

SEPTEMBER 20 - SATURDAY

1 Tm 6:13-16; Lk 8:4-15

*Vigil Reading: See Sunday*4:00 PM – *English* - Fr. Jim – *Intention of Margaret Lienhart*

5:00 – 5:45 PM: Confessions

6:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy**SEPTEMBER 21 – SUNDAY**

Am 8:4-7; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13

9:00 AM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy11:00 AM – *English* – Fr. Pat – *Jane Weber*12:30 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Memo**SEPTEMBER 22 – MONDAY**

Ezr 1:1-6; Lk 8:16-18

SEPTEMBER 23 – TUESDAY

Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Lk 8:19-21

SEPTEMBER 24 – WEDNESDAY

Ezr 9:5-9; Lk 9:1-6

SEPTEMBER 25 – THURSDAY

Hg 1:1-8; Lk 9:7-9

7:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy**SEPTEMBER 26 - FRIDAY**

Hg 2:1-9; Lk 9:18-22

9:30 AM – *English* – Fr. Rudy – *Ralph Sheridan***SEPTEMBER 27 - SATURDAY**

Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Lk 9:43b-45

*Vigil Reading: See Sunday*4:00 PM – *English* - Fr. Jim – *Joyce Nicholas*

5:00 – 5:45 PM: Confessions

6:00 PM – *Spanish* - Fr. Rudy**SEPTEMBER 28 – SUNDAY**

Am 6:1a, 4-7; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31

*Sunday Readings:*9:00 AM – *Spanish* – Fr. Rudy11:00 AM – *English* – Franciscan priest – *George Ruter, Jr*12:30 PM – *Spanish* – Fr. Rudy**English Mass Ministry Schedule: September 27-28****Lectors:** 4:00 PM – R. Welz

11:00 AM – R. Schinaman

Eucharistic Ministers:

4:00 PM – L. Ashbrook/T. LeSaint

11:00 AM – R. Kenney/H. Loyd

Servers: 4:00 PM – M. Sonenschein/S. Heidemann

11:00 AM – L. Finke

Offertory Family: 4:00 PM: Fox

11:00 AM: N/A

FROM THE FINANCE COMMISSION

Last Week's Collection: \$6,735

Offerings received to-date: \$81,130

Amount needed to catch up: \$14,870

Our Weekly Goal is \$8,000

Thank you for your generosity.

Make it easy on yourself. ***Use our direct debit system for your Sunday Stewardship offering.*** To take advantage of this convenience, please call

513-541-1563

FOUR GRAND CLUB: Congratulations to our week 4 winners: Jo Ann Wiegand, Christopher Hartmann, and Paige Klocke. Each won \$25. It's not too late to get your entry, 513-541-1563, for details.

CELEBRATING THEIR BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:

Marge Lienhart (20), Hugh Hilton (21), Kelli Lackman (23), Ernie Freudenberg (24), Wanda Hubbard (24), Jerry Oberjohann (24), Tina Nicolaci (24), Coby Broman (24), Ethan Finamore (25), Ken Price (26).

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FR. RUDY'S REFLECTION: At the heart of today's Gospel, Jesus tells the curious parable of the dishonest steward (Luke 16:1-13). At first glance, it's a confusing story. A steward, about to be fired, quickly reduces the debts of his master's clients, not out of honesty, but to win favor and secure a soft landing. Yet Jesus surprisingly commends the steward, not for his dishonesty, but for his shrewdness, his foresight in preparing for the future.

Jesus uses this example to challenge his disciples: if even worldly people can act with cunning to secure temporary futures, how much more should we act with spiritual wisdom to prepare for eternity? The Gospel invites us to view our lives and resources through the lens of stewardship. Everything we have—wealth, time, relationships, opportunities—is entrusted to us by God. How we use them shapes not just our legacy, but our eternal destination.

The Catholic understanding of this parable emphasizes prudence, a virtue strengthened by the Holy Spirit calling us to manage what is "small" (earthly wealth) with integrity, so that we might be entrusted with what is "great" (heavenly riches). Jesus plainly says: "The person who is trustworthy in very small matters is also trustworthy in great ones." In other words, the spiritual life is tested and revealed in the details of daily life in how we treat others, in how we handle money, and in how we respond to need.

The parable also reminds us that we cannot serve two masters. "You cannot serve both God and mammon." In a culture driven by consumerism, this message may feel like a sting. But it is also liberation. We were not made to be slaves to wealth, status, or possessions. We were made to serve God in freedom, and that freedom is found in detachment, generosity, and a clear focus on eternal rewards.

As Pope Benedict XVI once said, "Life is truly always a choice, between honesty and dishonesty, between fidelity and infidelity, between selfishness and altruism, between good and evil... Basically it is a matter of choosing between selfishness and love, between justice and dishonesty, and ultimately, between God and Satan."

This Gospel, then, is not a mere economic parable; it is a mirror for our lives. What choices are we making with what God has entrusted to us? Are we using the gifts of this world to build up the kingdom of the next?

NOMINATE AN OUTSTANDING CAREGIVER FOR RECOGNITION TODAY: Caregiver Masses honor all those who work or volunteer as a caregiver – helpful family members and friends, nurses and physicians, dietary staff and lab workers, social workers and home health aides, those who volunteer at healthcare facilities, retirement communities and in parishes. These Masses aren't just for Catholics. People from all faiths are welcome. You can nominate an individual for this year's Mass and reception [here](https://forms.office.com/r/xVukhbiAi5): <https://forms.office.com/r/xVukhbiAi5> or email nominations to can@ccswoh.org. You may also call the Caregiver Assistance Network at 513-869-4483. All nominations are due by September 26, 2025. The 21st Annual Caregiver Mass is scheduled for Sunday, November 23, 10:00 a.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains.

**Do your loved ones
know your wishes for
your final resting place?**
Here are Two Opportunities

**Gate of Heaven Cemetery
Open House**
October 11-12

- Understanding: Catholic Teaching on End of Life, Wills and Estate Planning, and Hospice Care
- Learn more at gateofheaven.org

Pre-Planning Seminars
October 21, November 25

Schedule for 11:00 AM, 2:00 PM, or 6:00 PM

Call (513) 489-0300 to plan today with a Family Service Advisor

