

September 20, 2020 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary



*I received from the Lord
what I also handed on to you.*



CATECHETICAL SUNDAY | *September 20, 2020*
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303 Lincoln Way East
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Pastor: Father Derek Fairman

Mass Times:
Saturday at 4:00 p.m.
Sunday at 12:00 Noon

Confession Times:
Saturday before Mass & Sunday after Mass





Week of September 20, 2020
Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



1st Reading:
Isaiah 55:6-9

2nd Reading:
Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a

Gospel Reading:
Matthew 20:1-16

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In case of an emergency and you need to contact

**Father Fairman, please call the
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Fulton County Catholic Mission

**Carmelite Community of the Word
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**If you see or suspect child abuse...
 Call PA Childline at 1-800-932-0313 or
 visit <http://keepkidssave.pa.gov>**



**PARISH
 COUNCIL
 MEMBERS**

**Susan Cabbage
 Marlene Joyce**

**Deb Leese
 Alex Serrano
 Russ Trembl
 Janice Wolfe**

**Collection
 September 13, 2020**

Regular/Weekly	\$1525.00
Energy	\$95.00
Catholic University of America	\$25.00
Assumption	\$10.00
Candles	\$11.00



- 9/19 +Jean Botkin req. by Doris Nolte
- 9/20 +Barbara Vandzura Miller req. by Millie Trembl
- 9/26 +Sharon Houppert req. by James Houppert
- 9/27 +Deceased Members of the Gartner Family Req. by Family & Friends

Upcoming Events

Basket Raffle

Raffle tickets are here. We are asking each family to sell or purchase a packet of 20 tickets.

You are welcome to take as many packets as you need. Lets try and make this a successful fundraiser this fall. Please try and bring in the basket or item that you have promised so we can make our display complete.



* Bird Lovers Package Raffle profit was *
* \$155.00 *
* Thank you to all that supported the *
* summer raffle. *

Finance Council Meeting

Wednesday, September 23rd at 6:15 p.m.
In the Church Social Hall

To Parishioners celebrating their
Birthday in the Month of September



To all the couples celebrating their
Anniversary in the
Month of September

RADA Cutlery Fundraiser

Catalogs are now available. Orders are due October 25, 2020 with payment made to St. Stephen Church.

Orders should be ready for pickup November 21, 2020. We will keep you updated. It looks like there are a few new items in the catalog.

Any questions please call Deb Leese at
717-485-3666

St. Stephen's Family Life Committee is having a
Marianna's Hoagie and pizza Fundraiser.

Orders will be due October 4, with payment.
Checks can be made out to St. Stephen Church.
Delivery date is Tuesday October 13, 2020 after
4:30pm.



Monday, September 21, 2020

Reading 1 EPH 4:1-7, 11-13
Gospel MT 9:9-13

Tuesday, September 22, 2020

Reading 1 PRV 21:1-6, 10-13
Gospel

Wednesday, September 23, 2020

Reading 1 PRV30:5-9
Gospel LK 9:1-6

Thursday, September 24, 2020

Reading 1 ECCL 1:2-11
Gospel LK 9:7-9

Friday, September 25, 2020

Reading 1 ECCL 3:1-11
Gospel LK 9:18-22

Saturday, September 26, 2020

Reading 1 ECCL 11:9 – 12:8
Gospel LK 9:43B-45



Let us say a prayer for our Catholic Members who are homebound and unable to attend church.

Pat Frazier Julie Canary
Peggy Hoffman

All other Members who cannot attend at this time.

MASS INTENTIONS

At this time we have several weekend Mass Intention October through December

If you would like to have a mass intention for your loved one living and/or deceased, please use the Mass Intention Envelope.

You may put your Mass Intentions in the offering box located in the back of the church.

Feast Day – September 22

In the fifth century, St. Eucherius of Lyons described the legendary martyrdom of Maurice and the Theban Legion, comprised of Christians from Upper Egypt. Maurice was first officer of the legion, sent by Emperor Maximian to Switzerland to put down some rebellious Gauls. When Maximian ordered the soldiers to sacrifice to Roman gods, Maurice and his legion refused. The outraged emperor ordered “decimations” in which one of every 10 men was killed; when the remainder still would not worship Roman gods, Maximian had other soldiers massacre the entire legion of 6,000. Though the number may be exaggerated, a martyrdom of some Christian soldiers seems believable. Maurice is a patron saint of all armies, the Swiss Guard and Austria.



Reading 1

Seek the LORD while he may be found,
call him while he is near.
Let the scoundrel forsake his way,
and the wicked his thoughts;
let him turn to the LORD for mercy;
to our God, who is generous in forgiving.
For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD.
As high as the heavens are above the earth,
so high are my ways above your ways
and my thoughts above your thoughts.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

R. (18a) **The Lord is near to all who call upon him.**

Every day will I bless you,
and I will praise your name forever and ever.
Great is the LORD and highly to be praised;
his greatness is unsearchable.
R. **The Lord is near to all who call upon him.**

The LORD is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and of great kindness.
The LORD is good to all
and compassionate toward all his works.
R. **The Lord is near to all who call upon him.**

The LORD is just in all his ways
and holy in all his works.
The LORD is near to all who call upon him,
to all who call upon him in truth.
R. **The Lord is near to all who call upon him.**

Reading 2

Brothers and sisters:
Christ will be magnified in my body, whether by life or by death.
For to me life is Christ, and death is gain.
If I go on living in the flesh,
that means fruitful labor for me.
And I do not know which I shall choose.
I am caught between the two.
I long to depart this life and be with Christ,
for that is far better.
Yet that I remain in the flesh
is more necessary for your benefit.

Only, conduct yourselves in a way worthy of the gospel of Christ.
The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

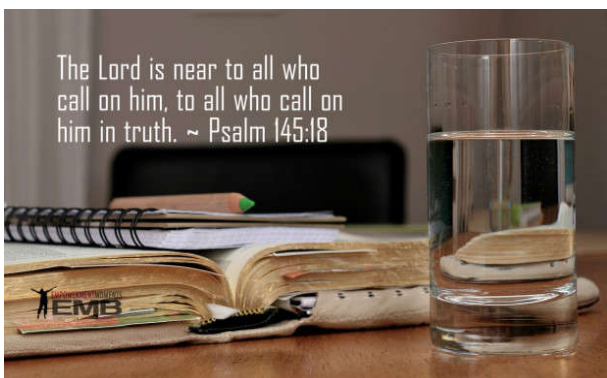
Alleluia

R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**
Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son.
R. **Alleluia, alleluia.**

Gospel

Jesus told his disciples this parable:
“The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner
who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard.
After agreeing with them for the usual daily wage,
he sent them into his vineyard.
Going out about nine o’clock,
the landowner saw others standing idle in the marketplace,
and he said to them, ‘You too go into my vineyard,
and I will give you what is just.’
So they went off.
And he went out again around noon,
and around three o’clock, and did likewise.
Going out about five o’clock,
the landowner found others standing around, and said to them,
‘Why do you stand here idle all day?’
They answered, ‘Because no one has hired us.’
He said to them, ‘You too go into my vineyard.’
When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman,
‘Summon the laborers and give them their pay,
beginning with the last and ending with the first.’
When those who had started about five o’clock came,
each received the usual daily wage.
So when the first came, they thought that they would receive more,
but each of them also got the usual wage.
And on receiving it they grumbled against the landowner, saying,
‘These last ones worked only one hour,
and you have made them equal to us,
who bore the day’s burden and the heat.’
He said to one of them in reply,
‘My friend, I am not cheating you.
Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage?
Take what is yours and go.
What if I wish to give this last one the same as you?
Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money?
Are you envious because I am generous?’
Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, Heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
You take away the sin of the world,
have mercy on us;
You take away the sin of the world,
receive our prayer;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One;
you alone are the Lord.
You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God, the Father.
Amen

PROFESSION ON FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
and by the Holy Spirit (please bow) was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day,
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church.
I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen



*Congratulations to
Liam Pistner on his First Holy
Communion*

*Congratulations to Ashley Dukehart and
Wesley Bafile on their Confirmation*

