



**September 26,
26th Sunday in ordinary Time
What is Grace?**

As Catholics, we have heard the word “grace” and mentioned that a lot at Church and in our conversations but do we truly understand what Grace is? Let me share with you this experience when I first came here in this country.

When I was a seminarian at Conception Seminary College in Missouri, my friends tried to convince me to play Volleyball with them but I refused many times because I thought that it was a boring sport. One Friday evening, my friends asked me to play with them on that day because they didn’t have enough players. They also told me that they would never ask me again after that. I agreed to play with them on that day so that they would never bother me again. After playing Volleyball with them on that day, I changed my mind and fell in love with Volleyball. I came to appreciate Volleyball because I understood the rules and knew how to play the game. We don’t appreciate something because we probably don’t understand it, not because it is boring.

So, what is Grace? In a simple way, grace is “a divine loving energy or power that comes from God alone” and it can empower us to do so many great things that we normally cannot do. Here are the two examples that I want to share with you regarding to the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist.

When we come to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation, we experience God’s mercy and forgiveness. Through this Sacrament, God also grants us an actual grace so that we might start desiring to forgive others whom we normally don’t want to forgive.

When we go to Church and celebrate the

Mass Intentions, September 27-Oct 3

Monday 8:30 A.M. Communion Service

Tuesday 5:30 pm Mass for Frances Schroler & Her family

Wednesday: 8:30 AM Mass for Ms. Trang

Thursday 7:00 AM Mass for Deacon Steve Lucas

Friday 8:30 AM Mass for Souls in Purgatory

Saturday 5:30 PM- Mass for Souls in Purgatory

Sunday 9:00 AM- Mass for People of God

Sunday 11:00 AM-Mass in Chugwater for
For Deacon Chuck Ruwart

Adoration Thursday at 7:30-8:30 all other days

Eucharist, we also receive God’s grace that empowers us to love other people whom we normally feel difficult to love.

Now we actually know what Grace is and I hope we will come to appreciate all of the Sacraments that we have in the Church even more because that is where we receive God’s loving energy and power which assist us in our journey here on earth.

Fr. Hiep

Knights of Columbus Meeting: 2nd Thursday of each month 6:30 P.M.

Pastoral Council Meeting: The Pastoral Council meets First Thursday of each month.

ON LINE GIVING: You may set up your donations to St. Patrick to be charged to a credit card, or an ACH withdrawal from your checking/ savings account. It can be a one time gift or recurring. You can do this on our web page stpatricks-wheatland.com or go directly to [https://giving.parishsoft.com/ app/giving/givetostpatrick](https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/givetostpatrick).

Contribution Corner

Weekend of September 18 & 19 at
St. Patrick's: \$2,865.00

Weekend of September 18 & 19 at Mary
Queen of Heaven: \$96.00

Religious Retirement Fund at St. Patrick's:
\$295.00

Religious Retirement Fund at Mary Queen of
Heaven: \$20.00

• Living & Giving in Christ 2021

Goal: \$26,402.00

Pledged to date: \$29,342.00

Actual paid to date: \$24,072.00

Remaining needs to be paid: \$2,330.00.

• Building Project

Building Project Goal toward \$250,000.00
(A Bank Loan)

Raised: \$3,710.0

Thanks for your generous donations and support!

REFF

1. Due to the Church renovations, religious education classes will start later this year, on Wednesday, September 22.
2. Also due to renovations, we will be short of classroom space, so for the 2021-2022 school year we will be unable to offer pre-school classes.

Please enroll your children and grandchildren for Religious Education this year. The forms are in the entry. This is a precious gift of faith that you can do for your children and grand

Fundraising Team: If you would like to share your ideas and talents in fundraising money for our project, please let me know and thanks for your consideration!

Bilingual Mass on Sunday, September 26 at

9AM: Please come to celebrate the Eucharist together as one family of faith and worship God with our different tongues! Juntamos aquí en este Domingo a las 9AM para celebrar la misa en Ingles y Español.

"Change for Life" Bottle: Please consider to pick up a "Change for Life" Bottle on the way out and fill up with coins and bills during the month of October to support the ministry of Pregnancy Care Center so that we can change for life of others!

From Fr. Hiep's office:

- **"Prayer Box"** If you have a prayer intention, please drop it in the Prayer Box in the Church and we will pray for that intention during the weekly Masses.
- **Living & Giving in Christ 2021** I want to say THANK YOU to all of you who are generous to give and make this happen so far as a good team. Whoever already made the pledges, please do so in your convenience so that we can complete the goal soon and focus on other project.
- **God's Mercy & Healing Power!** We will celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing during the 1st Friday at 8:30AM Mass. Please bring your family members and loved ones especially those who are sick to experience God's mercy and healing power!
- **Strengthening our knowledge of Faith!** Please feel free to take a book or CD on the way out to learn more about God and the Gift of our Faith. Read as you go with your space and then return it for others to use!
- **RCIA:** If you know someone who is interested in learning about Catholic Faith, please contact Fr. Hiep so that we can start RCIA (Rites of Christian Initiation Adults) program in this Fall.
- **Support Youth Group:** Please consider to support our youth group by bringing your cars to be washed on this Sunday afternoon at 3-6PM and signing up for "Leaves Raking" in October to support our Youth Group in order to attend Nation Catholic Youth Conference in November 18-20, 2021. Please also support our Youth Group by joining "Coffee & Donuts" after 9AM Sunday Mass in the Church Basement!
- **Straighten up your marriage!** If you or you know someone who would like to go through "Annulment" process, please let me know so that I can walk with you through this process since it can be discouraging!
- **50th Wedding Anniversary** of Joe & Suzi Hernandez: We would like to invite all of you to celebrate our 50th Anniversary by joining us for our dance on Saturday, September 25th at the 4-H Building at 7:00PM.
- **Garage Sale:** If you have something that you want to donate to St. Patrick's so that we will have Garage Sale soon for the Building Fund, please let me know and drop off at the rectory's garage! Thanks for your consideration!
- **Finding a job:** There is a man who is looking for a mechanical job in a farm. Please let me now if you are interested in and I will share with you his resume!