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### Catechetical Sunday 2020

This year, the Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on September 20, 2020. The 2020 theme is I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you. Those who the Community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith. .... **Read more:** <https://www.usccb.org/committees/evangelization-catechesis/leadership-institute-catechetical-sunday-2020>

### Rediscovering The Faith

Welcome. Have you been away from the Church? Are you thinking about coming back? Do you know someone who wants to come home to the Catholic Church, but is struggling with their faith? Maybe you or someone you know has experienced one of these thoughts:

*I just moved to a new city, I tried going to a couple different parishes, but I never really felt welcomed...*

*After my marriage ended, I felt uncomfortable around my family, friends and parish...*

*I just don't understand why the Church teaches what it does! Some teachings seem so outdated...*

If you have experienced one of these situations or thoughts you are not alone. The Church wants you to know that you are a child of God, called by name, precious in his eyes and loved by him (Is. 43:1,4). The Church also wants you to know that you are missed. When one member of the Body of Christ suffers, the entire Body of the Church suffers.

**Read More:** <http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/how-we-teach/new-evangelization/rediscovering-the-faith/index.cfm>

This website contains resources to help you rediscover the faith and answer questions about the Church and Church teachings. We invite you to explore this site and contact your local parish.

### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Sunday Collection — \$1810.00

### THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

#### Together in Mission 2020

Amount Pledged \$

Amount Received \$

#### THIS WEEK AT ST. EUGENE

**Today:** **Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Masses – 8:00 a.m. (Bilingual)

10:00 a.m. (Eng) & 12 Noon (Igbo) .

**Fri:** No Morning Mass.

**Sat:** No Morning Mass

**Sun:** **Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Masses – 8:00 a.m. (Bilingual)

10:00 a.m. (Eng) & 12 Noon (Igbo)

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

1. We still need volunteers who can help with live streaming on facebook and YouTube, so that we can continue to bring Christ and his gospel to more homes and to our wider world. We also need people who can help with updating information on our website. Please call the office.
2. Confirmation classes will start on September 20, 2020. Please call the office to register or leave a message to be called back .

**P** lease you may bring an umbrella and a chair if you will need to step out of your vehicle. Get back in your vehicle and drive up for communion.

*'You too go into my vineyard,  
and I will give you what is just.*

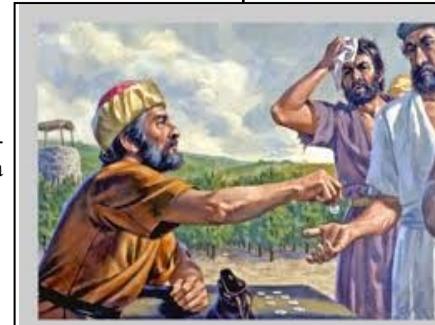
..... *MT 20:4*

**E** veryday, as long as this “today” lasts, keep encouraging one another. —*Heb.3:13*

### UKA NKE IRI ABUO NA ISE N'OGE NA-ADANYEGHI N'EMUME, AFO NKE MBU SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

#### EKPERE MMEGHE:

Chineke Nna anyi, I debere ihe nile I kere eke n'usoro iwu Gi di nso; biakwa debe iwu ihu mmadu ibe anyi n'an-ya n'ime iwu Gi. Biko mee ka anyi bu umuodibo Gi site n'idebe iwu Gi, tosi iketa oke na ndu ebighi ebi. Site n'Onyenweanyi Jesu Kristi Nwa Gi.....AMEN.



#### IHE OGUGU NKE MBU: Aizaya 55:6-9

**The ogugu e wetara n'Akwukwo Onye Amuma Aizaya**

Chowanu Onyenweanyi mgbe e nwere ike ichota Ya. Kpoonu Ya oku mgbe O no nso. Ka okpa aghara hapu uzo ojoo ya. Ka ajo mmadu hapu ajo echiche ya. Ya chee Onyenweanyi ihu biakwa rio ebere Ya. Ya biakwute Chineke anyi maka na o bu Onye amara na Onye nwere obi mgbaghara. N'ih na Onyenweanyi kwuru si: Echiche M abughi echiche unu, nke uzo M na-abu uzo unu. Dika eluigwe si di elu karia elu ala, otu ahu ka uzo M si di elu karia uzo unu. Otu ahu kwa ka echiche M si di elu karia echiche unu.

**Okwu nke Oseburuwa** Ekene diri Chukwu.

#### ABU OMA NA AZIZA: Ps.144:2-3,8-9,17-18 Az.18

**Aziza: Onyenweanyi no ndi nile na-akpoku Ya nso.**

1. Ubochi nile, aga m eto Gi. Aga m eto aha Gi. Aga m eto Gi ebighi ebi. Onyenweanyi di ukwu! O kwesiri nnukwu otito. Idi ukwu Ya kariri ihe mmadu puru ighota. **Aziza.**
2. Onyenweanyi bu Onye amara na Onye ebere. O naghie ewe iwu oku. O juputara n'obi oma. O na-emere ihe nile O kere ebere. **Aziza.**
3. Onyenweanyi kwubara aka oto n'uzo Ya nile. Dikwa aso n'oru aka Ya nile. Onyenweanyi no ndi nile na-akpoku Ya nso, ndi ji ezi okwu na-akpoku Ya. **Aziza.**

**IHE OGUGU NKE ABUO:** Filipi 1:20-24, 27 **The ogugu e wetara n'Akwukwo Ozi Pol di aso degaara Ndi Filipi**

### TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME CYCLE: 1 YEAR: A SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2020

#### OPENING PRAYER:

O God, who founded all the commands of your sacred Law upon love of you and of our neighbors 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, one God for ever and ever....AMEN.

#### FIRST READING: IS 55:6-9

**A reading from the Prophet Isiah**

Seek the LORD while he may be found, call him while he is near. Let the scoundrel forsake his way, and the wicked his thoughts; let him turn to the LORD for mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts.

**The word of the Lord.** —R. Thanks be to God.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS. 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18 R. (18a)

**R: The Lord is near to all who call upon him..**

1. Every day will I bless you, and I will praise your name forever and ever. Great is the LORD and highly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable.—R.
2. The LORD is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness. The LORD is good to all and compassionate toward all his works.—R.
3. The LORD is just in all his ways and holy in all his works. The LORD is near to all who call upon him, to all who call upon him in truth.—R.

#### SECOND READING: PHIL 1:20C-24, 27A A Reading from the Letter to The Philippians

Brothers and sisters: Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death. For to me life is Christ, and death is gain. If I go on living in the

Aga-esi na m kwanyere Kristi ugwu, ma adi m ndu, ma anwuru m anwu. N’ebe m no, ihe m ghotara bu na ndu bu Kristi. M nwuo anwuo, eritere m uru. M biri ndu n’anu ahu, eji m ya reputa oru bara uru. Ndu na onwu, amaghi m nke o di ka m horo. Ha abuo dicham mma.

O na-adi m ka tohapu m n’uwa, ka m jee binyere Kristi. O di ka o bu nke ahu kaara m mma. Ma, n’ihi unu, o dika o kara baa uru ma oburu na m biri ndu n’anu ahu. N’ihi ya, kpaanu ezigbo agwa n’uzo kwesiri Ozioma nke Kristi.

**Okwu nke Oseburuwa** Ekene diri Chukwu

**ALELUYA** 1 Sam 3:9, Jon 6:68  
*Alaluya, alaluya!* Onyenweanyi kwube na nwodibo Gi na-ege nti. O bu Gi ji okwu nke ndu ebighi ebi. *Alaluya!*

**OZIOMA:** Matiu 20:1-16  
**Ihe ogugu nke a si n’Ozioma di aso nke Matiu dere**

Jewsu gwara Umuazu ya, si: “Alaee eluigwe di ka otu nwoke nwere ubi vain, onye puru n’isi ututu, ichota ndi oru o ga-etinye n’ubi ya. Mgbe ya na ndi oru ahu kwubiri na o ga-akwu ha otu mkpuru ego n’ubochi, o zigara ha n’ubi ya. Mgbe elekere itolu gasiri, o pukwara hu ndi ozo ebe ha guzo na nkiti n’Oma-ahia. O wee si ha: ‘Jeenu ruoro m oru n’ubi m. ihe o bula ziri ezi ka m ga-akwu unu’. Ha wee jee. O pukwa ozo elekere iri na abuo na elekere ato n’ehihie, meekwa otu aka ahu.

“Ihe di ka n’elekere ise na mgbede, o pukwara hu ndi ozo ka ha guzo na nkiti. O wee si ha: ‘Gini mere unu ji guzo n’ebe a kemgbe taa n’arughi onu? Ha zara ya: ‘N’ihi na o dighi onye o bula goro anyi oru! O si ha: ‘Gawanu n’ubi m!’

“Ma mgbe o ruru mgbede, onye nwe ubi ahu gwara odibo na-eleketara ya ubi anyi, si: ‘Kpokota ndi oru, kwuo ha ugwo oru ha; malite na ndi ikpeazu ruo na ndi bu uzo.’ Ndi biara oru elekere ise nke mgbede putara, a kwuo onye o bula n’ime ha otu mkpuru ego. Ma mgbe ndi buru uzo bido oru biara, ha chere na a ga-akwu ha ugwo kariri nke ndi ozo. Ma ihe onye natara, ka ibe ya natara. Onye o bula natara nani otu mkpuru ego.

“Mgbe ndi bu uzo natara ego ha, ha tamuru ntamu si ogaranya ahu nwe ubi: ‘Ndi a biakpere azu ruru oru nani otu elekere. Ma I meela ka anyi na ha hara otu anyi bu ndi sitere kemgbe chi boro, doliwa ndoli di n’oru; anwu nile chara n’ubochi taa chara anyi n’isi!’

flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. And I do not know which I shall choose. I am caught between the two.

I long to depart this life and be with Christ, for that is far better. Yet that I remain in the flesh is more necessary for your benefit. Only, conduct yourselves in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ.

**The Word of the Lord** Thanks be to God

**ALLELUIA** CF. ACTS 16:14B  
**Alleluia, alleluia.** Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son.  
**Alleluia, alleluia.**

**GOSPEL:** MT 20:1-16A  
**A Reading from the Gospel According to Matthew**

Jesus told his disciples this parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with them for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. Going out about nine o'clock, the landowner saw others standing idle in the marketplace,

and he said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard, and I will give you what is just.' So they went off. And he went out again around noon, and around three o'clock, and did likewise. Going out about five o'clock, the landowner found others standing around, and said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' They answered, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard.' When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and ending with the first.' When those who had started about five o'clock came, each received the usual daily wage. So when the first came, they thought that they would receive more, but each of them also got the usual wage. And on receiving it they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last ones worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us, who bore the day's burden and the heat.'

He said to one of them in reply, 'My friend, I am not cheating you. Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?'

“Onye nwe ubi zara otu n’ime ha: ‘Enyi m, gini ka m ji mejoo gi? Ihe mu na gi kwuru, o bukwa na m ga-akwu gi otu mkpuru ego n’ubochi? Nara ihe ruuru gi lawa. Achoro m ikwu onye ikpeazu ugwo ahu m kwuru onye bu uzo. O bu na m enweghi ike iji ego m mee amara? O na-ewute gi na abu m onye obi oma?’

“Otu a ka onye bu uzo ga-esi ghoo onye ikpeazu, onye ikpeazu aghoo onye bu uzo”.

**Ozioma nke Oseburuwa.** Otito diri Gi, Kristi.

**EKPERE NHUNYE**  
Onyenweanyi, anyi na-ario Gi, were obi oma mee ka onyinye nke a, anyi bu ndi nke Gi na-ehunyere Gi masi Gi. Ka ihe anyi ji okwukwe na ihunanya ebutere Gi ghooro anyi ihe ogbugba ndu nke eluigwe. Site na Kristi Onyenweanyi.....AMEN.

**EKPERE A NATACHAA ORIR NSO**  
Onyenweanyi, I jirila ihe ogbugba ndu Gi gbaa anyi ume. Biko were obi oma Gi na-enyere anyi aka mgbe dum. Mee ka anyi site n’ihe omimi nke a, na ezi oru ndu anyi, rite uru nke nzoputa. Site na Kristi Dinwenu anyi.....AMEN.

**REFLECTION:**  
Our ideas of justice are sometimes selfish and petty when we compare them to God's justice. That is why some people are surprised that Jesus would tell a story in which five groups of workers who began at different times should all be paid the same at sundown. Yet Jesus points out that those who worked all day received a fair wage and a wage they agreed on from the start. The landowner, who represents God in the story, asks "Are you envious because I am generous?" The answer for many people is yes. They have forgotten that God's ways are not our ways. They do not remember that the blessings of God's kingdom are a gift to us.

**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULTS**  
Have you ever thought, "That's not fair?" How did thinking like that make you feel? Did you ever consider that maybe your thinking was wrong rather than the other person's actions? We have been told that God's ways are not our ways. What does that mean in today's Gospel parable?

**Bible Study**  
St. Eugene's Bible Study, For information contact Marie Washington (310) 704-1233 or Larry Yates (323) 691-2870.

Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."

**The Gospel of the Lord** Praise to you Lord

**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**  
Receive with favor, O Lord, we pray, the offerings of your people, that what they profess with devotion and faith may be theirs through these heavenly mysteries. Through Christ our Lord.....AMEN.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**  
Graciously raise up, O Lord, those you renew with this Sacrament, that we may come to possess your redemption both in mystery and in the manner of our life. Through Christ our Lord.....AMEN.

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**8:00 am Mass**  
1. Thanksgiving for Prayers Answered -By Ebegbulem Family

**12:00 noon Mass**  
1. Thanksgiving and petition for Papal recognition/ Blessings of Francis & Dorothy Akpamgbo & for attaining 50yrs of Marriage -by the Family.  
2. Thanksgiving and petition for birthday intentions of Chiagoziem Onwubuya -By Fidel/Ekene Onwubuya  
3. Thanksgiving and petition for birthday intentions of Charles Duruji, Nneka Duruji, Chiagozie Onwubuya, Onyii Ogomaka -By Imma Ikebudu.  
4. For their Private Intentions-By Sir Francis/Lady Dorothy Akpamgbo.  
5. Thanksgiving for God's blessings and petition for His protection for their family in Nigeria and America - By David Akunwafo and Family.  
6. For the happy repose of Reginald Asu-Eze 1yr memorial -By Aloysius/Eucharika Udeze &Family  
7. For the repose of souls of Patrick and Patricia Akor - By Maurice and Eugenia Akor and family.

**Holy Father's Prayer Intention for September**  
**Respect for the Planet's Resources**

We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.