



## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME September 8, 2019

Fill us at daybreak with your kindness, that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days.  
— Psalm 90:14

### POST-SUMMER CHALLENGES

With any luck, summer delights will continue a while past last weekend's Labor Day: refreshing recreation (with maybe an occasional swim) or enjoyable relaxation on the deck (with tasty outdoor grilling). Truth is, for some of us, this year's Labor Day came way too early. With many schools back in session for a while already, mealtimes and driving schedules needed readjustment to coordinate youth sports with adult commitments. Some religious education and parish programs resumed, too. No surprise, then, that this weekend's scriptures sound a little like post-summer challenges. For instance, Wisdom reminds us that believers in God can never be content with "timid deliberations" and "unsure plans." Paul challenges longtime friend and follower Philemon to "let the good you do be voluntary." Jesus instructs "great crowds" traveling with him—including us—on three things necessary for all true disciples to accomplish. On this early autumn weekend, our scriptures describe disciples' lifelong labors.

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### Mass Intentions

September 7th : Harold Segerson +  
by Khuyen Segerson

September 8th: Parishioners of St  
Andrew and St Regina

September 14th: Parishioners of St  
Andrew and St Regina

September 15th: Dorothy Konz +  
by Mark & ay Bartel

### Liturgical Ministers

**September 15, 2019**

**Lectors** — Eleanor Michie

**Gift Bearers** — Mr & Mrs John McConville

**Eucharistic Ministers** — Mary Alyce Fiechtl, Elaine Doner

**Servers** — Brenda Placencia, Myriann Placencia

**Sacristans** — Mary Alyce Fiechtl

**Altar Linens** — Sheri Parkinson, Susan Booth

**Ushers**—Men of the Parish

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Eastern Catholic and Orthodox Christians share a love for the Byzantine liturgy because it is during the Eucharist that the Church is most true to its identity, expresses its integrity, and discovers its vocation. Eastern Catholic and Orthodox Christians celebrate essentially the identical liturgy, with only very slight variations. It is a fairly complex ritual weaving together three separate layers of prayers: a liturgy prayed in the sanctuary by priests, often hidden by a curtain or screen; a liturgy sung by the assembly and led by a deacon in front of a screen formed of painted icons; and a third layer of private prayer by the priest, who prays in support of the deacon and the faithful. It is an eyes-wide-open experience, gorgeous in visuals, and filled with the sound of God's people singing prayer. The energy of the worship centers on the presence of Christ, largely through an awareness of heaven touching earth when the Church gathers to celebrate.

In the late twentieth century, Latin Rite Catholics were encouraged to embrace a style of worship that was "full, conscious, and active," a value that has never been lost in the East. The liturgy has great impact in its beauty, in its poetry and contemplation, and by the actions of bowing, signing with the cross, and chanting that are required of the assembly. Contact with the Eastern Church reveals some key values that have been obscured in our own Church and are slowly being recovered.

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### TODAY'S READINGS FOR YEAR C

**First Reading** — You sent your holy spirit from on high and thus were the paths of those on earth made straight (Wisdom 9:13-18b).

**Psalm** — In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge (Psalm 90).

**Second Reading** — Paul asks Philemon to accept back his slave Onesimus as a brother (Philemon 9-10, 12-17).

**Gospel** — Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion? (Luke 14:25-33).

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### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

#### Parishioners

Grant Adams, Joyce Franckowiak, Ethel Huffman, Gigi Lui, Marietta Smith

#### Relatives

Michel Amrhein, Thomas Blankenship, Christopher Butler, Christine Hart and the twin boys Benjamin and Theodore, Andrew Morlan, Yu Youn Suk

#### Friends

Emma Cupples, Fr Robert Ponticello

### WEEKLY OFFERING

Sept 1st  
Budget \$2100  
Actual  
Not available

### THE VALUE OF EDUCATION

What greater or better gift can we offer the republic than to teach and instruct our youth?

—Cicero



Deacon Moss' new classes will start on Tuesday, September 17th, 1:00 till 2:30 pm.

The book, *With An Everlasting Love* by William Barry is \$10.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Col 1:24 — 2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11  
Tuesday: Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1b-2, 8-11; Lk 6:12-19  
Wednesday: Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3, 10-13ab; Lk 6:20-26  
Thursday: Col 3:12-17; Ps 150:1b-6; Lk 6:27-38  
Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Lk 6:39-42  
Saturday: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17  
Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 17, 19; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32 [1-10]

### Mass Schedule



**Monday:** 9:00 am  
**Wednesday:** 11:30 am  
**Thursday:** 9:00 am  
**Friday:** 11:30 am  
**Sunday Vigil:** 4:30 pm  
**Sunday:** 9:00 am

### Coming Events

The office will be closed on Monday and Tuesday, September 9th-10th.



### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents Day  
Monday: St. Peter Claver  
Wednesday: Patriot Day  
Thursday: The Most Holy Name of Mary  
Friday: St. John Chrysostom  
Saturday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross