



St. Mary's Church  
Dalton, NE 69131



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

Luke's Jesus is vividly aware of our attraction to money and possessions and how we pursue them. Last Sunday we heard about the prodigal son who asked prematurely for his inheritance. In fact, the identical Greek word used to describe the steward in today's Gospel as "squandering" his master's wealth is the word used of the prodigal son "squandering" his inheritance. Next Sunday, we will hear about the rich man luxuriating while Lazarus, a poor man, pitifully sits at his door.

Luke is making it patently clear that wealth is not a measure of one's worth. John Calvin in the 16th century asserted that wealth was a sign of God's pleasure with us. This is cited as the cause of the "Protestant Work Ethic." People, consciously or unconsciously, began to work harder to become wealthier to look "blessed." The Joneses became a recognized family name. The rat race evolved!

Today's gospel is surely an offbeat story - unusual for Jesus. When called on the carpet for squandering, the steward knows two things: his master is honest, and, more importantly to him, he is incredibly merciful. The master does not turn the steward over to be whipped until he has payed the last penny. He simply dismisses, fires him.

The slick steward thinks on his feet and comes up with a clever plan that hinges on his master's mercy. He has to work fast - before the word is out that he has been fired and lacks the authority to implement his clever plan. Jesus isolated a single trait in the manager and praised his imaginative solution, not his dishonesty. Our imagination is often an untapped source since we come from an age that has stressed the importance of our intellect, not our imagination.

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

**SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK**

Date	Day	Time	Place	Intention
09/23	Monday	No Mass Today		
09/24	Tuesday	6.00 PM	Bridgeport	Don Loxterkamp
09/25	Wednesday	No Mass Today		
09/26	Thursday	6.00 PM	Dalton	Bob Ernest
09/27	Friday	6.00 PM	Bayard	
09/28	Saturday	5.30 PM	Bayard	
09/29	Sunday	8.00 AM	Dalton	Bob Ernest
09/29	Sunday	10.30 AM	Bridgeport	Don Loxterkamp

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

**SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER :**  
**MASS TIME**  
Tuesday — 6:00 PM  
Sunday — 10.30 AM

**Religious Education has begun**  
**on Wednesdays**  
**(6.30 PM to 7.30 PM)**  
**Please send your kids**

**OUR GIFTS TO GOD & CHURCH**

ADULTS	\$555.00
CHILDREN	\$9.00
PLATE	\$389.00
SUBTOTAL	\$ 953.00
MASS STIPEND	
WEST NE REGISTER	\$15.00
TOTAL	\$ 968.00
BUILDING FUND	\$40.00
APPEAL	

- 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**

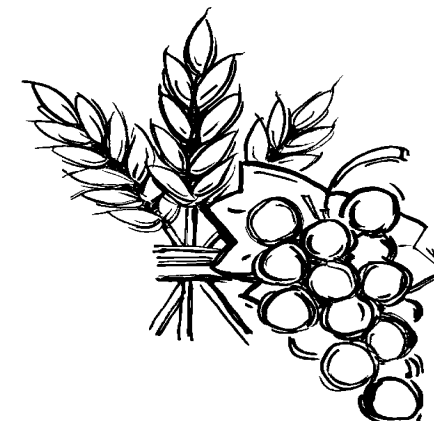
**SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER :**  
**MASS TIME**  
Friday — 6:00 PM  
Saturday — 5.30 PM

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**OUR GIFTS TO GOD & CHURCH**

ADULTS	\$118.00
CHILDREN	\$7.00
PLATE	\$56.00
SUBTOTAL	\$181.00
MASS STIPEND	
WEST NE REGISSTER	\$20.00
TOTAL	\$ 201.00
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**

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**MASS TIME**  
Thursday — 6:00 PM  
Sunday — 8.00 AM

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**OUR GIFTS TO GOD & CHURCH**

ADULTS	\$1750.00
CHILDREN	
PLATE	\$36.00
SUBTOTAL	\$1,786.00
MASS STIPEND	\$30.00
TOTAL	\$1,816.00
BUILDING FUND	
APPEAL	

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

