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to listen to the words of your son.*

*Abre, Señor, nuestros corazones
para que comprendamos las palabras de tu Hijo.*

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Birthdays / Cumpleaños: September / Septiembre 23, Jordan Bahena; **24,** Marian Dabney; **26,** Ali-
son Casteneda; **27,** Ashley Bahena, Efen Carrillo, Juvenal Osario; **28,** Jazmin Cisneros, Teresa Blair.
Anniversaries/Aniversarios... September / Septiembre 11, Bertha y Martin Carapia, 26 años;
25, Oscar y Valentina Mensa, 52 años.

Weekly Readings

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September 24, Sunday-Domingo

25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

25° Domingo Tiempo Ordinario

Is 55:6-9

Phil/Fil 1:20-27, 27

Mt 20:1-16

September 25, Monday-Lunes

Ezr/Esd 1:1-6

Lk/Lc 8:16-18

September 26, Tuesday-Martes

Ezr/Esd 6:7-8, 12, 14-20

Lk/Lc 8:19-21

Sep 27, Wednesday- Miércoles

Saint Vincent de Paul

San Vincente de Paul

Ezr/Esd 9:5-9

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September 28, Thursday-Jueves

Hg/Ag 1:1-8

Mt 9:7-9

September 29, Friday-Viernes

Sts Michael, Gabriel, & Raphael

Santos Miguel, Gsbriel, y Rafael

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14

Jn 1:47-51

September 30, Saturday-Sábado

Saint Jerome / San Jeronimo

Zec/Zac 2:5-9, 14-15a

Lk/Lc 9:43b-45

October 1, Sunday-Domingo

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26° Domingo Tiempo Ordinario

Ez 18:25-28

Phil/Fil 2:1-11

Mt 21:28-32

Mass Intentions

**Sat, September 23 4:00 p.m. Milan
Parish**

**Sun, Sept. 24, 11:00 a.m. Milan
Father Walter Kispotta**

**Sat, September 30, 4:00 p.m. Milan
Parish**

**Sun, October. 1, 11:00 a.m. Milan
Father Boniface**



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**25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A
25° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario, Año a
Gospel of St. Matthew/El Evangelio de San Lucas
September-Septiembre 23-24, 2023**

From Deacon John...

God thinks bigger than we do. "For my thoughts are not your thoughts." As His followers with eternity in mind, we strive as best we can to think as God does. In our Gospel passage, Jesus offers a glimpse of the "Godly logic" when some workers are called early and others late. Yet, for all, the pay is a full day's wage. That human logic angered some workers. They were not thinking as God does. We can grumble and complain (at least internally) when we compare ourselves to others and sense that not everyone is contributing as much as we are to the parish, the neighborhood, within our family and so on. At those moments, we need to think bigger!

Dios piensa más grande que nosotros. "Porque mis pensamientos no son tus pensamientos". Como Sus seguidores con la eternidad en mente, nos esforzamos lo mejor que podemos para pensar como Dios lo hace. En nuestro pasaje del Evangelio, Jesús ofrece un vistazo de la "lógica divina" cuando algunos trabajadores son llamados temprano y otros tarde. Sin embargo, para todos, el salario es el salario de un día completo. Esa lógica humana enfureció a algunos trabajadores. No pensaban como lo hace Dios. Podemos quejarnos y quejarnos (al menos internamente) cuando nos comparamos con los demás y sentimos que no todos contribuyen tanto como nosotros a la parroquia, el vecindario, nuestra familia, etc. ¡En esos momentos, debemos pensar en grande!

Weekly Schedule of Services

Sunday Celebration, Unionville 8:30 a.m.

Saturday Bilingual Mass, Milan 4:00 p.m.

Sunday Bilingual Mass, Milan 11:00 a.m.

Evening Vespers with Communion: Wed, 6:00 p.m.

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Pastoral Council

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Background on Today's Gospel

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On the surface, the parable of the workers in the vineyard appears to be an offense to common sense. Those who work a longer day ought to be paid more than those who work just an hour or two. When viewed in this way, the landowner seems unfair. That is because we are reading into the parable our own preconceived notions of how fairness and equality should be quantified.

A close read shows us that the landowner paid on the terms that were negotiated.

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Bishop McKnight's September prayer intention for our Local Church

For the police, fire and EMS workers serving their communities in uniform; may all first responders be preserved from harm as they serve to keep us safe. We pray to the Lord.



Intención del mes de septiembre del Obispo McKnight por nuestra Iglesia Local

Por la policía, los bomberos y los que trabajan en primeros auxilios en sus comunidades; que, al mantenernos a salvo, los socorristas sean protegidos de cualquier daño. Roguemos al Señor.

The landowner, it seems, has acted completely justly. The parable goes beyond that, however, and we come to see that the landowner is not simply just, he is exceptionally just. He is radically just. He has given those who labored in the field for a full day their due pay. But he has also given a full-day's wage to those who worked only a single hour. No one is cheated, but a few receive abundantly from the landowner just as we receive from God more than what is merely justifiable or due. God, like the landowner, is radically just and abundantly generous.

The workers who complain are made to look foolish as they lament the fact that landowner has made all workers equal. Indeed, what more could one ask for than to be treated as an equal at work or anywhere else?

The parable reminds us that although God owes us nothing, he offers abundantly and equally. We are occasionally tempted to think that our own actions deserve more reward, more of God's abundant mercy, than the actions of others. But God's generosity cannot be quantified or partitioned into different amounts for different people. When we think that way, we are trying to relate to God on our terms rather than to accept God's radically different ways.



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Mon, Sep 25 11-12:00 pm	Confirmation Group Milan Parish Hall	
Tue, Sep 26 9-10:00 am	Ladies Yoga, Milan Parish Hall	
Wed Sep 27 7:00 pm	Liturgy of the Hours / Visperas, with Communion Milan Church	
Thu, Sep 28-Sun Oct 1	Men's Cursillo Weekend Edina Missouri	
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Giving and Expenditures	Last 30 Days	Year To Date
Weekly Collections	\$5,587	\$17,274
Operating Expense	\$8,301	\$18,465
Balance	-\$2,714	-\$1,191

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*As we celebrate each week the pascal mystery,
may the selfless life of Jesus Christ guide us in every way.*

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Collections	\$2,677	\$7,873
Expenses	\$2,723	\$7,532
Balance	-\$46	\$341

**We need your ongoing support
and stewardship.**

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Year A, Sunday, September 24, 2023**

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Reconciliation: By appointment,
Milan 30 minutes before or after mass.

September Birthdays: 12, Melba Hackney, Bud Jacobs; 26, Lynn Worley.
Anniversaries: 12, Ed & Deb Penca, 32 yrs; 15, Mike & Kellie Purdy, 29 yrs.

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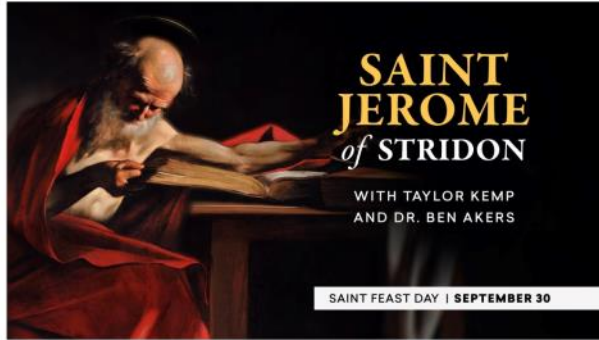
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Ministers

September

Coordinator	Ed Brockmeyer
Music	Mary Knowles
Environment	Kathleen Van Wyhe
Acolyte	Ed Brockmeyer
Lead Rosary	Ed Brockmeyer
Greeters	The Pencas
Hospitality	The Bensons
Lector	Janet Schmidt
Communion	Kay Bonifazi
Church Cleaning	Lynn and Kim
Plants	Margaret Szucs
Supplies	Mary Greinert