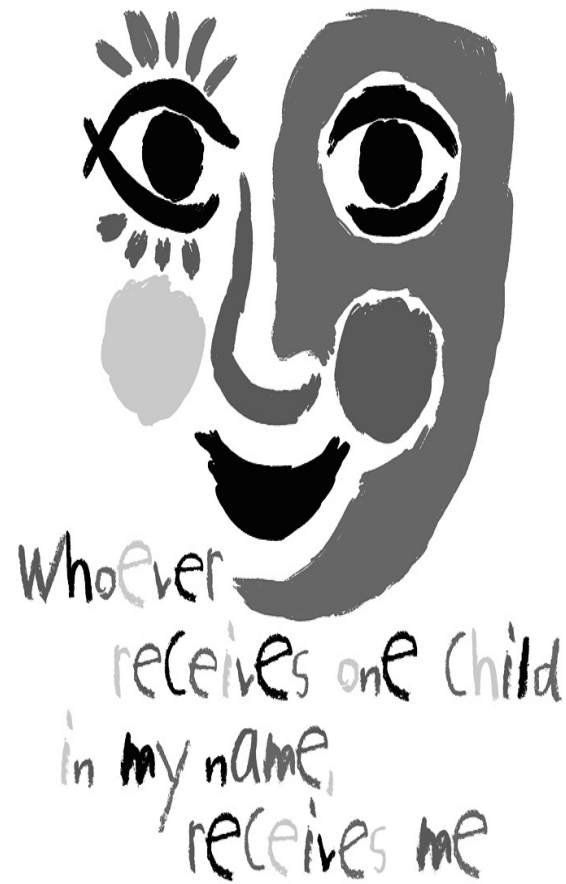


# Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## September 23, 2018



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**The fruit of righteousness is sown in peace for those who cultivate peace.— James 3:18**

### HOW DO WE TREAT THE MESSENGER?

Let's not be too hasty in defining who is "the wicked one" and who (namely us) is just! We are very quick to label others as evil, because we tend to label ourselves as good guys. We don't like it when we are brought up short by a prophetic voice that brings us some bad news about our own behavior. We don't like to be reproached for transgressions of the law or charged with violations of our training.

We may condemn and abuse those who bring us up against these truths about ourselves when, if we were really good, we would thank them for helping to keep us on the right path. This is the way they treated the prophets and the way they treated Jesus. Is this also the way we treat those whose message we don't like?

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

How long have there been parochial schools in the United States? Longer than you may imagine. The Jesuit fathers opened Saint Mary School in Philadelphia in 1782 in the first light of independence. Catholic and Protestant squabbles about the nature of education forced the Fathers to make this risky and innovative venture in the heart of the city. The school was closed by a devastating fire in 1902, but reopened in 1968 as St. Mary Interparochial School, the first example of a shared parochial school. It is also the only Catholic school within the confines of a national park. This is the "Mother School" of this uniquely American institution. Many parochial schools, especially in "national parishes," were established to preserve the culture and language of the "old country," and also to protect young people from prejudice.

In other countries, Ireland for one, the Church is authorized to run national schools, sometimes under the sponsorship of a parish. In still other places, such as Quebec, publicly-funded "separate schools" were administered by the Church. Wherever the state funds Catholic schools, normally enrollment is guaranteed to all applicants. The Quebec system was dismantled in 1998 when the state decided to reorganize schools along linguistic lines rather than religious affiliation. Parochial schools require considerable sacrifice, but they endure as a distinctive treasure of the Church in the United States.

### TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The wicked say: With revilement and torture let us put the just one to the test

(Wisdom 2:12, 17-20).

Psalm — The Lord upholds my life (Psalm 54).

Second Reading — The wisdom from above is full of mercy and good fruits (James 3:16 — 4:3).

Gospel — Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me (Mark 9:30-37).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Prv 3:27-34; Ps 15:2-5; Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13;  
Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44; Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9; Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163;  
Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17bc;  
Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Eccl 3:1-11; Ps 144:1b, 2abc, 3-4;  
Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a;  
Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51

Sunday: Nm 11:25-19; Ps 19:8, 10, 12-14;

**THERE WILL NOT BE A CLASS ON TUESDAY  
SEPT. 25TH .DEACON WILL BE OUT OF TOWN**

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING THE CHOIR PLEASE  
SEE SUSAN SLATTERY ,SHE IS THE DIRECTOR.

**The book written by Fr. Anthony is available for  
ordering ,the sign up sheet is in the front office . Father  
will be offering a class on the subject of the book"  
Marriage and Life after Death" in the fall .**

### EXAMPLE

Children, especially, set their watches by  
our clock.

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Sukkot (Jewish harvest festival) begins at

sunset; Autumn begins

Wednesday: Ss. Cosmas and Damian

Thursday: St. Vincent de Paul

Friday: St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions; St. Wenceslaus

Saturday: Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael



### MASS INTENTION JEANNE HAUCK

### AUTUMN DAYS

Autumn days come swift like the running  
of a hound upon the moor

SEPT 30th

LECTOR

PEGGY

EUCCHARISTIC MINSTER

FLORENCIA/Anita

USHERS

Peach/Marina

SERVERS

KARINA

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9/16/2018

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ACTUAL \$1214.00

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