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Mass Intentions

Sept 11th: Irene Leroux Johnson +
Aunt of Kay Bartel

by Mark & Kay Bartel

Sept 12th: Parishioners of St Andrew

Sept 13th: Soul of Vincente Ngo Dinh
Dinh

Sept 15th: Soul of Fr Gerard Van der
Heydt

Sept 16th: Haling for Dominic Hoang
Quoc Bao by Thuy Hoang

Sept 18th: Gene Ragghianti +
by Mary & Kay Bartel

Sept 19th: Parishioners of St Andrew
and St Regina

A GRANDPARENT RECIPE

A grandparent is a little bit parent, a
little bit teacher, and a little bit best
friend.

—Anonymous

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 12, 2021

The Lord God is my help, therefore I am not disgraced.

— *Isaiah 50:7*

IT’S ALL ABOUT CONTROL

From toddlerhood to old age, we grow in mastery of our own
lives, our bodies, and our destiny. This mastery is hard won, and we
don’t let go of autonomy easily. Much of this self-mastery involves
the avoidance of pain or discomfort, so when we hear things like
“take up your cross” and “lose your life,” we tend to resist the mes-
sage.

James says that faith without works is dead. Ouch! That is real-
ly a direct message! One way to look at this, as well as the part
about losing our life to find it, is that faith is a process of more and
more openness to God’s direction of our lives. It is very hard for us
to give up control, but perhaps what we are being asked to do is not
to become passive and babyish, but to allow God to direct where
our self-mastery will lead and what it will accomplish. We are
asked to relinquish the need to control the results of our efforts; to
risk, as Jesus did, the loss of everything we are working to achieve.
We are asked to let God take the lead and to control the results,
even though we may never see those results.

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FEAST OF FAITH

Offering and Intercessions

In this holy moment—with the consecrated bread and wine, the
Body and Blood of Christ, upon the altar—we pray for a share in the
fruits of Christ’s sacrifice. We offer to God what God has given to
us, and we intercede for the Church and the world. We pray for the
pope and for all the bishops, and we mention the bishop of our local
church by name. We pray for the clergy and for all the people of
God. We pray in a special way for those who have died. And we pray
for ourselves, that one day, with Mary and all the saints, we may
come to that place where Jesus already reigns. These prayers of inter-
cession, like the General Intercessions earlier in the Mass, broaden
our focus and remind us that the Eucharist is offered not just for
those gathered, but for the salvation of the entire world. The Eucha-
ristic Prayer leads us from an intense focus on Christ, present in the
consecrated host in the hands of the priest, to a loving sweep of pray-
er that embraces the world.

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WEEKLY OFFERING

September 5th

Budget	\$1750
Actual	\$2315
Bldg.	\$446
Over	\$1011

TODAY’S READINGS FOR YEAR B

First Reading — The Lord GOD is my help; who
will prove me wrong? (Isaiah 50:5-9a).

Psalm — I will walk before the Lord, in the land of
the living (Psalm 116).

Second Reading — Faith, if it does not have works,
is dead (James 2:14-18).

Gospel — Jesus asked his disciples, “Who do you
say that I am?” (Mark 8:27-35).

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Parishioners

Grant Adams, Lucien Cravens, MaryAnn Maness,
Peggy Moss, James Trim, Joey Wall,

Relatives

Kelli Blankenship, Thomas Blankenship, Austin
Ernst, Emily Ernst, Jackie Donnett, Andrew Grower,
Christine Hart and the twin boys Benjamin and
Theodore, Nicholas Kirkpatrick, Jenny Moore,
Andrew Morlan, Yu Youn Suk

Friends

Emma Cupples, Sunny Maness, Fr Robert Ponticello,
For all who have Covid 19

Liturgical Ministers

Sept19:

Lector: Eleanor Michie

Gifts: The Gonzales Family

Server: Marshall Mize

Sacristans— Heather McKee, Melanie
Sadler

Altar Linens — Laurie Green, Mary The-
resa Foster

Ushers—Men of the Parish

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary
Time;

Grandparents Day

Monday: St. John Chrysostom

Tuesday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Wednesday: Our Lady of Sorrows; Yom
Kippur
(Jewish day of atonement) begins
at sunset

Thursday: Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian

Friday: St. Robert Bellarmine;

St. Hildegard of Bingen

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7-9; Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38;
Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-6; Jn 19:25-27 or
Lk 2:33-35

Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16; Ps 111:7-10; Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-10, 17-20; Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 8:4-15

Sunday: Wis 2:12, 17-20; Ps 54:3-8; Jas 3:16 — 4:3;
Mk 9:30-37

Mass Schedule



Monday: 11:30 am

Wednesday: 11:30 am

Thursday: 9:00 am

Friday: 11:30 am

Vigil on Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In this country, we don’t name our churches “The
Fourth Avenue Catholic Church,” but rather seek a patron
saint or mystery of faith. We inherit this tradition from an old
Roman custom via medieval England. Interestingly, that has
not been the practice elsewhere, and parishes abroad often do
carry just the name of the neighborhood. In Ireland, the Ro-
man (English) practices didn’t take hold, and so churches are
known simply by the street they are on, or by a nickname.
Saint Francis of Assisi in Dublin is often called “Adam and
Eve” after a pub in the same street. The pub sign is an inter-
esting carving of our first parents, so they become patrons by
default.

Increasingly in the United States, we are seeing a
familiar European pattern emerge when a few churches, each
bearing the name of a patron saint or mystery, are gathered
into one parish that bears a different name. Thus, we might
hear of a parish of “Midvalley City” comprised of Saint Mary,
Saint Francis, and Saint Ursula churches. Once a church has
been consecrated, its name may not normally be changed.
Therefore, when parishes are merged, a new name is given to
the parish, which may or may not be that of a heavenly patron,
but the church buildings retain their names. In the process, we
have lost sight of some worthy patrons of old, but have also
seen new parishes open dedicated to twentieth-century saints
like Edith Stein, Katharine Drexel, and Mother Teresa.

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