



### PRAYER OF THE WEEK

#### Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Look upon us, O God,  
Creator and ruler of all things,  
and, that we may feel the working of your mercy,  
grant that we may serve you with all our heart.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
God, for ever and ever.

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### Remember In Prayer

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## Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**September 11, 2022**

A clean heart create for me, O God, and a steadfast spirit within me.

### RELYING ON GOD'S LOVE

Imagine being among those who heard Jesus address the Pharisees and scribes in the encounter we hear in today's Gospel: "What man among you having a hundred sheep and losing one of them would not leave the ninety-nine in the desert and go after the lost one until he finds it?" Would you leave ninety-nine in the desert in order to find one lost sheep? In the parable, Jesus is showing us the depths of God's love, the illogical, incredible love God has for each of us. Moses counted on this loving mercy as he spoke for the wandering people; Saint Paul acknowledges his reliance on it in his letter to Timothy. God desires to draw you close, seeking you when you are lost. Are you ready to be drawn into God's loving embrace?

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Although New Year's Day has been fixed firmly on January 1 for several hundred years, Labor Day has the feel of a great dividing line between leisure and routine. The pace of life has since picked up, and new schedules and commitments crowd us. In the background is God's call to consider the third commandment, still life-giving and binding, to make holy the Lord's Day by worship and rest. Jews see the Sabbath, Saturday, not so much as a day of worship, but as a day of rest, a day of renewing friendship with God by delighting in the beauty of creation and the joy of family and friends. It is a day for contemplating the wonder of God's creation, but not disturbing it.

For Christians in the first three centuries, the Lord's Day, Sunday, was not for rest, but worship. It was a regular work day. People met before dawn, and after Eucharist hurried off to daily routines. Today we come to Mass, but many hurry off to essential work, not a day of rest. The Lord's Day is not the Sabbath, but we can enhance Sunday's ability to transform us if we consider embracing some Sabbath values: having a family meal, going for a walk in a beautiful place, making room in our lives to open ourselves more fully to holiness of life in Christ.

### Reading for today

**First Reading** — Because Moses interceded, the LORD relented and did not punish the people (Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14).

**Psalm** — I will rise and go to my father (Psalm 51).

**Second Reading** — Paul expresses his gratitude for being appointed to the ministry (1 Timothy 1:12-17).

**Gospel** — There is great rejoicing in heaven when a sinner repents (Luke 15:1-32 [1-10]).

### .SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time;

Patriot Day; Grandparents' Day

Monday: The Most Holy Name of Mary

Tuesday: St. John Chrysostom

Wednesday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Thursday: Our Lady of Sorrows

Friday: Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian

Saturday: St. Robert Bellarmine;  
St. Hildegard of Bingen; Blessed Virgin Mary

### SAFETY

No one is safe by their own strength, but they are safe by the grace and mercy of God.

### Reflection question:

In what ways do I serve God?

**September 20th:** from 10:00-11:30, Deacon Moss will resume his class.

Parish council meeting Sept. 14th after Mass

### 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: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38;  
Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28;  
Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Friday: 1 Cor 15:12-20; Ps 17:1bcd, 6-8b, 15;  
Lk 8:1-3

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

Sunday: Am 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-8; 1 Tm 2:1-8;  
Lk 16:1-13 [10-13]

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**Sept 4th 2022**

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**\$161.00**

**Catholic University**

**\$11.00**

**Spaghetti dinner**

**\$500.00**