

OUR LADY OF THE LAKE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2026



24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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Our Lady of the Lake Mission Statement

We, the Parish of Our Lady of the Lake, united in baptism and empowered by the Spirit, endeavor to live our commitment to proclaim God's love by: being a welcoming parish community; worshipping, working and celebrating together; serving the spiritual and material needs of all; spreading the Gospel through personal witness; inviting each parishioner to active participation in our parish life and in surrounding communities; and, through our unique call, welcoming our many visitors.

We share our gifts and ourselves in the name of Jesus. †



24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sept. 12 - Sept. 18

Events

SATURDAY~September 12

**Special Collection ~
Retirement Fund for Religious**

Welcome Women

9:00-11:00am~Faith Formation Room

Sacrament of Reconciliation

3:00-4:30pm~Confessional

PSR Registration

After both Masses~Gathering space

SUNDAY~September 13

**Special Collection ~
Retirement Fund for Religious**

Coffee & Christ

9:15-10:15am~Faith Formation Room

PSR Registration

After both Masses~Gathering space

MONDAY~September 14

Funeral Mass for Diane Carpenter

10:30am~Visitation at OLL

11:00am~Funeral Mass

Luncheon to follow~Faith Formation Room

TUESDAY~September 15

Adult Bible Study

10:00am-Noon~Faith Formation Room

OCIA

6:30-8:30pm~St. Ignatius Room

PSR

6:30-8:30pm~Classrooms

WEDNESDAY~September 16

Stitchers

9:00am-Noon~St. Francis Room

PSR

6:30-7:30pm~Classrooms

THURSDAY~September 17

PSR/Homeschool

9:00am~Mass

10:00am-Noon~Classrooms

OLL Game Day

1:00-3:30pm~Faith Formation Room

Music Practice

5:15-6:45pm~Music Room

PSR

6:00-7:00pm~In the Church-by the Chapel

FRIDAY~September 18

K of C Blood Drive

Noon-5:00pm~Parish Center

Spanish Charismatic Group

6:00-9:00pm~Faith Formation Room

SATURDAY~September 19

No AM events today

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Mass Times

SATURDAY

5:00pm

7:00pm(Spanish)

SUNDAY

8:00am

10:30am

MONDAY

**Funeral Mass for
Diane Carpenter**

11:00am

TUESDAY

9:00am

WEDNESDAY

5:30pm

THURSDAY

9:00am

Adoration

TUESDAY

Resumes September 22nd

THURSDAY

Resumes September 24th

*We will not have the exposition
of the Blessed Sacrament for the
week before, the week of, and the
week after a holiday.*

Mass Intentions

Sat. 9/12 5:00pm

Trish Peterson (L)

Sat. 9/12 7:00pm

Taney County Parish Family (L)

Sun. 9/13 8:00am

Robin Netz (L)

Sun. 9/13 10:30am

Richard Carlile †

Mon. 9/14 11:00am

**Diane Carpenter †
(Funeral Mass)**

Tue. 9/15 9:00am

**Deceased Members of the
Konzen Family †**

Wed. 9/16 5:30pm

Rosalie Duffy (L)

Thur. 9/17 9:00am

Sonia Martin †

Flower Intentions



Sept. 12-18

Deceased

Members

of Nick and

Julia Toth

Family †



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Important Links

**[Click Here](#)
to Donate Online
through ParishSoft**

**[Click Here](#)
To Schedule A
Mass Intention**

**[Click Here](#)
To Schedule a
Flower Intention**
Flower Intentions available
for October & November

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Prayer Request**

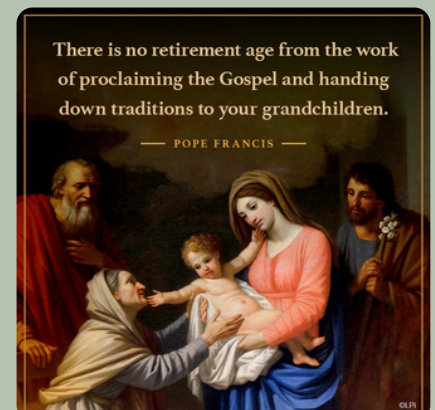
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Parish Staff**



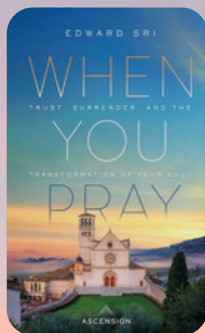
Collection through Sept. 6, 2026

Envelopes:	\$10,880.00
Plate:	\$600.00
Green Envelopes:	\$ 3,690.00
Total:	\$15,170.00



Adult Bible Study

Tuesdays~ 10:00AM
Faith Formation Room



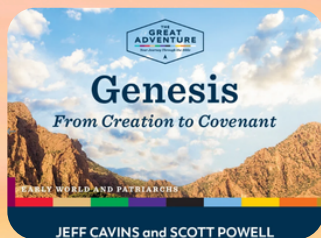
You know prayer is important but still find it challenging.
Final Session

- **Sept. 15~Session 7:
Radiating Christ**

*We'll be on break for a while;
stay tuned for updates!*

Our next topic..

Genesis: From Creation to Covenant is an eight-session study exploring how the first book of the Bible lays the foundation for the entire story of salvation.



They gave their lives in service—now, they need our help. For decades, sisters, brothers, and religious order priests taught, prayed, and cared for those in need. Many now face retirement with little savings.

Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious ensures vital support for health care and daily living—so they can age with dignity. Please give generously today—either through the parish collection or online at retiredreligious.org



Coffee & Christ

9:15am to 10:15am
Faith Formation Room



*Join Us for
**Foundations of Faith:
A Journey Through the Catechism of
the Catholic Church.***

Sept. 13 ~ Session 4

Jesus - Like No Other

CCC 452-455 (In Brief: Titles of Christ)

CCC 456-463 (The Incarnation)

CCC 464, 469-470, 479-483 (Christology summary)

CCC 512-521 (Christ's Whole Life is Mystery)

Sept. 20 ~ Session 5

Jesus and His Redemptive Mission

CCC 587-590, 594 (Jesus and Israel)

CCC 599-618 (Christ's Redemptive Death)

CCC 632-635 (Christ Descended into Hell)

CCC 651-658 (The Resurrection)

CCC 665-667 (In Brief: The Ascension)

Sept. 27 ~ Session 6

The Holy Spirit and Our Sanctification

CCC 683-688 (Holy Spirit overview)

CCC 731-747 (The Spirit and the Church)

CCC 1996-2000 (Grace and Sanctification)

Oct. 4 ~ Session 7

The Holy Catholic Church

CCC 770-776 (The Mystery of the Church)

CCC 815-819 (The Church Is One)

CCC 823-825 (The Church Is Holy)

CCC 830-831, 846-849 (The Church Is Catholic)

CCC 857-862 (The Church Is Apostolic)

CCC 866-870 (In Brief: One, Holy, Catholic, Apostolic)

CCC 934-945 (In Brief: Hierarchy, Lay Faithful, Consecrated Life)

Oct. 11

We will NOT be meeting

Oct. 18 ~ Session 8

Mary and the Communion of Saints

CCC 490-493 (The Immaculate Conception)

CCC 495 (Mary's Divine Motherhood)

CCC 496-501 (Mary's Virginity)

CCC 954-959 (Communion of the Church of Heaven & Earth)

CCC 964-971 (Mary's Motherhood and the Church)

**Participants are always welcome!
There is no required attendance!**



Hey Deacon!

By Deacon Dan Vaughn

The Quiet Beauty and Sacred Importance of Being an Altar Server

In every parish, there are moments during the Mass when heaven feels especially close, moments of silence, reverence, and awe. Often, standing closest to these mysteries are our altar servers. Their ministry is quiet, humble, and easily overlooked, yet it is one of the most beautiful forms of service in the Church.

Altar servers do more than assist the priest. They help the entire parish pray. Their movements, posture, and attentiveness become a living reminder that the liturgy is not ordinary work but sacred worship. In a world filled with noise and distraction, altar servers model what it looks like to be still before God.

The Church has long recognized the importance of this ministry. Many priests first discovered their vocation while serving at the altar, drawn by the closeness to the Eucharist and the rhythm of the liturgy. Studies consistently show that a large percentage of new priests and religious once served as altar boys or girls. Something profound happens when young people stand near the mystery of Christ made present, faith deepens, reverence grows, and hearts become more open to God's call.

But the beauty of altar serving is not only vocational. It forms character. Servers learn responsibility, teamwork, and the meaning of offering one's best to God. They discover that details matter: the way a candle is carried, the way a book is held, the way one stands in prayer. These small acts of care teach a lifelong lesson. When we serve God, we give Him our very best.

Altar servers also enrich the prayer of the whole community. Their reverence encourages our reverence. Their attentiveness invites our attentiveness. Their quiet dignity reminds us that the Mass is not a performance but an encounter with the living God. When servers carry themselves with devotion, they help the entire parish lift its heart to heaven.

For parents, encouraging a child to become an altar server is a gift. It places them close to the Eucharist, gives them a role in the Church's most sacred prayer, and helps them grow in confidence and faith. For adults, serving at the altar can be a powerful way to deepen one's spiritual life and contribute to the beauty of the liturgy.

Our three Our Lady parishes are blessed by every young person and adult who serves at the altar. Their ministry is a quiet but radiant sign of faith. May God continue to raise up generous hearts who desire to serve Him with reverence, humility, and joy.

Lord Jesus, Thank You for the privilege of serving at Your altar. Help me to be reverent, attentive, and joyful. May my service draw others closer to You, and may my heart be formed by the mystery I serve. Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for me. Amen.

PSR

(Parish School of Religion)

Begins the week of
September 15th

**Registration
for grades
K-12th
will take place
after the Masses
THIS WEEKEND
Sept. 12th & 13th**



**There are several
opportunities to
participate in
PSR this year.**

See the schedule on page 7

*If you have any
questions regarding
PSR,
Sacraments, or
Quinceañeras.*

**Please call, text, or
email Nickie Rivera
Director of Formation
(417) 251-1819 (Cell)**



PSR

(Parish School of Religion)

Schedule for September & October



TUESDAY

Tues. Evening 6:30-8:30pm

A deeper dive into OUR Catholic Faith

- September 15
- September 22
- September 29
- October 6
- October 13
- October 20
- October 27

All classes will be held in the lower level of the church, unless stated otherwise.

WEDNESDAY

Wednesday Evening
6:30-7:30pm

Traditional Classroom PSR

- September 16
- September 23
- September 30
- October 7
- October 14
- October 21
- October 28

THURSDAY

Thursday Morning
Homeschool PSR

9am- Noon

- 9:00am - Mass followed by fellowship
- 10:00-11:30am Classroom activities
- 11:30-Noon fellowship
 - September 17
 - September 24
 - October 1
 - October 8
 - October 15
 - October 22
 - October 29

THURSDAY

Thursday Evening
6:00-7:00pm

**In the Church by the Adoration Chapel*

- September 17
- September 24
- October 1
- October 8
- October 15
- October 22
- October 29

Looking for a
gift for that
hard to buy for
person!

Memorial Bricks

Interested in a
Memorial Brick
for the next
installation?

**Paver bricks are available to remember loved ones,
signify special celebrations and commemorate the
celebration of life!**



Meditation Garden



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or

GO ONLINE

**[ollbranson.com/
memorial-bricks](http://ollbranson.com/memorial-bricks)**

or

**CALL the parish office
417-334-2928**



Memorial Flag Pole



**Looking for a simple way
to serve your Parish?**

**Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament
has the following times available**

**Tuesdays
Noon-1:00pm**

**Thursdays
11:00am-Noon
Noon -1:00pm
2:00-3:00pm
4:00-5:00pm
5:00-6:00pm**

**We will not have the exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament
for the week before, the week of, and
the week after a holiday.**

**If you are available for any of the
specified time slots,
please reach out to Julie Johnsonbaugh at
julie.johnsonbaugh@gmail.com**

**Unmask the magic!
Mark your calendars for the
2026 LifeHouse Gala, Springfield:
Moonlight Masquerade!**

**Join us on Saturday, September 19,
for an enchanting evening featuring fine food,
exciting auctions, and live entertainment by
Twice on Sunday.**

**All proceeds directly support the impactful work of
LifeHouse in Springfield,
helping mothers and babies in need.
White River Conference Center | 600 W Sunshine St,
Springfield, MO 65807**

**5:30 PM – Doors Open
for cocktails and auction viewing
7:00 PM – Program Begins & Dinner Served
There are many ways to get involved,
even if you can't attend!**

**To donate to the Fund Our Mission, purchase raffle
tickets, or bid on the auction, visit the event site [here](#)**

OLL Games

Join us September 17th OLL Game Day
1:00pm Faith Formation Room

OLL Train - Fantastic Five



BIG Winner Julie -171

Joe -277 Ed -285

Anne Marie -322

Lil' Winner Mary -352



Swoop - Crazy Eight

Big Winner Sharron - 134

Sharon S -139 Judy H -206

Jeanie -223 Butch -238

Dan -251 Sharon A -257

Lil' Winner Margaret -303

Mahjong Table 1

Brenda -0 Edean -25

Monnie -25 Susan C -25



Mahjong Table 2

Harry -0 Joyce -25

Judy O -100

Vincent sat in to watch



FORWARD... One Step At A Time



Bereavement Healing

Grief is painful and exhausting. The death of a loved one is one of the greatest sorrows in one's life. People's responses to grief will vary, but grief is a normal, healthy response to loss.

It sometimes seems easier to avoid confronting the feelings of grief and loss. But working through sorrow and allowing ourselves to express such feelings can help us recover.

Grief ultimately asks many things of us... including a shift in the way we relate to life. As we walk with each other, we will understand that we are not alone, allow ourselves to be mad and broken, re-discover God's love for us and eventually think and say our loved one's name with hope.

The next Bereavement group will begin the first part of October in the Heritage Room (lower level of the church). You may have recently lost a loved one or time may have passed since your loved one's death. If you are interested in walking together through this time of sorrow, call the OLL parish office 417-334-2928 to leave your name and number and you will be contacted with additional information.

The Mirror



Our Story, Reflected in Faith...

Since 1965, *The Mirror* has served as the heartbeat of the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau. It is more than just our diocesan newspaper; it is a chronicle of our growth, our challenges, and our shared journey in Christ.



If you are not currently a digital subscriber, we invite you to become one!

Scan the QR code to sign up now!



The Cursillo® Movement pursues two purposes or objectives. The immediate purpose is to provide a conduit for living what is fundamental for being a Christian, namely, the on-going and total conversion of the person.

The end purpose is to vertebrae Christianity in society by means of these persons who live what is fundamental for being Christian (the love of God and neighbor) in their daily lives.

Simply explained, the purpose of the Cursillo Movement is that we become the Good News, and that our actions naturally turn out to be evangelical in our daily lives.

Upcoming Cursillo Weekends in the Diocese:

Women's Weekends

Date: October 15-18, 2026

Location: Carthage, MO

Date: November 19-22, 2026

Location: Fredericktown, MO

Men's Weekends

Date: November 12-15, 2026

Location: Carthage, MO

Date: December 3-6, 2026

Location: Fredericktown, MO

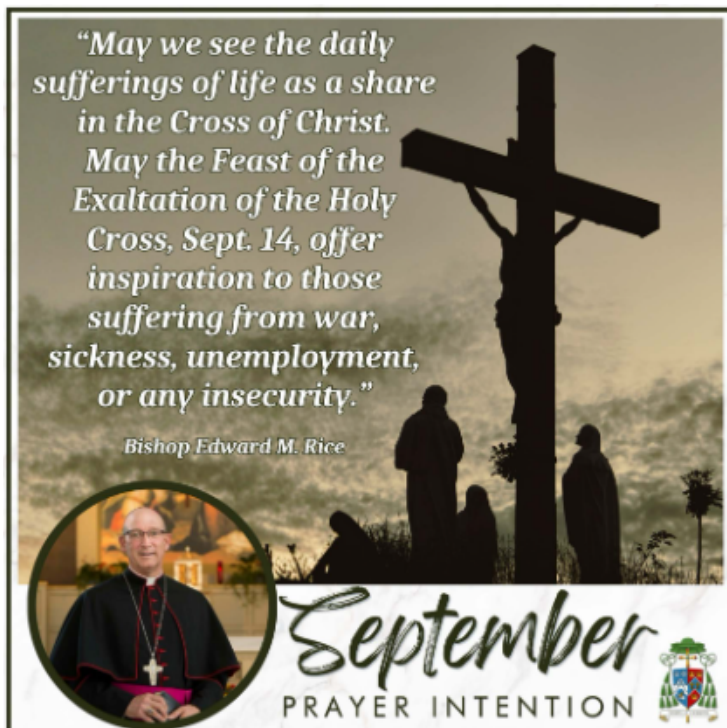
More information may be found at

www.dioscg.org/cursillo

You may also contact

Dale Gerecke

at (573) 450-3335 or dale@gereckelaw.com





**BLOOD
CRISIS**

Help save lives.

Donors are needed immediately to help save lives.



**American
Red Cross**

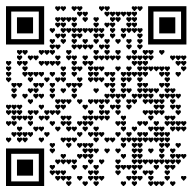
*The American Red Cross has declared a **national blood crisis**.
Blood donations have fallen to a four-year summer low. All blood types are needed,
but **the situation is especially dire for type O blood**.*

Blood Drive
Our Lady Of The Lake
Catholic Church

Parish Center
202 Vaughn Drive
Branson, MO 65616

Friday, September 18, 2026

12:00PM to 5:00PM



Scan to schedule
an appointment

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) OR
CLICK THE LINK BELOW OR GO TO –
www.redcrossblood.org use code OURLADYBRANSON
to schedule appointment

Two more ways you can help restock the shelves:

Bring a friend to
donate with you.



Spread the word
about the need in
your community.

Fall CRAFT FAIR

SHOP LOCAL • SUPPORT ARTISANS • FIND TREASURES

FRIDAY
OCTOBER 23
9AM - 4PM

SATURDAY
OCTOBER 24
9AM - 3PM



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**OUR LADY OF THE COVE
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

20 KIMBERLING BLVD.
KIMBERLING CITY, MO

Everyone Welcome!

SAVE THE DATE

Our Lady of the Cove Fall Garage Sale

Friday, Oct. 9
8:00am - 3:00pm
Saturday, Oct. 10
8am - Noon

*We have something
for everyone!*

Garage
Sale



Renew, Refresh, and Reignite Your Marriage

*If your calendar tells the story of your life, what
does it say about the importance of your marriage?*

Schedule a weekend to renew your Sacrament, deepen
your communication, strengthen your relationship,
and rekindle your romance by attending a Worldwide
Marriage Encounter Experience!

For information, visit: www.wwmec.org



Upcoming Weekend

September 18-20, 2026

Congregation of the Mother of the Redeemer
Retreat Center - Carthage, Missouri



Our Lady of the Ozarks Fall Rummage & Bake Sale

Thursday, Oct. 8th, 7am - 4pm

Friday, Oct. 9th, 8am - 4pm

Saturday, Oct. 10th, 8am - noon (bag day)



If you would like to donate items to the sale,
they can be dropped off at

Our Lady of the Ozarks

951 Swan Valley Drive, Forsyth

starting

September 21st between 9:00am-1:00pm

Furniture can be dropped off Oct. 5th & 6th

HARVEST MASS

OCTOBER 11TH AT 1 PM

Come and Join us...

AT
3797 LAWRENCE 2220

PIERCE CITY - KLEIBOEKER CROP SERVICES

— **ST. MARY'S CHURCH** —

- THE MEAL AFTER THE MASS IS BEING PROVIDED BY AREA KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, PCCWS AND ST. MARY OUTREACH GROUP
- PULLED PORK SANDWICHES, CHIPS, COOKIES & BOTTLED WATER...THE ONLY REQUEST IS TO BRING A CHAIR!
- BISHOP RICE WILL BLESS FARM EQUIPMENT AND THERE WILL BE SPACE AVAILABLE TO PARK EQUIPMENT

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CALL ST. MARY PARISH
OFFICE (417) 476-2827.



DIocese of SPRINGFIELD-
CAPE GIRARDEAU



Catholic Campus Ministry
invites you to



Celebrate
25 years
IN THE O'REILLY CATHOLIC
STUDENT CENTER

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2026

CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY
847 S. HOLLAND

6 pm Cocktails~7 pm Dinner

Sunday, October 18th
Celebration Mass~11am

\$150 Per Person

Sponsorship Table (8Guests) ~ \$3,000

For Information and Tickets

ccm847.org/25th-Gala

Catholic Women's Retreat

A one-day retreat for ladies to step away and
be with the Lord.

Back to the Garden

Realizing you were made for relationship and rest with Jesus.

Guest presenter:

Sr. Elizabeth
Beussink, TOR



Saturday
October 10th

Newman Center
Southeast Missouri State University
512 N. Pacific, Cape Girardeau

8:30am Check in
9:00am Retreat begins
Lunch Provided
4:00pm Vigil Mass

Limited spots! Register today!
Early Bird ends September 30

Ladies: \$25 Early Bird/\$35 Regular
College Ladies: \$15 Early/\$25 Regular
Mom with High School Daughter(s): \$40 Early/\$50 Regular



Scan to
Register

Questions? Email SEMissouriCatholicLadies@gmail.com

24th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME



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him, "Lord, if my brother sins against
me, how often must I forgive? As many
as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say
to you, not seven times but
seventy-seven times." - Mt 18:21-22

ONE DAY AT A TIME

CATHOLIC TRIVIA - JUST FOR FUN

Question: True or false:

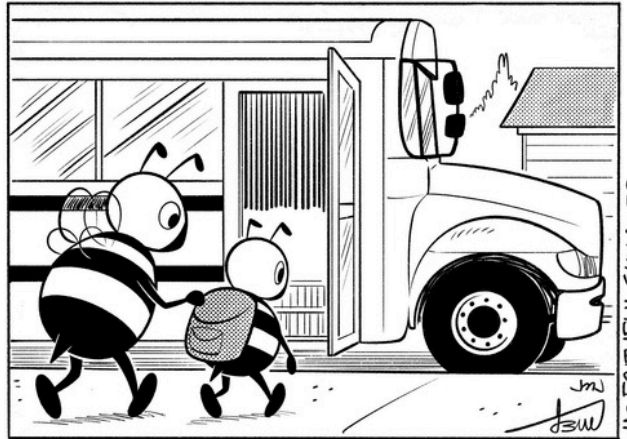
A pope's pontificate begins at their coronation.

Answer: False.

It begins when they accept the election results.

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"How do bees get to school?"



the FAITHFUL FUNNIES

"By taking the school **buzz**."



Say a prayer for the students and teachers returning to school this season. May God bless their comings and goings!

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24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JESUS FORGAVE US SO MUCH - HOW CAN WE NOT BE FORGIVING TO OTHERS?

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I FORGIVE YOU FOR TRYING TO STOP ME FROM CARRYING OUT MY DUTY.

TRIUMPH OF THE CROSS

GOD ANSWERED MY PRAYERS, FATHER - I FINALLY GOT A JOB!

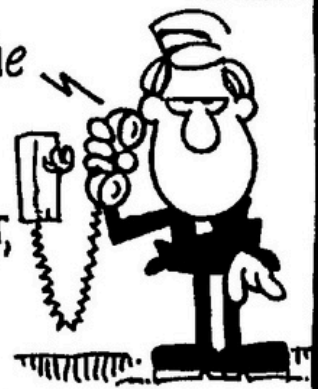
THANKS Be To GOD!

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Yeah, BUT I DON'T LIKE THE HOURS, THE BOSS IS GRUMPY, IT'S TOO FAR AWAY, MY LUNCH BREAK IS TOO SHORT, I HAVE TO GET UP TOO EARLY, THE COFFEE'S LOUSY...

NLM 21:4-9



Gospel Meditation



Encourage
Deeper
Understanding
of Scripture

Matthew
18:21-35

In my parish, there was once a new employee who frequently told me she was sorry for various imperfections in her work. It could be a little tiring. I finally told her, "You know, you don't have to say 'sorry' so often." She looked me right in the eyes and said, "Father, you're right. I'm sorry." Her ear-to-ear grin betrayed that she enjoyed the irony — and that she would keep asking for forgiveness as often as she needed it.

The Gospel reading this week proclaims to us that God, in Jesus, delights in numerous requests for, and the granting of, forgiveness. To Peter's question, **"Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?"** Jesus responds, **"I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times."** In other words, Peter, stop counting.

Christian life should be marked by a commitment to frequent forgiveness. God never tires of forgiving us. His limitless love has overcome the power of vengeance, hatred, and division. We tap into that each and every time we ask for forgiveness or extend it to another.

How beautiful our hearts become when they become accustomed to frequent forgiveness! How joyful and attractive become our marriages, families, and parish communities! How light our souls feel when unburdened by the habit of keeping score.

Challenge: Name one thing, small or large, for which you could ask forgiveness from someone in your life. Then do it.

— Father John Muir

Worship & Observances

A Blessing for Grandparents

Dear God,
Bless the grandparents in our community.
Stir in them a sense of caring,
thoughtfulness, and kindness toward their
preceding generations. Like St. Anne and St.
Joachim, inspire them to live lives of brave
faith and virtue. Give them and their families
warm memories, happy times, and bright
hope.
Amen.

Readings for the Week of September 13, 2026

Sunday

Sir 27:30-28:7/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Rom 14:7-9/
Mt 18:21-35

Monday

Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38/Phil 2:6-11/
Jn 3:13-17

Tuesday

1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Jn 19:25-27 or
Lk 2:33-35

Wednesday

1 Cor 12:31-13:13/Ps 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22/Lk 7:31-35

Thursday

1 Cor 15:1-11/Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28/Lk 7:36-50

Friday

1 Cor 15:12-20/Ps 17:1bcd, 6-7, 8b and 15/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday

1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49/Ps 56:10c-12, 13-14/Lk 8:4-15

Next Sunday

Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/
Mt 20:1-16a

September - Month of



Observances for the Week of September 13, 2026

Sunday

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time; *Grandparent's Day*

Monday

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Tuesday

Our Lady of Sorrows

Wednesday

Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

Thursday

St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of
the Church; St. Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin
and Doctor of the Church

Saturday

St. Janarius, Bishop and Martyr

Next Sunday

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday

Weekly Scripture



Virtues, Explained!

The modern world we all must share seems, in some ways, to be shrinking.

For good or ill, thanks to the internet, the widespread use of social media, and the omnipresence of smartphones, we are finding ourselves interacting frequently with people who live, act, and think differently than we do.

It may well be that the virtue of friendliness, known officially as affability, is more important than ever.

In fact, being attached as it is to the virtue of justice, friendliness is a debt we owe our fellow human beings, writes St. Thomas Aquinas (*Sum.*, II:II, 114, Art. 2). The fact is, we cannot evangelize without kindness. We can see this in the instructions Christ gives his disciples in the Gospel of Matthew: "As you enter a house, wish it peace. If the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it; if not, let your peace return to you." (Matthew 10:13)

Sunday's Readings

First Reading

Forgive your neighbor's injustice;
then when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven. (Sir 28:2)

Psalm

The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion. (Ps 103)

Second Reading

None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself.
For if we live, we live for the Lord,
and if we die, we die for the Lord. (Rom 14:8)

Gospel

Peter approached Jesus and asked him,
"Lord, if my brother sins against me,
how often must I forgive?"

As many as seven times?"

Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times." (Mt 18:21-22)

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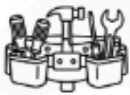
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