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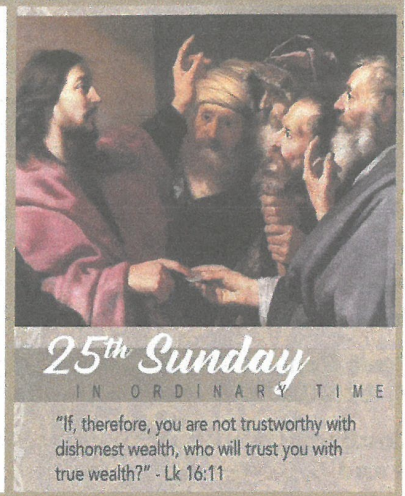
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SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

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Order of Christian Initiation of Adults	Joe & Sherry Schroeder	405-2242
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4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass	Julianne Barnaby	735-2163
9:30 a.m. Mass	Paula Bachelor	375-9019
5:00 p.m. Mass	Perry Kelly	735-8558
Children's Choir	Presently Unstaffed	735-8558

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 9:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses:

Monday: 9:00 a.m.
Tuesday: 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday through Friday: 9:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Tuesday: 4:15 - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 3:00 - 4:15 p.m.
or by appointment.

Please visit our Holy Spirit Facebook page to join livestream events:

<https://www.facebook.com/HolySpiritParishCommunity>

Office Hours: Monday through Friday

8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and
1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

The Sacrament of Baptism

Babies and young children are usually baptized during Mass on Saturday or Sunday, or on Saturday at 12:00 p.m. Call the parish office for a list of upcoming Baptism dates and to receive registration information for pre-Baptism classes. (735-8558)



On Being Married at Holy Spirit ... Engaged couples who wish to be married at Holy Spirit Parish are asked to contact the parish office at least nine months prior to their desired wedding date. The couple and the priest will then meet to begin the Marriage preparation program. (735-8558)



Deaths

What should I do when there is a death in my family?

Please call the parish office and speak with the office staff and the pastor before making arrangements with the funeral home, to ensure that the church is available at the desired date and time. (735-8558)

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, September 21, 2025

Calendar for the Week: (Note: PCC = Parish Community Center)

Sunday, September 21:

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass in the church at 9:30 a.m. Mass is also livestreamed on [Holy Spirit Facebook page](#).

Pack-a-Picnic sponsored by Elizabeth Ministry, in the shade on First Avenue, following Mass.

First Reconciliation Parent Meeting, PCC room 7, 11:00 a.m.

Confirmation Super Sunday, PCC hall and rooms 3 and 5, 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Order of Christian Initiation for Children (OCIC), PCC room 7, 3:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation, PCC room 9, 3:00 - 4:15 p.m.

Edge (Middle School), PCC rooms 5 and 6/8, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Life Teen (High School), PCC hall, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.



Wednesday, September 24:

Weekday

Mass in the church at 9:00 a.m. Mass is also livestreamed on [Holy Spirit Facebook page](#).

Bible Study, *Matthew: The King and His Kingdom*, PCC room 6/8, 10:00 a.m.

Mary Martha Prayer Group, PCC room 5, 1:30 p.m.

Amazing Grace Choir, church, 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 25:

Weekday

Mass in the church at 9:00 a.m. Mass is also livestreamed on [Holy Spirit Facebook page](#).

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA), PCC room 7, 7:00 p.m.

Celebration Choir, church, 7:00 p.m.

Friday, September 26:

Weekday

Saint Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs

Mass in the church at 9:00 a.m. Mass is also livestreamed on [Holy Spirit Facebook page](#).

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 9:45 a.m. to 4:45 p.m., in the vestibule. Concludes with *Prayers for Priestly Vocations* and *Prayers for Peace* at 4:30 p.m. and the *Rite of Benediction* at 4:45 p.m.

Saturday, September 27:

Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest

San Lorenzo Ruiz Mass in the church, 11:00 a.m.

Luncheon and Filipino dance/entertainment to follow in the PCC hall. All are invited.

Sunday Vigil Mass in the church at 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 28:

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass in the church at 9:30 a.m. Mass is also livestreamed on [Holy Spirit Facebook page](#).

Order of Christian Initiation for Children (OCIC), PCC room 7, 3:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation, PCC room 9, 3:00 - 4:15 p.m.

Edge (Middle School), PCC rooms 5 and 6/8, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Life Teen (High School), PCC hall, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.



Monday, September 22:

Weekday

Mass in the church at 9:00 a.m. Mass is also livestreamed on [Holy Spirit Facebook page](#).

Knotty Ladies, PCC room 3, 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, September 23:

Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

Holy Spirit Mommy and Me, PCC nursery, 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Religious Education, pre-school to fifth grade, 4:00 - 5:15 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation, CHURCH, 4:15 - 5:00 p.m.

Mass in the church at 5:30 p.m. Mass is also livestreamed on [Holy Spirit Facebook page](#).

Fall Catholic Education Series: *Scripture and Eucharistic Adoration*, PCC rooms 6/8, 6:15 p.m.

Knights of Columbus Council 10653, PCC room 9, 6:30 p.m.

From the Pastor's Desk ...

OUR PARISH'S GOLD CHALICE WAS RECENTLY REFURBISHED:

The gold chalice that I am using at all our Masses this weekend has some history attached to it. It was purchased by the Women's Group of our parish and presented to the Parish of the Holy Spirit in May, 2005. Over twenty years, this chalice has been used a lot—especially at daily Masses when Msgr. Auve and Fr. O'Shea were the celebrants. The chalice required some minor repairs and re-gilding, as both the exterior and interior of the "bowl" portion had a lot of scratches from wear-and-tear. With all the refurbishing work done, this chalice looks brand new again! I'm sure it will continue to serve our parish well, over the next 25 years (and beyond).

A generous donor from our parish made the chalice refurbishing possible. Another donor has provided funds to purchase a paten—the plate/bowl that holds both small and large hosts—to match the chalice. We are looking at options for this purchase right now.

I want to thank our Women's Group once again for gifting our parish with this chalice. Other individuals and families have also donated some vestments to our parish. I want to thank them too. All of these religious articles are used to offer fitting worship to Almighty God, which is the most important "work" we do together here at the Parish of the Holy Spirit.

God's Blessings,

E. Michael

Retirement Fund for Religious

Please give to those who
have given a lifetime.

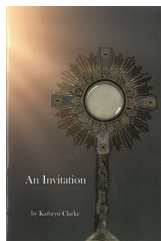
retiredreligious.org



A lifetime of service deserves care in return.

Donations to the Retirement Fund for Religious provide housing, medical assistance, and essential support for thousands of aging religious women and men. Many religious worked for years with little to no pay, leaving a large gap in retirement savings. Like many Americans, religious communities face the monumental challenge of funding eldercare. Read more in the letter from Bishop Tyson inserted in a later page in this bulletin. Donation envelopes are attached to the insert.

Please give to those who have given us a lifetime of service in the Church.



Please stop by the booklet display in the vestibule and pick up a **free** copy of **The Invitation**. This booklet reminds us that a great way to get to know someone is by sitting with them and simply enjoying their company. Jesus Christ, present in the Blessed Sacrament, will show each of us that we are both lovable and loved. We can all draw closer to Jesus if we sit in his divine presence in the Most Holy Sacrament.



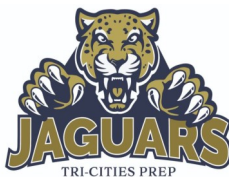
Save the Date
CURSILLO (English speaking)
October 16-19, 2025 for Men
October 23-26, 2025 for Women

Cursillo is a short course in Christianity that aims to help participants deepen their relationship with God and strengthen their Catholic faith.

It is a 3-day weekend experience involving talks, discussions, prayer and fellowship all aiming to empower individuals to more fully live-out discipling in their daily lives.

For more information regarding the men's Cursillo, contact John McKean at 509-945-8327. For more information regarding the women's Cursillo, contact Trish Eley at 509-670-2224.

TRI-CITIES PREP NEWS



Tri-Cities Prep is the only Catholic high school in the greater Tri-Cities area. For more information about our school, please visit tcprep.org, and follow us on Facebook and Instagram. We are located at 9612 St. Thomas Drive in Pasco. We can be reached at 509-546-2465 or info@tcprep.org.

Monday, September 29th - The greater Tri-Cities community is invited to celebrate the dedication of the St. Michael Plaza. Bishop Thomas A. Daly will bless this beautiful new meditation/prayer space at 8:30 a.m.

STEWARDSHIP: The dishonest manager in today's parable knew how to manipulate money to his own advantage. But the Gospel warns that no one can serve both God and money. Which do I serve? Is my stewardship such that anyone can tell?

August 17: \$8,950.60 Recorded givers: 104
August 24: \$10,466.33 Recorded givers: 94

For online giving, visit:

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/holy7409270>

Thank you for maintaining your financial support of our parish as you are able. If you'd prefer to mail an offering, please send it to **Parish of the Holy Spirit, 7409 W. Clearwater Ave., Kennewick, WA 99336**. If you are currently using offering envelopes and would like to switch to online giving (or bill-payer from your bank), please call the parish office so we can discontinue your envelope mailings with our printing service. Thank you.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

What's Most Important?

I hold to the belief that you cannot have allegiances to both Duke and UNC, the Packers and the Bears, or the Yankees and the Red Sox. In Matthew 6:24, it says, "He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other." That verse isn't talking about sports! It's talking about God and money. Some of us love both God and money and that can be a problem. If you were to love any of the sets of teams mentioned above, you would have a huge problem as well.

Simply put, you can only have one thing that is the *most* important in your life. When I ask my children what is the most important thing in their lives, they know to respond, "God." But just because you know that is the right answer doesn't make it the truthful answer. Total allegiance to a sports team seems easier. You won't find a Packers fans secretly wearing a Bears jersey. However, we can find Christians secretly hoarding their money or doing things based solely on their love of money.

Maybe the problem lies in the fact that, at times, we are merely lukewarm fans of Jesus and not intentional disciples. If we truly have matured in our faith and strengthened our relationship with the Lord, then real commitment becomes easier. There will always be the temptation for money to take priority over Jesus, but the more committed we are, the harder it becomes to allow anything to come between us and our God. The question we all must continually ask ourselves is, "Is God truly the most important thing in my life?"

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

All dates are tentative.

Monday	September 22	Fr. Michael Brzezowski
Tuesday	September 23, 5:30 p.m.	Nancy Susan Darke RIP
Wednesday	September 24	Steve Osborne RIP
Thursday	September 25	Leila Brown RIP
Friday	September 26	Ashton G. Stultz
Saturday	September 27, 4:00 p.m.	Nancy Martin RIP
Sunday	September 28, 5:00 p.m.	Jim Day RIP

The Sunday morning Mass is normally offered for the people of the parish.

To have your need added to our parish prayer phone chain,
please call Adele Ogrzyzek at 627-0201.

To have your need added to the list which is published in the bulletin
once each month, please call the parish office.



Come and pray together with your fellow Holy Spirit parishioners in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament at a Holy Hour on **Tuesday, September 30** at 6:00 p.m. right after our evening liturgy at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to come, worship and adore! There will be scripture readings and reflections, and the hour will conclude with Benediction. Holy Hours are sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE®

PRAY TO END ABORTION

Where: Public right-of-way outside of Planned Parenthood
7426 West Bonnie Place in Kennewick

When: Monday through Friday
September 24 - November 2

Participants are invited to spend a few hours each week, praying peacefully and lawfully in the public right-of-way outside of Planned Parenthood. Participants must *not* attempt to block access to Planned Parenthood.

Signs are available at Hope Medical Clinic, 7500 West Arrowhead, just south of Planned Parenthood.

Your prayers from home are also welcomed.

For more information about 40 Days for Life, please visit:
www.40daysforlife.com/en/.

God doesn't call the qualified ...





Are you surprised to learn that Catholicism is on the rise among Gen Z men?



- Are YOU interested in becoming Catholic, or learning more about the Catholic faith? Or do you know someone you could invite to church?
- Our parish has begun the **Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)** process for adults who are considering joining the Catholic Church. Please join us Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in PCC room 7.
- We are beginning with a period called **Inquiry**. These Thursday evening classes will cover the basics of our Catholic beliefs, prayer, and community life in a welcoming and supportive environment.
- All are welcome! For more information or to register, contact Joe Schroeder (509-405-2242) or Sherry Schroeder (509-521-3782.)



San Lorenzo Ruiz Mass **Saturday, September 27, 2025** **11:00 a.m.** **Parish of the Holy Spirit**

You are invited to join us for Mass next Saturday celebrated by Fr. Roletto Amoy, Fr. Rex Familiar and Fr. Michael Brzezowski. A potluck luncheon in the PCC hall will follow the Mass. Entertainment will include Filipino song and dance performers and display booths. For more information, contact Lito Ines at 509-727-2391.



Saturday, October 11, 2025



Church Mission Congress *Building the Young Church in Christ:* *Growing Parish Youth Ministry*

A day of prayer and reflection, merchandise vendors, raffle prizes and more.

La Salle High School
3000 Lightning Way
Union Gap, WA 98903

8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.



To register, use the QR code or visit the Diocese of Yakima website at <https://yakimadiocese.org/>.

For more information, call 509-965-7117 or send an email to info@yakimadiocese.org.



Our Fall Catholic Education Series continues on **Tuesday, September 23** with "Scripture and Eucharistic Adoration." Join us from 6:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. in the church as Deacon Eric Shaber and Deacon Mike Gaulke present this topic. Light refreshments will be provided in the church vestibule. Everyone is invited and families are encouraged to attend.

A NOTE FROM ST. SERRA CLUB OF TRI CITIES

"No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other." (from Luke 16:10-13) Will you serve Jesus the Master as a priest, permanent deacon, brother, monk or nun?



Next Sunday, September 28th, is Priesthood Appreciation Sunday. Below are some suggestions to say thank you for all they do.

- Offer to help in your parish. Volunteer your time as a sign of your support of the clergy.
- Celebrate their special days (birthday, ordination anniversary, Priesthood Sunday).
- Cook them a meal, especially on their busy days.
- Write a note expressing your gratitude or thank/compliment them after Mass.
- Invite them over for a meal, coffee, or a beer.
- Last but not least, pray for your priests by name.

In a world marked by immense suffering, the plight of migrants and refugees stands out as a pressing global issue. **National Migration Week**, an annual initiative of the U.S. Catholic Conference of Bishops, will be observed September 22-28, 2025.

Migrants, missionaries of hope: Message of Pope Leo XIV



"Migrants and refugees remind the Church of her pilgrim dimension, perpetually journeying towards her final homeland, sustained by a hope that is a theological virtue."



Prayer for Migrant Families

Good and gracious God, we thank you for the gift of families. We are grateful for all the joy and love they bring into our lives, and we ask that you provide special protection for all families, particularly those who face hardships as they move in search of a better life. Show mercy to those who travel in danger and lead them to a place of safety and peace.

Comfort those who are alone and afraid because their families have been torn apart by violence and injustice.

As we reflect upon the difficult journey that the Holy Family faced as refugees in Egypt, help us to remember the suffering of all migrant families.

Through the intercession of Mary our Mother, and St. Joseph the Worker, her spouse, we pray that all migrants may be reunited with their loved ones and find the meaningful work they seek.

Open our hearts so that we may provide hospitality for all who come in search of refuge.

Give us the courage to welcome every stranger as Christ in our midst.

We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever.

Amen.



Wanting to Be Wanted

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

More than anything, we want to be wanted. As infants, we reach out, wanting to be wanted. When we begin school and discover others who might be friends, we want to be wanted. As teenagers discovering the stirrings of something new and deep, we want to be wanted. And when we grow old, then still we want to be wanted.

The parables Jesus told were always about how God moves in our lives, how God is powerfully intertwined in all that is. Jesus told parables to give us a hint of where to find God. This Sunday's parable is about a rich man with a steward about to be dismissed. The steward then finds ways to ingratiate himself into others' lives so when he is dismissed, he won't be left

out in the cold. It's not the rich man who is the God-person in the parable. The rich got rich by abusing the poor. Rather, it is the steward who is the image of God—a God who, like the steward, is desperate to be accepted, to find a way into our lives. We might say clever...or even sneaky. It is God who finds a way into our lives when we are afraid, when we face the loss of love, when our worlds are falling apart, when we go looking for him. There, then, is God, eagerly wanting to be wanted. ●

Reflect

***What do I do when I'm feeling unwanted?
Do I recognize that God wants me?***

**No servant can serve two masters....
You cannot serve God and mammon.**

LUKE 16:13

Bishop's Letter

September 19th, 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Soon, our parishes will participate in the annual Retirement Fund for Religious collection. This important annual appeal benefits more than 20,500 senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who have dedicated their lives in service to the Church.

These faithful servants have long been a source of inspiration and support in our communities. I am personally grateful for the religious who helped shape my own faith journey. Perhaps you, too, have known an elderly sister, brother, or religious order priest whose quiet dedication, prayerful presence, or selfless acts left a lasting impression on your life.

Today, the challenges many of these senior religious and their communities face in meeting their retirement needs are greater than ever. Most received little to no pay for their service, and their communities struggle to cover rising health care expenses and the increasing cost of day-to-day eldercare. The financial burdens continue to grow, and the need is urgent.

Gifts to the Retirement Fund for Religious make a real, tangible difference to these many women and men religious. Contributions directly support their ongoing care today and help ensure that their communities can plan wisely for their future.

I know you are asked to support many worthy causes, and I thank you for the many ways you give. Please consider making a gift to this year's collection if you are able—and continue to pray for all our elderly religious. They also remember us daily in their prayers.

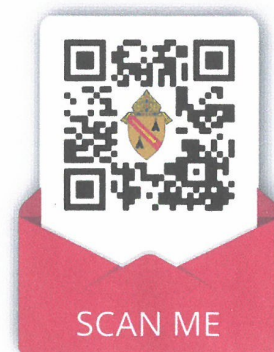
Together, let us support the many religious women and men who have made enormous contributions to our Church and to the world.

With every best wish and blessings,



Most Reverend Joseph J Tyson
Bishop of Yakima

[Signature electronically applied]
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Scan to donate online.
Thank you!

Meet the senior religious from our 2025 campaign

Many elderly religious served with little to no pay, and unfortunately, today, many US religious orders lack adequate retirement savings. The women and men religious featured on our 2025 Retirement Fund for Religious campaign materials are among those who benefit from this collection, which receives donations to help hundreds of communities provide for their aging members.



Brother Jordan Coonen, OP
65 years of religious life

"I was deeply influenced by the Racine Dominican Sisters who staffed my schools. Sister Marie Therese encouraged me to consider religious life," shares Brother Jordan Coonen, 84, a Dominican Brother of Chicago, Illinois.

Born in Little Chute, Wisconsin, Brother Jordan was one of eight children, shaped by his devout family—especially his mother's faith. After graduating from St. John High School, a visit to Chicago led him to join the Dominican Order.

His ministry took him to parishes in Chicago, Denver, and Madison, where he worked with youth, led maintenance, and taught crafts.

Now retired, he remains active in a large Dominican community, makes thread crosses, and stays connected with friends across the nation.



Sister Maria Cigolini, MSCS
62 years of religious life

"I was blessed to grow up in a faithful home. Inspired by my brother's vocation, the Scalabrinian Sisters, and a devoted priest, I felt called to religious life early on," shares Sister Maria Cigolini, 86, a member of the Missionary Sisters of St. Charles Borromeo located in Melrose Park, Illinois.

Born in Rio Grande do Sul, Brazil, one of nine siblings, Sister Maria joined the Scalabrinian Sisters, encouraged by her brother, a seminarian, and a local priest.

She served as an educator for over 40 years before discovering her calling as a nursing home chaplain, where she walked with patients and families through life's final moments.

Now retired, she lives with her fellow sisters, dedicates her days to prayer, and lovingly knits scarves and hats for those in need.



Sister Sharon Glumb, SLW
57 years of religious life

"Inspired by my teachers, my family's Catholic life, and the sisters I met, I entered religious life in 1968," shares Sister Sharon Glumb, 76, of the Sisters of the Living Word in Des Plaines, Illinois.

Born in Chicago and raised with five siblings in a faith-filled Polish American household, Sister Sharon entered religious life inspired by her parish and the spirit of renewal after Vatican II.

She served in religious education and vocation ministry.

Now retired, she works part-time with the Wisconsin Religious Collaborative on shared services and continues to play her guitar in prayer and reflection.



National Religious Retirement Office
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Phone (202) 541-3215
Fax (202) 541-3053

Dear Padre,

At a recent gathering, a relative questioned my family's continued participation in the Catholic Church because of the sexual abuse cover-up. What is the best way to address this question?

Resist the temptation to argue or make any response that is not respectful. Choose to respond with empathy and understanding; perhaps something like this: "I understand and respect your feelings. Some have made the difficult choice to leave the Church. Others find the choice to remain also difficult."

"As a mature and discerning person, I am not making excuses for behaviors that are inexcusable. I cannot and will not defend behavior that should not be defended. I choose to remain in the Church because I choose to remain in a relationship with Jesus, and that relationship includes my reception of the sacraments of the Church. I value the sacraments even as I remain vigilant about the conduct of those who have been entrusted with celebrating those sacraments. I retain my practice of the sacraments and, at the same time, I retain my responsibility to be alert to abusive behavior. This is not acceptance or approval of what most certainly happened. It is continuing to participate in what is beautiful and wise and true so that, in the company of other believers, I may become more like Christ." ●

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org



JOHN MC ELROY

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to **DearPadre.org** to send your question and to learn more about **Dear Padre**.

A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

I would like that our first great desire be for a united Church, a sign of unity and communion, which becomes a leaven for a reconciled world. [We see] too much discord, too many wounds caused by hatred, violence, prejudice, the fear of difference, and an economic paradigm that exploits the Earth's resources and marginalizes the poorest.

**HOMILY, ROME,
MAY 18, 2025**



JULIA-M-CAMERON / PEXELS

Monday

September 22

Weekday

Ezr 1:1-6

Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday

September 23

*St. Pius of
Pietrelcina, Priest*

Ezr 6:7-8, 12b,

14-20

Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday

September 24

Weekday

Ezr 9:5-9

Lk 9:1-6

Thursday

September 25

Weekday

Hg 1:1-8

Lk 9:7-9

Friday

September 26

Weekday

Hg 2:1-9

Lk 9:18-22

Saturday

September 27

*St. Vincent de Paul,
Priest*

Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a

Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday

September 28

*Twenty-sixth Sunday
in Ordinary Time*

Am 6:1a, 4-7

1 Tm 6:11-16

Lk 16:19-31



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