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## SEPTEMBER 21, 2025 | THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## GET TO KNOW US

September 21, 2025 | The Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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**MASS TIMES** 

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NE Seattle Catholic Community



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## A REFLECTION BY FR. HERIC

Dear Friends in Christ.

We have sadly seen another increase in **gun violence** in recent weeks that has led to more tragic deaths. The most recent one was a well-known political activist, a young man with a wife and two small children. His controversial views have led to a firestorm of divisive rhetoric on both extremes of the political spectrum, yet another indication of the deep divisions in our country. At times like this, as Catholics, we must strive to come together to promote reconciliation and unity. One of the ways we do that is to acknowledge the good things also happening in our midst, and to celebrate them for the positive gifts they offer us.



Two positive things occurred last weekend, the first being the celebration at Mass of the leadership role of women in the life of our church, through our observance of **St. Phoebe Day**. The highlight of those celebrations was the heartfelt reflections that three high school girls offered on the word of God we shared. Their presence and words remind us of the gifts our young people have to offer, both within the church and in our broader society. The three students who spoke come from families who cherish their Catholic Faith and seek to integrate it into all aspects of their lives. The family is the "Domestic Church" as the Second Vatican Council teaches.

Speaking of family, the other positive to acknowledge is the all-parish **"Family Reunion Barbecue"** which took place at OLL. Mother Nature held off the rain, and a good time was had by all who came. It was wonderful to see folks, young and old, from all four of our parishes gather to share our fellowship as Catholics in Northeast Seattle. We will look to make this a regular part of the faith, hope, and love we share as we become a single parish community. Let us try to remember that what unites us is always greater than what divides us. This can be a source of comfort and strength to share in the difficult times in which we live.

Blessings of peace,

Fr. Walle Heric

Fr. William Heric, Pastor,

Holy Mary Mother of God...pray for us! St. Bridget of Kildare...pray for us! St. Catherine of Siena...pray for us! Live Jesus in our hearts...forever!

## PRAYER & READINGS | 04

September 21, 2025 | The Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## **Mass Intentions**

Our Mass celebrants will remember the following Intentions during the celebration of the Eucharist:

#### **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22**

9:00 am | For Ramsey & Jack Hare † - STB

#### **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**

No Mass.

#### **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**

9:00am | For the Parish † - OLL

6:30pm | For the Parish † - STB

#### **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25**

9:00am | For the Parish † - STC

#### **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26**

9:00 am | For the Parish † - AP

Mass intentions may be requested through the parish office.

# **Prayer Corner**

## Please pray for those who are ill:

Carmina Bacani (OLL)

Ryan Corr (AP)

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Kathleen Genis (AP)
Patti Herlihy (AP)

JoAnne King (AP)

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Pat Kelly (STB)

Julie Kirkevold (ALL)

Jim McFarland (AP)

Patrick Mulvihill (OLL)

Marianne Roulet (AP)

## For those who have died:

Gary Wallace Carson

(AP)

(Father of Gary Carson)

(STB)

Gary Gardner Hill

(STB)

Dan Karches (STC)

## **Holy Rosary**

You are warmly invited to join us each week in praying the Holy Rosary. We gather on **Wednesdays at 5:30 pm at St. Bridget** and on **Thursdays at 9:30 am at St. Catherine**.

This is a beautiful opportunity to reflect on the mysteries of our faith, lift up our intentions, and spend time in prayerful community together.



## Readings for the week of September 21, 2025

#### Sunday:

Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8 (see 1a, 7b)/ 1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

#### Monday:

Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/ Lk 8:16-18

#### Tuesday:

Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 8:19-21

#### Wednesday:

Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8/Lk 9:1-6

#### Thursday:

Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/ Lk 9:7-9

#### Friday:

Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4/Lk 9:18-22

#### Saturday:

Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/ Lk 9:43b-45

#### **Next Sunday:**

Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1b)/ 1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31

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## 05 | COMMUNITY LIFE

**NE Seattle Catholic Community** 

# Wills & Estate Planning Seminar

September 30 · 10:00 - 11:15 am · St Bridget Church McAvoy Fellowship Hall

Learn how planned giving can support our parish and Catholic ministries, creating a lasting impact for future generations!



Hear from representatives of the Archdiocese of Seattle, Associated Catholic Cemeteries, and attorney John Keckemet as they share practical guidance on wills, trusts, and other estate planning tools.

This event is open to parishioners and families of the host parish family.

To register or for more information, contact: emilina.seats@seattlearch.org

We'll see you there!



Have you ever stopped to think about the amount of garbage picked up each week by our Seattle sanitation workers? For me, as I stuff my weekly waste into the garbage can and haul it to the curb, it's a little mind-boggling to consider. What does my garbage say about my consumption habits? And then I contemplate multiplying my garbage bag by the 8.2 billion people alive today on planet Earth. Whew! Pope Francis,



in his Encyclical Letter Laudato Si': On Care for our Common Home, paints a stark picture:

"Doomsday predictions can no longer be met with irony or disdain. We may well be leaving to coming generations debris, desolation, and filth. The pace of consumption, waste, and environmental change has so stretched the planet's capacity that our contemporary lifestyle, unsustainable as it is, can only precipitate catastrophes, such as those which even now periodically occur in different areas of the world. The effects of the present imbalance can only be reduced by our decisive action, here and now. We need to reflect on our accountability before those who will have to endure the dire consequences."

However, Francis, and so many others, wholeheartedly believe in the Earth's resilience and in human ingenuity and resolve. Little changes, made by many people, can make a difference for the better. How could we consume just a little less and, thereby, haul a little less garbage to the curb this week? Perhaps we heighten our efforts to reuse, recycle, and repair. These ways of caring for God's creation are within our reach today!



## Marriage Jackpot Date Night

Attention Couples of all ages – Married, Engaged, Dating:

Come to the Marriage Jackpot Date Night! Saturday, October 4 from 6:30 - 8:30 pm at Assumption Parish Hall.

You'll meet Murphy, the Marriage Salesman; enjoy some great desserts; sing some of your favorite love songs; talk with your spouse; talk with other couples; and get inspired to work on your marriage / relationship.

Lori and Robert Fontana, marriage educators and directors of Catholic Life Ministries, will facilitate the evening and share some great information on the gifts and challenges of marriage. [Robert also works as a marriage and family therapist.]

Please register for the Marriage Jackpot Date Night: Call or text Robert – 509-731-6012 or email – robert@catholiclifeministries. org

Cost: Attendance is free. Refreshments provided.

## OUTREACH & NEWS | 06

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# 9th Annual Catholic Immigration Summit

Saturday, September 27

9am-3:30pm (Doors open at 8:30am)

## Seattle University, Student Center Le Roux Room

Join us for the Ninth Annual Immigration Summit, as we engage with the work of local organizations and networks to develop and strengthen our advocacy strategies. We're pleased to welcome Bishop Mark Seitz of El Paso, Texas, and the Gospel Truth Choir will be joining us as well.

The day includes morning refreshments, lunch, and parking; this is a free event with the option to contribute financially (all proceeds go directly to offset the cost of the event).

Learn more and register here: https://tinyurl.com/y296r26u

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# REPARES

Pregnancy & Parenting Support

## PREPARES Drive

#### September 20 - October 19

In celebration of Respect Life Month in October, it's time to restock our PREPARES baby closets at Christ the King and St. Edwards, the headquarters for PREPARES in our area. The baby closets are available to all parishioners and neighbors in need.

"In my 25 years of hearing confessions, I believe that most women feel they have no choice. If we say we are 'pro-life', we must therefore offer women real choices, real assistance. Supporting Prepares is a powerful way for our church to do that," - Bishop Frank Schuster

Please scan our QR code below to view our Amazon wishlist! You can have items sent directly to the baby closets or bring your donations to the PREPARES bin at your parish.

Baby Drive coordinators for each parish are:

**St. Bridgets-** Judy Curran, jcurran2@msn.com; Mary Jo Gasparich, maryjogasparich@gmail.com

Assumption- Stephanie Read, walkerread@comcast.net

Our Lady of the Lake- Mary Margaret Brown, mmbrown@ hotmail.com

**St. Catherine's**- Katie Fleming, **kjfleming1239@gmail.com** 

Thank you for helping moms and families in need!



## **SVDP "Stuff the Truck"**

Time to clean out your closets and garage! Bring your gently used, clean items to Our Lady of the Lake lower parking lot!

Location: 8900 35th Ave NE Seattle, WA 98115

Date: Sunday, September 21, 2025 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Your donations will be collected and sold at one of our SVdP Thrift Stores, providing financial support for our various programs dedicated to helping neighbors gain stability and self-sufficiency!

To view a list of items that we accept and DO NOT accept please visit: svdpseattlemembers.net



## 07 | COMMUNITY LIFE

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# Special Collections

Special Collections will no longer be a second collection at Mass. There will be prominent signage about special collections, as well as information ahead of time in the Parish Bulletin and Weekly Word. To donate to a special collection, please use the envelopes provided in the pews to donate during the regular collection or ask at the Parish Office. Thank you so much for your generosity and support!

## Home Together Oktoberfest

October 11 at St Catherine's



Home Together provides affordable short-term housing for families relocating to Seattle for life-saving care at Children's Hospital. A St Catherine's parishioner started the charity, and the 3rd annual Oktoberfest fundraiser is being held in St Catherine's Victoria Hall on October 11th. It is a fun night of celebrating community, which includes food, drinks, live and silent auction items. Learn more at www.home-together.org

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Volunteering in liturgical roles - both for adults and kids - **counts towards school service hours!** Please see the Weekly Word or your parish website for more volunteering opportunities!

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