



St. Mary's Church  
Dalton, NE 69131



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

Today's readings challenge us to the true Christian discipleship of total commitment to the will of God, putting God first in our lives. The first reading, taken from the Book of Wisdom, instructs us to ask for the gifts of discernment and strength from the Holy Spirit so that we may do the will of God as God's true children. The Responsorial Psalm (Ps 90), instructs true disciples to lead holy lives by remaining constantly aware of the brevity and uncertainty of life. The second reading, taken from St. Paul's letter to Philemon, teaches us that detachment and renunciation are necessary for a true disciple of Christ. Today's Gospel reminds us to count the cost of being a disciple and follower of Christ because the cost is high: true Christian discipleship requires one to "renounce" both earthly possessions and possessions of the heart (i.e., one's relationships).

In today's Gospel, Jesus lays out four conditions for true Christian discipleship. i) Renounce too much attachment to family, giving priority to God and His commandments. ii) Break off the excessive attachment to possessions by leading a detached life, willingly sharing one's blessings with others. iii) Accept the hard consequences of discipleship which include daily sacrificial service done for others and even the giving one's life for them. iv) Calculate the cost involved in following Jesus. Using the two parables of the tower-builder and the king defending his country, Jesus says: think long and hard about Christian discipleship before a decision is made.

Each of us should look at our lives to determine whether we are living our lives worthy of our calling to be Jesus' disciples. Overattachment to worldly pleasures pulls us back. One who does not go forward in growing to be a genuine disciple of the Lord, certainly goes backward. There is no standstill, status quo possible in one's spiritual journey. If so, it is important to set right the strategies to get back to the route from the deviated paths. That too is possible only with the grace of God. Community can help us in our efforts. But what if we do not care for the influence of our Christian, Catholic communities over us in their attempts to put us back on track? Give it a thought.

Yours in Christ Jesus,

**Fr. C. P. Varghese**

Pastor

**SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK**

Date	Day	Time	Place	Intention
09/09	Monday	No Mass Today		
09/10	Tuesday	No Mass Today		
09/11	Wednesday	No Mass Today		
09/12	Thursday	No Mass Today		
<b>09/13</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>10.30 AM</b>	<b>Bridgeport</b>	<b>Funeral Mass (Ciela Calderon)</b>
09/13	Friday	6.00 PM	Bayard	
09/14	Saturday	5.30 PM	Bayard	
09/15	Sunday	8.00 AM	Dalton	Ray Ernest
09/15	Sunday	10.30 AM	Bridgeport	JoAnn Phillips
<b>09/15</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>2 – 6 PM</b>	<b>Bridgeport</b>	<b>Animation Event (No Mass included)</b>

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

**SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER :**

**MASS TIME**

Tuesday — 6:00 PM

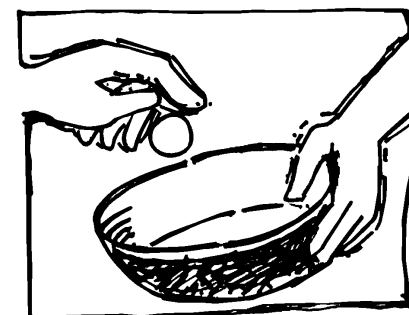
Sunday — 10.30 AM

**Animation Event on**  
**September 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday from**  
**2.00 PM to 6.00 PM**  
**(There will be no special**  
**Mass)**

**OUR GIFTS TO GOD & CHURCH**

ADULTS	\$435.00
CHILDREN	\$4.00
PLATE	\$287.00
SUBTOTAL	\$ 726.00
MASS STIPEND	
TOTAL	\$ 726.00
BUILDING FUND	\$20.00
APPEAL	\$20.00

- 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**

**SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER :**

**MASS TIME**

Friday – 6:00 PM

Saturday – 5.30 PM

**Religious Education begins**  
**Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>**  
**(6.30 PM – 7.30 PM)**

**OUR GIFTS TO GOD & CHURCH**

ADULTS	\$209.00
CHILDREN	\$5.00
PLATE	\$54.00
SUBTOTAL	\$268.00
MASS STIPEND	
TOTAL	\$ 268.00
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**

**SEPTEMBER - DECEMBER :**

**MASS TIME**

Thursday – 6:00 PM

Sunday – 8.00 AM

**Religious Education begins**  
**Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>**  
**(6.30 PM – 7.30 PM)**

**OUR GIFTS TO GOD & CHURCH**

ADULTS	\$615.00
CHILDREN	
PLATE	\$24.47
SUBTOTAL	\$ 639.47
MASS STIPEND	\$20.00
TOTAL	\$ 659.47
BUILDING FUND	
APPEAL	

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

