



September 3, 2023

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary

FOLLOWING THE PATH OF JESUS

We are invited to reflect on the path of discipleship offered by Jesus in our readings today. Jesus, now seen by the disciples as Messiah and Christ, begins to describe most fully what this means: he will not march into Jerusalem filled with God's power like a conquering general. His path is like that of Jeremiah; he will be rejected and mocked. His path is like that described by Paul, offering his body as a living sacrifice. Jesus summons his followers down the same path of death and resurrection, to live the radical paradox that "whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." Loving and trusting God will entail self-surrender, leading us to joy in service to others. We will learn to let go of what we desire and what we think we need, trusting God to provide what we truly need.

The Documents of Vatican II—More Decrees

The Decree on Appropriate Renewal of Religious Life (*Perfectae Caritatis*) calls on men and women in religious life to rediscover their founding charisms and to adapt with the rest of the Church to the changing times.

The Decree on the Apostolate of the Laity (*Apostolicam Actuositatem*) is the first document addressing the laity ever to be produced by an ecumenical council, and received the highest degree of support from the Council fathers. It teaches that each layperson has a ministry rooted in his or her baptism, not simply a share of the ministry of the ordained. That is, laypeople are agents of the Church's activity, and not merely objects of it.

The Decree on the Eastern Catholic Churches (*Orientalium Ecclesiarum*) provides the Roman view on the main Eastern Rite Churches and proclaims the equality of the Eastern and Western traditions. It expresses an ardent desire for reconciliation.

The Decree on the Church's Missionary Activity (*Ad Gentes*) proclaims that the whole church is missionary; each of the baptized has been charged to spread the gospel. It also encourages the embracing of local customs and finding the seed of the gospel within them.

The Decree on the Ministry and Life of Priests (*Presbyterorum Ordinis*) calls on priests to support the laity—a ministry not only *for* them but *with* them—and reaffirms celibacy for Latin Rite priests.

Sept 6th Adoration is this Wednesday before mass at 4P.M.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The name of the LORD has become like fire burning in Jeremiah's heart (Jeremiah 20:7-9).

Psalms — My soul longs for you, O my God (Psalm 63).

Second Reading — Be transformed; renew your mind; discern what is good (Romans 12:1-2).

Gospel — Those who lose their lives for Jesus' sake will find them (Matthew 16:21-27).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1, 3-5, 11-13;
Lk 4:16-30, or, for Labor Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Blessing of Human Labor," nos. 907-911

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;
Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10-11; Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-6; Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6
Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]

Saturday: Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6, 8; Lk 6:1-5

Sunday: Ez 33:7-9; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 13:8-10;
Mt 18:15-20

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

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Sunday: Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Friday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday: St. Peter Claver

HARD-EARNED LUCK

I'm a great believer in luck, and I find the harder I work, the more I have of it.

P.R.E. start date has been changed to Wednesday Sept 20th from 5pm until 6:30 pm Students will go to Mass then to class ,pick -up time will be at 6:30 Father Anthony will be having an adult class for anyone interested in learning more about the Catholic faith . Interested in becoming a catholic or a refresher class for Catholics

CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER

Prayer Before a Day's Work

Direct, we beg you, O Lord,
our actions by your holy inspirations,
and grant that we may carry them out
with your gracious assistance,
that every prayer and work of ours
may begin always with you,
and through you be happily ended. Amen.

Sept. 2023

Sept 3rd

LECTOR MARK

SERVERS LESLIE & MARINA

COUNTER TOM & BEVERLY

Sept 10th

LECTOR BEVERLY

SERVER CARLOS & MAX

COUNTER MARY & ANN F

Sept 17th

LECTOR PEGGY

SERVERS JESUS & LESLIE

COUNTER TOM & BEVERLY

Sept 24th

LECTOR JEFF

SERVER CARLOS & MAX

COUNTER MARY & ANN F

August 27 2023

Sunday collection

\$ 1011.00

The spaghetti dinner is soon we need volunteers to help with everything . Also needed medium size boxes for carry out orders. Needed are servers , clean -up ,those who are able to help prepare the meal and a cashier

Polling Form Insert

Robert McMain, Vice Chair of Bishop's Pastoral Council, attended the Parish Council meeting Monday evening. He suggested that the council members fill out the form to better help the Bishop and each parish.

Father Anthony and our Council, would like your feed back on this form.. No names are required. Any comments are welcome. Please return by the end of August.

RELIGION DEFINED

I do not know how philosophers may ultimately define religion; but from Micah to James it has been defined as service to one's fellow human rendered by following the great rule of justice and mercy, of wisdom and righteousness.

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