



St. Mary's Church  
Dalton, NE 69131



All Souls' Church  
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Dear Sisters, Brothers and Children in Jesus Christ,

The main themes of today's Scripture readings are the power of intercessory prayer, the *Our Father* as the ideal prayer, and the necessity for persistence and perseverance in prayer with trusting faith and boldness. In short, the readings teach us what to pray and how to pray.

The first reading, taken from the book of Genesis, gives us the model for intercessory prayer provided by Abraham in his dialogue with God. Although Abraham seems to be trying to manipulate God through his skillful bargaining and humble, persistent intercession, God is actually being moved to mercy by the goodness of a few innocent souls. The Responsorial Psalm (Ps 138), with the Psalm Response, "*Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me,*" is a hymn of hope and trust in the Lord, reminding us that God is close to the humble of heart and to all those who call upon Him in their need. The second reading, taken from Paul's Letter to the Colossians, though it does not address prayer, reminds us of the need of perseverance in our living faith in Christ, which provides the basis for all Christian prayers, especially for liturgical prayer: the mystery of the Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Paul assures us that even when we were dead in sin, God gave us new life through Jesus and pardoned all our sins. In the Gospel passage, after teaching a model prayer, Jesus instructs his disciples to pray to God their Heavenly Father with the same boldness, daring, intimacy, conviction, persistence and perseverance Abraham displayed and the friend in need in the parable employed. He gives us the assurance that God will not be irritated by our requests or unwilling to meet them with generosity. (From Fr. Antony Kadavil)

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

**SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK**

Date	Day	Time	Place	Intention
07/29	Monday	No Mass Today		
07/30	Tuesday	6.00 PM	Bridgeport	Oneva Lummel
07/31	Wednesday	No Mass Today		
08/01	Thursday	6.00 PM	Dalton	For Fr.C.P. (By Ellie Ernest)
08/02	Friday	11.00 Am	Bridgeport	Adoration & Anointing Mass
08/02	Friday	5.00 PM	Bayard	Adoration & Mass
08/03	Saturday	5.30 PM	Dalton	For Fr. Deaver (By Ellie Ernest)
08/04	Sunday	8.00 AM	Bayard	People of God
08/04	Sunday	10.30 AM	Bridgeport	Oneva Lummel

**ALL SOULS**  
**617 P STREET**  
**BRIDGEPORT NE 69336**

**MAY - AUGUST : MASS TIME**

Tuesday — 6:00 PM  
Sunday — 10.30 AM

**Parish Council Meeting**  
**On Sunday August 4th**  
**after mass**

**OUR GIFTS TO GOD & CHURCH**

ADULTS	\$360.00
CHILDREN	
PLATE	\$349.00
SUBTOTAL	\$ 709.00
MASS STIPEND	
TOTAL	\$ 709.00
BUILDING FUND	
APPEAL	\$40.00

- Prayer line requests may be made to Carolyn-262-0453 or Teresa-262-0439.
- The rosary is prayed ½ hr before Mass, please come and pray.



**SACRED HEART**  
**1003 AVE B**  
**BAYARD NE 69334**

**MAY - AUGUST : MASS TIME**

Friday — 6:00 PM  
Sunday — 8.00 AM

**Parish Council Meeting**  
**On Sunday August 4<sup>th</sup>**  
**At 6.00 PM**

**OUR GIFTS TO GOD & CHURCH**

ADULTS	\$193.00
CHILDREN	\$4.00
PLATE	\$230.00
SUBTOTAL	\$427.00
MASS STIPEND	
TOTAL	\$ 427.00
BUILDING FUND	
APPEAL	

- Prayer line requests may be made to Paula-586-2992.
- The rosary is prayed ½ hr before Mass, please come and pray.



**SAINT MARY'S**  
**718 FRANCIS ST**  
**DALTON NE 69131**

**MAY - AUGUST : MASS TIME**

Thursday — 6:00 PM  
Saturday — 5.30 PM

**Parish Council Meeting**  
**On Saturday August 3rd**  
**after mass**

**OUR GIFTS TO GOD & CHURCH**

ADULTS	\$1555.00
CHILDREN	
PLATE	\$5.00
SUBTOTAL	\$1,560.00
MASS STIPEND	\$40.00
CANDLE MONEY	\$35.00
TOTAL	\$1,635.00
BUILDING FUND	
APPEAL	

- Prayer line requests may be made to DeAnn-249-1735.

