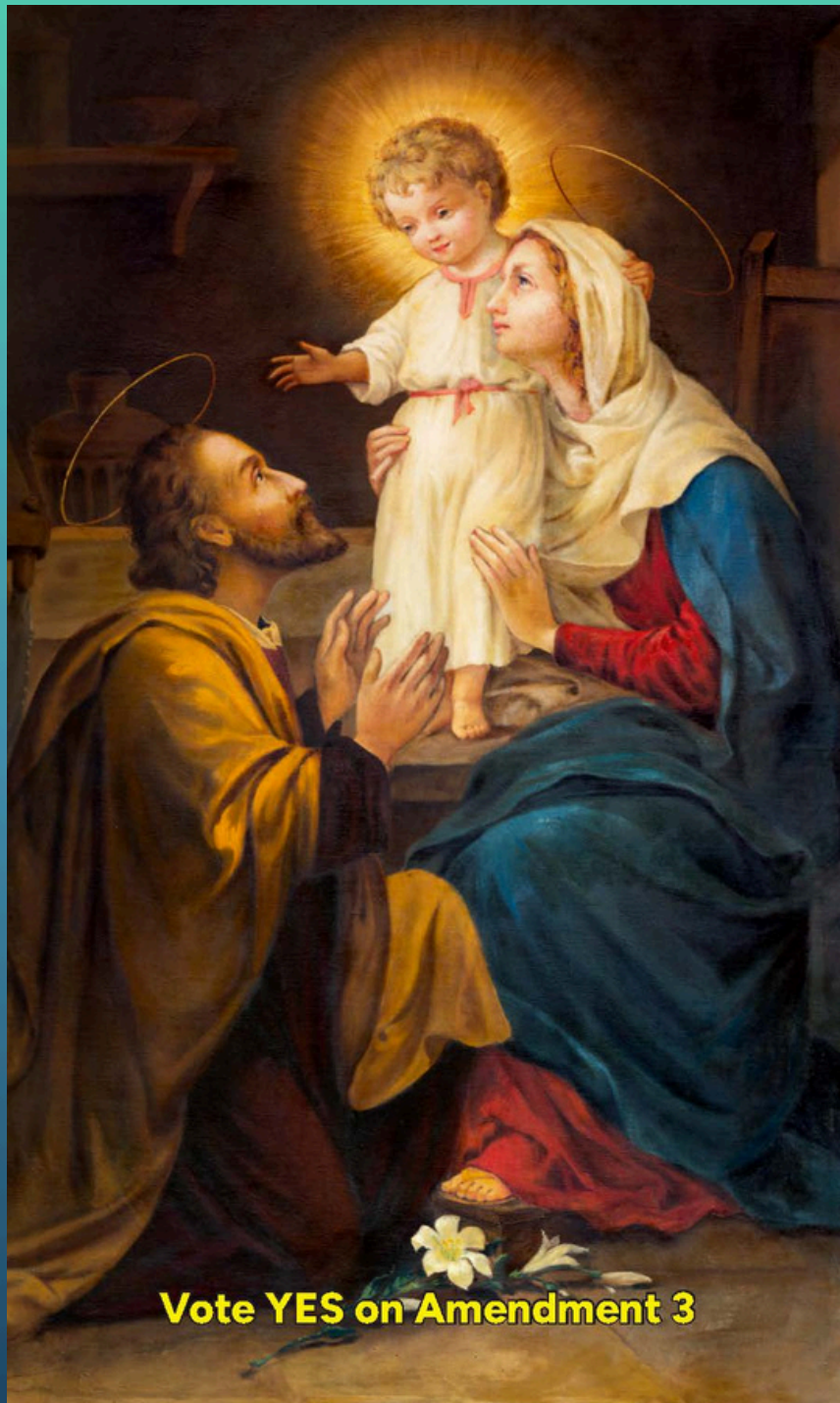


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We share our gifts and ourselves in the name of Jesus. †

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sept. 19 - Sept. 25

Events

SATURDAY~September 19

2nd Collection - Our Lady Cares

Sacrament of Reconciliation

3:00-4:30pm~Confessional

SUNDAY~September 20

2nd Collection - Our Lady Cares

Coffee & Christ

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

MONDAY~September 21

No events today

TUESDAY~September 22

OCIA

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

PSR

6:30-8:30pm~Classrooms

WEDNESDAY~September 23

Stitchers

9:00am-Noon~St. Francis Room

PSR

6:30-7:30pm~Classrooms

THURSDAY~September 24

PSR/Homeschool

9:00am~Mass

10:00am-Noon~Classrooms

OLL Game Day

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

PSR

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

Break Open the Word

6:30-8:00pm~St. Mother Teresa Room

FRIDAY~September 25

Spanish Charismatic Group

6:00-9:00pm~Chapel

SATURDAY~September 26

Welcome Women

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

Mass Times

SATURDAY

5:00pm

7:00pm(Spanish)

SUNDAY

8:00am

10:30am

MONDAY

9:00am

TUESDAY

9:00am

WEDNESDAY

5:30pm

THURSDAY

9:00am

Adoration

TUESDAY

Resumes September 22nd

9:30am - 3pm - Chapel

THURSDAY

Resumes September 24th

9:30am - 7pm - Chapel

**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. 9/19 5:00pm

Ronnie Martin Jr. †

Sat. 9/19 7:00pm

Taney County Parish Family (L)

Sun. 9/20 8:00am

**Robert and Dorothy Chapman
and family (Living & Deceased)**

Sun. 9/20 10:30am

Carol Dunn~Birthday (L)

Mon. 9/21 9:00am

Carol Brewer (L)

Tue. 9/22 9:00am

Mike Leggott †

(Birthday Deceased)

Wed. 9/23 5:30pm

Spiritual Gifts

(In Thanksgiving)

Thur. 9/24 9:00am

Tom Eischen †

Flower Intentions





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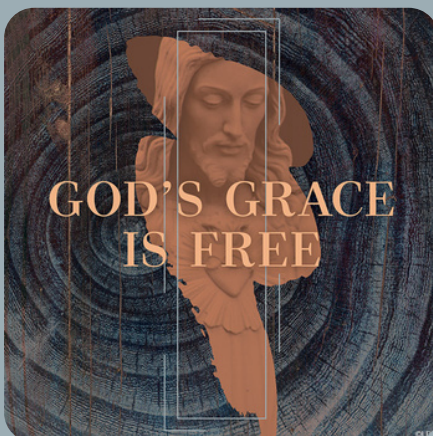
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Flower Intentions available
for October & November

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Collection through Sept. 13, 2026

Envelopes:	\$23,147.51
Plate:	\$ 3,200.00
Green Envelopes:	\$ 6,389.20
Total:	\$32,726.71





Break Open the Word

We meet the 2nd & 4th
Thursdays of the month
6:30-8:00pm
St. Mother Teresa Room

We will read & discuss
the upcoming Sunday readings.

Thur. Sept. 24th

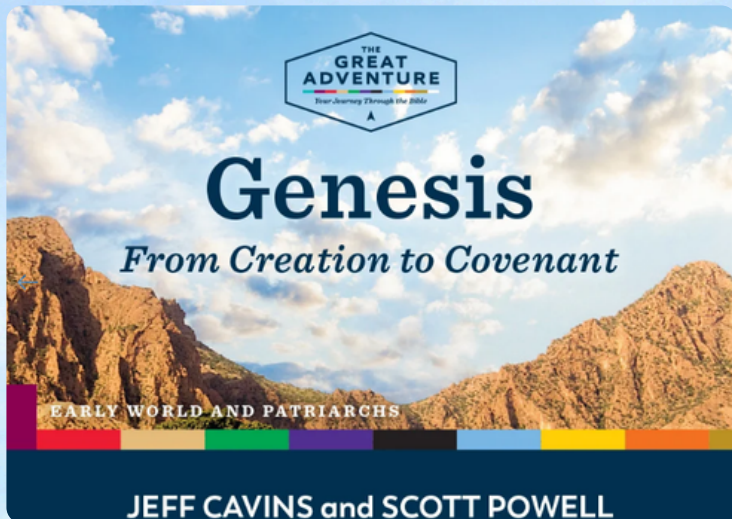
- 1st Reading ~ **Ezekiel 18: 25-28**
- Psalm 25: 4-5, 6-7, 8-9
- 2nd Reading ~ **Philippians 2: 1-11**
- Gospel ~ **Matthew 21: 28-31**

Come & join us when you can to learn how the
Holy Spirit talks to us and prepares us for
Sunday Mass.

Adult Bible Study

Will resume at a later date
More information will be
provided shortly.

Our next topic will be...



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

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



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.*

Participants are always welcome!
There is no required attendance!

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)

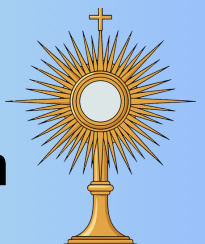


Oct. 11

WE WILL NOT BE MEETING



Adoration needs
Tuesday from 2-3pm





Hey Deacon!

By Deacon Dan Vaughn

The Prayer of the Faithful: A Brief Refresher

It may surprise you, but I'm not the only deacon who enjoys reflecting on and writing about our Catholic faith. A good friend of mine, Deacon Leon Suprenant, Director of the Permanent Diaconate for the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas, occasionally writes his own column titled "Home in the Church." A bit more professional sounding than "Hey Deacon!" Recently he published an excellent piece on the "Prayer of the Faithful," and it offers a number of helpful insights. The following are the key takeaways I'd like to share with you.

Understanding the Prayer of the Faithful

The prayer goes by several names. Many of us grew up calling it the "Prayer of the Faithful," but Church documents often refer to it as the "Universal Prayer." You may also hear "General Intercessions," "Common Prayer," or, in older usage, "Bidding Prayers." Whatever the title, its purpose is the same: the gathered community lifts its needs before God.

On Sundays and holy days, the Prayer of the Faithful follows the Creed. On weekdays, when the Creed is omitted, it comes after the Gospel and Homily. It is the final element of the Liturgy of the Word, the moment when we respond to what we have heard in Scripture by turning to God in prayer.

While not strictly required, the Universal Prayer is considered "desirable" by the General Instruction of the Roman Missal. A priest may occasionally omit it at a small weekday Mass, but it is always included on Sundays and major feasts.

The priest begins by inviting the assembly to pray, and he concludes the intercessions with a short prayer to which the people respond "Amen." The intentions themselves, usually around six or seven, are announced by the deacon when present. Without a deacon, a priest, lector, or another lay minister may read them. At special liturgies such as weddings, funerals, or school Masses, family members or students often take part.

After each intention, the assembly responds, most commonly, "Lord, hear our prayer." Keeping the response consistent helps the prayer flow smoothly, though occasionally a different refrain is used during seasons like Advent or Lent.

Intercessions at weekday Masses often come from a prepared booklet, while those for Sundays and feast days are usually written ahead of time. In parishes with a deacon, he often prepares the Sunday petitions, since he, like the pastor, is familiar with both the needs of the wider Church and the parish community. The Church asks that these intentions be brief, clear, and truly reflective of the community's prayer. Their order also matters. They should begin with the needs of the Church, then move to public authorities and the world, then to those who suffer, and finally to the needs of the local community.

This structure ensures that our prayer is truly universal. We remember leaders, nations in crisis, and vulnerable people across the globe. At the same time, we lift up our parish family, those who are ill, our homebound, our children, and our local concerns.

Finally, the Prayer of the Faithful invites each of us to bring our personal intentions before God. When we promise someone, "I'll remember you at Mass," this is a beautiful moment to do so, responding to God's Word with faith and trust.



PSR

(Parish School of Religion)

Schedule for September & October



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

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

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

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OCTOBER 24

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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

"May we see the daily sufferings of life as a share in the Cross of Christ. May the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, Sept. 14, offer inspiration to those suffering from war, sickness, unemployment, or any insecurity."

Bishop Edward M. Rice



September
PRAYER INTENTION



More information may be found at

www.dioscg.org/cursillo

You may also contact

Dale Gerecke

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



Prayer Shawl Ministry

Each Prayer Shawl has a story to tell.

The story of the person "praying" the shawl, the story of the person asking for, choosing and delivering the shawl, plus the story of the person receiving the shawl.

Latest request for a prayer shawl:

Prayers are needed for a young mother pregnant with twins that are not doing well. Baby B is not growing, Baby A has a chance - the baby is small but is thriving. The doctors know there will be a stillborn birth but they're working to save the other. This young mother has to make a decision. Hopefully this young mother will take comfort in laying the prayer shawl across her tummy.

Recently four prayer shawls were chosen to be delivered to a family of four.

Mother, two daughters, and Michael.

Michael is about 14 years old and has Muscular Dystrophy. He has been described as a very special child with a gentleness and positive personality. This family has already lost 2 or 3 male relatives to Muscular Dystrophy. Currently the doctor has little to no hope for Michael.

His mother's update was very sad. Michael is completely bed bound... possibly able to sit up 15 minutes a day. His hands and feet are curling in and he has very little muscle control. Plus, he cannot lift his head.

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry was able to give four prayer shawls to this family. I was there when they were chosen... my heart was heavy yet filled with joy at the same time. Each shawl was beautiful in colors, soft and a good size to cuddle into. As they were placed in the bags, I thought of the talent dedicated to the making of each one. I thought of the prayers that had been said in the making of them. I thought of the Prayer Shawl blessing Father had given. Even though there was nothing we could do... perhaps we were doing the greatest thing! Giving comfort to a grieving family and prayers for a child who will be with the Lord in a short time.

As I watched the four bags with prayer shawls being picked up and the person delivering them walk down the hall, I was thanking you, all of you... especially those who made these four shawls... We, our ministry, are sending 60 hours or more of prayers to this family.

Please continue to pray for Michael and his family, plus the young mother and the twins. May the Lord show His love and mercy to them and to you.

A huge Thank You to the members of the Prayer Shawl Ministry! To receive a Prayer Shawl for yourself or someone in need of prayer support contact the Parish Office 417-334-2928 or attend the First Friday Prayer Shawl Blessing after the First Friday Mass at 10:00am.

For additional information on the Prayer Shawl Ministry or if you wish to join this powerful ministry contact the Parish Office with your name and number and you will be contacted.

Forward One Step at a Time

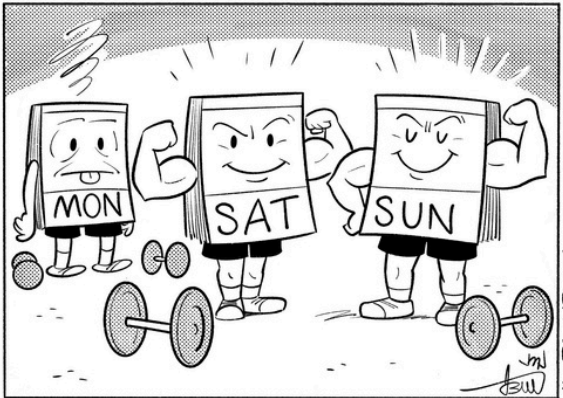


The Bereavement group will begin in early October in the Heritage Room (lower level of the church). You may have recently lost a loved one or time may have passed since your loved one's death. If you are interested in walking together through this time of sorrow, call the OLL parish office 417-334-2928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

Bereavement Healing Ministry

"Autumn shows us how beautiful it is to let things go." —
Unknown

"What are the strongest days of the week?"



"Saturday and Sunday—the rest are **weekdays!**"



We remember God's love and Jesus' resurrection when we gather as a community for Sunday Mass. Staying "prayed up" keeps us spiritually strong!

CATHOLIC TRIVIA - JUST FOR FUN

Question: John F. Kennedy, the first Catholic American president and member of the Knights of Columbus, established which distinguished volunteer organization?

Answer: The Peace Corps

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25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



hello
FALL



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,
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FIRST FRIDAY MASS *for* VOCATIONS

Bishop Rice will celebrate the *Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart* for Vocations each First Friday of the month, followed by the Rosary.

All parishes are invited to celebrate First Friday Masses for Vocations as we continue to pray for more vocations to the priesthood and religious life in our diocese.

BISHOP RICE'S SCHEDULE *for* FIRST FRIDAY MASS:

Fri., Oct. 2	St. Agnes Cathedral, <i>Springfield</i>	8:30 a.m.
Fri., Nov. 6	St. Agnes Cathedral, <i>Springfield</i>	5:30 p.m.
Fri., Dec. 4	St. John Henry Newman Center, <i>SEMO/Cape Girardeau</i>	12:00 p.m.

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Worship & Observances

Prayer for an OCIA Class

Dear God,
You never cease calling
each of us to You.
Be with our OCIA class as we
journey to know You better.
Inspire our conversations,
guide our lessons,
and direct our hearts as
each of us seeks Your will.
Amen.

Readings for the Week of September 20, 2026

Sunday

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

Monday

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Mt 9:9-13

Tuesday

Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday

Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday

Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc/Lk 9:7-9

Friday

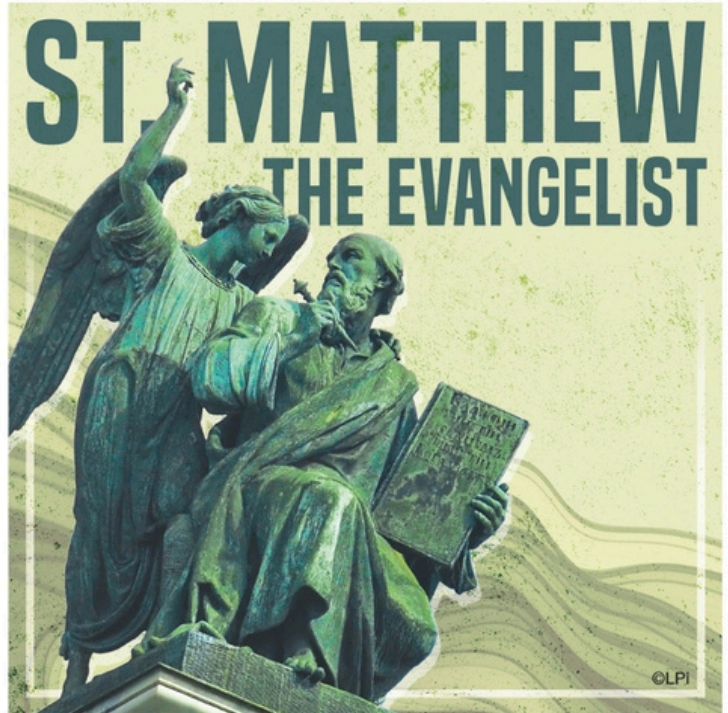
Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday

Eccl 11:9-12:8/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17/
Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday

Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/
Mt 21:28-32



Observances for the Week of September 20, 2026

Sunday

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Catechetical Sunday

Monday

St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist;
National Migration Week

Wednesday

St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

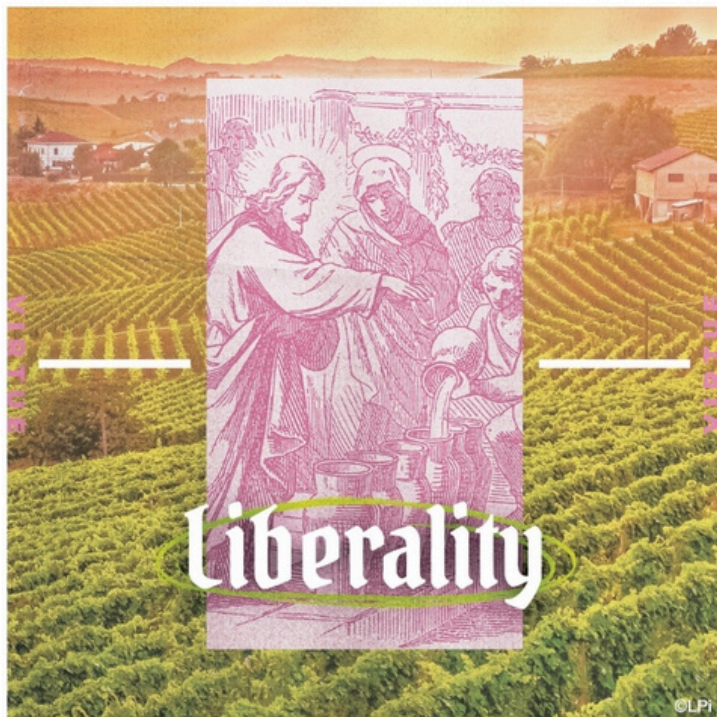
Saturday

Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs

Next Sunday

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Priesthood Sunday

Weekly Scripture



Virtues, Explained!

Jesus told the rich young man that in order to be saved, he must sell all he owned and give the proceeds to the poor. This is the virtue of liberality — giving of one's resources freely and in abundance.

However, the virtue of liberality should be practiced by each person according to his state in life. The rich young man could afford to lose everything — and indeed, was too attached to his wealth. We are all called to give selflessly of what we have, but “we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us,” writes St. Paul (Romans 12:6).

Some of us have too much time and have grown idle. Some of us have too much talent and use it only to benefit ourselves. Some of us have too much wealth, and hoard it jealously. Whatever we have too much of will keep us from God. So let's practice liberality, and be generous.

Sunday's Readings

First Reading

Seek the Lord while he may be found,
call him while he is near. (Is 55:6)

Psalm

The Lord is near to all who call upon him. (Ps 145)

Second Reading

I am caught between the two.
I long to depart this life and be with Christ,
for that is far better. (Phil 1:23)

Gospel

“What if I wish to give this last one the same as you?
Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money?
Are you envious because I am generous?”
(Mt 20:14-15)

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Inspiration of the Week

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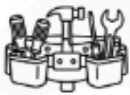
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MASS SCHEDULE

WEEKEND

Saturday 5:00 pm & 7:00 pm (Spanish)
Sunday 8:00 am & 10:30 am (Live-Streamed)

WEEKDAY

Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday 9:00 am
Wednesday 5:30 pm
1st Friday 10:00 am

Holy Day of Obligation
Noon and 7pm (Bilingual)

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from **3:00 - 4:30 pm**
or by Appointment (417-334-2928)

ADORATION

Tuesday 9:30 am - 3:00 pm

Thursday 9:30 am - 7:00 pm

- We will not have the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for the week before, the week of, and the week after a holiday.
- All Adorers, please sign in when you come to pray before the Blessed Sacrament.
- Please get in touch with the office if you need a door code or are having trouble with your own.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

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