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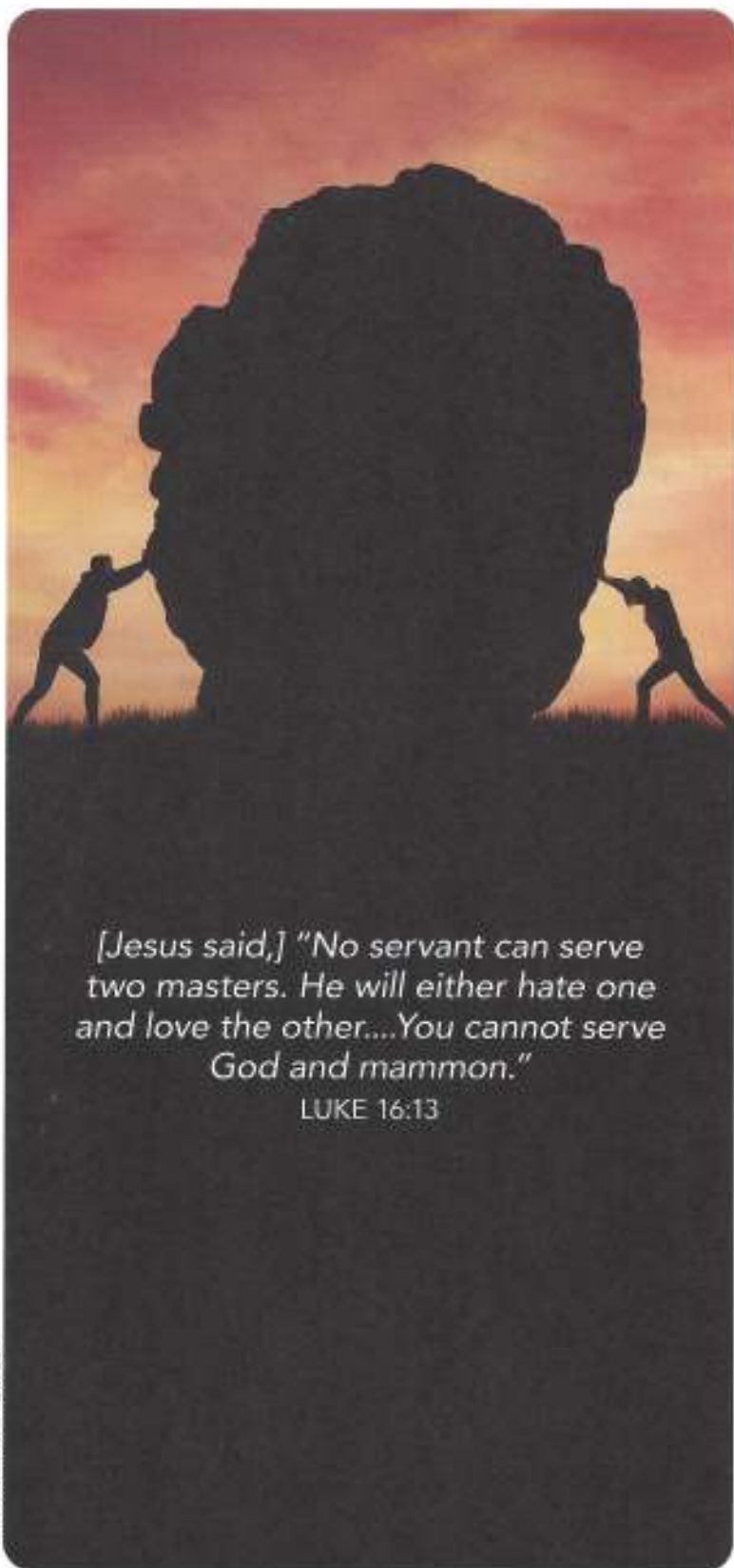
September 18, 2022

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

Am 8:4-7

1 Tm 2:1-8

Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13



*[Jesus said,] "No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other....You cannot serve God and mammon."*

LUKE 16:13

## God or Mammon?

**J**esus tells a story that might sound confusing to us because it reflects economic practices of his time, not ours. His original audience likely recognized the situation as one that was familiar to them. In the story, an employee fails to oversee and enhance the material holdings of his employer. However, when it came to getting what he could for himself from the employer's assets, he shows remarkable ability. One might say: Good for him! Even the employer thought the employee's actions showed resourcefulness.

Jesus does not applaud the specifics of the man's behavior, acceptable or not, as the case may have been. Rather, he notes that the man used whatever was available to him to ensure his own comfort in the future. Jesus then states that the ingenuity of such a man is more noteworthy than that of children of light. What a condemnation!

Jesus goes on to condemn mammon. Just what is that? It is too easy to say that mammon is money, though money is part of it. A good definition is "the greedy pursuit of gain." This could be any kind of gain over others when we make that gain the primary value in our lives. The story shows that the employee was amazingly industrious in his pursuit. In comparison, the children of light (you and me?) too often fail to demonstrate comparable industry in pursuing the true wealth of which Jesus spoke. Once again, a choice is placed before us: God or mammon?

*Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA*

### FOR Reflection

- ★ *What is the driving pursuit in your life? Is it worthy of you?*
- ★ *How committed are you to religious pursuits?*



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**Daily Mass Intentions for the Week of September 19, 2022**

|           |      |         |                         |                           |
|-----------|------|---------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Monday    | 9/19 |         |                         | + No Mass                 |
| Tuesday   | 9/20 | 8:00 am | STM                     | + Bernard Schwamberger    |
| Wednesday | 9/21 | 5:30 pm | HT (Rosary before mass) | + Michael Campbell        |
| Thursday  | 9/22 | 9:00 am | HT                      | + Jack & Theresa McCallum |
| Friday    | 9/23 | 8:00 am | STM                     | + Liz Olivero             |

**Mass Intentions for the weekend of September 24-25, 2022**

|          |      |          |                 |                                  |
|----------|------|----------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| Saturday | 9/24 | 4:00 pm  | St. Thomas More | + Corrine Manning                |
| Sunday   | 9/25 | 8:30 am  | Holy Trinity    | + Jerry Joiner                   |
|          |      | 10:30 am | St. Patrick     | + Dec. Mems Justin Legner Family |
|          |      | 5:00 pm  | St. Thomas More | + For the Parishioners           |



**"GO MAKE DISCIPLES"** is the theme for this year's **ADA CAMPAIGN**



### ADA supports EVANGELIZATION

When we experience the love and joy that comes with knowing and loving Jesus, we want to proclaim the difference Christ has made in our life and help bring others to him. Ministries and programs include support for all our Catholic grade schools and high schools, Totus Tuus - the summer parish program for youth, Newman Centers outreach to college students, Catholic Charities programs and more. Go to [www.cdop.org/ada](http://www.cdop.org/ada) to learn more about the ministries supported by ADA and to watch the ADA videos. *"I always thought that my friends would make fun of me, but I noticed that those friends that I would hang out with weren't really my friends. The friends I have now are friends that go to church with me, go to RCIA classes with me and are preparing to receive their sacraments with me. Father Dittmer has inspired me to follow Jesus Christ. He encourages us a lot to be faithful and to continue to grow in our relationship with Jesus for the rest of our lives."* - Iván Sánchez, catechumen



**Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, and Paul Chong Ha-sang, and Companions, Korean Martyrs - Feast Day September 20**

Andrew, born in Seoul, Korea, was a convert to the faith and was ordained Korea's first native priest. His father was also a Martyr. In 1846 Andrew was tortured and beheaded along with his lay associate, seminarian Paul Chong Ha-sang. Between 1839 and 1867, 103 martyrs gave their lives for the Faith in Korea.

## Saints around the World

**St Matthew ~ Feast Day September 21**

St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist: Matthew, a tax collector, was called by Jesus to be one of His disciples.

Matthew subsequently became an apostle who wrote one of the four Gospels, "The Gospel according to St. Matthew." He eventually was martyred in Ethiopia, where he preached the Good News. St. Matthew is the patron saint of accountants and custom officers.



We have started another Religious Education year with registration last Sunday. The first CCD class will be Sun, Sept 18th for K-4th grade from 9:30 am – 10:30 am at Cherry Church Hall.

Next Sun, Sept 25th CCD class will be for 5th-8th grade from 9:30 am – 10:30 am at Cherry Church Hall.

Parents, there is still time to register if you haven't already done so. Contact Carol Lauer, RE Director, or the church to sign up.

### LATEST OFFERING'S

WEEKEND SEPT 11TH

HT- \$605.00  
SP- \$333.00  
STM- \$1079.00



Again, STM is still looking for money counters. Contact one of the trustees, Kenny or Ben to volunteer.

### CONFESSIONS

THE NEXT CONFESSIONS WILL BE SAT, SEPT 24TH 10:30-11:15 AT ST THOMAS MORE IN THE HALL



# Dear Padre,

**A friend sent me a copy of *The Catholic Worker* newspaper. It was founded by one of his heroes, Dorothy Day. What can you tell me about her?**

**D**orothy Day was born in Brooklyn, New York, in 1897. She finished high school at age sixteen and joined the Socialist Party in 1914 as a college student. She converted to Catholicism in 1927.

During the Great Depression, Dorothy's commitment to the poor deepened. In 1932 she met Peter Maurin, with whom she founded the Catholic Worker Movement. In 1933 she created *The Catholic Worker* newspaper, through which

she proclaimed the rights of workers to dignity and to fair and honest treatment by industry and government, landlords, and neighbors. Her pro-labor and anti-war beliefs caused her to be labeled a Communist, but she was never a member of the Communist Party.

Dorothy's concern for social justice grew—among other things, she worked with Cesar Chavez and the United Farm Workers. She was orthodox, pious, and had a deep sense of Catholic morality.

She died in 1980. In 2000, St. John Paul II granted the Archdiocese of New York permission to open a cause for Dorothy

Day's sainthood. That cause was endorsed in 2012 by the US Conference of Catholic Bishops, who called her "a saint for our time." In December 2021, Servant of God Dorothy Day's cause advanced from the Archdiocese of New York to the Vatican's Congregation for the Causes of the Saints.

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## A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*In these times when social concerns are so important, I cannot fail to mention the Servant of God Dorothy Day, who founded the Catholic Worker Movement. Her social activism, her passion for justice and for the cause of the oppressed, were inspired by the Gospel, her faith, and the example of the saints.*

ADDRESS TO JOINT SESSION OF US CONGRESS,  
SEPTEMBER 24, 2015



## Calendar

**Monday**  
SEPTEMBER 19  
Weekday  
Prv 3:27-34  
Lk 8:16-18

**Tuesday**  
SEPTEMBER 20  
Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gön,  
Priest, and Paul Chông  
Ha-sang, and Companions,  
Martyrs  
Prv 21:1-6, 10-13  
Lk 8:19-21

**Wednesday**  
SEPTEMBER 21  
St. Matthew,  
Apostle and Evangelist  
Eph 4:1-7, 11-13  
Mt 9:9-13

**Thursday**  
SEPTEMBER 22  
Weekday  
Ecc 1:2-11  
Lk 9:7-9

**Friday**  
SEPTEMBER 23  
St. Pius of Pietrelcina,  
Priest  
Ecc 3:1-11  
Lk 9:18-22

**Saturday**  
SEPTEMBER 24  
Weekday  
Ecc 11:9-12:8  
Lk 9:43b-45

**Sunday**  
SEPTEMBER 25  
Twenty-sixth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
Am 6:1a, 4-7  
1 Tm 6:11-16  
Lk 16:19-31

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