

# Queen of Peace Parish



## Welcome!

We, the Catholic community of Queen of Peace Parish, centered in the Eucharist, strive to grow in our faith and our relationship with God as a welcoming people, working for peace and justice through service to others.

### OUR LADY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

8747 W. Lawrence Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60656

#### MASSES:

Tuesday: 7:00 am  
Thursday: 7:00 am  
Sunday: 10:00 am

### ST. EUGENE CHURCH

7958 W. Foster Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60656

Ph. (773) 775-6659, (773) 775-6660  
(773) 775-6694

#### RECTORY OFFICE HOURS:

Mon.- Thur.: 9:00 am - 7:00 pm  
Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Saturday: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

#### MASSES:

Monday: 9:00 am  
Wednesday: 9:00 am  
Friday: 9:00 am  
Saturday: 8:30 am  
Sunday Vigil Mass: 4:30 pm  
Sunday: 8:30 am  
11:30 am

**CONFESSIONS** 3:30 pm on Saturday

#### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Monday: 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
Benediction: 5:45 pm



## 23<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"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? ... In the same way, anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple."

- Lk 14:28, 33

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September 7, 2025



# FROM THE DESK OF FR. RICH



Today we celebrate the Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time.

The book of Wisdom was written by a teacher who lived in Alexandria, Egypt, a center for Greek philosophy in the ancient world. Fearful that the Jewish people might be captivated by this secular wisdom, the author contrasts it with the rich spiritual wisdom found in Jewish religious traditions. The ninth chapter presents a prayer of Solomon for wisdom, and today's reading is an excerpt from this prayer.

Philemon was a rich man with many slaves, one of whom – Onesimus – escaped. Onesimus reached Paul in prison and converted to Christianity. In sending Onesimus back to Philemon, Paul gave him a letter to take with him, a portion of which we hear today.

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One of the most fulfilling and gratifying experiences I have as a priest is the celebration of the Eucharist. Without a doubt, sharing in this event of Christ's life in which he enabled us to be united with him in this intimate way brings comfort and inner peace beyond description. This past week at morning Mass while praying the words of the Eucharistic Prayer, I felt so strongly the presence of the Lord in our midst. As I observed the daily Mass congregation in prayer, it became clearer than ever to me of the value and the benefits of daily Mass attendance.

Often times, I remind the daily Mass attendees of how significant their presence here is. In many ways, as we gather around the Lord's Table, we are representative of the larger community. At times, I have emphasized how the grace of this sacrament can transform lives and how I look to this humble crowd to set an example and tone in and for the rest of the parish.

I am convinced that without this daily gathering in which we proclaim, hear, share and reflect upon the

wisdom and direction of God in the scriptures, our lives and our parish would be a different place. This morning, I also thought how wonderful it would be if more people in our parish could be touched by this experience. What keeps those in our parish who are able to participate in daily Mass from doing so? I suppose a long list of excuses could be named, but might that not be all that they are – excuses?

For this reason, I am putting out a personal invitation to all of you who might be at home and not working, a retired senior, middle-aged man or woman working 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> shift, or a stay-at-home mom or dad to consider joining our Queen of Peace community at prayer in daily Mass. I would bet my life that after a steady practice of reflecting upon the Word of God and receiving the Body and Blood of Christ you will feel not only more personally fulfilled, but more empowered to deal with, tackle and take on the daily challenges of life.

There can be no greater sign of Christ's presence among us than that of a community at prayer. For even Christ himself said, "Where two or more are gathered, there am I in their midst".

Won't you consider joining us at daily Mass? Perhaps you might invite a neighbor to come with you and start a new routine for you both? You might even meet a new friend here. Great things happen around the table of the Lord. Hope you can join us as we look forward to welcoming you. Daily Mass is celebrated Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9:00 a.m. at St. Eugene Church as well as on Saturday morning at 8:30 a.m. at St. Eugene Church. On Tuesday and Thursday mornings Mass is celebrated at Our Lady, Mother of the Church at 7:00 a.m. Hoping you might join us and begin a whole new routine!

Wishing you all a fantastic week ahead!

*Fr. Rich Yanos*

# THE BIBLE ACADEMY

PRESENTS NEW PROGRAM

## THE BIBLE TIMELINE®: THE STORY OF SALVATION



The Video  
Presenter:  
**Jeff Cavins**



### Understand the Entire Bible! A 24-Part Study Featuring Jeff Cavins

**Date:** Thursdays, beginning Sep 25th, 2025

**Time:** 6.30pm to 8.00pm

**Where:** School, Room 110

**Cost:** \$30 for Study Materials

**Facilitator:** Fr. Jacek A. Dada

#### The Bible Timeline

The Story of Salvation is a fascinating Bible study that will take you on a journey through the entire Bible. Go deep into each period of salvation history and discover the amazing story woven throughout all of Scripture. Using a unique color-coded system, you will see how all the major people, places, and events of the Bible reveal the remarkable story of our faith.

#### Why should one join?

If you find reading the whole bible daunting, this is a good start. The Bible Timeline® will help you to piece all the parts together. Come and learn about our salvation history.

#### Who should join?

Those who want to grow in the Catholic faith and a deeper understanding of our salvation history;

#### My Takeaways are:

1. A better appreciation of salvation history through the chronological unfolding of events, the link between Old Testament & New Testament.
2. The application questions on key themes at each session drew our focus to how the early Christians' challenges are still relevant and applicable to our lives today.
3. I particularly liked the Talk Sessions where Jeff Cavins focused us on significant events, keen observations which we would have missed because we took the readings too literally. I am still struggling to understand & interpret the scriptures as it is written. Sometimes one gets lost in the Hebrew flowery language.
4. Lastly the Bible Timeline workbook provided a good reading plan that you can always refer to.

## Mass Intentions

### Saturday, September 6, 2025

#### 8:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Jude & Minn Families  
Lekarczyk, Rubio & Zlatorzycki Families

#### 4:30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass at St. Eugene Church

People of the Parish  
Awana, Grow & Mannheims Families  
Living & Deceased Members of the Blaszak, Powidzki & Skoskiewicz Families  
Mario Burzawa  
John Cielak  
Kay & Eileen Egan  
Mary Lou Elliott  
Zofia Malecka  
Denise Trost  
S.I. For Members & Friends of the Veidel Family

### Sunday, September 7, 2025

#### 8:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Gene Pawula - Birthday  
Patricia & Brian Lagergren,  
Emily Steckiewicz- B-Day Blessings  
La Pietra, Brickman & Killmer Families  
Marino & Regina Lising, Franciszka & Stanislaw Chabura  
Mary O'Donnell, Mary Marga - 1 Year Anniversary

#### 10:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church

Mario Bordignon  
Maria Carrozza  
Maria Balita Castor  
John Catanese  
Frank & Julia Kot  
Maria Grace Nardi & Vito Nardi  
Donato Parente  
Edward Rebacz  
Nicola Troiano  
Andy Walczak

#### 11:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Joseph Cozzone  
Lia Gerard  
Janice Lambrecht  
Helen Lavelle  
Colomba A. Lupo  
Anna & Alessio Mancini - 40th Wedding Anniversary  
Irene McGreevy  
Hillard Mike Michalek  
Michael Michalek  
Anthony & Josephine Stellato

### Monday, September 8, 2025

#### 9:00 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Giuseppe Cozzone  
Lincoln & Leyden Families  
Marino & Regina Lising  
Eraldo & Nancy Simonetti  
Emily Steckiewicz - 100th Birthday Blessing

### Tuesday, September 9, 2025

#### 7:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church

Souls in Purgatory  
Virginia Cables - 25th Death Anniversary

### Wednesday, September 10, 2025

#### 9:00 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Charles Dressner  
Jude, Minn & Smith Families  
Marcella Marszalek - 5th Death Anniversary  
Rabi C. Melendrez  
Mary-Jo Savino

### Thursday, September 11, 2025

#### 7:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church

Audrey & Clifford Bastian  
Katherine Feret

### Friday, September 12, 2025

#### 9:00 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Juan Diaz  
S.I. for Sylwia  
Wright & Handwerker Family  
Martha Wrobel

### Saturday, September 13, 2025

#### 8:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

America & Poor Souls in Purgatory

#### 4:30 pm Saturday Vigil Mass at St. Eugene Church

The dying & Poor Souls in Purgatory  
John & Gloria Bernardi  
Alma Garza - Death Anniversary  
Wayne J. Greco & Bernice Hujar  
Sr. Cherubina Hoog  
Rosemary Plotke  
Frances Purchla  
Chuck Stermetz - 2nd Death Anniversary  
Anna & Michael Stoklosa  
Frederick Tomzik

### Sunday, September 14, 2025

#### 8:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

People of the Parish  
All Priests, Religious & Deacons  
John Cielak  
Antonio Di Brita  
Caterina Di Bartolo - Death Anniversary  
Christine Pudlo  
Mirno Della Santina  
Palma Santucci  
Eugene Swieton  
Jerome Wrobel

#### 10:00 am Mass at Our Lady, Mother of the Church

Maria Carrozza  
Maria & Tadeusz Knurek  
Stefania & Jan Kulon  
Zofia & Czeslaw Pilch  
Yuolito Ochotorena  
Jozef & Stefania Rebacz  
Edward & Irene Scarleski  
Joseph Subsits  
Thomas Szczech  
Regina Weber

#### 11:30 am Mass at St. Eugene Church

Maria Biancorosso  
Concetta Caranfa  
Maria Colletto  
Mirno Della Santina  
George Guzik  
Giovanni Lucchesi  
Pearl & George Giovannoni  
Anthony & Josephine Stellato

	CELEBRANT	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER	ALTAR SERVER	LECTORS
SATURDAY, 09/13 4:30 PM ST. EUGENE	Rev. Rich Yanos	S. Sparacino - WB L. Feist - B Celebrant/D. Sulimowski - C M. Pollowy - O A. Cisek - WO R. Sparacino - Cup B T. Crivlare - Cup O	J. Rog S. Martinez L. Parillo-Hall	C. Bobka
SUNDAY, 09/14 8:30 AM ST. EUGENE	Rev. Greg Rom	R. Kennedy - WB J. Kolaski - B Celebrant / M. Egan - C G. Fornek - O J. Fornek - WO B. Ndiwe - Cup B M. Unger - Cup O	B. Villena I. Francis W. Francis	L. Vasich
SUNDAY, 09/14 10:00 AM OLMC	Rev. Jacek Dada	N. Mosk - AB P. Peterson - AC D. Flynn - TB R. Molas - TB D. Calabro - TB	G. Pilch J. Pilch	J. Molas - 1st J. Colon - 2nd
SUNDAY, 09/14 11:30 AM ST. EUGENE	Rev. Robert Carlton	U. Pawlowski - WB T. Moore - B Celebrant / M. Holder - C P. Tomzik - O M. Tomzik - WO F. Pacia - Cup B J. Mroszczak - Cup O	M. Clancy C. Rodriguez C. Brown	P. Wagner



# THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE



Sept 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>

ST. EUGENE & OLMC CHURCHES  
AFTER EACH MASS

The Knights of Columbus will be selling Tootsie Rolls after Masses the weekend of Sept. 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> at OLMC & St. Eugene Churches.

This fundraiser will help people with intellectual disabilities.

Thank you for your support.

## Our Birthday Gift to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Peace; Rosaries for Her Intentions

The Rosary intention of the Rosary Guild this week is to pray at least one Rosary for the intentions of Mary, Queen of Peace, in honor of her birthday this Monday, September 8. Rosary Guild members are Emily A., Lori G., James H., John I., Lita J., Evelyn K., Terri K., Lonnie M., Mary M., Ted M., Josephine N., Emilie P., Stefania P., Jean R., Demi S., and Shirley S.

# NATIVITY of MARY



### Living Rosary

People each pray a decade or more of the Rosary every day for the triumph of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Queen of Peace, which is for the glory of the Most Holy Trinity, and in honor of the patron of the Living Rosary, Saint Philomena.

#### Joyful Mysteries

Annunciation - Ted M.  
 Visitation - Barb R.  
 Nativity - Josephine N.  
 Presentation - Karen R.  
 Finding in the Temple - Mary M.

#### Luminous Mysteries

Baptism of Jesus - Barb R.  
 Wedding at Cana - Mary M.  
 Proclaim the Kingdom - Ted M.  
 Transfiguration - Emily A.  
 Institution of Eucharist - Emily A.

#### Sorrowful Mysteries

Agony in the Garden - Jean R.  
 Scourging at the Pillar - Jean R.  
 Crowning with Thorns - Mary M.  
 Carrying of the Cross - Ted M.  
 Crucifixion - Demi S.

#### Glorious Mysteries

Resurrection - Lita J.  
 Ascension - Marsha G.  
 Descent of Holy Spirit - Camille C.  
 Assumption of Mary - Camille C.  
 Coronation of Mary - Camille C.

## INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?



### OCIA - ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS.

#### WHO IS OCIA FOR?

- NON-CATHOLICS WHO WANT TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH.
- THOSE WHO WANT TO JOIN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH THROUGH BAPTISM, OR PROFESSION OF FAITH
- THOSE WHO WERE BAPTIZED CATHOLIC AS INFANTS BUT NEVER RECEIVED RELIGIOUS EDUCATION, CONFIRMATION, OR FIRST EUCHARIST.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE AT 773-775-6660 OR FR. CARLTON AT [RCARLTON@ARCHCHICAGO.ORG](mailto:RCARLTON@ARCHCHICAGO.ORG).

## Queen of Peace Parish

Teen Club for students  
 in grades between 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>



Queen of Peace Parish is excited to start up the youth group for students in grades between 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> this fall. Like last year, we will be joining the group from Immaculate Conception. We will be meeting monthly at either Immaculate Conception or Queen of Peace. The gatherings will provide time for the students to socialize amongst each other and opportunities for service.

September 12, 2025 - I.C. Rectory - Assembly and Outdoor Field Space

October 3, 2025 - TBA

November 14, 2025 - I.C. Rectory Assembly

December 5, 2025 - TBA

January 9, 2026 - I.C. Rectory Assembly - Movie Night

February 13, 2026 - I.C. Bowling Alley Party

March 6, 2026 - TBA

April 17, 2026 - TBA

All meetings are from 6:00pm-9:00pm.

PLEASE EMAIL FR. CARLTON.  
 (RCARLTON@ARCHCHICAGO.ORG) WITH ANY QUESTIONS  
 PLEASE SEE PARISH WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK  
 FOR REGISTRATION INFO.



### Anointing of the Sick Mass

**When:** Saturday, September 27, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

**Where:** Our Lady, Mother of the Church, 8747 W. Lawrence Ave., Chicago, IL 60656

*Jesus came to heal the whole person, body and soul.*

The US Conference of Catholic Bishops writes:

*In the Church's Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, through the ministry of the priest, it is Jesus who touches the sick to heal them from sin – and sometimes even from physical ailment. His cures were signs of the arrival of the Kingdom of God. The core message of his healing tells us of his plan to conquer sin and death by his dying and rising. When the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is given, the hoped-for effect is that, if it be God's will, the person be physically healed of illness. But even if there is no physical healing, the primary effect of the Sacrament is a spiritual healing by which the sick person receives the Holy Spirit's gift of peace and courage to deal with the difficulties that accompany serious illness or the frailty of old age.*

#### WHO MAY RECEIVE THE SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK?

- ◆ The elderly who are weakened or in a state of decline
- ◆ Those who are facing surgery due to a serious illness
- ◆ Those who are suffering from serious mental illness
- ◆ Sick children who have enough use of reason to be strengthened by the sacrament
- ◆ The faithful in a coma who implicitly requested it when they were in control of their faculties

**Please RSVP by completing the below form and place in the collection basket or call the office 773-775-6659.**

Reception will follow in the Narthex.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS, SEPTEMBER 27, 2025**

**10:00 AM AT OUR LADY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH**

**FIRST & LAST NAME**

**PHONE NUMBER**

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**SUNDAY, 31, 2025**

4:30pm SE	\$2,859.00
8:30am SE	\$2,281.00
10:00am OLMC	\$3,329.00
11:30am SE	\$1,744.00
Mail	\$2,241.00
<b>Total Physical</b>	<b>\$12,454.50</b>
<b>Online Collection</b>	<b>\$1,697.01</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>\$14,151.51</b>



**SECOND COLLECTIONS**

**September 7**

Sacred Heart/St. Eulalia Parish  
Sharing

Special Collection to support Gaza

**September 14**

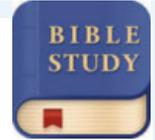
School Support

**September 21**

Social Concerns/Food Pantry

**September 28**

Seminary Educational Fund



**Bible Study**

Wednesday in St. Eugene  
School-room 110  
from 10:00 to 12:00.

Questions or comments please feel free  
to email Frank at [fjizak@comcast.net](mailto:fjizak@comcast.net)  
Hope to see you there!



**Prayer Shawl  
Ministry**

Come join us to make a  
difference in peoples lives. We crochet  
shawls, lap robes, baby blankets, crosses  
and even scarves and hats when there is  
a need. If interested we meet the first  
and third Wednesday of every month.  
Any questions please reach out to Pam  
at 773-685-7586 or 773-848-4586.

**Adoration  
of the Blessed Sacrament**

St. Eugene Church  
Mondays 4 - 6 pm.  
Benediction at 5:45 pm.



**Bulletin Submissions:**

Bulletin requests must be sent 2  
weeks prior to the desired bulletin  
weekend to

[mgeurtsen@archchicago.org](mailto:mgeurtsen@archchicago.org)

We reserve the right to edit.

Submissions will be placed in the  
bulletin if space allows and pending  
administration approval. Please call  
the parish office for the holiday  
schedule. *Thank you.*

**Early Submissions  
for Sep. 14 & 21 Bulletins.**

Articles and information for  
bulletin dated **Sep.14<sup>th</sup>** must be  
submitted for consideration by  
noon no later then Wednesday,  
**Sep.8<sup>th</sup>** and for bulletin dated  
**Sep.21<sup>st</sup>**- no later then Wednesday,  
**Sep.15<sup>th</sup>**. *Thank you.*

**Knights of Columbus**



If you are interested in  
joining the Knights of Columbus, please  
contact Joe Marley at  
708-702-2726 [Marley-j@comcast.net](mailto:Marley-j@comcast.net)

**The Friendship Club**



Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>  
Tuesdays at 11am at OLMC. For more  
information about upcoming meetings  
or with any other questions, please  
contact Debra by calling 773-398-4472  
or email at [dltimmreck@gmail.com](mailto:dltimmreck@gmail.com)

The Friendship Club will be having a trip  
to Four Winds Casino in New Buffalo,  
Michigan on Wednesday, October 8,  
2025. The cost of the trip will be  
\$36.00. The bus will leave the south  
parking lot of Our Lady Mother of the  
Church at 9:00 SHARP and return about  
5:00. Any questions, please call Valerie  
at 708-453-6034.

**Please Pray for our  
Deceased Parishioners:**

† Josephine Guidice

*May the souls of the faithful  
rest in peace.*



THE FRIENDSHIP CLUB IS BACK! The Friendship Club will be meeting on Tuesday, September 9, 2025 at 11:00. Our doors will open at 10:00 to Welcome all our members and any men and women 55 years and older who would like to join us for a delicious \$10.00 lunch, a raffle drawing of 3 tickets for \$1.00, and Bingo Cards for \$1.00 each. Membership is \$15.00 for September, 2025 to June, 2026 and we meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month in the Hayes Center at Our Lady, Mother of the Church located at 8747 West Lawrence Avenue. Parking is available in back of the church in the south parking lot. Our lunch will be pizza, salad, and ice cream for dessert. After lunch, Bingo will be played. We look forward to seeing you there.



# PRAYER REQUESTS

Lord God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that You restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. We thank You and praise You through Jesus the Christ. Amen.

Pat Apida  
Annabella Amato  
Ralph J. Amelio  
Victoria Amelio  
Peter Badagliacca  
Patricia & Lawrence Basili  
Judy Bauer  
Don Bellisario  
Ludwika Bialo  
Bronislaw Bialo  
V. Bischof  
Gabriella Bongiorno  
Virginia Bongiorno-Lawrence  
Johnmar Castillo  
Gracie Carey  
Karen Cazolas  
Victoria Chrabasz  
Mary Ciliak  
Mark Corrado  
Jacqueline Connoly  
Sharon Crowley  
Susan Curtin  
Angela D'Alessandro  
Joseph Duna  
Kurt Feiereisel  
Carol Fijalkiewicz  
Matthew Fijalkiewicz  
Tony Fiore  
Bob Gasiorek  
Harry Gelardi

Patricia Gelfond  
Susan Hennessy  
Jeff Herden  
Renee Holm  
Terry Katz  
Arthur Kopeck  
Harry Krawczyk  
Thomas Landeck  
James LaPietra  
Abigail Lim  
Allie Lim  
Frank Lizak  
Rose Mary Maratto  
Mickey Margelewski  
Dcn. Ted Marszalek  
Stanislaw Mazek  
Azucena Melendrez  
Lena Menconi  
Dolores Michalek  
Patrick Misciniscinski  
Judy Mitrenga  
Linda Morton  
Norman Mosk  
Michael J. Muscarello  
John Nelson  
Joey Notaro  
Anthony Notaro  
Rev. James J. O'Brien  
Donie Odulio  
Catherine O'Hara

Catherine O'Keefe  
Blanca Pacia  
Camille Pavlis  
Karen Pavlis - Karasawa  
Kevin Pemberton  
Jackie Pomis  
Maria Pulice  
Rita Rogers  
Jean Rogers  
Bill Ruhl  
Tom Ryan  
Diane Rizzuto  
Luis A. Sanchez  
Pat Schippers  
Shirley Schindler  
Peter Schroeder  
Robert Shelton  
Dolores Scorza  
Maria Slomski  
Daniel Staniec  
Emily Steckiewicz  
Rachael Stowe  
Mae Stryker  
Lavergne Suchor  
Dave Tudron  
Paul Tschervenka  
Ernesto Vergara  
Jack Wagner  
Nancy Wesclitz  
Dolores Wilk

**We pray for our loved ones who are serving in any branch of the Armed Forces during this time of conflict.**



Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.  
Protect them as they protect us.  
Bless them and their families  
for the selfless acts they perform for us  
in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Je-  
sus our Lord and Savior. Amen

Major Adamczyk  
Ghaleb Azroui  
Matthew Calderisi  
Timothy Emmett Carolan  
Melissa Rose Cortese  
James Vincent Degrazia  
Patrick Edward Dillon  
Zbigniew Dudkowski  
Matthew Scott Forrest  
Dominic John Guerrieri, Jr.  
Major Dirk Haller  
Andrew Hopkins

Christopher Jenkins  
Bernard Edward Kusinski  
Lt. Radoslaw Korzeniak  
Antonio James Lim  
Payne Manczko  
Chris Marchiori  
Daniel McLenighan  
Daniel Meaney  
Keith Miller  
Michael Morales  
Mike Mroszczak  
Thomas Neuhengen

Eric Norwood  
Vincent Page  
Chad Pritchard  
Nicholas Ranch  
Adam Roberts  
Joseph Saineghi, Jr.  
Holly Schippers  
Michael Schippers, Jr.  
Sean Sherlock  
Sharon Sherlock  
Phillip R. Simonsen  
Tony Strzalka

# Weekly Prayer

## Sunday's Readings

### First Reading:

And thus were the paths of those on earth made straight. (Wis 9:18)

### Psalm:

In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge. (Ps 90)

### Second Reading:

Perhaps this is why he was away from you for a while,  
that you might have him back forever. (Phlm 1:15)

### Gospel:

Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me  
cannot be my disciple. (Lk 14:27)

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## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Today, Jesus tells us the cost of true discipleship — and it turns out, it's everything. We must reject the world in order to love God. What attachments are holding us back from the relationship we could have — we *should* have — with our Lord?

## Observances for the week of September 7, 2025

<b>Sunday:</b>	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; Grandparents' Day
<b>Monday:</b>	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
<b>Tuesday:</b>	St. Peter Claver, Priest
<b>Thursday:</b>	Patriot Day
<b>Friday:</b>	The Most Holy Name of Mary
<b>Saturday:</b>	St. John Crysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross



## Devotions, *Explained!*

*Lectio divina* ("divine reading") is an ancient practice of praying through the reading of Scripture. It includes four steps: read (*lectio*), meditate (*meditatio*), pray (*oratio*) and contemplate (*contemplatio*).

## Prayer of Simplicity

Dear God,  
In my desire for You, take away anything that keeps me from knowing You, myself, or my mission here on earth. Help me to remember what is truly important, and to seek and treasure that.  
Amen.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2025 | 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# Worship & Meditation

## Readings for the week of September 7, 2025

### Sunday:

Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17  
(1)/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

### Monday:

Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30/Ps 13:6ab, 6c/  
Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

### Tuesday:

Col 2:6-15/Ps 62:6-7, 9/Lk 6:12-19

### Wednesday:

Col 3:1-11/Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab/  
Lk 6:20-26

### Thursday:

Col 3:12-17/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/  
Lk 6:27-38

### Friday:

1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14/Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11/  
Lk 6:39-42

### Saturday:

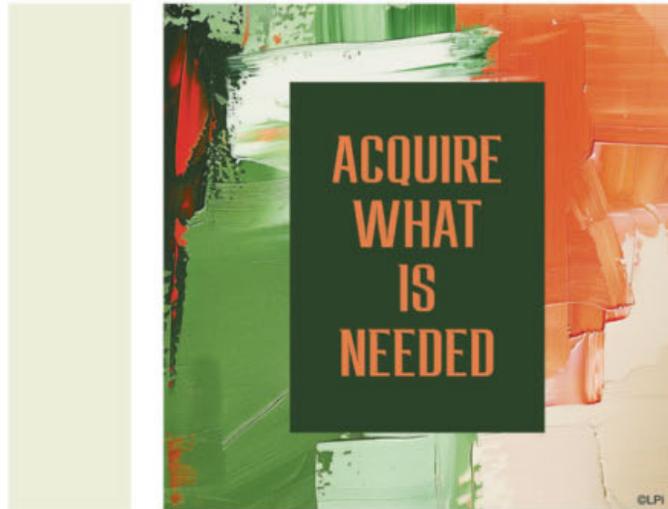
1 Tm 1:15-17/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7/  
Lk 6:43-49

### Next Sunday:

Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37,  
38/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17



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## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

One hot Arizona summer afternoon my car ran out of gas. I phoned the parish office and begged for help. My secretary came and helped me fill the gas tank. She chided me, "If you can't manage getting your car from A to B, how can we expect you to guide the parish where it needs to go?" Point taken, Julie. I vowed to always make sure I have plenty of gas in my car.

The Lord Jesus chides us in this week's Gospel, too. He uses the two images of a man building a tower and a king marching soldiers into war to make this single point: acquire what is needed to follow him or look ridiculous. We rightly mock the builder who lacks money for his tower and the king with a short-handed army. But our mocking boomerangs back on us. How do we expect to follow Jesus to the end with insufficient detachment from our possessions and divided hearts?

The good news is, there is still time. Jesus is building a great tower to heaven—his own body. So we renounce all and give ourselves to him as his precious stones. Jesus is waging a battle against our enemy. So we forsake all and swear allegiance and march under his banner. In this way, we will finish what has begun in our discipleship. Or better put, our Lord will have the stones and soldiers required to see his great work through.

— *Father John Muir*

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"Let the Children Come to Me"  
Matthew 19:13-15



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