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MASSES
Daily: Mon - Fri : 8:00 AM
Saturday 4:30 PM
Sunday 10 AM
PENANCE Saturdays 2:30-3:30 PM

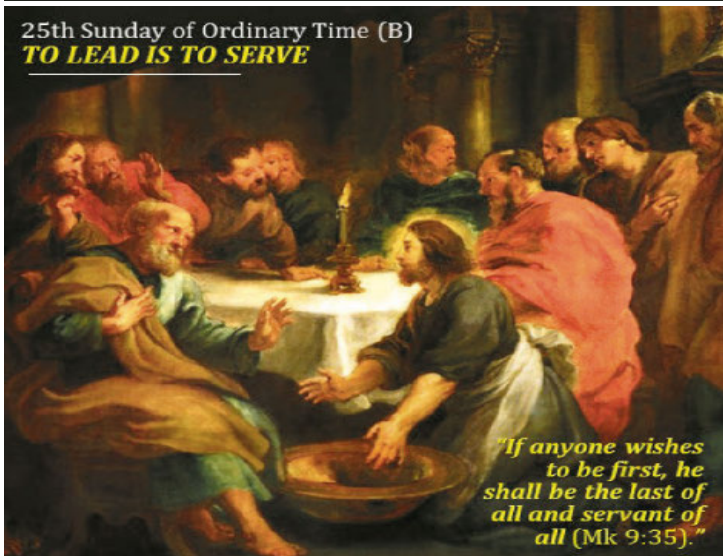


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Mission Statement:

"Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, disciples of Jesus Christ in Worcester, MA, reaches out with love into the neighborhoods to welcome, serve, support, and engage the community in Jesus. In creating a welcoming relationship with Eucharistic and prayerful celebrations, we gather to make a difference by coming closer to God and one another."

September 22, 2024 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time



"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."

(Mark 9:35)

Jesus teaches us that we are called to love one another. Love involves sacrifice. Sacrifice is a word that many of us don't like to hear. We think it means that we must give up something that we want. However, the literal meaning of sacrifice is "to make holy," from the words "sacer" = sacred and "facere" = to make. In other words, when we sacrifice, we make our lives holy by sharing our gifts in the service of God.

Daily Rosary—Praying of the Rosary will continue after the 8am daily mass in the church on Monday through Friday and at 9:15am before the 10am Sunday Mass. If you would still like to participate via Zoom, please let us know.

Mass Intentions & Calendar

- Sat, Sep 21**
4:30 pm **Feola Family, Antoinetta Rossetti, Rosalba Puca** req by the D'Andrea family
Deceased members of Sacred Heart Academy
- Sun, Sep 22 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
8:45 am Religious Ed classes begin
10:00 am **Olga Kersis** anniversary remembrance req by the family
- Mon, Sep 23**
8:00 am
- Tue, Sep 24**
8:00 am
- Wed, Sep 25**
8:00 am
- Thu, Sep 26**
8:00 am
- Fri, Sep 27**
8:00 am
- Sat, Sep 28**
4:30 pm **Everett Coonan** req by the family
Ann Hanlon req by Cindy Trainque
- Sun, Sep 29 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
10:00 am **Ann E. Hanlon** req by Fr. O'Toole

| SCRIPTURE READINGS | |
|--------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| 22 SUN | Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 (6b)/Jas 3:16—4:3/ Mk 9:30-37 |
| 23 MON | Prv 3:27-34/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5/Lk 8:16-18 |
| 24 TUE | Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44/ Lk 8:19-21 |
| 25 WED | Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163/Lk 9:1-6 |
| 26 THU | Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 9:7-9 |
| 27 FRI | Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4/Lk 9:18-22 |
| 28 SAT | Eccl 11:9—12:8/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17/Lk 9:43b-45 |

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT

Religious Ed for Fall 2024-2025

Religious Ed classes begin this Sunday, September 22. If you haven't registered yet, please register today.

-Grades 1 - 8 will have class from 8:45-9:55am followed by Mass at 10AM (mandatory).
-Grades 9 & 10 (Confirmation - 2 yr program) will also have class 8:45-9:55 followed by mandatory mass. Depending on the age group, we ask that students participate in the Mass either by volunteering to Lector, Altar Serve, Greet or pass the collection basket. The confirmation students will also be required to do a Community Project that will be assigned every month.

Our Lady of Lourdes is collecting gently used jackets, hats, gloves and scarves for children and adults. If you have any, please leave them on the stage in the church hall. They will be donated to Catholic Charities on December 20th.

Christmas Giving Tree

We will be bringing back the Giving Tree this year. On December 1st, we will put up the Christmas tree in the church that will have all the tags place on it. Details to follow as we get closer.

Knitting Group

Our next gathering will be **October 3rd** from 9:30-11:00am. Any questions, please contact Tina at 508-865-5833 or tmsmt1@hotmail.com

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

WEEKLY OFFERING

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Sunday Offertory 9/14-9/15 | \$1,860.00 |
| Online Giving | 490.00 |
| Aid East/Central Europe | 5.00 |
| Catholic School Appeal | 30.00 |
| Faith Formation Collection | 70.00 |
| Candles | 61.00 |
| Fuel & Heating | 75.00 |
| Maintenance | 50.00 |
| Mass Offerings | 10.00 |
| Mulch Donation | 247.25 |
| Tent Donation | 650.00 |
| Room & Board | 1,000.00 |

*Thank you for your continued, generous support.
We appreciate your support of the church.*

November Calendar Raffle

Raffle tickets are selling. If you need more to sell, there are extra copies at the entrance of the church. The cost is \$10 each and you will have 30 days of chances to win that days prize. Please return the bottom half and the money (check or cash) to the rectory via the offertory basket, the mail slot at the rectory or mailing them in.

Confirmation Thanksgiving Food Drive

In the past, with your help, Our Lady of Lourdes has donated holiday baskets to Pernet House. Again, we ask for your donations of canned goods for our baskets. The Confirmation class will assemble turkey baskets on Sunday, November 24 which will be donated to Pernet House. Please leave your donations in the bucket in the vestibule of the church. Thank you.

Around Town...

There are many events around the diocese that make it impossible to list all of them in the bulletin. Go to <https://worcesterdiocese.org/the-diocesan-dispatch> or see them in the Catholic Free Press

ONLINE GIVING: We would like to thank the 15 to 20 families who are currently giving electronically. You may not see these fellow parishioners place an envelope in the basket every week, but their consistent giving does not go unnoticed in our parish office. Each month our parish receives a steady and predictable stream of income from those donors who have made the commitment to give to God first by having a designated contribution automatically transferred to our parish through our Online Giving Program. If you would like to learn more about this easy, safe and secure way of giving, please contact Fr. Brian or Cheryl at the rectory or go online at ololma.org to sign up for online giving.

PROTECTING OUR YOUTH AND CHILDREN

If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a priest, religious or lay person working for the Church, and you want to share feelings of hurt or betrayal, call Judith Audette, Victim Services Coordinator, Office of Healing and Prevention, 508-929-4363
508-726-2880 - direct, confidential line

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CYCLE B

GATHERING HYMN

Come, Follow Me

Gael Berberick (ASCAP) and
Barney Walker (ASCAP)

Refrain

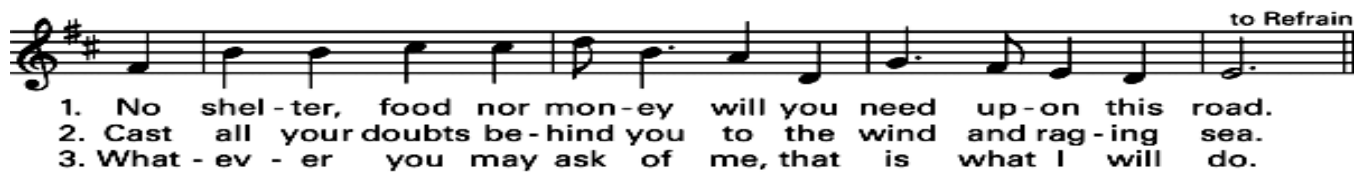


Come, fol - low me and live; do not be a - fraid. Be -
lieve and trust in me; your faith will give you strength. Leave
all your fears be - hind you; let your heart be free, for
I will be your guide. Oh, come and fol - low me.

Verses



1. Come, fol - low in these foot-steps; I'll lead you gent - ly home.
2. Come, walk a - cross the wa - ter; place all your faith in me.
3. If you re - main with - in me, my words re - main in you.



1. No shel - ter, food nor mon - ey will you need up - on this road.
2. Cast all your doubts be - hind you to the wind and rag - ing sea.
3. What - ev - er you may ask of me, that is what I will do.

to Refrain

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord, God, Heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord, Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
You take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us:

You take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer,
You are seated at the right hand of the
Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One;
You alone are the Lord.
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
With the Holy Spirit,
In the glory of God, the Father.

Amen

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

WISDOM 2:12, 17-20

The wicked say: Let us beset the just one, because he is obnoxious to us; he sets himself against our doings, reproaches us for transgressions of the law and charges us with violations of our training. Let us see whether his words be true; let us find out what will happen to him. For if the just one be the son of God, God will defend him and deliver him from the hand of his foes. With revilement and torture let us put the just one to the test that we may have proof of his gentleness and try his patience. Let us condemn him to a shameful death; for according to his own words, God will take care of him.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 54



SECOND READING

JAMES 3:16-4:3

Beloved: Where jealousy and selfish ambition exist, there is disorder and every foul practice. But the wisdom from above is first of all pure, then peaceable, gentle, compliant, full of mercy and good fruits, without inconstancy or insincerity. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace.

Where do the wars and where do the conflicts among you come from? Is it not from your passions that make war within your members? You covet but do not possess. You kill and envy but you cannot obtain; you fight and wage war. You do not possess because you do not ask. You ask but do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mass of Renewal
Curtis Stephan



GOSPEL

MARK 9:30-37

Jesus and his disciples left from there and began a journey through Galilee, but he did not wish anyone to know about it. He was teaching his disciples and telling them, "The Son of Man is to be handed over to men and they will kill him, and three days after his death the Son of Man will rise." But they did not understand the saying, and they were afraid to question him.

They came to Capernaum and, once inside the house, he began to ask them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they remained silent. They had been discussing among themselves on the way who was the greatest. Then he sat down, called the Twelve, and said to them, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, "Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me."

HOMILY

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

The Response is:

“Lord hear us.”

Lord Jesus Christ, who by your gift of your Body and Blood, are really present in our lives, hear the prayers of the Church of Worcester. Give us the faith of your Church, confident in your presence in our Masses, our tabernacles and our lives. Give us the faith to offer our lives to you, joined with the perfect sacrifice, which you offered on the altar of the Cross. Good and loving Shepherd, teach us how to lead your children home, that we might long together to glorify your name at the Supper of the Lord. For you are Lord forever and ever. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS

Jesus, Meek and Humble

Ben Walther and Sarah Hart



1. Je-sus, meek and hum - ble, heav-en's gift to earth,
2. Je-sus, meek and hum - ble, teach-ing by the shore,
3. Je-sus, meek and hum - ble, mer - cy born of pain
4. Je-sus, meek and hum - ble, by the break of day



1. Word from Word a - mong us, spo - ken from the first.
2. cast - ing nets to gath - er bro - ken, lame, and poor.
3. on the Cross we fash-ioned from our sin and shame,
4. heav - en now a - wak - ing, love has made a way.



1. Song of our sal - va - tion, ris - ing from the fall.
2. Liv - ing bread you of - fer, hun - gry we re - ceive.
3. God him - self pro - vid - ing Lamb and sac - ri - fice.
4. Light from Light em - brac-ing all that once was dark.



1. Je-sus, meek and hum-ble, heav-en's hope for all.
2. Je-sus, meek and hum-ble, teach us to be - lieve.
3. Je-sus, meek and hum-ble, in this death is life.
4. Je-sus, meek and hum-ble, lead us to your heart.

HOLY, HOLY

MASS OF RENEWAL

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord, God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

MASS OF RENEWAL

When we eat this bread
And drink this cup,
We proclaim your death, O Lord
Until you come again

GREAT AMEN

MASS OF RENEWAL

OUR FATHER

SIGN OF PEACE

LAMB OF GOD

MASS OF RENEWAL

COMMUNION

Gift Of Finest Wheat

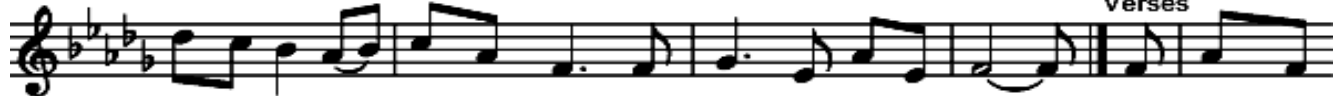
Robert E. Kreutz

Refrain




You sat-is-fy the hun-gry heart With gift of fin-est wheat, Come

Verses



give to us, O sav-ing Lord, The bread of life to eat.

1. As when the
2. With joy - ful
3. Is not the
4. The mys-t'ry
5. You give your-



1. shep - herd calls his sheep, They know and heed his voice; So
2. lips we sing to you Our praise and grat - i - tude, That
3. cup we bless and share The blood of Christ out-poured? Do
4. of your pres-ence, Lord, No mor - tal tongue can tell: Whom
5. self to us, O Lord; Then self - less let us be, To

to Refrain



1. when you call your fam-ly, Lord, We fol - low and re-joice.
2. you should count us wor-thy, Lord, To share this heav'n-ly food.
3. not one cup, one loaf, de - clare Our one-ness in the Lord?
4. all the world can-not con-tain Comes in our hearts to dwell.
5. serve each oth - er in your name In truth and char - i - ty.

RECESSIONAL

Tell The Good News

GELOBT SEI GOTT



1. Tell the good news to all the earth:
2. Filled with the Spir - it, Je - sus came,
3. Filled with the Spir - it, forth we go;



1. Je - sus re - veals our hu - man worth.
2. Heal - ing the sick, the blind and lame.
3. Je - sus' own word, the seed we sow.



1. Let ev - ery heart to joy give birth!
2. Let ev - ery crea - ture praise his name!
3. Let ev - ery land the gos - pel know!



1-3. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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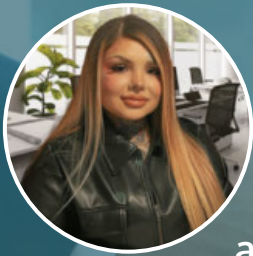
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