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Worship Times

Saturday Vigil Mass, 4:00p
Sunday Mass 11:15a; En español, 1:00p
Daily Mass, Holy Days Consult bulletin
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays, 3:00-4:00p

Sunday Mass 9:00a
Communion Service Tuesdays, 12:15p
Holy Days 7:00p
Sacrament of Reconciliation
By appointment

Welcome, New Parishioners

We are a Stewardship Community, sharing our time, talent, and treasure, in the most life-giving ways possible. Parishioners are expected to participate in weekly worship, in our community life, and in our service among our dear neighbors.

Sacramental Life ~ Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Matrimony

For Sacrament preparation, you must be a registered, active member and attend preparation sessions.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

For those who desire to explore the Catholic Faith, spirituality, customs, and practices.

Anointing of the Sick

For those with chronic illness or who are pre-surgery, contact Father John or Sister Janis

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 10, 2023



A Christmas Story: The Musical

December 10th, 2023 @ 3pm
Yadkin Arts Council Arts Center
Yadkinville

Cost is \$24 Adults + children
Show Only No Meal Serve

Tickets must be purchased by:
September 24 Sign up at church
or contact

Julie Colglazier (336) 353-822

The venue is small, so first come, first serve

Ticket prices include **all taxes & fees**

Tickets are **non-refundable**

Seating is **general admission**

Available upon request **ADA accessible seats**

Sunday, September 17
5:00 PM

**You are invited to a FREE
CommUNITY Cookout**

Held at Elkin Presbyterian Church
151 Hillcrest Drive
Elkin NC

Hosted by Connections, a group of local
clergy who seek to dismantle racism
one relationship at a time

Please RSVP to your home church
or to Elkin Presbyterian at
336-835-4545
no later than September 13



Our Lady of Protection
Ukrainian Madonna

FEBRUARY 24, 2022
25 months

Ukrainian Catholics dedicate their country to *Our Lady of Protection*, interceding to Mary to wrap their country with her mantle of loving protection.

With the fast pace of communications these days, it's easy to become overwhelmed and wearied by the barrage of news.
As Catholic Christians, you realized you are intimately tethered to every Dear Neighbor locally and globally.
When you're feeling overwhelmed and weary, think of and pray for your Ukrainian sisters and brothers who are overwhelmed and wearied by the barrage
~ not of news ~
but by daily bombings, death, family separation, and the other forms of collateral damage of war since February 24, 2022.

Our Lady of Protection, pray for us!

As of June 24, 2023
U.S. Mass Shootings: 484
Gun-related deaths: 25,198
Of those who died,
879 were teens &
170 were children.



WHEN IS ENOUGH, ENOUGH?



Tri-C Almsgiving
Thank you so much !!

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Sm. bottles of shampoo

...the ongoing call to conversion...

Morning Church!

I don't know about you, but, it seems to me being forgiving, seeking forgiveness., and accepting you are wrong about anything, goes against your pride most of all. It's no fluke that pride is the cornerstone of all sin!

Ever wonder why you are so resistant to an individual or community who points out an aspect of your life that is not in sync with gospel living? Admittedly, such an encounter is much more than cringe-worthy for all of us. None of us like to hear about our shortcomings, obvious faults, much less our sins.

As novices we were assigned an Admonitrix and were assigned to be another novice's Admonitrix. Admonitrix is a monastic way of saying, "Another novice will monitor your behavior and speech. She will lovingly counsel and urge you in what to avoid, change, or discard all together from your life." We were all encouraged to pray before approaching the other novice, so we would speak the truth in love to her. I don't know about you, but, at eighteen, I found being on either side of that conversation uncomfortable at best.

Using *taking a trip* as a template, would you have a non-stop journey/life without a rest stop, a tune up, a red light, or a car wash? Admonitions, shared in love, are graces of conversion. They are the mirror of soul choices and reveal positive patterns and selfish, negative addictions. I don't know about you, but, in my experience, most of us are unwilling to recognize and own our less-than-loving behaviors and their impact on others.

Take, for example, our damaging cultural microaggressions, i.e, a statement or action that is an instance of an indirect, subtle, or unintentional discrimination against someone else or a group. Such a shallow statement is true of the Church's and society's most marginalized: women, immigrants, a racial or ethnic minority, teenagers, or children. I don't know about you, but, I believe a good gauge is for those in earshot of any microaggression is to follow this maxim,

When you see something, say something...and...When you hear something, say something.

I walked up to a group in another parish and one of the people in the group said, "We shouldn't be talking about "them" out of respect for Sister." I said, "Whether I'm in the group of not, out of respect for each other, and those you are criticizing, should you be talking at all about "them"?" The group who had been haranguing about a ethnic minority in the parish were visibly embarrassed and rightly so.

Today's Word urges you to assess how God continues to call you to conversion. God, in Christ, desires to save you from yourself through the compassionate counsel of any Admonitrix or Admonitor.








Ask for and offer forgiveness with ridiculous generosity. Do all you can to build up and heal the Body of Christ in your family and all that encompasses God's Neighborhood. I don't know about you, but, I believe it's as equally important to own your sinfulness as it is to claim your Original Grace.

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♥ HEARTwork ~ Reflecting and Acting on The Word

**How do you respond to the admonishments others offer you?
When you offer admonishments, do you do so with compassion
and the understanding of your own sinfulness?**

Readings <https://bible.usccb.org/>

S E P T E M B E R	
10	23rd Sun OT
 11	Ladies Guild, 5p
12	Communion Service, 12:15p
14	Wise Ones, Crave Restaurant, Sparta 1p Hosts: Judy & Frank Simon 
16	Men's Breakfast, Cracker Barrel, 8:30a 
17	24th Sun OT
 18	Give Blood, Elkin Rescue Squad, 1:30-6:00p
19	Communion Service, 12:15p
 20	RCIA, 6:45p
 24	25th Sun OT Family FAITH Formation Gathering & Brunch after Mass
26	Communion Service, 12:15p
 27	RCIA, 6:45p

🌿 Mass Intentions	
10	+Sister Flossie MacAvoy, SSJ +Sister Eileen Zabawa, SSJ +Fr. Tim O'Conner
17	+Rhoda Scott (r/b John Bentley)
24	Faith Formation Families & Catechists

Birthdays & Anniversaries

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|----------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| 10 Sonia DeJesus |  | 19 Andrea Faw |
| 13 Ericka Ramirez | | 25 Theresa Martin |
| 15 Peggy Reikowsky | | 27 Sergio Hernandez |
| 15 Ozzie Martinez, Jr. | | 28 Britney Crispin |
| | | 29 Minnie Espino |
| 11 Cecilia & Richard Jones | | 23 Marie & Jose Ledesma |
| 16 Claire & James St. Cyr | | 29 Julia & Diego Carreon |
| 19 Ericka & Ruben Ramirez | | |



S. Ellen McCarthy, S.S.J.

Born July 15, 1938

Born to eternal life July 9, 2023
in the 73rd year of her religious life



ADULT SACRAMENTS

First Communion or Confirmation

If you would like to be prepared for These Sacraments, contact S. Janis.

R.C.I.A

For Adult desiring to explore the Catholic Faith. Contact S. Janis

Sacrament of Matrimony

If you were married civilly and would like to have your marriage blessed in the Church, contact S. Janis.

Anointing of the Sick

If you're in the hospital or homebound, please have a family member, contact
S. Janis (336) 835-4542

If your sister or brother wrongs you,
remember:

*...Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive
those who trespass against us...*

Pray daily to forgive as you are forgiven.



Mark your Calendars!!

Family Faith Formation
Gathering & Brunch
Sunday, September 24
After Mass
Family Life Center

SIGN UP after MASS

Sept. 10, 17



LEADING BY GOOD EXAMPLE AND SHOWING CARE FOR ONE OTHER

In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells us that if someone sins against us we should quietly go and talk to them about it. Have you ever seen someone else do something bad? Did you talk to them about it?



When we talk to somebody about something bad they are doing we should do it with love. We aren't trying to make them feel bad; we're trying to help!

Has anyone ever told you when you were doing something wrong? Did you find it easy to listen to them? When we try to help people who do bad things, what God wants us to do is be kind to them and help them to turn away from their sins. It's hard to do, but it makes God so happy to see us helping people



Answer to puzzle on front: yes!
Answer to word-find puzzle: Draw with others

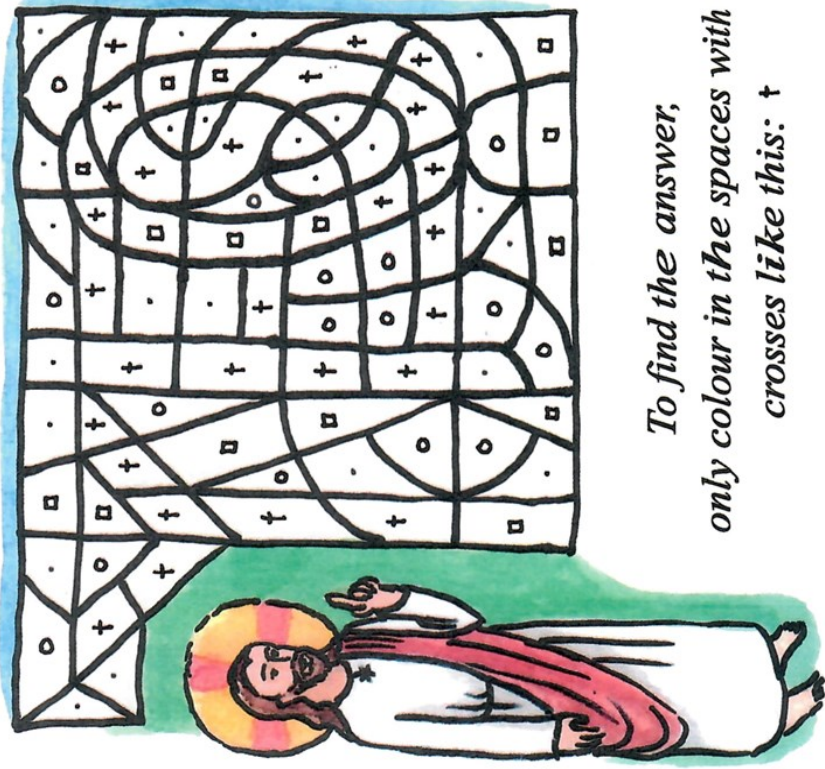
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The Kids' Bulletin

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 10, 2023

Sometimes we see other people doing things that we know are wrong.

When we see other people doing sins, does Jesus want us to talk to them about it?



To find the answer, only colour in the spaces with crosses like this: †

Blessed Frédéric Ozanam

September 7



WE CAN LEARN FROM THE LIFE OF BLESSED FREDERIC THAT IT IS IMPORTANT TO DISCUSS THE FAITH WITH PEOPLE, BOTH THOSE WHO CAN HELP US AND THOSE WE CAN HELP. BUT WE ALSO LEARN THAT JUST TALKING ISN'T ENOUGH. WE HAVE TO ACT, TO BE CHARITABLE LIKE CHRIST WAS AS WELL.

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...Where two or three are gathered in my Name...

T W H I C H P R T A
 H H E A R T H S H T
 R E A G A I N H H E O
 E R E V M Y W A R G
 E E F E S G L E E
 P I N E N A R L N T
 R T L H O Y A T A H
 A N Y T H I N G M E
 Y Y O U F A T H E R
 G A T H E R E D H E
 R T W O M I D S T S

What is Our Lord asking us to do?

AGAIN, AMEN, I SAY to YOU, if two of you AGREE on EARTH about ANYTHING for WHICH they are to PRAY, it SHALL be GRANTED to them by my HEAVENLY FATHER. For WHERE TWO or THREE are GATHERED TOGETHER in my NAME, THERE am I in the MIDST of them.

