

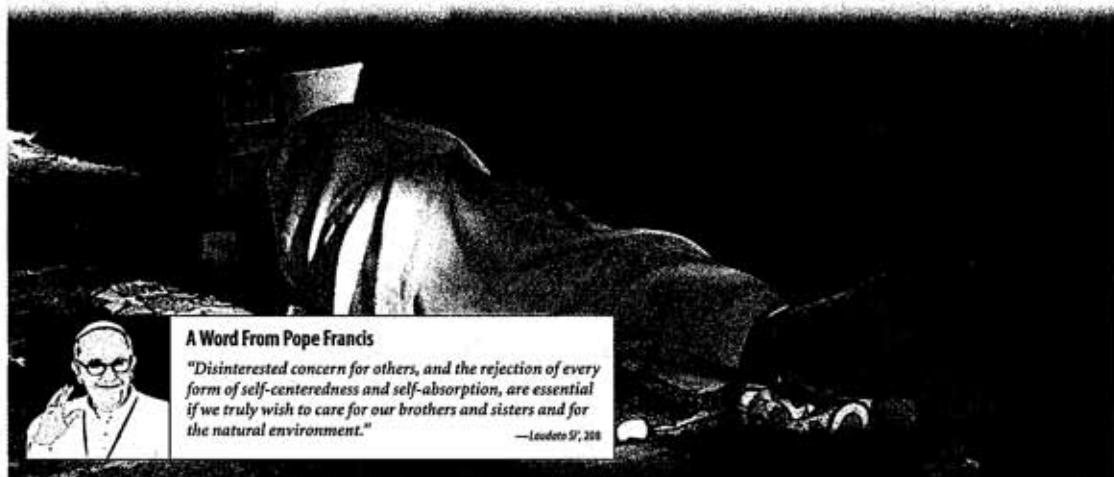
Ordinary Time

September 18, 2016 + Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
Am 8:4-7 + 1 Tm 2:1-8 + Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

When Pope Francis was elected, Catholics were inspired by his humility and simplicity. When he bowed before the people in St. Peter's Square and asked for their prayers, the little crowd gathered around the TV in the basement of the Catholic Center was moved to tears. When he announced that he would continue living in the guest house rather than the papal apartments and eat in the cafeteria, we cheered. But Pope Francis also challenged us. He wanted us to examine how we treated the poor and marginalized of the world. In his encyclical *Laudato Si'*, he confronted us with the understanding that our misuse of the environment impacted the poor first of all and that we could no longer continue to consume our natural resources in a reckless and greedy fashion.

The prophet Amos has some harsh words for those who exploit the poor. In the Old Testament, care for the widow, orphan, and stranger—the poorest of the poor—were among the most righteous things a person could do. Many prophets pointed to the failure to do so as a sign that the people had turned from the Lord and, in their sin, cared only for themselves. More recent figures who also have indicated that the measure of a society is the way they treat their poorest members include Ghandi, Pope St. John Paul II, and Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Christ commanded us to love one another. Surely this includes seeing that all have the basic necessities of life, even if that means we don't get everything we want.

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A Word From Pope Francis

"Disinterested concern for others, and the rejection of every form of self-centeredness and self-absorption, are essential if we truly wish to care for our brothers and sisters and for the natural environment."

—*Laudato Si'*, 208

dear Padre



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Policing work computers



Is it ethical for businesses to monitor employees' Internet use on workplace computers?

There is no divine command on this subject, though the issue behind your question probably concerns your sensitivity to your need for privacy in your workplace. Employees do, indeed, need confidence that privacy is safeguarded. Similarly, the company would not want just anyone to have access to what their employees are developing, and they have the same right to protect against breaches, even internally.

Another matter is that when an individual accepts employment with an organization or institution, he or she makes a commitment to give a just day's work for a just wage or salary. The *Catechism* categorizes this under the Seventh Commandment, specifically as a matter of "commutative justice [which]

requires safeguarding property rights, paying debts, and fulfilling obligations freely contracted" (CCC 2411). Computers, the Internet, and even social media are marvelous technologies with great benefits to productivity and revenue. Most jobs today involve such tools, but they can also be misused. Some people waste hours playing games; checking posts, feeds, and forums; or idly surfing. Psychologists caution that some of these behaviors can increase to the level of an addiction, and if this becomes a reality at work, the employee is not living up to his or her contract, which is unjust. When management suspects this, it has the right to look into it so it knows how its payroll is being spent.

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There is a limit to what human laws can do to make good citizens. We need something else to ensure that the freedom guaranteed by law does not devolve into license and end up harming citizens and the republic itself. In the United States, the Christian faith has always been that something.

—From *Red, White, Blue, and Catholic*
by Stephen P. White (826450)

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

Tuesday
SEPTEMBER 20
Sts. Andrew
Kim Tae-gŏn, Priest,
and
Paul Chŏng 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
Ecd 1:2-11
Lk 9:7-9

Friday
SEPTEMBER 23
Saint Pius of Pietrelcina,
Priest
Ecd 3:1-11
Lk 9:18-22

Saturday
SEPTEMBER 24
Weekday
Ecd 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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Sacrament of Reconciliation: By Appointment

Sacrament of Matrimony: Call the rectory six months in advance

Sacrament of Baptism: Call the rectory three months in advance

Anointing of the Sick: Call Fr. Bob 740-984-2555 or Fr. Tim at 740-962-2856

To register in the parish: call the Rectory/Office 740-962-2856

Mass Schedule

Saturday – 6 PM Sunday – 9 AM Wednesday – 9 AM Holy Days – To be announced

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Lectors:

This week: Sat: B. Pratt; Sun: H. Schaad
Next week: Sat: S. Roberts; Sun: H. Schaad

Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

This week: Sat: T. Pratt; Sun: K. Huck
Next week: Sat: L. Eagon; Sun: L. Schaad

Servers:

This week: Sat: C. Hatem; Sun: J. Schaad
Next week: Sat: C. Hatem; Sun: J. Schaad

Greeters:

This week: Sat: John Corcoran
Sun: Lu Eagon

Next week: Sat: Paul Wickham
Sun: Irene Eckert

Ushers:

Sept: Sat: G. Kenney & volunteer
Sun: G. Strelecki & volunteer

Financial Information

Reg. Collection \$691.00

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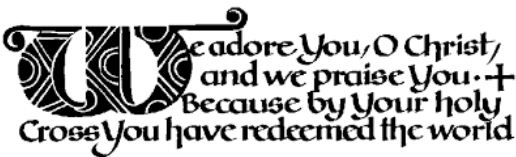
Krogercommunityrewards.com Joe Hatem
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Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sept. 17-18, 2016

Announcements

1. The second collection this weekend is in support of the U.S. Bishops' effort to help flood victims in Louisiana.
2. A meeting of the Visitation Deanery Council of Catholic Women is set for September 18th at 2:00 pm at the Basilica of St. Mary of the Assumption in Marietta. All ladies are invited and welcome to attend. If interested, call Pat Hambel at 740-962-2214.
3. Save the Date! Pancake breakfast and Priest Appreciation Day October 9th.
4. Again, the Social Concern committee is grateful to all of the parishioners of St. James and Visitors who contributed to the Collection recently. Because of your generosity you have increased our ability to offer a bit of assistance to other parishioners during a time of need. The collection added up to \$417.00
We thank you for helping us to offer this confidential service here at our parish home; we offer blessings to one another.
5. The Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, Carey, OH invites you to come for the annual Family Day on Sunday, Sept. 25th. Mass at noon in the Shrine Park, followed by a free picnic lunch and 2:30 pm Devotions with an outdoor Rosary procession. All are welcome. For more information, call the Shrine office at 419-396-7101 or www.olcshrine.com.



Mass Intentions

Sat. Sept. 17, 2016

Liz Garn

Requested by Lu Eagon

Sun. Sept. 18, 2016

Jane Mittendorf

Requested by Steve and Regina Massey

MENTAL ILLNESS AWARENESS WEEK

First week of October. The NCPD Council on Mental Illness, an outreach program of the National Catholic Partnership on Disability, is encouraging Catholic observance of the annual Mental Illness Awareness Week and the National Day of Prayer for Mental Illness Recovery and Understanding. New resource Mental Health: A Guide for Faith Leaders, www.ncpd.org.

Thank you to Fr. Tim for all he is doing to spruce up the rectory – painting, adding plants and more. We appreciate your efforts, Fr. Tim!