



## Twenty-Nineth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, October 18 Twenty-Nineth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 **PS** Parishioners and Friends of St. Rose  
10:30 **DE** Linda Evans from Bill & Kay Russ  
12:00 **DE** Special Intention for Sharon Kemble from Kathleen Rafferty

Monday, October 19, Sts. John, Isaac & Jogues

12:10 John Rizzo (birth) from Joan, Jack & Family

Tuesday, October 20, St. Paul of the Cross

12:10 Julia Ryan from The Ryan Family

Wednesday, October 21

12:10 John Rizzo (death) from Joan, Jack & Family

Thursday, October 22, St. John Paul II, Pope

12:10 Bill Earls from Family

Friday, October 23, St. John of Capistrano

12:10 Frances & Stephen Rog from The Ryan Family

Saturday, October 24, St. Anthony Mary Claret

12:10 Mimi London from Mark London and Family

7:00 **JW** David Evans from Eileen Putman & Family

Sunday, October 25, Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

10:30 **PS** Bill & Thelma Catton from Walker & Carolyn White

12:00 **PS** Jeanne Picianno from Mary Buetler

### 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](http://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](http://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

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

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy to the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: grace to you and peace. We give thanks to God always for all of you, remembering you in our prayers, unceasingly calling to mind your work of faith and labor of love and endurance in hope of our Lord Jesus Christ, before our God and Father, knowing, brothers and sisters loved by God, how you were chosen. For our gospel did not come to you in word alone, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with much conviction.

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### PRAYER AGAINST CORONAVIRUS

Lord Jesus Christ, our Divine Physician, we ask you to guard and protect us from Coronavirus COVID-19 and all serious illness.

For all that have died from it, have mercy; for those that are ill now, bring healing. For those searching for a remedy, enlighten them; for medical caregivers helping the sick, strengthen and shield them. For those working to contain the spread, grant them success; for those afraid, grant peace. May your precious blood be our defense and salvation. By your grace, may you turn the evil of disease into moments of consolation and hope. May we always fear the contagion of sin more than any illness. We abandon ourselves to your infinite mercy. Amen. -Pedro de la Cruz

### 8<sup>th</sup> Annual 5K Run/Walk for Vocations

The Coldwater K of C Council 1991 - 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Knights of Columbus 5k Run/Walk for Vocations, Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at Cavalier Stadium in Coldwater. 5K will use the Buzzard's Glory route on the streets of Coldwater. The mission of the 5K is to further our support for Catholic Vocations by increasing awareness as well actively fulfilling the call for financial support of area Seminarians/Vocations.

Runners & walkers of all faiths and denominations are welcome to participate.

Online registration: <https://runsignup.com/Race/OH/Coldwater/KofC5kRunWalkforVocations>

Race day registration will be held from 8:45 to 9:45, with the 5K beginning at 10:00.

**Connor Sambrookes and Jordan Perry** were united in the Holy Sacrament of Matrimony this weekend here at St. Rose Church.

In the charity of your prayers please pray for the souls of **Patricia Coyne and Emil Jemil** whose funerals were this past week here at St. Rose Church.

**Nelma Patricia Lewis, Frances Eleanor Russell and London Elizabeth Hajjar** were welcomed into the Catholic Church and Christian Community through the sacrament of Baptism January 19th here at St. Rose Church.

### SUNDAY FUNNIES

**The Irish never hesitate to come to the aid of their fellow Irishman...air passengers, in this case!**

Shortly after take-off on an outbound, evening Aer Lingus flight from Dublin to Boston, the lead attendant nervously made the following painful announcement in her lovely Irish brogue:

“Ladies & Gentlemen, I’m so very sorry, but it appears that there has been a terrible mix-up by our catering service. I don’t know how this happened, but we have 103 passengers on board, and unfortunately, we received only 40 dinner meals. I truly apologize for this mistake and inconvenience.”

When the muttering of the passengers had died down, she continued, “anyone who is kind enough to give up their meal so that someone else can eat, will receive free and unlimited drinks for the duration of our 10 hour flight.”

Her next announcement came about 2 hours later: “If anyone is hungry, we still have 40 dinners available.”



### Opening Prayer

Almighty ever-living God,  
grant that we may always conform our will to yours  
and serve your majesty in sincerity of heart.  
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

As we continue to follow and witness Jesus' activities as events in Jerusalem march closer to that fateful end, we hear about a verbal sparring match between Jesus and the Herodians and Pharisees, adversaries themselves. But a common threat (Jesus) has united these two competitors. The Herodians and the Pharisees (or at least their disciples) scheme together to ensnare (which is another meaning of the Greek term translated as "entrap") Jesus with a clever riddle.

The puzzle posed is sublime. When asked whether to pay the tax, Jesus might say to pay it, in which case he can be said to endorse the political system. Or Jesus might say not to pay the tax, in which case he can be said to endorse the overthrow of the political system. Either answer seemingly dooms him. But their insincerity and their plotting are plain to see. Instead of falling into the "either/or" trap, Jesus does something more cunning. After addressing them directly as "hypocrites," he asks for a coin, something which he does not have. They produce the coin, thereby demonstrating that they essentially endorse the system. He asks them whose image and whose inscription is on this coin they bear. With their reply, their fate is sealed. "Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

Jesus is not issuing a dissertation on the intersection of politics, religion, and the economy. He is not endorsing or condemning an economic system. But by his reply he has indicted the Pharisees and the Herodians for their inordinate concern about money versus what ought to be a concern for the things of God.

His indictment should strike us too. Where are our concerns? Are we focused on money or on God? Are we sincere of heart, or are we scheming? It's likely too flippant on our part to say with a sincere heart that we are focused only on God. Jesus' words to his verbal opponents are addressed to us too: "Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God."

### Closing Prayer

Good God, giver of all that is life-sustaining, give to us your children a spirit of gratitude and humility for all we have. May we never claim "mine" when we see what is yours. And may we emulate your generosity with all the gifts you have given to us. For you are a generous giver in whose name we pray. Amen.



### For Reflection:

• Jesus tells the Pharisees, "[R]epay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar / and to God what belongs to God." What do you think he means by this teaching?

### 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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### Gospel

Matthew 22:15-21

The Pharisees went off  
and plotted how they might entrap  
Jesus in speech.  
They sent their disciples to him, with the  
Herodians, saying,  
"Teacher, we know that you are a  
truthful man  
and that you teach the way of God in  
accordance with the truth.  
And you are not concerned with anyone's  
opinion,  
for you do not regard a person's status.  
Tell us, then, what is your opinion:  
Is it lawful to pay the census tax to  
Caesar or not?"

Knowing their malice, Jesus said,  
"Why are you testing me, you hypocrites?  
Show me the coin that pays the census tax."  
Then they handed him the Roman coin.  
He said to them, "Whose image is this  
and whose inscription?"  
They replied, "Caesar's."  
At that he said to them,  
"Then repay to Caesar what belongs to  
Caesar  
and to God what belongs to God."

### Readings for the week:

29th Sunday in Ord. Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	30th Sunday in Ord. Time
Isa 43:1, 4-6	Eph 2:1-10	Eph 2:13-22	Eph 3:2-12	Eph 3:14-21	Eph 4:1-6	Eph 4:7-16	Exod 22:20-26
Ps 98:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10	Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5	Ps 85:9ab-10, 11-12, 13-14	Isa 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6	Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-20	Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6	Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd 5	Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51
1 Thess 1:1-5b Matt 22:15-21	Luke 12:13-21	Luke 12:35-58	Luke 12:39-48	Luke 12:49-53	Luke 12:54-59	Luke 13:1-9	1 Thess 1:5c-10 Matt 22:34-40