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**Confesión el Sábado:**  
Con cita previa (Español y Inglés)

**Rosario el Sábado: En la iglesia  
(privadamente) 3:20pm**

**Misa el Sábado: (Vigilia) / Inglés 4:00pm**  
**Rosario el Domingo: Con las Letanías de la  
Santísima Virgen María— 9:40am**  
**Misa el Domingo: Español - 11:30am**

### **Liturgia en los Días de la Semana**

**Cada Día a las Doce: Angelus**

**Lunes, Martes, Miércoles, Viernes:**  
Adoración 7:30am y Misa 8:00am

**Jueves: Misa 6:00pm Para Vocaciones:  
Soltero Vida Consagrada, Matrimonio,  
Sacerdocio**

**Viernes: A Las 6:00pm, Rosario Reina de la  
Paz con Adoración**

**Sábado: Adoración a las 7:30am y a las 8am.  
Misa en honor a la Virgen María**

**Rev. Chris Axline, Pastor**

**Rev. Sylvester Modebei, Parochial Vicar**

**Confession on Saturday:**  
By appointment English/Spanish

**Saturday Rosary: At the Church (privately) 3:20pm**

**Saturday Mass (Vigil): English -4:00pm**

**Sunday Rosary: With Litanies of the Blessed  
Virgin Mary—9:40am**

**Sunday Mass: Spanish - 11:30am**

### **Liturgy of the Weekdays**

**Every day at Noon: The Angelus**

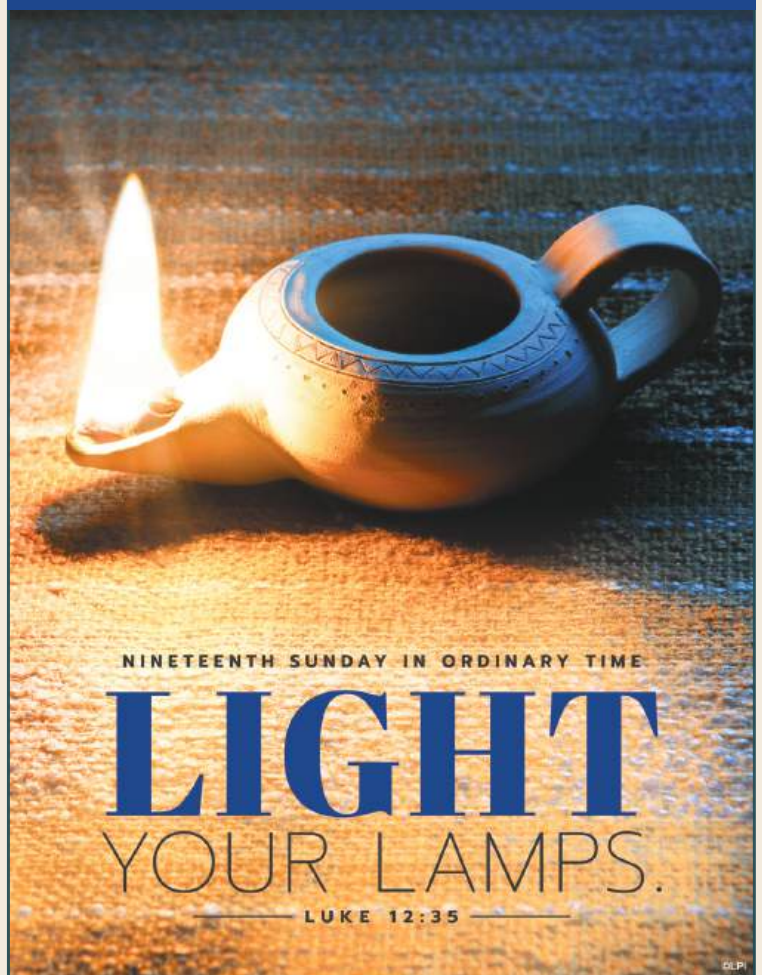
**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday:**  
Adoration 7:30am & Mass 8:00am

**Thursday: Mass 6:00pm for Vocations: Single  
consecrated Life, Matrimony, Priesthood**

**Friday: 6:00pm Rosary of Queen of Peace with Adoration**

**Saturday: Adoration at 7:30am & at 8am. The Mass in  
honor of the Virgin Mary**

### **Sunday, August 10th, 2025**



Reflection for NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME : Year C  
**NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – AUGUST 10, 2025**

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Readings: • Wisdom 18:6-9 • Psalm 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 • Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 • Luke 12:32-48

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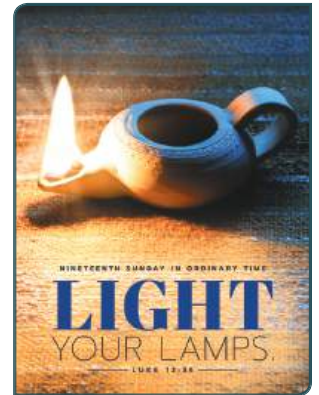
**EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP – Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments**

**Plan Wisely**

What would happen if you found out right now that relatives of yours were coming into town tomorrow, and they hoped to stay with you? You can either tell them they can't stay with you, or you immediately begin a process of furiously cleaning, straightening up, and grocery shopping in anticipation of your guests. If you don't have to do anything to prepare because your home is perfect, clean, and fully stocked, perhaps you don't live in your home or you are obsessive compulsive. I suspect most people reading this would go into panic mode!

We spend much time putting off things until later. Then when something unexpected happens, we swing into action to deal with it or prepare for its effects. We would have acted differently if we knew what was coming down the road.

What does your stewardship way of life look like? Are you living as if you have forever, or are you living as if Jesus could return any moment and your life here on earth could end tomorrow? The gift of time is often taken for granted. If we live more mindfully of that gift, we waste less of it and maximize the moments in which we find ourselves. We give of ourselves in ways that are more meaningful and productive. The gift of tomorrow is not promised to you, but the gift of today has already been given. Use this day wisely because who knows what tomorrow may bring. —Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

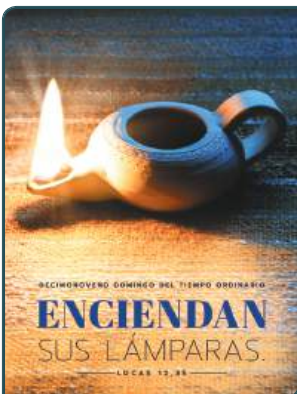


**LA CORRESPONSABILIDAD DIARIA – Reconoce a Dios en Tus Momentos Ordinarios**

**Planifica Sabiamente**

¿Qué pasaría si te enteraras ahora mismo de que unos parientes tuyos van a venir a la ciudad el día de mañana y esperan quedarse contigo? Puedes decirles que no pueden quedarse contigo, o puedes comenzar de inmediato un proceso furioso de limpieza, arreglos y compra de comestibles en anticipación a la llegada de tus invitados. Si tu no tienes que hacer nada para prepararte porque tu casa es perfecta, limpia y completamente equipada, tal vez no vivas en tu casa o seas un obsesivo compulsivo. ¡Sospecho que la mayoría de las personas que leen esto entrarían en un estado de pánico!

Pasamos mucho tiempo aplazando las cosas para después. Luego, cuando sucede algo inesperado, nos ponemos en acción para enfrentarlo o prepararnos para sus efectos. Habríamos actuado de manera diferente si supiéramos lo que se avecinaba en el camino.



¿Cómo luce tu estilo de vida de corresponsable? ¿Estás viviendo como si tuvieras para siempre, o estás viviendo como si Jesús pudiera regresar en cualquier momento y tu vida aquí en la tierra pudiera terminar mañana? El regalo del tiempo a menudo se subestima. Si vivimos más conscientes de este regalo, desperdiciamos menos de él y maximizamos los momentos en que nos encontramos. Nos entregamos a nosotros mismos de maneras más significativas y productivas. El regalo del mañana no se te esta prometido, pero el regalo de hoy ya se te ha dado. Usa este día con sabiduría porque quién sabe lo que el mañana puede traer. —Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi



## Readings for the week of August 10, 2025

### Sunday:

Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 (12b)/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

### Monday:

Dt 10:12-22/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Mt 17:22-27

### Tuesday:

Dt 31:1-8/Dt 32:3-4ab, 7, 8, 9 and 12/  
Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

### Wednesday:

Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17/  
Mt 18:15-20

### Thursday:

Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/  
Mt 18:21-19:1

### Friday:

*Vigil:* 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28 *Day:* Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

### Saturday:

Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 11/  
Mt 19:13-15

### Next Sunday:

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 (14b)/  
Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53



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## Gospel Meditation

### Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

There was a young mother in my parish community who was depressed due to financial strain. She prayed for help. One morning before Mass, she placed on the counter a zip-lock bag filled with jewelry and old coins. Smiling, she explained she had been fixing an old cabinet and found the items hidden deep within the walls of her home. One particular coin could be worth as much as \$900,000. The contents of the bag—previously unknown to them—were now their prized possession. Their plans changed that week. They had to learn how much it was worth.

This week, the Lord tells us, **“For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be” (Luke 12:34).** Our lives revolve around what we treasure. When we discover the treasure the Father gives us—the kingdom of God—everything changes. We might not know its precise value, but we rearrange our lives around it. The joy of this discovery should never be far from our minds.

Sometimes we go through times when we can’t find this treasure. It seems hidden. Or it appears like dirty old coins and worthless jewelry in a Ziploc bag. But how crazy would my parishioners be if they tossed it away without knowing the cash value? How much crazier are we if we center our hearts on any treasure except that of Jesus and his kingdom? Remember, the Father is pleased to give it to us. That’s why we put our hearts there, even when it is hidden.

— *Father John Muir*

## Sunday's Readings

### First Reading:

The night of the passover was known beforehand  
to our fathers,  
that, with sure knowledge of the oaths in which they  
put their faith,  
they might have courage. (Wis 18:6-7)

### Psalm:

Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own. (Ps 33)

### Second Reading:

Faith is the realization of what is hoped for  
and evidence of things not seen. (Heb 11:1)

### Gospel:

Much will be required of the person entrusted with much,  
and still more will be demanded of the person entrusted  
with more." (Lk 12:48)

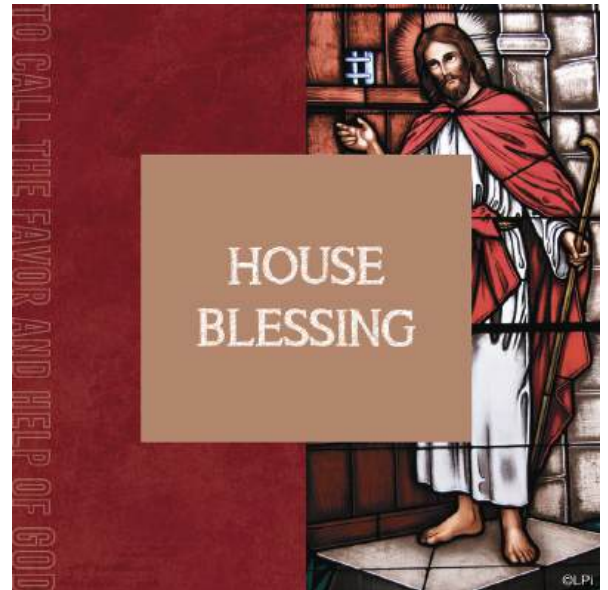
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## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

We are the servants and God is our master.  
He has told us His will, and given us all that  
we need to carry out His directions. Do  
we have the courage to act as our master  
desires? Do we have what it takes to be  
stewards of God's grace?

## Observances for the week of August 10, 2025

<b>Sunday:</b>	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
<b>Monday:</b>	St. Clare, Virgin
<b>Tuesday:</b>	St. Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Sts. Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs
<b>Thursday:</b>	St. Maximillian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr
<b>Friday:</b>	The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
<b>Saturday:</b>	St. Stephen of Hungary
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Devotions, Explained!

Catholics who move to a new place of residence often wish to have their dwelling blessed, to call the favor and help of God upon all those who live in the house and all those who will enter it. The Roman Ritual provides two formats for such blessings.

## Prayer for Generosity

God who has gifted me every good thing,  
Help me to remember what truly matters.  
To treasure love above all else,  
and to serve readily.  
Amen.

## (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

**Mini Reflection:** We all love a message about The Right Thing To Do. We all love when a priest or a nun or any Catholic with a microphone gets up and talks about the truth. We rise to our feet and applaud. And then, too often, we take a deep breath and walk to our car and forget all about it — because we think they were talking to someone else.

### Are You Talking to Me?

Last summer I was at the National Eucharistic Congress when Fr. Mike Schmitz delivered an impassioned call to repentance in his keynote address during an evening revival session. The crowd received his message with great enthusiasm. Their applause and the cheers shook the Lucas Oil Stadium.

The next night, Sr. Josephine Garrett took the stage and, in her address, got into the nitty-gritty of what it means to be a disciple, what it means to live repentance — or, as she so beautifully put it, to *embrace the hunger*.

And in doing so, she called back to the previous night's thunderous approval of Fr. Mike's message.

"When I heard you clapping when Father said we need repentance, I was worried you thought he was talking about your neighbor's repentance," she said. "He is not."

In other words: he's talking about your repentance.

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And then, too often, we take a deep breath and walk to our car and forget all about it — because we think they were talking to someone else. You know...the *others*. The ones who need to hear it. The ones who aren't being vigilant.

In today's Gospel, Peter asks Jesus, "Is this parable [of the absent master] meant for us, or for everyone?" (Luke 12:41). And Jesus answers him with a question. In so many words, he says this: "Do you want it to be for you? Are you ready to hear it?"

Whoever we are. Wherever we're from. Whatever our life looks like. However we pray. He's talking to us.

Are we ready to hear him?

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

## Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

### Question:

Why is it so important that we register in a parish? Isn't it good enough that we go to Mass?

### Answer:

Registration is the official way we join a parish community. Many people think that because they attend a particular parish they automatically belong. At times, young adults who have moved away for years think they are still signed up under their parents. But membership requires signing up, formally enrolling yourself in a parish. Registration is a commitment to a community, a way to be included in the religious, social, and ministerial activities of your parish. Your registration affects the parish in many ways. Census numbers can determine how many priests are assigned to a church, what benefits and obligations the community has to the diocese, and how Masses, Confessions, and devotions are planned and scheduled.

Registration shows you belong. It is also necessary for certain benefits, like scheduling sacraments, obtaining sponsor certificates, and getting donation statements for taxes. Most importantly, it lets the parish count on you, to call on you to assist in its mission. Registering in your parish is a statement of faith and confidence in the life and work of your parish.





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- 4th Day : Arrival to Puglia
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- 6th Day : Tour of Cascia and Roccaporena: Santa Rita di Cascia
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# Religious Formation and Sacraments

## FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION



**Registration** for the 2025-2026 Religious Education session **has ended.**

**Classes will begin on Thursday, August 21st, from 5:30-7:00pm at the St. Mary's Parish Center.**

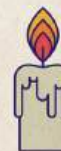
*Parents should also attend on this date for orientation and to receive the R.E. Handbook for the year.*

No payments will be accepted at this class. Payments can be made at the Parish Office during business hours, or online at this QR code →



*We look forward to a great year with our St. Mary's families. See you then!*

## INSCRIPCIÓN PARA LA FORMACIÓN EN LA FE



## CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**Thursdays: 5:30-7:00pm**



**Early Childhood** (ages 4-6):

*No sacramental preparation*

**Elementary Catechism, Year 1** (ages 7+):

*1st Reconciliation (if baptized)*

*\*Unbaptized children complete two years of catechism, with Baptism being received in the second year, along with Confirmation and 1st Holy Communion*

**Elementary Catechism, Year 2** (ages 8-12):

*1st Holy Communion, Confirmation, Baptism (if unbaptized)*

**Catecismo en Español, año 1** (7+ años):

*1a Reconciliación (si está bautizado)*

*\*Los niños no bautizados completan dos años de catecismo, recibiendo el bautismo en el segundo año, junto con la Confirmación y la Primera Comunión.*

**Catecismo en Español, año 2** (8-12 años):

*1a Santa Comunión, Confirmación, Bautismo (si no está bautizado)*



BAPTISM INFORMATION AND REQUIREMENTS



## Baptism Information

(children ages 6 and younger)



### REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BAPTISM OF YOUR CHILD

**To have your child baptized in our parish, a parent of the child to be baptized must come to the Parish Office to obtain an outline describing the required forms.**

After submitting these required forms to the office, the parents and godparents will be scheduled to attend a pre-baptism class. Only after all requirements have been met can the baptism of your child be scheduled.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please call the Parish Office: (928) 377-3435.



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