

Sacred Heart

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ALL SOULS - SATURDAY, 5:00 PM

SACRED HEART - SUNDAY, 8:00 AM

ST. MARY'S - SUNDAY, 11:00 AM

For the week of 10/22 to 10/29:

Date	Day	Time	Place	Intention
10/23	Monday	No Mass Today		
10/24	Tuesday	6.00 PM	Bridgeport	Inez Mitchell
10/25	Wednesday	6.30 PM	Bayard	Children's Mass
10/26	Thursday	6.00 PM	Dalton	Deceased members of Kopetzky Family
10/27	Friday	6.00 PM	Bayard	People of God
10/28	Saturday	5.00 PM	Bridgeport	Dorothy Stull
10/29	Sunday	8.00 AM	Bayard	Floyd Turek Sr.
10/29	Sunday	11.00 AM	Dalton	Samantha Ernest

Dear Sisters, Brothers, and Children in Jesus Christ,

In the second reading of today's liturgy, we hear Paul praising the members of the Church of Thessalonians. He says, "We always give thanks to God for you....We never cease to remember the good works inspired by your faith...." (1 Thess.1:1ff). Well...later in the same letter, Paul would begin warning and rebuking them. So, like a good psychologist, he emphasizes the positive aspects of the community before he points out their limitations, failures, and shortcomings.

This is an important lesson for us too. How often do we see in today's world, so many families falling apart solely because of negative perceptions and low-quality interactions among their members! Yet we know that in every human being there is some goodness instilled by our God for it is in the image and likeness of God that all human beings have been created (Genesis 1:27). The fact of the matter is that we do not take note of goodness existing in persons as we highlight the evil present in them. To deny anything worthwhile present in any of our neighbors is to deny respect and reverence to the One who has created them.

One of the ways of growing up positively is to encourage each other, support each other, and stand by the other in times of trials and troubles. Our stewardship community gatherings are perhaps such occasions to get to know each other, share experiences and pray for each other. And it is my belief that if we take seriously these monthly gatherings we will undoubtedly grow as mature Christians and honest citizens of the nation. Oh yes, that is precisely what Jesus is asking us to be in today's gospel.

Yours in Christ Jesus,
Fr.C.P.Varghese
Pastor

THE STEWARDSHIP COMMUNITY GATHERINGS THIS WEEK

Day	Time	Parish/Community
TUESDAY (October 24, 2017)	7.00 PM – 8.00 PM	All Souls Parish – Community D Richard Stull 1120 T Street, Bridgeport (308-262-1394)
THURSDAY (October 26, 2017)	7.00 PM – 8.00 PM	St. Mary's Parish –East James & Susan Ernest 5655 Road 139, Dalton (308-377-2670)
FRIDAY (October 27, 2017)	7.00 PM – 8.00 PM	Sacred Heart Parish – Community D Ernest & Lucille Vera 1323 Main Street, Bayard (308-586-1590)

Kindly take note of the following:

- 1) As it used to be earlier, Fr.C.P. will be available for sacrament of reconciliation 30 minutes before weekend masses. You can also approach him for this sacrament any other time as you feel it necessary.
- 2) At Bayard, this Sunday (October 22nd) after the mass, we will do **High Way Clean Up**.
- 3) Please remember that '**All Saints Day**' is a day of obligation in the Catholic Church. That means, we are obliged by law of the Church to participate in the Eucharist that day. The schedule for mass will be as follows:
All Souls, Bridgeport – October 31st, Tuesday: 6 PM
Sacred Heart, Bayard – November 1st, Wednesday: 7 AM
St. Mary's, Dalton – November 1st, Wednesday: 6 PM.

ALL SOULS DAY is celebrated in the Church on November 2nd every year. Weather-permitting, we will have a special Eucharist in the cemetery at Bridgeport to pray for all the deceased ones of our parishes, who are family members, friends, and dear ones. This mass will be at 7.30 AM on Thursday, November 2nd. Following the mass, the tombs of the relations/friends of those who will be present for the mass will be blessed with holy water and incense. If we do not have a favorable weather, we will have the mass at the Church.

Our Gift to God: Last Weekend's Collection

	All Souls	St. Mary's	Sacred Heart
Adult	\$460.00	\$775.00	\$611.00
Children	\$7.00	\$3.00	\$12.50
Plate	\$161.00	\$39.00	\$141.00
SUB-TOTAL	\$628.00	\$817.00	\$764.50
Mass Stipend			
Resale Rel. Articles			
Diocesan Appeal	\$705.00	\$600.00	\$750.00
Building Fund		\$530.00	\$25.00
TOTALS	\$628.00	\$817.00	\$764.50

