

**INVEST JUST FIVE MINUTES A DAY,  
AND YOUR FAITH WILL DEEPEN AND  
GROW, A DAY AT A TIME.**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2022**  
**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY**  
**TIME; BLESSED ARE THE WANDERS:**

Biblical prophets warn the comfortable not to overlook the suffering of those less fortunate. Today on World Day of Migrants and Refugees, we support the church's solidarity with uprooted people since the Second World War. A mass exodus to the West of Soviet bloc refugees prompted Pope Pius XII, future Pope Paul VI, and layman James Norris to form the International Catholic Migration Commission. The ICMC continued its response to the "boat people" of Vietnam, Bosnian Muslims, Afghani refugees, and more. Their efforts restore dignity, inspire change, and companion the displaced. Welcome the stranger."

**TODAY'S READINGS:** *Amos 6:1a, 4-7; 1 Timothy 6:11-16; Luke 16:19-31 (138). "Thus says the LORD the God of hosts: Woe to the complacent in Zion!"*

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2022**  
**MEMORIAL OF COSMAS AND DAMIAN,**  
**MARTYRS; GIVE THEM A HEALER'S**  
**WELCOME:**

Believed to have been twin brothers, Cosmas and Damian were third-century Christian Syrian physicians who accepted no payment for caring for the sick—and made many converts as a result of their selfless service. They were eventually martyred by the Romans. Many of us know "saints" in the healthcare profession who work physically and emotionally demanding jobs, make personal sacrifices (including endangering their own health during the pandemic), and have a seemingly endless supply of compassion despite it all. The next time you or someone you love needs medical help, ask Cosmas and Damian to support the professionals coming to your aid.

**TODAY'S READINGS:** *Job 1:6-22; Luke 9:46-50 (455). "Whoever receives me receives the one who sent me."*

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2022**  
**MEMORIAL OF VINCENT DE PAUL,**  
**PRIEST, FOUNDER: ENRICH THE**  
**FAITH OF OTHERS:**

Before co-founding the Daughters of Charity—serving the "poorest of the poor"—Saint Vincent de Paul began the Congregation of the Mission in 1625. Priests who joined had three requirements: to live in imitation of Christ, to take the gospel to the rural poor, and to educate fellow priests in the practical matters of being a priest. When he realized peasants knew so little about the faith and that local priests were poorly

trained in administering the sacrament of Penance, Vincent preached such a stirring parish mission that priests from a nearby town had to be called in to help him hear confessions. How can you help others practice their faith?

**TODAY'S READINGS:** *Job 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23; Luke 9:51-56 (456). "He resolutely determined to journey to Jerusalem."*

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2022**  
**CARRY ON THE WORK OF THE DEAD**  
**AMONG THE LIVING:**

At the time of Jesus, the Jewish custom was to bury a person in the family burial cave the same day they died. The body was left for a year while the family mourned, the first seven days in shivah, followed by a less intense 30-day period of shloshim. The burial rite was not complete, however, as the family would return to the cave a year later for the "second burial," the collection of remains to be placed with the bones of other ancestors in the family ossuary. It is theorized that when Jesus commented, "Let the dead bury their dead," he may have been referring to this second burial, suggesting to his disciples that there was more urgent work to be done among the living. Pray for the dead but serve the living!

**TODAY'S READINGS:** *Job 9:1-12, 14-16; Luke 9:57-62 (457). "Let the dead bury their dead. But you go and proclaim the Kingdom of God."*

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2022**  
**FEAST OF MICHAEL, GABRIEL, AND**  
**RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS: ANGELS**  
**WATCHING OVER US:**

Today we honor the only three angels in scripture who have names. Michael is cited in the books of Daniel and Revelation and is known for being a protector. Gabriel is most famously a messenger, having relayed information to Daniel, but best known for giving Mary the news that she would be mother to our Savior. Raphael is associated with healing and appears in a series of adventures in the Book of Tobit, including his cure of Tobit's blindness. At various times, each of us needs protection, a message from God, or healing. May these three archangels lift our prayers when we and our communities most need these things.

**TODAY'S READINGS:** *Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 or Revelation 12:7-12a; John 1:47-51 (647). "Amen, amen, I say to you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."*

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2022**  
**MEMORIAL OF JEROME, PRIEST,**

**DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH: GET TO KNOW THE WORD:** If you are a fan of scripture, then right next to your Bible should be The Jerome Biblical Commentary. The 2,000-plus-page book is a treasure trove of insight about the Bible written by Roman Catholic scholars from across the globe. It is a great resource for helping people to engage more deeply with scripture through study and reflection. The book is named after Saint Jerome, who is best known for his biblical commentaries and translations. Jerome believed that "Ignorance of scripture is ignorance of Christ." It's never too late to increase your knowledge. What would be the first scripture passage you'd look up if you had the book in hand? Why?

**TODAY'S READINGS:** *Job 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5; Luke 10:13-16 (459). "Whoever listens to you listens to me."*

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2022**  
**MEMORIAL OF THÉRÈSE OF THE**  
**CHILD JESUS, CARMELITE NUN,**  
**DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH: IN LOVING**  
**COLOR :**

Though she only lived 24 brief years, Thérèse of Lisieux, the "little flower," was so spiritually mature she was asked to guide novices who were entering her Carmelite order. She used vivid metaphors, comparing the Trinity to a kaleidoscope because the three mirrors transform simple images into colorful designs. She wrote: "As long as our actions, even the smallest, do not fall away from the focus of Divine Love, the Holy Trinity, symbolized by the three mirrors, allows them to reflect wonderful beauty. Jesus . . . always sees beauty in everything we do."

**TODAY'S READINGS:** *Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17; Luke 10:17-24 (460). "Turning to the disciples in private he said, 'Blessed are the eyes that see what you see.'"*

**Next Sunday**

**Sunday, Oct. 02, 2022**

**Your wild and precious life. TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**TODAY'S READINGS:** *Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4; 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14; Luke 17:5-10 (141). "For the vision still has its time, presses on to fulfillment, and will not disappoint."*

**Catholic Social Teaching Corner**  
**Sept. 24-25, 26th Sunday in Ordinary**

**Time** Today's Gospel continues the lesson from last Sunday. Comfort and wealth made the rich man blind to poor Lazarus lying on his doorstep and also blind to his own need for God. Before God we are all as poor and needy as Lazarus. Since God has given us love, grace and mercy so freely are we not called to give to the materially poor the material gifts God has given us?

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 8:00AM**

Healing Graces for Monica Godsey.

Healing Graces for Gene Sistrunk.

Birthday Blessings for Lena Olevia Owens requested by Lena Brown-Owens.

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 10:00AM**

For the repose of the soul of Frances Brown requested by Brent Brown

For Ashleigh Fontenette – sage travels as she moves to San Francisco to work requested by Kevin and Susan Fontenette.

In loving memory of Gertrude Ford on her 101 birthday in heaven requested by The Trotman and Ford Families.

In fond remembrance of my mentor and friend, Mr. Everett Sims, on his birthday and 22nd year in heaven with our Savior requested by Dr. Baye.

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 1:30PM**

For the repose of the soul of Jean-Laurant Kabassemma requested by Jeanette Assiongbon.

For the release of Mazi Nnamdi Kanu requested by Margaret Ukatu.

Birthday Blessings for Mmesoma Okereke.

Thanksgiving for month of September being a triple blessing for our family and that God continues to keep us alive and bless us more requested by Mr. and Mrs. Malachy Okereke.

**CALENDAR OF WEEKLY EVENTS**

**SUNDAY MASS**

8:00AM – 10:00AM

IGBO – 1:30PM (Last Sunday of Month)

12:00 Noon Mass, Tuesday – Friday

FAMILY ROSARY ZOOM

SUNDAY - 8:30PM

**September 18, 2022**

OFFERTORY	\$3327.50
E-GIVING	\$2898.46
SVDP	\$400.00
SVDP (E-GIVE)	\$48.20
FLC/DR	\$71.00
FLC/DR (E-GIVE)	\$329.50
NEEDS OF PARISH	\$500.00
NEEDS OF PARISH (E)	\$183.15
CROSS PROJECT	\$350.00
MSP	\$0.00
MSP (E-GIVE)	\$33.05
HOLIDAY RAFFLE	\$850.00
CCD/RE	\$560.00
CCD/RE (E)	\$70.00
CANDLES	\$209.00

**PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Ella Adams	Lima Galega
Mary Anthony	Ella Pease
Troy Anthony	Bernadette Phifer
Evelyn Battle	Betty Ridley
Tina Frank	Mary Sobers
Mildred Carter	Mary Waters
Jim Castro	Moffet Waters
Pearl Cox	Marion Welch
B.J. Dukes	Dr. Joe Quander
Jude Ekpe	Monica Godsey
Gloria Harris	Jonathan Bryan
Lester Johnson	Naomi White
Vonnyc Rice-Gardner	

**THE RED MASS**

Bishop Joe Vásquez will celebrate the **31st annual Red Mass Sept. 27 at 6 p.m. at St. Mary Cathedral in Austin.** The Red Mass is celebrated to mark the opening of the judicial year. Following the Mass during a dinner presentation, the bishop will welcome Notre Dame Law professor and author of "[What It Means to be Human: The Case for the Body in Public Bioethics](#)". For more information and to register for the dinner, visit [www.austindiocese.org/red-mass](http://www.austindiocese.org/red-mass).

**THE DANCE MINISTRY** invites youth, teens and Young Adults of our Parish interested in Dancing for the Lord, to a Breakfast Dance workshop on Saturday October 1st in the Family Life Center: Parents are welcome. 9 am Breakfast 9.30-10.30 Workshop and sign up for those interested to become members.. Please RSVP [elinamullen77@gmail.com](mailto:elinamullen77@gmail.com) by September 30<sup>th</sup>, Thank you and God Bless Elina

**HAPPY PRIESTHOOD**

**SUNDAY**

**THANK YOU FATHER BASIL FOR BEING OUR PASTOR AT HOLY CROSS, SHARING YOUR WISDOM, KNOWLEDGE, LOVE AND SPIRITUALITY WITH US**



**FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT**

The Knights of Peter Claver and Ladies Auxiliary Vocations Committee is sponsoring another Family Movie Night on **Friday, September 30 at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center.** The documentary, "**A Place at the Table**", which profiles the six African Americans who have been nominated for Sainthood, will be presented again due to technical difficulties that arose at the first showing of the movie. The movie is free and free snacks will be available.

**HOLY CROSS MEN'S RETREAT**

The Holy Cross Men's Retreat is scheduled for **October 6-9, 2022 at Down Home Ranch in Elgin, TX. Registration is July 1<sup>st</sup> through September 30, 2022.** The cost is \$150.00 (payment plans are available). *All Holy Cross men* are invited to make this retreat a success. Please stop by the registration table in the Family Life Center. You may also contact Paseka Khabele at 512-521-2322, Marcus Manning at 512-574-9391, or Marcelino Gonzalez at 512-955-6732.

*Today is  
The Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary  
Time Found in our gray hardback,  
"Word of The Lord",  
Lectionary, Year C, page 597*

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