



Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, September 20, Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 **BW** Parishioners and Friends of St. Rose

10:30 **BW** Helmut Roehrig from Mary

12:00 **BW** Linda Evans from Kay & Bill Russ

Monday, September 21, St. Matthew, Apostle

12:10 Jerry Putman from Eileen & Family

Tuesday, September 22

12:10 Tim Wolohan from Jane Abraham

Wednesday, September 23, St. Pius of Pietreicina

12:10 Frank Fobiano from Larry & Carol

Thursday, September 24

12:10 Mary Ann McCafferty from Bill & Kay Russ

Friday, September 25

12:10 Elaine Fischer from Tom & Francie Hiltz

Saturday, September 26, Sts Cosmas and Damian

12:10 Barbara Reilly from Claire Thorton Wilger

7:00 **BW** Carol Wessel from Barbara Juengling

Sunday, September 27, Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 **BW** Parishioners and Friends of St. Rose

10:30 **BW** Marlene McDonald from Tim & Trish McDonald

12:00 **BW** Sophie Cimino from Tom & Francie Hiltz

From the Pastor's Desk

PUBLIC MASSES WITH RESTRICTIONS WILL BE HELD UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

PLEASE REGISTER FOR SATURDAY EVENING AND SUNDAY MASSES at strosecincinnati.org

ALL INDIVIDUALS MUST WEAR A MASK WHILE INSIDE THE CHURCH. Thank you for your understanding, patience and cooperation.

THE CATHOLIC FAITHFUL WHO RESIDE IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CINCINNATI CONTINUE TO BE DISPENSED FROM THE OBLIGATION OF ATTENDING SUNDAY MASS.

To join us for mass on your computer, ipad , smart phone, or smart tv go to our website STROSECINNATI.ORG and click on [WATCH LIVE](#). I want to thank everyone who continues to support us with their generous contributions. God Bless, Fr. Barry

Robert Matthew Hayes and Patrick Joseph Alge were welcomed into the Catholic Church and Christian Community through the sacrament of Baptism here at St. Rose Church.

CCD classes begin THIS SUNDAY Sept. 20. Registration will be that day at 9:00 a.m. Classes are each Sunday from 9:15 to 10:15 for grades kindergarten to 8th grade. There is plenty of room for social distancing. Any questions please contact Debbie Wesselman weselandmma@aol.com or 513-703-8229

RCIA

If you know anyone who would be interested in learning about the Church and possibly join the Church Fr. Barry is starting up the RCIA in September. There will be plenty of room to social distance. Any questions please call (513) 871-1162

SIGN UP TO PRAY A MINUTE - Do you believe in the power of prayer? Do you believe that our country is in desperate need of peace, justice and goodwill? If so, then go to www.PrayAMinute.com and pledge to pray just one minute more than you already do, every day, for the specific intention of peace, justice and goodwill. The site also contains inspiring reflections and useful prayer resources. Catholics from across the archdiocese are uniting in prayer from now until January 1, the World Day of Prayer for Peace, for the spiritual renewal of our country. Please join this movement!

IGNATIAN WEEKEND RETREATS 2020-2021

For dates and information please go to website; www.jesuitspiritualcenter.com
Phone number : (513)248-3500

Turn Away from your wicked ways and from your wicked deeds.

~Zec 1:4

Reflection. *Let us brace ourselves with strong energy against the incitements of evil habits.*

By so doing, we can often turn those evil habits to the account of virtue.

~St Gregory the Great

Prayer. *Almighty God, let me be ever mindful that You can draw good out of evil. Help me to fight against my evil tendencies and turn them into occasions for strengthening virtues.*

SUNDAY FUNNIES

~ I just did a weeks worth of cardio after walking into a spider web.

~ I don't mean to brag, but I finished my 14-day diet food supply in 3 hours and 20 minutes

~ A recent study has found women who carry a little extra weight live longer than men who mention it

~ A thief broke into my house last night. He started searching for money so I woke up and searched with him

A reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Philippians:

Brothers and sisters:
Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me life is Christ, and death is gain. If I go on living in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. And I do not know which I shall choose. I am caught between the two. I long to depart this life and be with Christ, for that is far better. Yet that I remain in the flesh is more necessary for your benefit. Only, conduct yourselves in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ.

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Opening Prayer

O God, who founded all the commands of your sacred Law upon love of you and of our neighbor, grant that, by keeping your precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life. 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

Jesus was a master teacher. His parables inspired and they were remembered in part because they were simple stories that conveyed multiple layers of meaning. Each story seems to have a variety of possible entry points, as does today's gospel. Is the landowner truly just when he gives all the workers the same wage? What would unionized workers say about this practice? Why does the landowner distribute wages in the manner he does, with those who worked the longest receiving their pay last? Is he trying to incite a riot, or maybe inspire jealousy and envy? All of these questions and more may be conjured up by a quick reading of the parable.

Not only was Jesus a master teacher, but we recall that he taught two thousand years ago! One challenge is that some of his stories are set deeply in the milieu of his context. The parable is not in fact making statements about modern labor law or the role of unions or day laborers. Instead, landowners in Jesus' time had incredible power over workers and over their property. Perhaps because there were no labor unions, guest worker programs, or labor laws to protect workers, the landowner was able to act with impunity. This kind of power makes for an apt image of a powerful and unaccountable God!

So Jesus uses the character of the landowner in the parable to say that God gives each his or her due at the very least, and he is generous. It is not up to us to tell God how and in what way he is to be generous with his resources. God gives to each what he will, though not less than what he promised.

In the early church this parable was often interpreted in terms of Jews and Gentiles, with Jews being the early workers and Gentiles being those who came late. God gives each a share of his kingdom. All will likely be surprised by the generosity of God and by who appears at the heavenly banquet.

Closing Prayer

Lord Jesus, you are the master teacher, informing us of the meaning of discipleship and what that entails. Give us your spirit of perseverance so that we might live worthy of our call. Your Father, our God, is generous and gives what he will. We are grateful for all these gifts, in your holy name. Amen.

Gospel

Matthew 20:1-16a

Jesus told his disciples this parable:

"The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard.

After agreeing with them for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard.

Going out about nine o'clock, the landowner saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and he said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard, and I will give you what is just.'

So they went off.

And he went out again around noon, and around three o'clock, and did likewise.

Going out about five o'clock, the landowner found others standing around, and said to them,

'Why do you stand here idle all day?'

They answered, 'Because no one has hired us.'

He said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard.'

When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman,

'Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and ending with the first.'

When those who had started about five o'clock came, each received the usual daily wage.

So when the first came, they thought that they would receive more,

but each of them also got the usual wage.

And on receiving it they grumbled against the landowner, saying,



'These last ones worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us, who bore the day's burden and the heat.' He said to one of them in reply, 'My friend, I am not cheating you. Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. 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?' Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."

For Reflection:

- How do you feel about God's justice as portrayed in the parable of the laborers in the vineyard?

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 Prayers."

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Readings for the week:

25th Sunday in Ord. Time Isa 55:5-9 Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 Phil 1:20c-24, 27a Matt 20:1-16a	Monday St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 Matt 9:9-13	Tuesday Prov 21:1-6, 10-13 Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44 Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 Luke 8:19-21	Wednesday Prov 30:5-9 Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163 Luke 9:1-6	Thursday Ezrl 1:2-11 Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc Luke 9:7-9	Friday Ezrl 3:1-11 Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4 Luke 9:18-22	Saturday Ezrl 11:9-12:8 Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17 Luke 9:43b-45	26th Sunday in Ord. Time Isaak 18:25-28 Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5 Matt 21:28-32
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