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AUGUST 31, 2025

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE

IN EFFECT SEPT 2

Daily

7:00 am Church ☎

Saturday

8:30 am Church ☎

with Confessions immediately following

4:00 pm (Vigil) Memorial Hall

Sunday

7:30 am Church

9:00 am (Family) Memorial Hall*

10:30 am Church ☎

12:00 pm (Spanish) Church

5:00 pm Church

☎ = Mass also available via livestream

CHURCH HOURS

Monday - Friday

6:45 am - 4:00 pm

Saturday

8:00 am - 9:30 am

Sunday

7:00 am - 1:00 pm

and

4:45 pm to 6:00 pm

OFFICE HOURS

Appointments requested

Monday - Thursday

10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Friday

By appointment only

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so that we may share
its fruits with others.

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DEUTERONOMY
14:28-29



Mass + Intentions

To request a Mass intention, please visit st-teresa.org/mass-intentions.



Stewardship Reflections...

"Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you." LUKE 14:13-14

One of the main principles of living a stewardship lifestyle is to give without expecting anything in return. This is difficult for some to comprehend in our "consumerist" culture that we live in. This is even difficult for many parish communities that have become heavily dependent on parish fundraising events to support the mission and ministry of their local parish. Generally speaking, at a parish fundraiser, you pay money and receive something in return, it's just a financial transaction. This is opposed to our parish offertory at Holy Mass, where you unite your sacrifice with Jesus', renewing our covenant relationship with Him.

"Antes bien, cuando ofrezcas un banquete, llama a pobres, mancos, cojos, ciegos, y serás bienaventurado, ya que ellos no tienen como recompensarte." LUCAS 14:13-14

Uno de los principios más importantes para vivir una vida de corresponsabilidad es dar sin recibir nada a cambio. Esto es difícil de comprender para algunos por la cultura "consumista" en la que vivimos. Incluso para muchas comunidades parroquiales, esto puede ser un desafío, ya que han llegado a depender en gran medida de eventos de recaudación de fondos para sostener la misión y el ministerio de su parroquia local. Generalmente hablando, en una campaña de recolección de fondos parroquiales, usted da dinero y recibe algo a cambio, es simplemente una transacción financiera. Esto es diferente a nuestra ofrenda parroquial durante la Santa Misa, donde unimos nuestro sacrificio al de Jesús, renovando nuestra relación de alianza con Él.



May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

ALLISON C RIGGIN
JACK DUFFY



"A Time to be Healed"

PARISH SICK:
Don Criquei
Angela Amoia

Saturday, August 30 8:30 AM

† John Martin Flaherty
† Michelina Ferrandino
† Joseph J Oakes, III
† Arthur Fricke
† Richard D Lennon
† Dylan Faulkner
† Carlo Catillo
† Mary A Finnegan
† Francis A Martin Jr
† Karen Redfern

4:00 PM † David W Montgomery

Sunday, August 31

7:30 AM † Luciano Pasqualina Pietrantouno

10:30 AM † Ghyslaine D'Meza

12:00 PM † Juana Castro Barahona

5:00 PM † Patricia Bailey

Monday, September 1
Labor Day

9:00 AM † Audrey and Jeremiah Clark

Tuesday, September 2

7:00 AM † Leonard Provenzano

Wednesday, September 3

7:00 AM Joselito Legaspi

Thursday, September 4

7:00 AM † Thomas Zarinko, Jr.

Friday, September 5

7:00 AM † Laiza Miller

Saturday, September 6

8:30 AM † Mary Lozina
† Anthony Giacona
† Maria T Ferrante
† Lucille Labarbera
† Eric Brandzel
† Tiffany Uribe
† Marjorie D. Malone
Sharlene Lim
Marina Acedo

4:00 PM † Maria Carmela Mannino

Note: Our Regular Sunday Schedule is back in effect starting this weekend!

Sunday, September 7

7:30 AM † Dario Basilone

9:00 AM † Joan VanNatta

10:30 AM † Vittorio Candeloro

12:00 PM † Raul Rivera Maravi

5:00 PM † Tiffany Uribe




Please Note:

In observance of Labor Day, Monday, September 1, Mass will be celebrated at 9 am. The Church will be closed following Mass. The parish office will be closed.

FALL MASS SCHEDULE

RESUMES SEPTEMBER 1

See you at Mass!



Daily
7:00 am — Church

Saturday
8:30 am — Church
with Confessions immediately following
4:00 pm (VIGIL) — Memorial Hall

Sunday
7:30 am — Church
9:00 am (FAMILY) — Memorial Hall
10:30 am — Church
12:00 pm (SPANISH) — Church
5:00 pm — Church

Reflections on the **DIGNITY OF WORK** and the **RIGHTS OF WORKERS**

"It is clear from the very first pages of the Bible that work is an essential part of human dignity; there we read that 'the Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it' (Gen 2:15). Man is presented as a laborer who works the earth, harnesses the forces of nature and produces 'the bread of anxious toil' (Ps 127:2), in addition to cultivating his own gifts and talents. Labor also makes possible the development of society and provides for the sustenance, stability and fruitfulness of one's family: 'May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life! May you see your children's children!' (Ps 128:5-6)."

Pope Francis, *The Joy of Love*
[*Amoris Laetitia*], nos. 23-24)

"In many cases, poverty results from a violation of the dignity of human work, either because work opportunities are limited (through unemployment or underemployment), or 'because a low value is put on work and the rights that flow from it, especially the right to a just wage and to the personal security of the worker and his or her family.'"

Pope Benedict XVI, *Charity in Truth*
[*Caritas in Veritate*], no. 63)

"The problem is when our understanding of work is so connected to our specific job that we forget about God's vision for all of work. We are created to work, and our labor is supposed to transform us into the kind of people who live in love with others and with our community. When we lose too much of our lives to our work week, we risk losing our God-given health as well as our chance to enjoy the God-given creative process. Like our first parents, we are so tempted to become devoted to only one tree and to forget everyone and everything else that makes God's garden beautiful and life-giving. As stewards of God's creation made in the divine image, our work is meant to forge a balance among us, our neighbors, and our environment. All godly labor is about cultivation-in-balance."

Excerpt from *This Labor Day, celebrate God's work*
by Matthew Sherman | uscatholic.org





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YOUTH MINISTRY

Our Summer of Service experiences came to an end last week with 7 of our teens joining in the efforts of Montclair Emergency Services for Hope (MESH) to provide daily meals and assistance to those in need in the Montclair/Bloomfield area. Our young people served over 65 dinners to the needy, assisted in helping them attain hygiene supplies and clothing, and served all whom they met with dignity and compassion. As one of our teens shared in reflection, helping people is not about taking care of their needs, but about serving the heart of Jesus in each person.



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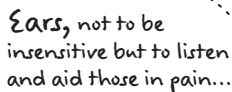
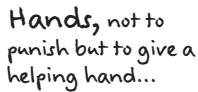
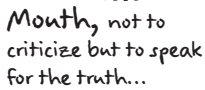
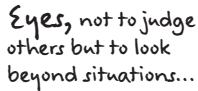
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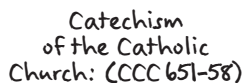
50 QUESTIONS EVERY CATHOLIC SHOULD KNOW...

22. WHAT IS THE RESURRECTION?



The Resurrection is the bodily rising of Jesus from the dead on the third day after His death on the Cross. Christ's victory over death is the crowning truth of our faith and the basis for our hope that we too will be raised with Christ.

EXPLORE THIS SOME MORE...



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MINISTRY *Board*



Avoiding plastic water bottles is one of the key actions that individuals can take. Find a reusable bottle that you like and integrate it into your daily routine. Already do this? Look for other plastic containers in your house, like hand soap, shampoos and laundry detergent and make a switch.

Welcome FALL CELEBRATION

— SUN | SEPT 14 —

9:30 am - 12:00 pm*

*Due to our wedding schedule, this event ends at 12 pm.



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Role Reversal

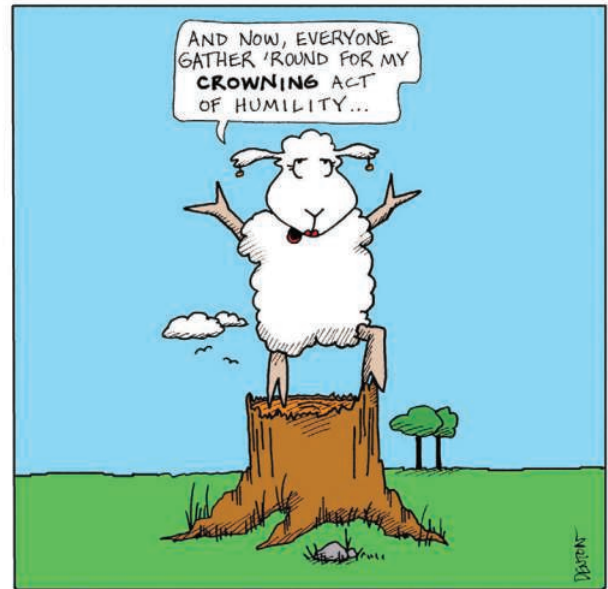
This Week's Readings at Mass

- ▶ Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29 - Humility
- ▶ Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a - God the judge; Jesus the mediator
- ▶ Luke 14:1, 7-14 - A lesson in humility

Jesus is an astute people-watcher. Throughout the Gospels, he notices and comments on the subtle behavior and language of those around him, reading into the hearts of the people he encounters. In the Gospel today, Jesus presumably notices that he is being observed carefully by his host and the friends of the leading Pharisee who had invited him to dinner. Knowing that they were also studying him carefully, he boldly launches into a teaching about pride and humility when he notices the social posturing that goes on as the guests jockey for the best seats at the table.

As usual, Jesus is an “equal opportunity offender;” this time calling out his host and his companions for a social practice that was widely accepted in their day—aiming for the highest rung possible on the social ladder. While the host might have been seeking gratitude and honor for inviting Jesus and hosting such a famous guest, Jesus doesn’t waver from his teaching and preaching about God’s particular concern for the poor, the outcast, and the forgotten in communities. His bluntness calls out both the individuals playing their social cards and the societal practice itself that isolates so many members of society.

After probably offending his host and the other guests by calling on them to quit jockeying for position, he goes even farther. Not only should they humble themselves in each others’ company, but they should also go out of their way to “exalt” those who will never be



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“Humble yourself the more, the greater you are, and you will find favor with God.”

Sheepish Question:

Who am I trying to impress?

able to repay them: the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. To understand how shocking the suggestion was in his day, we might imagine in our time an extravagant destination wedding in a fantastic location. Jesus is suggesting that the hosts should invite as guests the locals of the service industry (those who clean the bathrooms in the airport, the wait staff at the restaurants, the hotel room cleaners, etc.) and the homeless of the area instead of the friends and family of the bride and groom!

Questions of the Week

① When have you been guilty of exalting yourself (maybe very subtly) because of your education, wealth, race, or social status?

② In what area(s) of your life might you be called to humble yourself or find a way to “exalt” those who are “lowly”?

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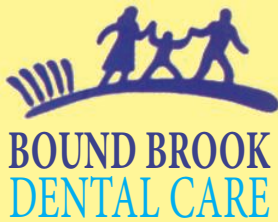
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