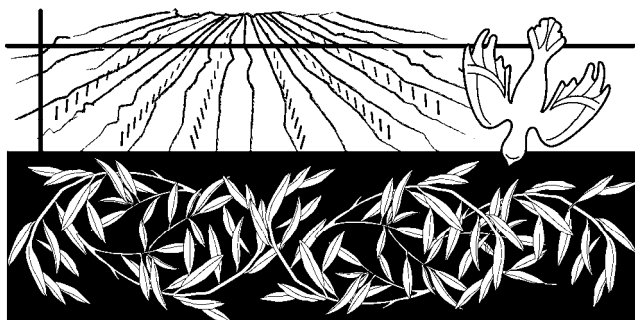


# Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## September 20, 2009

The fruit of righteousness is sown in peace  
for those who cultivate peace.

— *James 3:18*



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### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The wicked say: With revilement and torture let us put the just one to the test (Wisdom 2:12, 17-20).

**Psalm** — The Lord upholds my life (Psalm 54).

**Second Reading** — The wisdom from above is full of mercy and good fruits (James 3:16 — 4:3).

**Gospel** — Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me (Mark 9:30-37).

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### HOW DO WE TREAT THE MESSENGER?

Let's not be too hasty in defining who is "the wicked one" and who (namely us) is just! We are very quick to label others as evil, because we tend to label ourselves as good guys. We don't like it when we are brought up short by a prophetic voice that brings us some bad news about our own behavior. We don't like to be reproached for transgressions of the law or charged with violations of our training.

We may condemn and abuse those who bring us up against these truths about ourselves when, if we were really good, we would thank them for helping to keep us on the right path. This is the way they treated the prophets and the way they treated Jesus. Is this also the way we treat those whose message we don't like?

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### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13
Tuesday:	Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday:	Ezr 9:5-9; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday:	Hg 1:1-8; Lk 9:7-9
Friday:	Hg 2:1-9; Lk 9:18-22
Saturday:	Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Lk 9:43b-45
Sunday:	Nm 11:25-29; Ps 19; Jas 5:1-6; Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

**Rosary Dedication: September 2009:**

For the faculty and staff in our parish school.

**This Week at Our Lady of Sorrows**

**Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup>**

Mass – 8:00 am  
PRE – 9 am  
English Choir – 9:30 am  
Mass - 10:30 am  
Catechetical Sunday, 10:30 am Mass  
Spanish Mass - 5:00 pm,

**Mon, September 21<sup>st</sup>**

Mass, 8:15 am

**Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Mass – 8:15 am  
Student grades KN- 4<sup>th</sup> Mass  
Pastoral Council Meeting, 7pm  
Krug Hall

**Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>**

School dismissal at 11:30 am  
Mass, – 6:30 pm  
Legion of Mary – 4:30 pm, Lucius Hall  
RCIA – 7 pm Krug Hall  
Youth Group 7 pm

**Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup>**

Mass– 8:15 am  
Students Mass 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade  
K of C 4<sup>th</sup> degree dinner,  
cafeteria 5pm

**Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup>**

Communion Service - 8:15 am

**Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>**

Confessions, 3:00 pm  
Mass – 4:00 pm  
Trivia night doors open 5:30 pm GYM

**Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup>**

Mass – 8:00 am  
K of C Breakfast, 9 am  
PRE Class 9 am  
Mass – 10:30 am  
Spanish Mass - 5:00 pm



**St. Matthew**

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**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday: Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time;  
Catechetical Sunday  
Monday: St. Matthew; Eid al-Fit'r (Islamic feast  
of the conclusion of Ramadan)  
celebrated this week  
Tuesday: Autumn begins  
Wednesday: St. Pio of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)  
Saturday: St. Cosmas and St. Damian;  
Blessed Virgin Mary

**September 2009**

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**Deadline for bulletin news is on Tuesdays by 4:00 pm.  
Please call the office with any news  
you would like to put in the bulletin.**

**4<sup>th</sup> Degree Knights of Columbus** – We welcome the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus to OLS this week for it initiation and dinner on Thursday. Please make them feel welcome.

**Catechetical Sunday** – This weekend we celebrate Catechetical Sunday and commission all serve our parish as catechists by teaching religion or leading in the further development of the Catholic Faith among our adults. Please pray for these men and women that the Holy Spirit will give them wisdom to share the Faith, courage to stand firm in the Faith, and the joy of Faith to excite others to follow Christ Jesus. We are pleased to recognize the catechists at Our Lady of Sorrows; RCIA: Gerry Taulman, Adult Education: Deacon Henry Littleton, School: Susan Hissong, Jeanne Littleton, Helen Marshall, Beth Moody, Joseph Solomon, and Tara Videtic, PRE: Anne Humphrey, Jeanne Littleton, Beth Moody, Linda O'Donnell, Sharon O'Brien, Kay Pope, Mary Standridge, and Tara Videtic

**“Harvest Your Mind” Trivia Night** – Come “Harvest your Mind” on September 26<sup>th</sup> for our fourth Trivia Night. Doors open at 5:30pm and Trivia begins at 6:30pm. Prize for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place teams, prize for best named team and many door prizes. \$10.00 per person, you do not have to have a full team to play. Silent Auction items will be on preview the weekend before Trivia with an opportunity to place your bid. Soft drinks, Chili, Hot Dogs, Nachos & Chips will be available for a small charge. You can obtain a registration form on the church website [www.ourladyofsorrowschurch.org](http://www.ourladyofsorrowschurch.org) or in the rectory office. If you have any questions please don't let that stop you from joining us, call Carolyn Roberts at 901-353-1530 or Linda O'Donnell at 901-496-1396.

**Diocesan Anniversary Celebration** – The 19<sup>th</sup> annual Diocesan Anniversary Celebration for couples married 25, 50 and 50\* years will be held Saturday, October 3, 2009, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 1695 Central Avenue, at 12:00 noon. A reception will follow in Marian Hall. Registration is required for recognition. To register, call Pat Perry at (901) 722-4735. The deadline for registration is September 23.

**Vocation Evenings of Discernment** – The Diocese of Memphis is having a series of Evenings of Discernment for those men who are interested in the priesthood and are seniors in high school and older. The evening are on the third Monday of each month at St. Louis Church and begin at 5:45 p.m. with Evening Prayer before going to a restaurant for fellowship and concluding with reflection at prayer back at St. Louis. Not only do these evenings provide an opportunity to reflect on God's call in one's life, but they provide young men with fellowship with those who are also thinking about the priesthood in their lives. Thinking about being a priest? Come join us!

#### **TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

How long have there been parochial schools in the United States? Longer than you may imagine. The Jesuit fathers opened Saint Mary School in Philadelphia in 1782 in the first light of independence. Catholic and Protestant squabbles about the nature of education forced the Fathers to make this risky and innovative venture in the heart of the city. The school was closed by a devastating fire in 1902, but reopened in 1968 as St. Mary Interparochial School, the first example of a shared parochial school. It is also the only Catholic school within the confines of a national park. This is the “Mother School” of this uniquely American institution. Many parochial schools, especially in “national parishes,” were established to preserve the culture and language of the “old country,” and also to protect young people from prejudice.

In other countries, Ireland for one, the Church is authorized to run national schools, sometimes under the sponsorship of a parish. In still other places, such as Quebec, publicly-funded “separate schools” were administered by the Church. Wherever the state funds Catholic schools, normally enrollment is guaranteed to all applicants. The Quebec system was dismantled in 1998 when the state decided to reorganize schools along linguistic lines rather than religious affiliation. Parochial schools require considerable sacrifice, but they endure as a distinctive treasure of the Church in the United States.

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**Thank You!** – A special thanks is extended to all who contributed to the success of our Parish Feast Day Celebration last Tuesday. The Mass was beautiful, the procession was festive and the food was delicious. If you weren't there, please know that you were missed.

***Ministers & Altar Server  
Schedule  
for September 19 & 20***

	<u><b>4:00 PM</b></u>	<u><b>8:00 AM</b></u>	<u><b>10:30 AM</b></u>	<u><b>5:00 PM</b></u>
Communion	Deacon Henry Francis Bursi	Deacon Don Larry Hall	Kay Pope Mary Standridge	Estaban Roque Nick Vinturella
Reader:	Bill Roth	Janie Hall	Lyons Pope	C. & R. Roque
Altar Servers:	Alisha Younger	Kellie Owen Hayden Williams	Katie Hissong Antonio Lopez	Abigail Roque Juan Rivera

***Ministers & Altar Server  
Schedule  
for September 26 & 27***

	<u><b>4:00 PM</b></u>	<u><b>8:00 AM</b></u>	<u><b>10:30 AM</b></u>	<u><b>5:00 PM</b></u>
Communion	Deacon Henry Mary Kissell	Deacon Don Martha Hensley	Kay Pope Linda O'Donnell	Estaban Roque Nick Vinturella
Reader:	Eileen Monroe	Don Gohman	Anne Humphrey	C. & R. Roque
Altar Servers:	Lacey Carter	Cody Bailey Dalton Bailey	Shelby Gilbreath John Witcher	Sarihi Roque Javier Roque Jose Roque

**Please remember the following people in your prayers:** Barbara Allard, Grace Aspinall, Theresa Baker, Rachel Beaty, June Bennis, Rebecca Bethune, Deanna Bolgeo, Johnny Boletta, Crissy Brigance, Thomas Brown, Carole Brunner, Fred Brunner, Keith Carpenter, Trudi Collier, Abrahan Delgado, DePriest Family, James Essary, Elena Everroad, Karen Everroad, Tony Drewitz, Margaret Dries, Rena Frazier, John Paul Fields, Rosa Fox, Carolyn Fracchia, Alice Fricks, Lance Garrett, Sue Guinn, Linda Gonzales, Theresa Greco, Eileen Haklitch, Amanda Hall, Shelby Henricks, Peggy Hooten, Lynn Hupp, Michael & Donna Jackson, Margaret Jones, Justin Kitts, Robert Kuehner, Butsy Lanigan, Bill Lindsley, Anthony Lobianco, Ericka Lopez, Robert Lutts, Jerry Lynn, Sadie Claire Lynn, Louise Macdonald, Joseph Mangold, Betty Marshak, Thomas Miller, Alex Mosby, Tama Numera, Bill Nutt, Fr. Jim Martell, Eudora Mays, Shirley Mayo, Tony Oliviera, Frances O'Toole, Brinda Paravicini, Jackie Perfetti, Waldyr Poilis, Fr. Robert Ponticello, Nancy Pope, Dr. Cheryl Pearson, Kenneth Rainey, Ester Ralph, Louisa Reilly, Bea Rimmert, Ed Roberts, James & Maureen Spain, Mona Stringfellow, Steve Stromberg, Brooklyn Swann, Stephen Thompson, Fr. Bryan Timby, Mary Timby, Keith Trenham, Henry NanNess, Helene Weiss, Lewis Wilkinson, Louise Winter and Angie Wright..

**Flowers on altar in honor of  
Steve & Janette Mack 54<sup>th</sup>  
wedding anniversary**



**Stewardship of the Altar** – Flowers can be put on the Altar in memory of a loved one; a deceased couple of the departed of an entire family or in honor of someone's special anniversary, birthdays or other happy occasions or just to honor someone you think is special. Please contact Frances Bursi at 357-5874 or 634-1168.

**Moore's Reminders For Math** – Some students are unable to remember particular processes in math and have a difficult time finding the answers in the text. Come and see how these quick reference cards can help your student. This program was developed by a Catholic school math teacher, who will speak September 21, 2009 at 7pm at St. Benedict's auditorium. For more info call Chris Moore at 901-405-4588.

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm**

Angelo Bursi+

**Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am**

People of Parish

**Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup> 10:30 am**

Steve & Janette Mack 54<sup>th</sup> anny.

**Sunday, September 20<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm**

Int. of Benita Rios

**Monday September 21<sup>st</sup> 8:15am**

Emma & Paul Goetz+

**Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> 8:15 am**

Bill Aspinal+

**Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> 6:30 pm**

Walter Jackson+

**Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup> 8:15 am**

Int. of Joseph Marshall

**Friday September 25<sup>th</sup> 8:15 am**

Communion Service

**Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm**

John Trichel+

**Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am**

Wendy Gerity+

**Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup> 10:30 am**

People of Parish

**Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm**

Int. of Alaniz Zamora Family

### **PARISHONERS IN NURSING HOME:**

**Carolyn Fracchia  
St. Peter Villa, 331-A  
141 North McLean  
Memphis, TN 38104**

**Jackie Perfetti  
St. Francis Nursing Home  
5959 Park Ave, room 328  
Memphis, TN 38119`**

**Helene Weiss  
St. Francis Nursing Home  
5959 Park Ave, room 328  
Memphis, TN 38119**

**Ginger Shemwell  
Luther Tower  
274 S. Highland apt. 106  
Memphis, TN 38111**

**Rachel Beaty  
Grace Healthcare Center  
955 Germantown Pkwy, room 212A  
Cordova, TN 38018**

*Visiting the sick is a corporal work of mercy. Visit the sick and/or send them a card to let them know they are not forgotten.*

### **PARISHONER IN HOSPITAL:**

Amanda Hall, MN room 363  
Louise Macdonald Meth Central ICU, T438

**Carolyn Walsh**, long time member at OLS, wife of Mike Walsh and mother of Pat Walsh passed away Wednesday. Funeral Mass was Friday at OLS. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

**Holy Land Pilgrimage** – Only six (6) seats remain for the Lenten Pilgrimage to the Holy Land under the spiritual direction of Fr. Bryan Timby, March 5-16, 2010. Go to [www.gocatholictravel.com/Timby](http://www.gocatholictravel.com/Timby) or contact the Parish Office for more information.

**Crosses for Life** – The Youth Group will be putting out several hundred white cross on the parish lawn to represent the babies who have been murdered by abortion. Parishioners are invited to name the babies and tell us what they may have grown up to me. Name tags will be placed around the crosses identifying these lives that were ended too soon. An example: My name is RACHEL and I would have discovered a cure for breast cancer. Or: My name is WALTER and I would have been Pope Anthony I, the first American Pope. See Sharon O’Brien for more details.

**Word of life:** The social question has become a radically anthropological question, in the sense that it concerns not just how life is conceived but also how it is manipulated, as bio-technology places it increasingly under man’s control. In vitro fertilization, embryo research, the possibility of manufacturing clones and human hybrids: all this is now emerging and being promoted in today’s highly disillusioned culture, which believes it had mastered every mystery, because the origin of life is now within our grasp. We must not underestimate the disturbing scenarios that threaten our future, or the powerful new instruments that the “culture of death” has at its disposal.

-Pope Benedict XVI. Charity in Truth (Caritas in Veritate), 75, June 29, 2009

**Financial Report  
Weekend of 9/13/09**

Envelopes	\$ 1,945.00
Loose Checks	255.00
Loose Currency/Coin	188.76
Debt	128.00
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$ 2,516.76</b>
Church Budget for the week	- <u>4,387.00</u>
Collection Diff for the week	(1,870.24)
Collections Revenues Y-T-D	\$ <b>46,447.26</b>
Church Budget Y-T-D	<u>48,257.00</u>
Collections Deficit Y-T-D	\$ 1,809.74

**Walk for St. Vincent DePaul** – The second annual National Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP) (<http://www.svdpusa.org>) USA Friends of the Poor Walk will be held on Saturday, September 26, 2009 at Christian Brothers High School Athletic Field, 5900 Walnut Grove Rd Memphis, TN. Registration opens at 9:30 AM and the Walk begins at 10 a.m. To participate in the walk — Register online at [svdpfriendsofthepoor.org](http://svdpfriendsofthepoor.org) and “Become a Walker” (choose Memphis and then Council of Memphis) or “Pledge to a Walker” (locate a registered walker you know, select view and the select donate) OR fill out the waiver/sponsor form in the brochure found in the vestibule and bring it with you on the day of the walk. All proceeds are benefiting the SVDP Food Mission so it can continue the 365 day a year service to the community.

**Pastoral Council Elections** – The Parish Pastoral Council will have elections at all Masses on the weekend of September 26-27. Ballots will be in the pews and should be cast in the vestibule at the end of each Mass. You must be 18 years of age or older to cast a ballot. Only one ballot is allowed per person. No proxy ballots will be accepted. The candidates are: Jack Bish, Richard Gonzales, Mona Hector and John Witcher.

**Parish Pastoral Council Meeting** – The Parish Pastoral Council meets this week on Tuesday, September 22, at 7:00 p.m. in Krug Hall. All organizational representatives are asked to have their reports typed and copied for distribution (16 copies).

**EAGLEFEST '09** – Our fall festival will be here before we know it. The date is Saturday, October 10. A committee has been busy behind the scenes organizing the details, but everyone’s help is required. The guessing game will require you to estimate the number of Bobbi pins in the container. The ravioli and fish dinner is on target. The tee-shirts are being designed. All proceeds go to tuition assistance for students in our parish school so we need the best effort from all parishioners. Contact Carolyn Roberts at the parish office (353-1530) if you can volunteer some time, talent or part of your treasure. We REALLY NEED all three!!!! **Advance Dinner Tickets** will go on sale this weekend. Buy your tickets before Oct 10 and receive a \$1.00 off per ticket. **WE NEED EMPTY METAL COFFEE CANS, PLEASE DROP OFF AT RECTORY BEFORE OCT. 6<sup>TH</sup>.**

**R.C.I.A.** Do you know someone interested in the Catholic faith? Would you like to update your own knowledge of Catholicism? If so, please consider becoming a part of our Rite of Christian Initiation (R.C.I.A.) classes that will begin September 9, 2009. The classes are on Wednesdays evenings after the 6:30 p.m. Mass and are for those baptized in another Christian religion, those who have not been baptized, and those Catholics who have not been practicing their Faith for many years and they want to return to the Family Table. Please invite your family members, neighbors and friends! Contact the Parish Office (353-1530) or Gerry Taulman (278-7517) for more information.

**Parish Bible Study 2009-2010** – Next year we will be studying St. Paul’s Letter to the Romans, one of the most contentious books of the New Testament and the source of so much conflict between Catholics and Protestants because it is the foundation of Martin Luther’s teaching that salvation is by *sola fide* (faith alone) after he added the word “alone” to the sacred text in his version of the Bible. This 25-session study by Catholic Scripture Study International will begin in October and conclude in May. Pre-registration is necessary. The cost of \$50 (just \$2.00/week) is due at the time of registration in order to order personal study materials. A limited number of scholarships (up to 50% off) are available facing financial difficulty. Sessions will continue to be on Thursday morning and Sunday evening. Please make checks payable to OLS.

**WORLDWIDE ROSARY FOR UNBORN BABIES** – We are just a few weeks away from the start of the 2nd annual WORLDWIDE ROSARY FOR UNBORN BABIES prayer event[October 16th(Friday), October 17th, (Saturday), and October 18th(Sunday)]. A person wanting to participate in this pro-life prayer effort will pray the Rosary on one of these three days for the following intention: For an end to the surgical and non-surgical killing of unborn human persons.

**LECTOR BOOKS for 2009 – 2010 - Pick up in Sacristy, be sure to sign your name on signup sheet.**

**Monthly bus trip**, Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup> after 10:30 am Mass. We will be going to Sam’s Town. If interested in going, please call Martha Hensley at 357-2459 or 268-2849.

**Upcoming Charitable Golf Tournaments** – 10<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Patrick’s Golf Tournament on October 3<sup>rd</sup> At Davy Crockett Golf Course in Frayser supports St. Patrick’s Learning Center (contact 543-9924); 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Good Samaritan Open on October 16<sup>th</sup> at North Creek Golf Course in Southaven, MS, supports the Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Memphis (contact Pat Posey at 948-1529).

**Monthly Sunday Social for People with Disabilities and Special Needs** – The OLS Youth Group will host this monthly gathering on Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, in the cafeteria, 5-7 p.m. For more information contact the Office of Pastoral Services at 373-1237 or 685-6055.

**Dr. Peter Steinfels** will speak at the CBU University Theater on Tuesday, September 29 at 7:00 p.m. His topic will be “The Future of Catholic Faith: Surviving and Thriving in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.”

Dr. Steinfels is the Director of the Fordham Center on Religion and Culture. He was formerly senior religion correspondent of *The New York Times* and continues to write a biweekly column on religion and ethics. For more information, please contact: Dr. Paul Haught, Dept. of Religion and Philosophy, Christian Brothers University, (901)321-3579, [phaught@cbu.edu](mailto:phaught@cbu.edu). This event is free and open to the public.

***The Curious Savage*** – The St. Agnes Academy Theatre Department will present *The Curious Savage* on September 24, 26 and 27 in the Siena Performing arts Center on campus. Join a talented cast of eleven with a visit to "The Cloisters," an institution for the gently dysfunctional. Mrs. Savage is being committed by her three wealthy step-children because she insists on spending her late husband's fortune on what seems to them as frivolous causes. What she finds at The Cloisters is a funny, sweet, and moving cast of characters that the audience will not soon forget. There is clever comedy, a great message, a little romance, and intriguing suspense. Performances begin at 7:00 p.m. on September 24 and at 2:00 p.m. on September 26 and 27. Contact Ann Lane Neal at 435-5837 for ticket information.