Jez by Elizabeth O'Brien**
11/14	**Saturday Vigil 4:00 pm:**	**+ Barbara Macek by Charlie Tischler** **+ Gilbert & Pauline Wilde by Daniel & Linda Wilde**
11/15	**Sunday 8:15 am:**	**+ Lucille Stock by Margaret Abel** **+ Darwin Bruggman by Family**

WESTPHALIA MASSES

11/8 Sunday 10:15 am

11/11 Wednesday 6:00 pm

11/13 Friday 8:00 am

11/14 Saturday Vigil 6:00 pm

11/15 Sunday 10:15 am

In your charity, please pray for: Homebound: Leora Hering. Good health: A. J. Stermer, Bill Stock, Dorothy Haisler, Evelyn Richter, Al & Lou Buckholt, Mary Jane Underwood, Lindsey Pierce, Rebecca Marek, Margaret Campbell, Barbara Johnson, Fr. Tom Chamberlain, Theresa Klecka, Faye Kolek.

Stewardship—November 1—$4350 Building Fund—$683 CSA Raffle Drawing (Grant) $5000

Sanctuary Light—November 8-14—In Memory of Jerome Schoppe by Family.

November issues of The Word Among Us are in the church entry. Please take one.

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 13—RED-C Ministries Family Banquet—7:00 pm—West KC Hall—Meal will be served as well as beer & wine. Guest speaker Dr. Ray Guarendi, host of "The Doctor is In" on EWTN, will speak on topic "Standing Strong as a Parent or Grandparent." Tables & individual tickets for sale. Get your ticket at redcradio.org/familybanquet.

November 15—The CYO will be selling breakfast tacos after mass. Please support our youth.

November 15—19—Holy Trinity Parish in Corn Hill will present a Parish Mission entitled "Work Out Your Salvation! The Theology of Faithfulness to Daily Duty" November 15 - 19. Father of Mercy Wade L.J. Menezes will speak about Being Faithful to Your Daily Duty, Be Other-Centered, Understanding the Reality of Vice and Virtue, Practicing and Living the Sacraments and Live a Trinitarian Spiritually. Sunday will begin with confessions at 5:00 pm, Book signing at 6:00 pm, with Holy Hour & Mission at 6:30 p.m. Monday - Thursday will begin with confessions and a light meal at 5:30 p.m., then the mission at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call the parish office at (512) 863-3020.

November 17—KC Meeting—7:00 pm.

November 22—Altar Society of the Church of the Visitation Craft Show—9:00 am—3:00 pm—Admission: One canned good or $2—Shop for unique, handmade items—Chicken spaghetti, chicken dressing casseroles and lunch available.

December 5—THE ST. MARY'S ALTAR SOCIETY invites all women of the parish, their families, and spouses of our past group members to join us for our annual Christmas Party. We look forward to celebrating with you all on Saturday December 5 after the 4:00 pm Mass. Sign up sheets are in the church entry. Please RSVP by November 22.

Altar Society News

November 8—Altar Society Meeting following mass in the Parish Hall.

We are collecting food items for college care packages—6 students—Donations due at church by November 14 & 15.

November 18—Killeen—Temple Deanery Meeting—St. Joseph's in Killeen—10 A—Please bring school supplies &/or snacks for St. Joseph Catholic School.