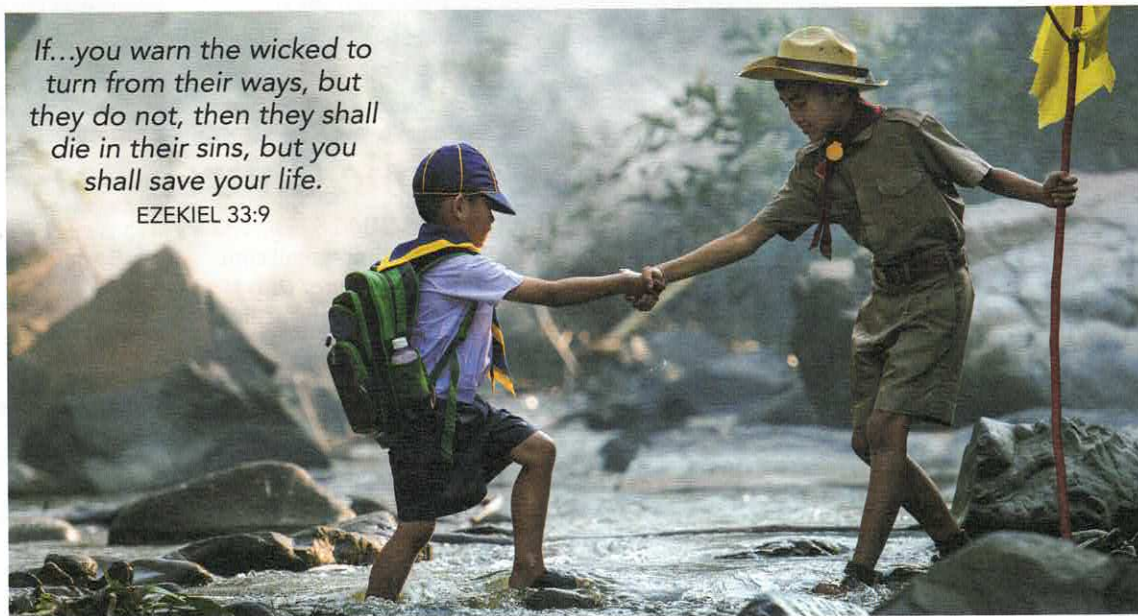


If...you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, but they do not, then they shall die in their sins, but you shall save your life.

EZEKIEL 33:9



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It's None of My Business

This statement might sound like we are respecting the independence of others. It is none of our business how they live their lives, how they behave in society, how they worship God. We mind our own business; they mind theirs. After all, are we our brother's or sister's keepers?

Today's readings challenge this attitude. Ezekiel is told that he must proclaim God's will to the Israelites. If he reneges in his calling and someone dies in guilt, Ezekiel will be held responsible for that death. However, if the wicked refuse to hear this message, their death in guilt will be their own doing, for one must freely accept God's word. In the Gospel, Jesus outlines a way for his disciples to lead sinners back to the community. Both Ezekiel and the disciples have responsibilities to those who are not living faithfully. They both take steps to call them back. In this sense, they act as their brother's or sister's keeper. However,

they do not meddle in the other's business. The sinner must freely decide to return. God does not force repentance.

This might be a hard message. Who wants to step up and point out another's error in leaving the Church? However, if we are really concerned, we will do what we can to bring them back. We might not proclaim like the prophet or the disciples did. But the way we live our lives should show them the true value in being a faithful follower of Jesus.

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

FOR *Reflection*

- ✦ *Is your life an example of the values of your faith?*
- ✦ *Pray for those whom you love, who have left the practice of the faith.*



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By appointment with the Pastor

SEPTEMBER 6TH

St. Francis Xavier, Clayton

Weekend Mass: Saturday 5:00pm Sunday 10:30am

Daily Mass: (Wed-Spanish)-Fri at 12:10pm

Thurs at 5:30pm

Adoration /Confession: Tue 5:30-7:30pm Thurs 6:00-7:00pm

Honor of Our Blessed Mother Mass: 1ST Sat 10:30am

Confession: Saturday 4:00-5:00pm OR By Appointment

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Weekend Mass: Sunday 8:00am (Oct 1 - May 31)

Confession: Sunday before 8:00am OR by appt

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Confession: Sunday before 8:00am OR by appt

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*This is my body, which will be given up for you.  
This is my blood, the blood of the new and everlasting covenant.  
It will be shed for you & for all... so that sins may be forgiven.  
Do this in memory of me.*

Masses will be offered **September 2020**

+ All the Departed Parishioner's & Family Members  
SI All the Sponsors, Benefactors & Supporters of SFX Clayton  
SI Good Health & Well Being of all Parishioners & Families

|                       |                                                                                     |                                                                                                                |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Sat, Sept. 5</b>   | +Jim Miller<br>+John Luther                                                         | by Ross & Shelley Carter<br>by Chip & Sammie Wood                                                              |
| <b>Sun, Sept. 6</b>   | +John Luther<br>+Jim Miller<br>OLOG +Petra & Conrado Montoya<br>OLOG +Sonya Roberts | by Chip & Sammie Wood<br>by Chip & Sammie Wood<br>by Carlos & Bernie Fernandez<br>by Carlos & Bernie Fernandez |
| <b>Sat, Sept. 12</b>  | +John Luther<br>+Jim Miller<br>+Eloy Gonzales                                       | by Chip & Sammie Wood<br>by Chip & Sammie Wood<br>by Ross & Shelley Carter                                     |
| <b>Sun, Sept. 13</b>  | +Jim Miller<br>+Angela Trujillo<br>OLOG +Augustine & Filia Fernandez                | by Chip & Sammie Wood<br>by Cindy Montoya<br>by Carlos & Bernie Fernandez                                      |
| <b>Wed, Sept. 16</b>  | +Patricia Osborne<br>+Jose Leon Turrietta<br>+Maria Miranda Turrietta               | by Laura Gonzalez<br>by Laura Gonzalez<br>by Laura Gonzalez                                                    |
| <b>Thur, Sept. 17</b> | +Hipolito & Baudilia Miranda<br>+David Turrietta<br>+Edna Turrietta Osborne         | by Laura Gonzalez<br>by Laura Gonzalez<br>by Laura Gonzalez                                                    |

**Weekly Collections Summary: August 2020**

|              | <u>SFX</u>  | <u>OLOG</u> |
|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| August 29-30 | \$ 2,253.00 | \$ 373.00   |
| August 22-23 | \$ 1,245.50 | \$ 278.00   |
| August 15-16 | \$ 1,743.00 | \$ 385.00   |
| August 08-09 | \$ 2,591.00 | \$ 229.00   |

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**Seminarian Support collection  
September 13, 2020**

Archdiocesan campaign for the support of local seminarian in their studies and formation

**Announcement**

No Week Day Mass or Adoration  
Will resume on 10th.

**Announcement**

**PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER DONATING**

**YOUR TIME:**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR!**

**CCD Teachers Confirmation Teachers  
Lectors Church Cleaners**

**Lectors and Sanitizing after Masses**

|                      |         |                                                          |
|----------------------|---------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Sat, Sept. 5</b>  | 5:00pm  | - Pat Crisp—Lector<br>- April Geary—Sanitizing           |
| <b>Sun, Sept. 6</b>  | 10:30am | - Jack Chosvig—Lector<br>- JoAnn Padilla--Sanitizing     |
| <b>Sat, Sept. 12</b> | 5:00pm  | - Sammie Wood—Lector<br>- Rose Alford—Sanitizing         |
| <b>Sun, Sept. 13</b> | 10:30am | - Andrea Naranjo—Lector<br>- Sophie Arguello--Sanitizing |

**ACA Pledge Goal Report**

*St. Francis Xavier-Clayton*  
**% of Participation - 11.82**  
**Number of Families -313**  
**Parish Goal - \$13,500.00**  
**% Goal Pledged -71.81%**  
**% Goal Paid -71.29%**  
**Total Pledge-\$9,694.00 Total Paid-\$9,659.00**  
**Short-\$3,841.00**

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# Dear Padre,

**In the story of Noah, God destroyed most of the world. Did that really happen? How should we think about the world's end?**

**M**ost biblical scholars generally consider the Noah story to be a tale of God's new covenant with the people. Life here is temporary, but life with God is eternal. The story of the Flood was probably based on some historical event that was recounted in oral traditions for centuries before the story of Noah was written.

The National Geographic Society, in researching that region, discovered that the Mediterranean Sea broke through a natural dam more than 7,500 years ago, filling a freshwater lake with seawater and creating the Black Sea. This natural catastrophe could be the basis for the story of Noah and the Ark. Catastrophic world events such as war, floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, or tornadoes remind us repeatedly how fragile and temporary our lives are.

The biblical truth of the Noah story and of Jesus' account of the end of the world tell us that God is our beginning and our end. The world will end, but God will not end. God's love for us will also never end. There is a spiritual transformation that will happen both at the end of lives on earth and at the end of time. We can be certain that, in the end, sin and death will be no more and God's love will reign forever.

—Fr. Paul J. Coury, CSsR  
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## A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*It is vital that the Church today go out to proclaim the Gospel to all, in all places, on all occasions, without delay, reluctance, or fear. We do so in obedience to the Lord's missionary mandate, certain of his presence among us until the end of the world.*

—ADDRESS TO UNITED BIBLE SOCIETIES, OCTOBER 5, 2017

## Calendar

**Monday**  
SEPTEMBER 7  
*Weekday*  
1 Cor 5:1-8  
Lk 6:6-11

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

**Wednesday**  
SEPTEMBER 9  
*St. Peter Claver, Priest*  
1 Cor 7:25-31  
Lk 6:20-26

**Thursday**  
SEPTEMBER 10  
*Weekday*  
1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13  
Lk 6:27-38

**Friday**  
SEPTEMBER 11  
*Weekday*  
1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27  
Lk 6:39-42

**Saturday**  
SEPTEMBER 12  
*Weekday*  
1 Cor 10:14-22  
Lk 6:43-49

**Sunday**  
SEPTEMBER 13  
*Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
Sir 27:30-28:7  
Rom 14:7-9  
Mt 18:21-35

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