

SCRIPTURE READINGS

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Amos 6:1a, 4-7

Amos denounces the selfish attitude of those who surround themselves with luxuries with no concern for others. He goes on to warn that because these people lacked interest in the state of their society, they would be the first to be exiled.

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 6:11-16

Paul tells Timothy to seek integrity, faith and love. Paul urges him to attain everlasting life by maintaining strong faith in Jesus and in God until Jesus returns.



Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

Jesus tells of a rich man who feasted daily, while a beggar named Lazarus went hungry outside his gates. When both men died, Lazarus was taken to Abraham, but the rich man was in torment. When he begged for mercy, Abraham reminded him that Lazarus had lived in torment, while the rich man lived in selfish luxury. The man then asked if Lazarus could be sent to his brothers to warn them. But Abraham said if they had not heeded Moses or the prophets, they would ignore even the warning of one risen from the dead.



For the Week of September 29th through October 6th

Sunday

Am 6:1a, 4-7; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

Monday

Zec 8:1-8; Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday

Zec 8:20-23; Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday

Neh 2:1-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10

Thursday

Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Lk 10:1-12

First Friday

Bar 1:15-22; Lk 10:13-16

First Saturday

Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Lk 10:17-24

Sunday

Hb 1:2-3, 2:2-4; 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14; Lk 17:5-10

The US Council of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) provides a full listing of the Sunday and Daily Readings, in print and audio format, on its website, <http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings>.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 28th

4:00 p.m. Marie Gruber

Sunday, September 29th

8:00 a.m. Richard Graziano

10:00 a.m. Helen and William White and Richard Hunter

Monday, September 30th

8:30 a.m. Louise Weigel

Tuesday, October 1st

8:30 a.m. Margaret Radler

Wednesday, October 2nd

8:30 a.m. Martin Radler

Saturday, October 5th

4:00 p.m. Jerry Peterson

Sunday, October 6th

8:00 a.m. Steve Belcak, Sr.

10:00 a.m. Betty and Bill Coleman



REMEMBERING THE SICK OF THE PARISH:

Remember in your prayers the sick of the parish: *John Troffo, Valerie Lindyberg, Patricia Dana,*

Angela Wilmer, Faith King, Rosemary Keating,

Eugenia Brooks, Alicia Bourne, Tom Blum,

Michael and Lena Yirka and all those whose names appear in the PARISH BOOK OF INTENTIONS.

NEW TO THE PARISH: Please be sure to register with the Parish Office and introduce yourself to Father Grasing after Mass. Registration forms are available at the doors of the Church, the Parish Office, or online. For additional information, please call 410-778-3160, or go to sacredparish.org.

MAY THE ANGELS LEAD THEM INTO PARADISE: Please remember in your prayers James "Tater" Schaubert, and our deceased parishioners, loved ones, and benefactors. Grant them eternal rest, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

PREP

Parish Religious Education Program



Bringing the Gospel Home

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Luke
16:19-31

Reflection for Parents

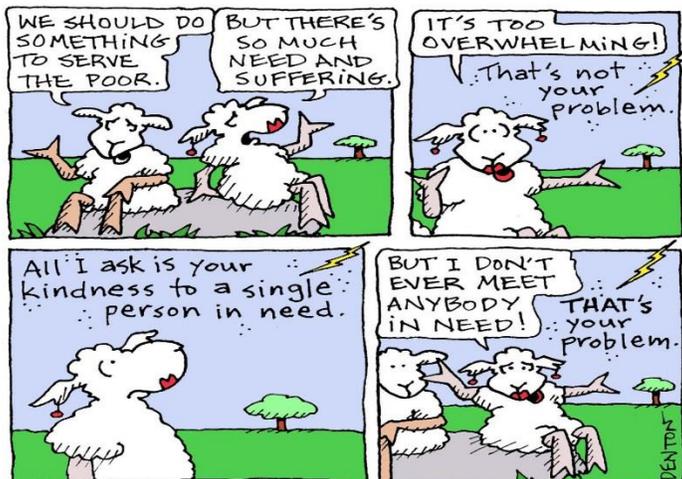
Most often we think of ourselves as rich people sharing our resources with those in need, and indeed, that is what we, as Christians, are called to do. But have we ever been the one being served? Perhaps we have not found it necessary to receive material goods from others, but what have others given us out of generosity in the form of time, energy, or actions. Maybe someone sat with us when one of our children was sick, or helped us with some physical chore when our burden was too heavy to carry alone. It might even be a coach or teacher who has helped our children in a generous way. How can the actions of these people help us better live this Gospel message today? What can we give of ourselves?

Bringing the Gospel into Your Family

Gather items from your home that are in good condition and not necessarily the things you plan to get rid of anyway—maybe a new item of clothing, a new book, or toy that you're not quite finished with. Place them all in one area of your home, possibly a prayer area. Pray over the items and for the people who will be receiving them and then take them to a shelter for families that are suffering hardship. Continue to pray for the people who will receive and use the items you offer.

Discussion Starters

1. The way I feel about having so much more than someone else is . . .
2. One way I believe we can fill in the distance between the world of "haves" and "have nots" is . . .
3. One of the greatest incidents of inequality that I see is . . .



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"The Lord gives sight to the blind ...raises up those who were bowed down."

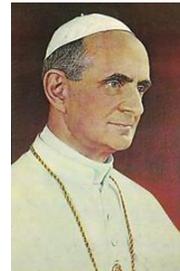
Sheepish Question:

Where have I failed to notice someone in need?

SEPTEMBER SAINTS

SEPTEMBER 26 – PAUL VI (GIOVANNI BATTISTA MONTINI), POPE

As a child, Giovanni Battista Montini was often ill. He could not do many of the things that other children his age could do, but he loved to study and read. After he finished high school, he studied for the priesthood and was ordained in 1920.



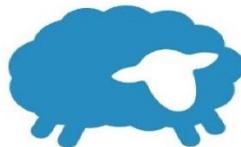
Father Montini went on to hold a variety of important positions in the Church. In 1953, he was named archbishop of Milan. There he fought for the rights of workers and worked to improve relationships among all the Christian traditions. In 1958, he was named a cardinal of the Catholic Church.

When Pope John XXIII died in 1963, Archbishop Montini was elected pope. He took the name Pope Paul VI. Pope Paul VI promised to continue the work begun by Pope John XXIII. He saw to it that the decisions of Vatican II were carried out. He traveled to five continents, making him the first pope in 150 years to leave Italy.

Pope Paul VI also continued to work to improve relationships with other Christian traditions. In 1964, he traveled to the Holy Land and met with Patriarch Athenagoras I of Constantinople, in an effort to mend relations with the Eastern Orthodox Church. Later that year, he traveled to India, and in 1965 he traveled to the United States and addressed the United Nations.

In 1968, Pope Paul VI wrote an encyclical titled *Humanae Vitae* (Of Human Life). In this document, Pope Paul VI instructed Catholics on the importance of welcoming children into their families and on respecting human life.

Pope Paul VI died on August 6, 1978. On October 14, 2018, Pope Francis named him a saint of the Church.



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We love having you as part of our flock! Let's keep in touch!

PARISH NEWS

Offertory – Week Ending September 22nd Week 13

Thank you for your offering. It is with your continued support and the sharing of your time and talent that the ministries, programs and activities at Sacred Heart and St. John's are made possible. "Whatever you give to the Lord, He will return to you a hundred fold."

	Received	ACH	Budgeted	Diff.
Offertory 9/22 Wk. 13	\$3,877	\$814	\$6,635	-\$1,944
YTD Wk. 13	\$59,318	\$19,186	\$86,255	-\$7,751

ART AND ENVIRONMENT: While the liturgical calendar continues in Ordinary Time, our gardening season is changing from summer to autumn. Throughout the summer the Art & Environment group has had the wonderful fortune to have parishioners share their garden bounty with our church community. Less than \$30.00 has been spent on flowers since the end of June. We'd like to express our gratitude to the following homes for their gardening generosity: M. Broadhurst, K. Kemp-Dockstader, C. Kirk, A. O'Connor, K. O'Connor, L. Shearer, J. Updyke, in addition to the highways and byways of Kent County. Should your garden produce autumnal beauties that you'd like to share, please contact Emily Moseman, emilymoseman@pobox.com or 443-282-0198. We cut at your discretion.

ELECTRONIC GIVING: It is possible to make your weekly financial commitment to the Parish using Electronic Funds Transfer. We are encouraging everyone to consider using this contribution method. Contact Mary Jo Frohlich with any questions at 410-778-3160, or mfrohlich@sacredparish.org. Sign up forms are available at the doors of the Church.

HOSPITAL VISITS: We are not able to access patient records from the Chester River Hospital Center. If you or someone in your family is a patient, and you wish to receive Communion, please contact the Parish Office at 410-778-3160, and provide us with the patient's name and room number and we will do our best to accommodate the request.

HELP NEEDED: Each year, the Salvation Army distributes approximately \$20,000.00 to families in need, in the Chestertown area. A team of volunteers interviews these individuals two mornings a week, at the First United Methodist Church. Presently, we are in need of a volunteer to help interview clients, one to two mornings a month. These clients have been pre-screened and referred by Kent County Department of Social Services. No experience is needed. Training is provided.

Please call Pat McDonald at 410-928-5160 if interested in helping our neighbors in need.

REMINDER TO ALL LITURGICAL MINISTERS AT SACRED HEART: Thank you to the ministers who volunteer to serve weekly at our liturgies. Please remember to "check in" before mass in the foyer of the church. Simply highlight your name on the schedule so that we know in advance if we need to fill positions or make changes. All ministers should check in...Lectors, Greeters, Cantors, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers. Thank you for your attention to this request.



The goal of Rise Against Hunger is to end hunger worldwide by the year 2030. Sacred Heart Parish, in partnership with Christ United Methodist Church and First

United Methodist Church, will be hosting our 2019 Meal Packaging Event on **Saturday, October 26, 2019** at the CUMC church hall at 401 High Street here in Chestertown. The event begins at 9am with fellowship and donut holes and a few words of instruction. Meal packaging commences at about 9:30. We will be packaging a little over 15,000 meals this year and should be finished by about 11:00. Come and stay until the job is done or drop in and see what is going on. It is an amazing experience! All of the money to pay for the meals has already been donated --- Thank you for your generosity.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Ann Anderson at 410-778-4243 or wmandersonfamily@verizon.net.

For more info about Rise Against Hunger, check out their website: www.riseagainsthunger.org. Together we can do great things!

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES are being sent directly to your home, bi-monthly. If you are not receiving envelopes and wish to do so, please contact Becky Davis at 410-778-3160.

