



# Transfiguration OF THE LORD parish

#### We Celebrate Eucharist:

Saturday Vigil:

4:00 P.M.

Sunday:

9:00 A.M.

11:00 A.M.

#### Confessions:

Saturday:

3:00 - 3:30 P.M.

#### **UNO Newman Center** Weekday Mass Schedule:

Monday thru Thursday: 12:00 P.M.

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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time ★ September 27, 2020

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Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A) Is 55:6–9 Ez 18:25–28 Phil 2:1–11 or 2:1–5 Mt 21:28–32

### He Emptied Himself In the Gospels, Jesus seldom

teaches doctrine. Rather, the stories themselves provide examples of how we are to model our lives after him. He was a man for others, a compassionate healer, an understanding friend. As clear as such stories might be, because we can be selfish people, the example they offer us is difficult to follow. If it is hard to follow a man who lived a human life with others, how are we to follow the example sketched by Paul in today's second reading? Paul declares in Philippians: "Have among yourselves the same attitude that is also yours in Christ Jesus" (2:5). What attitude is he talking about? Jesus emptied himself of the preeminence that was rightly his as possessing "equality with God" (2:6). He did not demand that they treat him with the reverence and veneration that was due him. Rather, "he emptied himself...he humbled himself" (2:7, 8). Why does Paul insist on this? It seems the Philippians were having internal problems that were threatening their unity. Various forms of arrogance were tearing them apart: Don't you know who I am? I am a celebrity. I have more money. I know the right people. And who are you? Who do you know? What can you do? These attitudes of arrogance infect our communities even today. To this Paul proclaims: If Jesus, who "though he was in the form of God" (2:6) could empty himself of such dignity for the sake of others, you certainly should be able to put aside your trivial vainglory and be "united in heart" (2:2). Can we?

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

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#### FOR Reflection

- \* In what circumstances does your arrogance raise its ugly head? What do you do about that?
- \* What might you do to strengthen the bonds of unity in your family? Your workplace? Your parish?

#### **Announcements**

Mass Collections - September 19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup>, 2020 - \$3,468.36 Poor Box - \$46.00

#### **Census Sunday**

The 2020 Census deadline is September 30th. Everyone needs to be counted—from babies to the oldest people in our community. Governor Edwards asked us to please make this Sunday, September 27th, a Census Sunday. We encourage you to respond to the 2020 Census. Please respond to the Census now by either going online to my2020census.gov or by calling 844-330-2020.

## Evening of Healing - Experience Freedom from Fear, Worry & Anxiety

Experience freedom from fear, worry, and anxiety by calling to mind God's great love and care for us through acknowledgement, meditative song and exhortation of God's Word. Presented by Deacon Larry & Andi Oney. Music by Ryan Foulon and Garrett & Shannon Fried.

Wednesday, September 30, 2020 at 7 PM – 8 PM at Divine Mercy Parish.

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| 4 PM                             | +Blaise Duhe, +Leonard Fine                                     |
|                                  | +Jourdan, Frick, Vigee, and John Families<br>+Robert Munch, Sr. |
| 9 AM                             | +Robert Collins, +Kirby Jackson,<br>+Auralie P. Johnson         |
| 11 AM                            | Parish  |

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