

July 19, 2026

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Can weeds bear wheat? Can thistles bring forth figs?
How would our Lord's parable address someone who does not always bring forth good fruit in terms of good works of charity, love, kindness and prayer?
Should we find ourselves short on fruit, are we expected not to do anything more than wait for the day of harvest, when the winnowing angels will cast the weeds into the fire?

God is Omnipotent and Omniscient: God is all knowing, just, understanding and powerful. Our hearts, thoughts, and actions are clear to God before we even know them. Even with incomprehensible power, God is patient. The words of the book of Wisdom show us how God tempers justice with mercy and how God's actions teach us to be patient, fair and hopeful.

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us a parable about wheat and weeds. After planting good seeds of wheat, an enemy came along to the field and spread weed seeds. When the plants popped through the soil, the workers were upset to see so many weeds and wanted to pull them out. The owner encouraged the workers to be patient, to let them (weeds and the wheat grow together) until the harvest. Whatever weeds were left, the workers were to bundle and burn.

All the three readings today challenge us to be patient. Often, we are in such a hurry that we do not take time to look at all the aspects of a situation. Our hurry causes us to judge quickly; we may judge other people or judge a case rushing to the conclusion so fast as if it does not warrant our time.

Patience, however, gives us time to do God's work among the wheat and the weeds. Rather than appraise the weeds as evil and lost causes, we are shown by God's example to wait patiently and lovingly for the final judgment that belongs to God alone.



DECIMOSEXTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

¿Pueden las malas hierbas llevar trigo? ¿Pueden cardos traer higos
¿Cómo se dirigiría la parábola de nuestro Señor a la persona que no siempre da buen fruto en términos de buenas obras de caridad, amor, bondad y oración?
¿Si nos encontramos cortos de frutos, no se espera que hagamos algo más que solo esperar por el día de la cosecha, cuando los ángeles examinan y lanzan la maleza en el fuego?

Dios es Omnipotente y Omnisciente: Dios es todo sabio, justo, comprensivo y potente. Nuestros corazones, pensamientos y acciones son claras para Dios antesde que ni siquiera los conozcamos. Incluso con poder incomprensible, Dios es paciente. Las palabras de libro de la Sabiduría nos muestran cómo Dios toma la justicia con clemencia y como las acciones de Dios nos enseñan a ser pacientes, justos y tener esperanza.

En el Evangelio de hoy Jesús nos relata una parábola acerca de trigo y maleza. Después de sembrar buenas semillas de trigo, un enemigo llegó al campo y propagó semillas de mala hierba. Cuando las plantas reventaron a través de la tierra, los trabajadores estaban molestos al ver tantas malas hierbas y querían arrancarlas. El propietario alentó a los trabajadores a ser pacientes, de dejar que ellas (las malas hierbas y el trigo crecieran juntos) hasta la cosecha. Cualquier mala hierba que quedara, los trabajadores debían juntarlas y quemarlas.

Las tres lecturas de hoy todas nos retan a ser pacientes. A menudo estamos tan apurados que no tomamos nuestro tiempo para mirar todos los aspectos de una situación. Nuestra prisa nos hace juzgar con rapidez; podemos juzgar a otras personas, o juzgar un caso precisándonos a la conclusión tan rápido como si no mereciera nuestro tiempo.

Paciencia, sin embargo, nos da tiempo para hacer la obra de Dios entre el trigo y la maleza. En lugar de valorar la maleza como maldad y causa perdida, se nos muestra con el ejemplo de Dios de esperar pacientemente y con amor por el juicio final que le pertenece sólo a Dios.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

COLECTA DE LA SEMANA PASADA

July 11 — July, 12, 2026

Weekday Masses Offerings.....\$ 202.01
Weekend Mass Offerings.....\$2,580.50
Archdiocesan Annual Appeal.....\$1,068.00

UPCOMING 2nd COLLECTIONS

July 19: Music Ministry

August 2: Reserve Fund

August 9: Archdiocesan Annual Appeal

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Archdiocesan Annual Appeal

We urge you to help us meet our goal:

Parish Assessment:	\$32,295.00
YTD we paid:	\$ 9,784.65
Balance we owe:	\$22,510.35
Pledges Balance:	\$ 952.00

Thank you for your generosity!

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 18 TO JULY 25

SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
July 18, 2026	July 19, 2026	July 20, 2026	July 21, 2026	July 22, 2026
9:00am Christian Joseph Catalano ☩ Ryan Steinbruner ☩	8:00am Parish of St. John	9:00am ✠ Medina & Eufracio Ermitaño ✠ Albert & Michael Gragnani	9:00am ✠ Ramon Berry ✠ Gail Gabriel Cacho	9:00am ✠ Magdalena Punla Armando Suangco ☩
4:30pm Parish of St. John	10:00am ✠ Mr. & Mrs. Francisco Galang ✠ Pat Navarro	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		July 23, 2026	July 24, 2026	July 25, 2026
	12:00pm Parish of St. John	9:00am Living Members of the Young Men's Institute	9:00am Deceased members of the Young Men's Institute	9:00am Parish of St. John
				4:30pm ✠ Henry & Teresa Thran

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