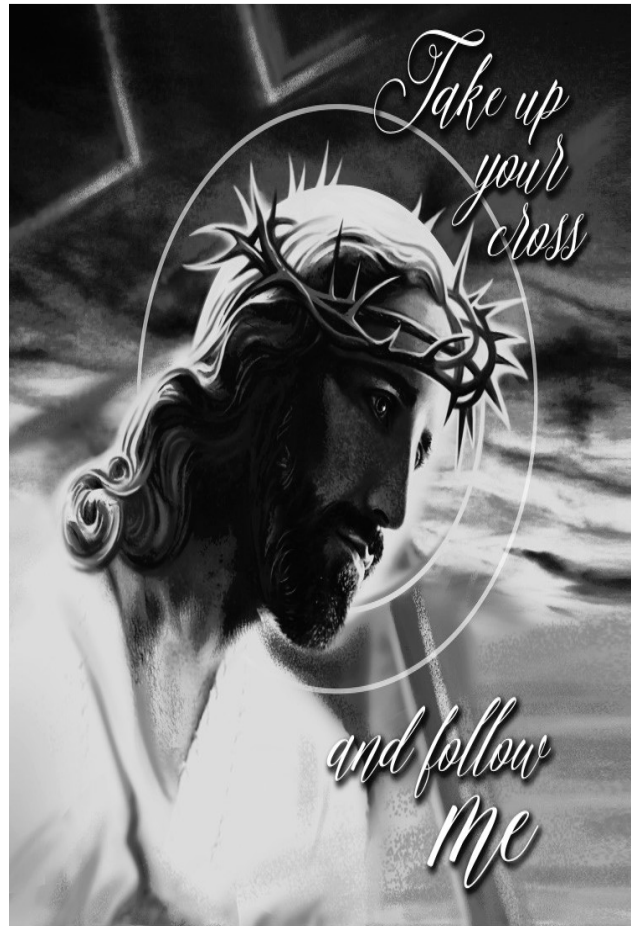


Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 16, 2018



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The Lord GOD is my help, therefore I am not disgraced.

— *Isaiah 50:7*

LISTENING AND RESPONDING

There are three interwoven themes in today's readings: listening to God, faith vs. good works, and losing our life in order to find it. How are they related?

The Suffering Servant of Isaiah undergoes much distress and ridicule, but is able to bear it because he has listened to the promptings of God day after day. The psalm tells us that God listens, too. God hears our prayers for help and is always ready to save us. As our faith deepens, so does our desire to do the works of justice and charity that build up the reign of God. God directs our actions in ways we often cannot see, and we don't always see the results. We are called upon in faith to trust that what we do is enough, and that willingness to listen to God's promptings will lead us in the right way.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In this country, we don't name our churches "The Fourth Avenue Catholic Church," but rather seek a patron saint or mystery of faith. We inherit this tradition from an old Roman custom via medieval England. Interestingly, that has not been the practice elsewhere, and parishes abroad often do carry just the name of the neighborhood. In Ireland, the Roman (English) practices didn't take hold, and so churches are known simply by the street they are on, or by a nickname. Saint Francis of Assisi in Dublin is often called "Adam and Eve" after a pub in the same street. The pub sign is an interesting carving of our first parents, so they become patrons by default.

Increasingly in the United States, we are seeing a familiar European pattern emerge when a few churches, each bearing the name of a patron saint or mystery, are gathered into one parish that bears a different name. Thus, we might hear of a parish of "Midvalley City" comprised of Saint Mary, Saint Francis, and Saint Ursula churches. Once a church has been consecrated, its name may not normally be changed. Therefore, when parishes are merged, a new name is given to the parish, which may or may not be that of a heavenly patron, but the church buildings retain their names. In the process, we have lost sight of some worthy patrons of old, but have also seen new parishes open dedicated to twentieth-century saints like Edith Stein, Katharine Drexel, and Mother Teresa.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The Lord GOD is my help; who will prove me wrong? (Isaiah 50:5-9a).

Psalm — I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living (Psalm 116).

Second Reading — Faith, if it does not have works, is dead (James 2:14-18).

Gospel — Jesus asked his disciples, "Who do you say that I am?" (Mark 8:27-35).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Ps 40:7-10, 17;
Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps 100:1-5;
Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday: 1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13; Ps 33:2-5, 12, 22;
Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28;
Lk 7:36-50

Friday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13

Saturday: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps 56:10c-14;
Lk 8:4-15

Deacon Moss has started a new class on Tuesdays at 10:00 until 11:30 am if you would like to join the group everyone is welcome. The book is titled Virbrant Paradoxes by Bishop Robert Barren

Pastoral council met September 5th . If you have concerns or an idea please speak to one of the members and it will be presented to Father .The members are Peach Carr, Susan Slattery, Ann Ferebee, Jim Molitor, Thomas Hauck, Janet Hernandez ,Christine Hammond.

Susan Slattery is going to start a choir ,if you are interested please see Susan or Pat for more information.

RCIA Classes: There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the Narthex for anyone who wants to learn more about your faith or become a catholic. These classes are open to everyone.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time;

Catechetical Sunday

Monday: St. Robert Bellarmine; Yom Kippur (Jewish day of atonement)

begins at sunset

Wednesday: St. Januarius

Thursday: Ss. Andrew Kim Taegŏn and Paul Chŏng

Ha-sang and Companions

Friday: St. Matthew

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary



MASS INTENTION

Raymond Hauck

PROPER POSTURE

It is impossible for the Church to remain on its feet if it doesn't get on its knees.

SEPT 23rdth

LECTOR

Maurisio

EUCCHARISTIC MINSTER

Jim/Anita

USHERS

Peach/Marina

SERVERS

Jesus/Ty

OFFERTORY

Sept. 9th 2018

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