

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 1, 2017

Have in you the same attitude
that is also in Christ Jesus.
— *Philippians 2:5*



GOD’S WAYS

In the stream of readings during this portion of Ordinary Time one week’s texts can often appear to pick up exactly where the previous week’s concluded. The sentiments expressed in today’s first reading seem to be a direct reaction to the Gospel passage we heard last week. In that Gospel, the landowner pays the same wages to his workers whether they worked for a full day or for only a few minutes. Today Ezekiel gives us the lament, “The LORD’s way is not fair!”(Ezekiel 18:25). These Sundays in Ordinary Time offer us a glimpse into the ways of the Lord. We see how God’s way has the tendency to turn the accepted conventions of the day upside down. Those who always expected that their way to heaven was guaranteed are disappointed. Those who thought they never had a chance are given that chance. Today offers us another opportunity to discover the abundance of God’s mercy and love.

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TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — When the wicked turn away from their wickedness they have committed and do what is right, they shall surely live (Ezekiel 18:25-28).
Psalms — Remember your mercies, O Lord (Psalm 25).
Second Reading — Consider others as better than yourselves; look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others (Philippians 2:1-11 [1-5]).
Gospel — Tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God ahead of you (Matthew 21:28-32).

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 8:00 am	October 2 † Giovanni Rossi
Tuesday 8:00 am	October 3 † Sam Fernandez
Wednesday 8:00 am	October 4 † John and †Henrietta Gauci
	7:00 pm † Ivy Wilson † Luisa S. Gito † Jewell Coccellato
Thursday 8:00 am	October 5 † Vincent Gagliardo Sr. † Maria and †Giuseppe Mazzaferro
Friday 8:00 am	October 6 † Joe and †Carmen Spiteri
Saturday 8:00 am	October 7 † Victoriano Ramil † Maria B. Ramil † Ray Garibaldi
4:30 pm	October 8 † Angelo and †Giuseppe Tardio
Sunday 7:30 am	† Carmela Sapiano People of the Parish † Jaime Suliguin
9:30 am	
11:30 am	

†Denotes deceased – (L) Living

Sunday Collection Sept 24, 2017

Weekly Need:	\$ 5,000.00
Sunday Collection	\$ 3,257.00
Over/Under	\$ 1,743.00
Priest Retirement	\$ 836.00

If you make your offertory donation by check, without using parishioner envelopes, it would be most helpful if you placed your parishioner/envelope # in the “memo” section of the check.
This helps us input your donation to the offertory data system. **We will not be responsible for donations not credited due to missing envelope numbers (or not having a Sunday collection envelope.)**



Save the Date: On October 29th at the 11:30 am Mass we will be celebrating the Feast of Saint Elizabeth. Reception immediately following the Mass. More information to follow.

SAINT ELIZABETH CANDLES

There is a limited supply of Saint Elizabeth candles that are still available. Price is \$5.00 each. Get them while they are still available, we will not be reordering them. Proceeds from the sale of the candles will go towards the Feast of Saint Elizabeth celebration in October.

Archdiocesan Annual Appeal

Our goal is \$48,470.00. To date our generous parishioners have pledged **\$44,516.00** leaving a balance of **\$3,954.00.**

Beginning this weekend, the ushers will be counting the number of parishioners attending our Sunday Masses for the October count required by the Archdiocese.

The Parish office will be closed on Monday, October 9th in observance of the Columbus Day Holiday.

The next Parish Support Group meeting will be on October 11th at 2:00 pm in the Rectory.

MINISTRY TO THE HOMEBOUND

DID YOU KNOW... that St. Elizabeth Parish has an active outreach ministry to the homebound, sick, elderly, and disabled who are unable to attend weekly Mass? Legion of Mary members are prepared to make regular visits to bring Communion and to share the news of our parish community. If you or someone you know is homebound and would like to arrange for regular Communion visits or anointing of the sick, please call the parish office at 415-468-0820.

Offertory Gifts

In order to be welcoming to all parishioners if you would like to bring up the offertory gifts please see an usher before Mass so it can be arranged. If a Mass is being offered for the repose of the soul of a particular person, or a special thanksgiving mass for the living, that person or person’s family members may like to bring up the gifts at the offertory.



Pray for our Beloved Deceased
In your prayers this week, please remember the repose of the souls of our deceased parishioners, especially:

Chloe Dawn
Franca DiVita

“Eternal Rest Grant unto them O Lord...”