

Monday
SEPTEMBER 19
Weekday
Prv 3:27-34
Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday
SEPTEMBER 20
Sts. Andrew Kim
Tae-gŏn, Priest,
and Paul Chŏng
Ha-sang, and
Companions,
Martyrs
Prv 21:1-6, 10-13
Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday
SEPTEMBER 21
St. Matthew,
Apostle and
Evangelist
Eph 4:1-7, 11-13
Mt 9:9-13

Thursday
SEPTEMBER 22
Weekday
Eccl 1:2-11
Lk 9:7-9

Friday
SEPTEMBER 23
Saint Pius of
Pietrelcina, Priest
Eccl 3:1-11
Lk 9:18-22

Saturday
SEPTEMBER 24
Weekday
Eccl 11:9-12:8
Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday
SEPTEMBER 25
*Twenty-sixth
Sunday in Ordinary
Time*
Am 6:1a, 4-7
1 Tm 6:11-16
Lk 16:19-31

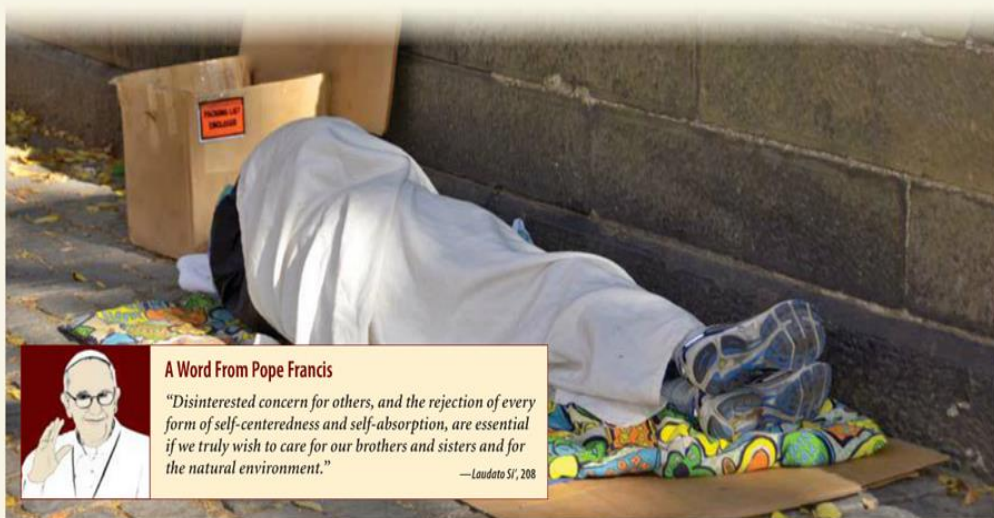
Ordinary Time

September 18, 2016 ♦ Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
Am 8:4-7 ♦ 1 Tm 2:1-8 ♦ Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

When Pope Francis was elected, Catholics were inspired by his humility and simplicity. When he bowed before the people in St. Peter's Square and asked for their prayers, the little crowd gathered around the TV in the basement of the Catholic Center was moved to tears. When he announced that he would continue living in the guest house rather than the papal apartments and eat in the cafeteria, we cheered. But Pope Francis also challenged us. He wanted us to examine how we treated the poor and marginalized of the world. In his encyclical *Laudato Si'*, he confronted us with the understanding that our misuse of the environment impacted the poor first of all and that we could no longer continue to consume our natural resources in a reckless and greedy fashion.

The prophet Amos has some harsh words for those who exploit the poor. In the Old Testament, care for the widow, orphan, and stranger—the poorest of the poor—were among the most righteous things a person could do. Many prophets pointed to the failure to do so as a sign that the people had turned from the Lord and, in their sin, cared only for themselves. More recent figures who also have indicated that the measure of a society is the way they treat their poorest members include Ghandi, Pope St. John Paul II, and Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Christ commanded us to love one another. Surely this includes seeing that all have the basic necessities of life, even if that means we don't get everything we want.

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A Word From Pope Francis

"Disinterested concern for others, and the rejection of every form of self-centeredness and self-absorption, are essential if we truly wish to care for our brothers and sisters and for the natural environment."

—*Laudato Si'*, 208



Twenty Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

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You cannot serve God and mammon.¹¹

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Every Friday Adoration from 8:30 a.m.
to 9:30 a.m
**SACRAMENT OF
RECONCILIATION**
Both Before Mass and by Appointment.

Mass Schedule for this Week
Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule
Sun 7:30 am Our Parish Family
St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions
Sat 5:00 pm +Julia Peronne
Sun 9am +Liz Necaise

Mon 8 am spec int
Tue 8 am +Fr Pete
Wed 6pm spec int
Thu 8am spec int
Fri 8am spec int

From Father Khoa's Desk...

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

"And the master commended that dishonest steward for acting prudently." It's important to pay attention to the details of the parable Jesus tells in today's Gospel.

At first glance, it might seem as if Jesus is encouraging us to be dishonest. But in fact, it's just the opposite. The steward in this tale was reported to his master "for squandering his property." In other words, the steward was not being responsible with what he was in charge of. And the master was ready to fire him on account of it. But then, the steward had a change of heart. (This isn't so hard to comprehend sometimes it takes a real threat for us to realize we need to change our ways, doesn't it?) So the steward went to the people from whom he had previously collected money to "make friends" with them. How? By reducing their debts.

This might seem to be dishonest yet again, but we need to bear in mind that in the end, the master was pleased with the steward's behavior. So this debt reduction must not have affected the master's pocketbook. Rather, it seems probable that the steward had originally hiked up what the debtors owed the master and put the extra cash in his own pocket. This was the sort of extortion that was common in those days, among tax collectors for example. Now, when the steward was about to lose his position, he thought it wise to go back and return that "dishonest wealth" to the folks who had lost it, and gain some sympathy in the process. So, in the end, the steward was making up for his previous cheating behavior by doing something RIGHT and smart. It's this honest behavior that will enable him to take his

place in "eternal dwellings." And surely our honest behavior will have the same effect.

This Sunday is the Catechetical Sunday. The word "catechesis" means "to echo." Literally, we are to echo the good news of Jesus Christ to the world. This is not a suggestion; it is a command of our Lord. Some people are called and set apart in our communities as catechists, those formally trained and charged with passing on the Gospel to children and adults, inside and outside of our communities. On Catechetical Sunday, we acknowledge them and remind ourselves of the need for formation and growth in all of us. To be a catechist is a privileged calling, and today be sure to say "thank you" to one in your community.

May God bless all of us!

...Fr. Khoa

Blood Drive: This Sunday Sept 18 from 10am to 3pm. Thank you for your generosity.

Parish Council: meets **this Saturday.**

Parish Picnic: will be **next Sunday Sept 25.** We invite everyone to come to this occasion to enjoy the foods, faith, family, and fellowship. There will be only one mass 10 am. It will be held in the Pavilion. **No other Masses** will be held that weekend. Meat and drinks will be provided. The following is a list of what parish members need to bring **A-K- SALADS (lettuce, potato, macaroni, pea, pasta, etc); L-M- Desserts; N-Z- Veggies.** Any questions call: Beverly Saucier 228-832-4968.

CCD: Please contact Robert Lizana.

RCIA: For more info, please contact **Henrietta.**

Garage Sale: will be on **October 8 and 15.** Please contact **Beverly and Loretta.** Thank you.

MASS	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MIN.	SERVERS	USHERS	GIFT B.
Sat Sept 17 5pm	Richard Dunlap	Lenell King W C King , Kay VanPelt	Austin Scarengoas	Doug Kernie	Mike & Dianne Mays
Sept 11 7:30am	Sandra Ammons	Daniel Squillante	(OLC)	Tery Mitchell	(OLC)
Sun Sept 18 9am	Lisa Cuevas	Chantel Crabtree, Susan Peleaz , Marlow Ladner	Carson Keegan	Robert Jimmy	Tyler & Gina Leveret Family
Sun Sept 25 10am	Beverly/Sandra Ammons	TBA- PICNIC	TBA-PICNIC	TBA-PICNIC	TBA-PICNIC

ST. ANN ACTIVITIES.

Bible Study: We study **Gospel of Luke: the gospel of Mercy.** Please join us. Classes are on **Tues at 9am and Wed at 6:30pm.** For more information, please contact **Ruth and Henrietta.**

Donations during the summer

During the summer, please remember that the Parish operates year round including summer time. Please don't forget that your weekly offering is always very important to keep normal operations steady. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP:**

91Identifiable: **\$2,479.99**; Loose: **\$1,269.00**;
Total: **\$3,214.99**; Children: **\$21.00**;
Assumption: **\$5.00.**

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Identifiable: **\$290.00**; Loose: **\$226.00**; Total: **\$516.00**

****Amount needed weekly \$2,908.84.**

Thank you for your generosity.

Church Cleaning: Thank you Kay and Gerald Van Pelt for cleaning the church on Sept 11 + 18. The Knights of Columbus will clean the church on Sept 24 and Oct 2. Thank you.

Bereavement Committee: Please contact **Sharon Leimer** at 539-9928. Lasagna, green salad, rolls, and deserts will be provided for the funeral reception upon request. Thank you.

Catholic Students of our parish to receive subsidy are: Sarah Thomas, Kennedy + Car + Keegan Leverette, Jacob Estrada, Tucker + Ella Enroth, C. + C. + L Broom, Austin Scarengoas, Will Dreher, L & V Jeanfreau, and Nick Quintini. Please contact me this week if your children/grandchildren are not on the list.

VISITATION OF THE SICK: Please keep the parish office informed so we may minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital, or in a nursing facility. For those wishing to receive the Eucharist contact the parish office, 832-2560.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MARRIAGE

Church regulations require at least six months of preparation for a wedding. Our advice is to call well in advance of that time if you wish to reserve a wedding date and receive info: one's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic prenuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding.

PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:

Leslie Cuevas, William DeMello, Dcn Jack Hunter, Lee James, Darlene Billingsley, Victoria Moran, Jerry Malley, Vivian Clifford, Ezekiel Rutherford, John Moran, Jerry Rutland, Regina Franke, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Debbie Bowen, Larry Shruff, Andrew Fillengame, Melissa Peterson, Madison Phelps, Breanna Ladner, Curtis (Cubby) Ladner, Gerald Barrilleaux, Greg West, and Hollis Moran.