

Sunday, September 18 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AP Special Intentions of Parishioners and Friends of St. Rose

10:30 BW Thomas Rehme

12:00 BW Joseph Macke from Macke Family

Monday, September 19

12:10 Bill Seibert from Kathy and Richard Weyman

Tuesday, September 20

12:10 Michael Rauen from Terri Brandstetter

Wednesday, September 21

12:10 William Mahoney from Mary Mahoney

Thursday, September 22

12:10 Diane Zuk from Kenneth Zuk

Friday, September 23

12:10 Purgatorial Society

Saturday, September 24

12:10 BW Jim McMahon from Family

7:00 BW Timothy Johnson from Kay and Bill Russ

Sunday, September 25

8:30 BW Special Intentions of Parishioners and Friends of St. Rose

10:30 BW Tom Myers from Patty Jamaa

12:00 AP George Thelen from Judy Thelen

“The person who is trustworthy in very small matters is also trustworthy in great ones; and the person who is dishonest in very small matters is also dishonest in great ones. If, therefore, you are not trustworthy with dishonest wealth, who will trust you with true wealth? If you are not trustworthy with what belongs to another, who will give you what is yours?”

Luke 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

This Weekend's Hymns
All hymns can be found in the Seasonal Missalette.
Opening: #223
Closing: #340

From the Pastor's Desk

At first glance, the parable that Christ gives us in our Gospel this weekend is a little disconcerting. The parable of the dishonest steward, a parable about a businessman that is praised not for his virtue, but shrewdness. So, is this Christ giving us the okay to be dishonest in business matters, as long as we are clever about it? Of course not!

Christ is asking us to put material wealth to use in a shrewd way, to be clever about what our financial blessings mean to us, and how we use them. We are never to be possessed by objects, money, or security. All those things are fleeting, it is God alone that should possess our hopes and dreams for ourselves and our loved ones.

Whatever we have in this life, is to be used at the service of God, not this world. We should absolutely materially care for those we love; we should be re-

sponsible with what we have, but we should never consider comfort our goal; our goal is eternal life for our loved ones.

May the Love, Peace and Grace of God be with you,

Father Adam

HERE AT ST. ROSE

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The following children were welcomed into the Catholic Church and Christian Community through the sacrament of Baptism here at St. Rose Church: **Leo James Lang Seitz—9/4** and **Lusha Dominic Frietch—9/11**

The following couples were united in the Sacrament of Matrimony here at St. Rose Church on September 10: **Mary Sanitato** and **Thomasz Dziadkowiec** and **Katelyn Marie Wolary** and **Jacob Francis Brinkmann**

WEDNESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY "WHAT WE BELIEVE"

“What We Believe” is a deep dive into our rich Catholic Faith. This series is filmed at many sights in Rome, and it discusses the what, when, why and how of our Catholic faith. This 10-week series takes us along the journey with 30 minute videos, and a book and workbook. “What We Believe” by no means covers all the topics of our faith, but it will confirm some things and challenge you for further study. The videos alone are like a field trip to Rome with Catholic tour guides that explain our faith in simple yet deep terms.

When: 12-1:30 p.m. on September 14, 28; October 5, 12, 19; November 2, 9, 16, 30; December 7

Where: Christ the King, The Cross and Crown Atrium

RSVP: Please contact **Patty Green** at pattydgreen@gmail.com to register and purchase the workbook.

“Your wealth is measured by the lack of your needs, not by the abundance of your possessions.”

St. Charbel Makhlof

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Opening Prayer

O God, who founded all the commands of your sacred Law upon love of you and of our neighbor, grant that, by keeping your precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Reflecting on Living the Gospel

In today's gospel, the master wryly praises his manager, not for his business ethics, but for his flair and roguish intelligence in a time of crisis. The "children of this world," those like the manager who are driven by material values and are knowledgeable about the way to save their own unethical skins, show themselves resourceful in social dealings. The barb of the parable is that the "children of light," those enlightened by Jesus and his gospel proclamation, should be even more ready to risk everything because they rely on the mercy and honor of their Master.

Probably none of us will ever feature in the list of the world's top billionaires but, says Jesus, the one who can be trusted with little things can also be trusted with the great and so win a rich inheritance in the kingdom. It is all too easy to be irresponsible with and indifferent to the familiar, everyday tasks, lacking the manager's honest self-knowledge and harboring the illusion that we will be reliable and committed when the big demands come. But in the near future, most of us will not have a stunning success on the stock market, launch a scheme for global economic recovery, or die a martyr's death. More likely, we will contribute to or disregard our parish planned giving; buy or resist purchasing what we don't really need; recycle our garbage or destroy a few more trees. Daily life is rich in opportunities for storing up treasure in heaven. If we are tainted with acquisitiveness, the best thing to do with our money is to give it away to those in need. Although we may not be introduced to them until we meet in the kingdom, our generous initiative will win us friends among the poor who are raised up, the hungry who are filled.

Closing Prayer

Loving God, thank you for the gift of this day and the opportunity to grow in relationship with you. Sometimes we try to serve two masters, yet you are not vengeful. Call us back to you that we might stand firm in our faith so to remain faithful to your Gospel and the way of life to which we are called. **Amen.**

For Reflection:

· Does it ever feel like you are trying to serve two masters, either intentionally or unintentionally? If so, how might you refocus your attention to God?

Suggestions for group and individual use:

1. Pray aloud the "Opening Prayer" (in *The Roman Missal* called the "collect").
2. One person read aloud the gospel.
3. Each read prayerfully "Reflecting on Living the Gospel" and spend some time in personal prayer.
4. Share together responses to "For Reflection."
5. Pray the "Closing Prayer."

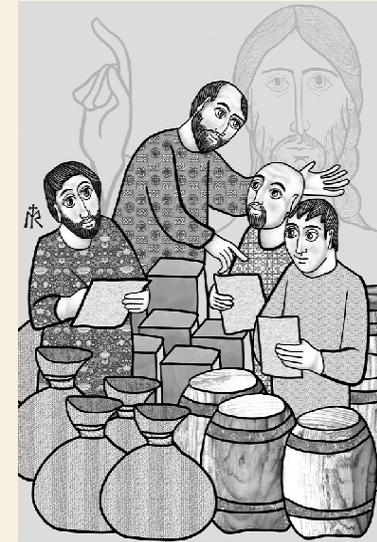
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Gospel Luke 16:1-13 (or Luke 16:10-13)

Jesus said to his disciples,
 "A rich man had a steward
 who was reported to him for squandering his property.
 He summoned him and said,
 'What is this I hear about you?
 Prepare a full account of your stewardship,
 because you can no longer be my steward.'
 The steward said to himself, 'What shall I do,
 now that my master is taking the position of
 steward away from me?
 I am not strong enough to dig and I am ashamed to beg.
 I know what I shall do so that,
 when I am removed from the stewardship,
 they may welcome me into their homes.'
 He called in his master's debtors one by one.
 To the first he said,
 'How much do you owe my master?'
 He replied, 'One hundred measures of olive oil.'
 He said to him, 'Here is your promissory note.
 Sit down and quickly write one for fifty.'
 Then to another the steward said, 'And you, how
 much do you owe?'
 He replied, 'One hundred kors of wheat.'
 The steward said to him, 'Here is your promissory
 note;
 write one for eighty.'
 And the master commended that dishonest steward
 for acting prudently.
 "For the children of this world
 are more prudent in dealing with their own
 generation
 than are the children of light.
 I tell you, make friends for yourselves with
 dishonest wealth,
 so that when it fails, you will be welcomed into
 eternal dwellings.



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 wealth,
 who will trust you with true wealth?
 If you are not trustworthy with what belongs to
 another,
 who will give you what is yours?
 No servant can serve two masters.
 He will either hate one and love the other,
 or be devoted to one and despise the other.
 You cannot serve both God and mammon."

Readings for the week:

25th Sunday in Ord.Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	26th Sunday in Ord.Time
Amos 8:4-7 Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8 1 Tim 2:1-8 Luke 16:1-13 or Luke 16:10-13	Prov 3:27-34 Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 Luke 8:16-18	Prov 21:1-6, 10-13 Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44 Luke 8:19-21	Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 Matt 9:9-13	Ecdl 1:2-11 Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc Luke 9:7-9	Ecdl 3:1-11 Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4 Luke 9:18-22	Ecdl 11:9-12:8 Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17 Luke 9:43b-45	Amos 6:1a, 4-7 Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 1 Tim 6:11-16 Luke 16:19-31