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Luke

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**This Weekend's Hymns**

*All hymns can be found in  
the Seasonal Missalette.*

Opening Hymn: #300

Communion #314

Closing Hymn: #202

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## **TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**2019**

**Sunday, October 6 Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30 DE Special Intentions of the Parishioners & Friends of St. Rose

10:30 BW Robert J. Wessel from Carol and Susan Wessel

12:00 BW Special Intention for the Pfaller Family from Chris Ryan

**Monday, October 7**

*Our Lady of the Rosary*

12:10 Joanne Lambers from Bill and Kay Russ

**Tuesday, October 8**

12:10 Charles and Jane Stacey from Bill and Jane Stacey

**Wednesday, October 9**

*Saints Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs; Saint John Leonardi, Priest*

12:10 Carol Ferneding from Rose Ann and Brian

**Thursday, October 10**

12:10 Agnes Baer from Carol and Larry

**Friday, October 11**

*Saint John XXII, Pope*

12:10 Edward Dohrmann from Renie, Ted and Chris

**Saturday, October 12**

12:10 Joseph Miller from the Family

BW 7:00 Special Intention of Carolyn Reutter from Tom and Karen Schroder

**Sunday, October 13 Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:30 BW Special Intentions of the Parishioners & Friends of St. Rose

10:30 BW Jim McMahon from the Family

12:00 BW Guy (Jim) Tredway from Carol Wessel

### ***From the Pastor's Desk***

***The collection for St. Vincent DePaul was \$2,636.42.  
Thank you for your generosity.***

**Noah Henson and Leslie Roosa** were united in the holy sacrament of Matrimony September 28th here at St. Rose Church.

***In the back of church you will find Purgatorial Envelopes for November through October of next year. Each month two masses are said for the Purgatorial Society. This is a good way to have masses said for your loved ones. Please fill out and put the envelopes in the collection basket.***

### **Have Trouble Hearing the Mass? Fr. Barry's Jokes?**

St. Rose Church has installed listening assistance with the help from Parishioner Tom Arnold and AudioFetch equipment. You can now use your smart phone to receive a WIFI signal and Mass audio through your ear buds/phones. Tom will help you make that connection with one on one assistance. Call him, 513-708-3850, to make arrangements. If you have an old iPhone or Android phone to donate to us, for friends with no phones, let Tom know. Try it, it's great!

### **BEHOLD A YOUNG ADULT EVENT**

Join us for a night of adoration, confession, praise & worship and fellowship

Friday, October 11, 2019 at 7:00pm St. Mary Hyde Park, 2853 Eire Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio 45208 Presented by seminarians and Mt. St. Mary's Seminary & the Archdiocese of Cincinnati Office for young Adults Evangelization and Discipleship

St. Francis Seraph Church/School in Over-the-Rhine is having a Spaghetti Dinner all four nights BLINK October 10, 11, 12, & 13. The Dinner will take place at Christian Moerlein Taproom located at 1621 Moore Street in OTR 4:30 PM-7:00 PM. The Menu will include Spaghetti, sauce, garlic bread, salad, and dessert. The price is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children under 12 years of age. Proceeds to benefit SFS Church/School. Come early in order to get a good parking place and have a great meal before the excitement begins.

### **Explore Your Call**

*An Introductory Vocational Dinner & Conversation*

*Join other young adults in the Archdiocese to meet and learn from Consecrated men and women in the area. This dinner is open to all young adults (aged 18-35) who want to learn more about Religious and Consecrated life. We welcome everyone from the mildly curious to the serious discerners!*

*Tuesday, October 15, 6-9 PM at the Holy Spirit Retreat Center.*

*To register: [tinyURL.com/ExploreYourCall](http://tinyURL.com/ExploreYourCall)*

Lectors/Lay Distributors for October 12th and October 13th

7:00 Joe Christmann, M. Luehrmann, Mike Gregorio, W. Russ

8:30 Jon Hemmer, Matt Howland, Tom Perrino, Michael Trotta, Lenny Diaspro

10:30 Michael Alfieri, Roland Becker, Timothy McMahon, Bob Sheil, J. Sonnefeld

12:00 Pat Burke, John Flick, Patrick Homan, Shawn Gillette



Opening Prayer

Almighty ever-living God, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Reflecting on Living the Gospel

Philosophers debate the meaning of justice and charity. Justice is often considered the doing or giving what is owed to another, for example, money, labor, or some other arrangement. Charity is the gift one gives expecting nothing in return. A philosophical parlor game centers around the definition of charity. Can an act be considered charity if the doer expects a thank you? Or does the expectation of an expression of gratitude annul the act of charity, which is given expecting nothing in return?

The disciples have a simple request of Jesus today: "Increase our faith." How many of us have made the same request? What did the disciples mean by it? In another example of hyperbole, Jesus responds by saying that if their faith was the size of a mustard seed (about the size of a sesame seed) they would be able to move trees. Now, nobody, not even Jesus moved trees. Significantly, there are other gospels where the claim is that they could with faith the size of a mustard seed move mountains (Mark 11:23; Matt 17:20). But apparently Luke thought that "mountain" was hyperbole taken too far. For in this gospel the extent of faith is only moving trees. Nevertheless, the point is simply that they have little faith, not even that the size of a mustard seed.

Jesus continues his lesson with a demonstration of the proper attitude of a servant who does what he is told expecting nothing, not even gratitude, in return. That attitude, striking for us today, is proper for discipleship. So the disciples' query about increasing their faith brings a mild rebuke from Jesus, stating that their faith is smaller than the size of a mustard seed. Even so, they should simply carry out their mission without expecting even a thank you.

Closing Prayer

Father of us all, you give faith as a gift not to those who deserve or ask, but to those to whom you will. Your ways are inscrutable and beyond human comprehension. Still we ask as the disciples asked Jesus, to increase our faith. In our journey on earth we seek to comprehend you and know you more intimately, to behold the mystery that is you. In your son, whom you sent to live among us as a model of faith, we pray. Amen.



For Reflection:

• The disciples implore Jesus, "Increase our faith." If faith is "the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things not seen" (Heb 11:1), what is it that you are hoping for?

Suggestions for group and individual use:

- 1. Pray aloud the "Opening Prayer" (in The Roman Missal called the "collect").
2. One person read aloud the gospel.
3. Each read prayerfully "Reflecting on Living the Gospel" and spend some time in personal prayer.
4. Share together responses to "For Reflection."
5. Pray the "Closing Prayer."

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Gospel

Luke 17:5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith."

The Lord replied, "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.

"Who among you would say to your servant who has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in the field, 'Come here immediately and take your place at table?' Would he not rather say to him, 'Prepare something for me to eat. Put on your apron and wait on me while I eat and drink. You may eat and drink when I am finished'?"

Is he grateful to that servant because he did what was commanded? So should it be with you. When you have done all you have been commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.'

Readings for the week:

Table with 8 columns: 27th Sunday in Ord. Time, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 28th Sunday in Ord. Time. Each column lists the corresponding Bible readings.