

PARISH CALENDAR

Twenty-third Sunday
in Ordinary Time

September 4, 2022

In every age, O Lord,
you have been our refuge.

Bless our labors,
O Lord, and all
those who perform them

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Saturday, September 3 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Sunday, September 4 7:00 a.m.	Mass
 9:00 a.m.	Mass (Live Stream)
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Monday, September 5	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
		PARISH OFFICE CLOSED - LABOR DAY HOLIDAY
		FOOD PANTRY CLOSED
Tuesday, September 6	..... 9:30-11:00 a.m.	Mass
Wednesday, September 7	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:30-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Thursday, September 8	..... 8:00 a.m.	Mass
Friday, September 9	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Saturday, September 10	..... 10:00-12 pm	Confession - 87-1511 Nakii St.
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

Ex:32:7-11, 13-14: The people of Israel forgot God's goodness and turned to idols.

1 Tim:1:12-17: The apostle Paul described to Timothy why he gave thanks to the Lord.

Luke:15:1-32: Jesus taught that God loves a sinner as a loving father receives back a wayward son.

(Masks are optional but encouraged)

We continue to live streaming the Sunday Mass at 9:00 a.m. @ <https://www.stritananakuli.org/livestream> or https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCepqtr_VuHL7R-MjmZpe7Cg/

REFLECTING ON GOD'S WORD

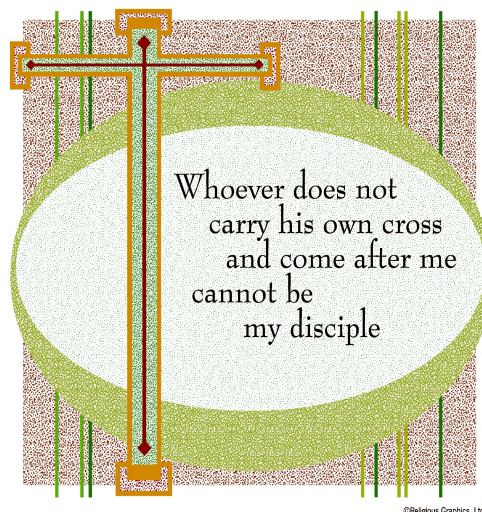
It's said that we never really grow up until both of our parents have died. I suspect that most who have had to walk that path recognize some truth there. So when the Gospel advises us to turn our back on father and mother and family and even on ourselves—maybe it's not about rejecting but about becoming able to live the gospel more maturely, about releasing our grip on the past and growing up. Maybe letting go of childish things is the cost and also the wisdom of the God who waits patiently for us.

One of life's tasks, it seems, is to learn the balancing act between loving without possessiveness and relinquishing without indifference or abandonment. In truth, perhaps we never really learn to balance the two. We mostly lean in the direction opposite where we are at the time, until we suspect we may have leaned too far and switch directions. It's a wisdom we come to that's worthwhile for parenting but also for marriage and one's profession and growing old and just about everything else that life serves up.

This balancing is also at the heart of faith and discipleship. It's how we come to recognize the hand of God in our lives, by living in such a way that God has the freedom to rearrange the pieces and so bring us to fuller life. It's the wisdom that teaches us how to be a disciple but also the sort of discipleship that brings us to wisdom. It's also the light shining forth in today's reading from the book of Wisdom.

—Rev. Joseph J. Juknialis

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

R. C. I. A.: Classes will begin Sunday, September 18th at 7 p. m., Any questions please contact **RCIA Director (Don Gerry, 489-9529)**"

HELP NEED WITH 9 AM LIVE STREAM: Do you have time to help with Live Stream Broadcast, at the 9:00 a.m. Mass, we are looking for assistance with the set-up and monitoring the camera's and sounds of the Live Stream camera during the 9:00 a. m., Mass, training will be provided. Please see Mele or call the Parish Office.

THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA: Next weekend, the diocese will be taking up the National Collection for the Catholic University is a national research university with over 5,700 undergraduate and graduate students in more than 250 academic programs in the heart of Washington D. C. By giving to the collection, you are supporting future Catholic leaders, both religious and lay, who are being formed by an exceptional, faith-rooted education and the University's various research and training initiatives that support dioceses and parishes in responding to the most pressing needs of their faithful. The Catholic Project - an initiative that aims to heal the breach of trust many have experienced as a result of the crisis in the Church, a master's program in Ecclesial Administration and Management, and a credentialing program that prepares recent graduates to serve as campus ministers are a few examples how to the University is serving the Church and nation scan the QR code on the provide envelopes or visit: www.futurecatholicleaders.igivecatholictogether.org, to learn more.

WORD OF LIFE: "The Church has consistently taught that every human life is precious and worthy of protection." **USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Another Look at Abortion"** www.respectlife.org/another-look-at-abortion

WEEKLY READINGS

Sep 4 Sun: 23RD Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wis:9:13-18b; Ps:90; Phl:9:9-10, 12-17; Lk:14:25-33
Sep 5 Mon: Ordinary Weekday
1 Cor:5:1-8; Ps:5:5-6, 7, 12; Lk:6:6-11
Sep 6 Tue: Ordinary Weekday
1 Cor:6:1-11; Ps:149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a & 9b; Lk:6:12-19
Sep 7 Wed: Ordinary Weekday
1 Cor:7:25-31; Ps:45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17; Lk:6:20-26
Sep 8 Thur: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Mi:5:1-4a; Ps:13:6ab, 6c; Mt:1:1-16, 18-23,
Sep 9 Fri: Saint Peter Claver, Priest
1 Cor:9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps:84:3, 4, 5-6, 12; Lk:6:39-42
Sep 10 Sat: Ordinary Weekday
1 Cor:10:14-22; Ps:116:12-13, 17-18; Lk:6:43-49

NOTES ON STEWARDSHIP



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STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

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KNOWLEDGE BEYOND US

As painful as it is sometimes to know the truth, not knowing is worse. If someone we love is rushed to the hospital, the greatest agony comes from not knowing what is wrong. Is it serious? How extensive are the injuries? Are they life threatening? Will they cause further suffering? Not knowing the answers is very painful.

Once we know, even if it is bad news, the situation is easier to accept. We can start to make adjustments, to deal with the truth. But when truth is unknown, chaos reigns. It terrifies us. There are things we do not know. You can be the smartest kid in your class, the expert in your field, the parent who knows the habits of your children better than they do, but there are still things you do not know.

Only with difficulty, the Book of Wisdom says, do we understand the things of this world. "But when things are in heaven, who can search them out?" As hard as it is to understand the things of earth, it is impossible to grasp the mystery of God.

The closer we come to God, the more awesome is the mystery. The more we understand about God, the more we realize we do not know. Some people quit their relationship with God in despair of ever learning the truth. Others go into that mysterious relationship, deeper and deeper.

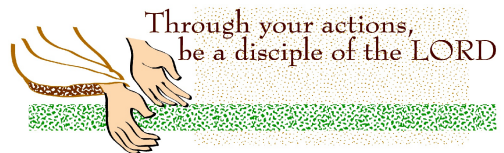
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Living God's Word



"Renounce your possessions," the Gospel insists (Luke 14:33). We can't say that we always have. Rather, it seems that we've often done more accumulating than renouncing. And yet each accumulation may have made room for one more way of being made new as the disciples we all are called to become.

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