



**THOUGHT'S ON TODAY'S READINGS**

If you have ever felt that others got more than they deserved, or that you deserve more than you get, today's parable is not going to make you happy. An understandable reaction would be: "It's not fair!"

How can the landowner give the same wage to those who worked a few hours as he gives to those exhausted from a full day's work? But Jesus is not giving a lesson on being fair or on good labor relations. This is a kingdom of heaven parable. All who seek the kingdom of heaven will get their heart's desire: life in God. Jesus' story invites us to know the extraordinary generosity of God beyond expectation; both as recipients and mediator to others. How do you find joy in God's generosity?

*"My thoughts are not your thoughts,  
nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord."  
Isaiah 55:8*

*Reflection*

*In our society today's Gospel may seem strange. We expect higher compensation for all we do. There is nothing wrong with receiving a just wage. However, the life of faith does not work the same way as economics does. Our faith is a gift, salvation is a gift, our very life is a gift. Our acts of service should be acts of gratitude for all God has given us.*

**Special Collections in October**  
**Thank you for your generosity!**

- October 1 – Seminarians Education
- October 8 – Major Repair Fund
- October 15 – Second Collection
- October 22 – World Mission Sunday
- October 29 – Extraordinary Expenses

**WEEKLY CONFESSIONS**

The Sacrament of Penance is offered  
in the Church:

**Saturdays from 4:15 to 4:45 pm in English**

**Wednesdays from 6:00 to 6:45 pm in Spanish**

or by appointment by calling the Parish Office.



**Looking Ahead**

- October 9 - Columbus Day Holiday
- October 31 - Halloween
- November 1 - All Saints Day - Holy Day of Obligation
- November 2 - All Souls Day
- November 14 - Annual Parish Turkey Trot
- November 23 - Thanksgiving Day Mass

**ANNUAL TURKEY TROT**

Sponsored by the Parish Ladies Guild will be held on TUESDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 14<sup>th</sup> in the Church Hall at 6:00pm. We are in need of monetary donations, canned goods, boxed foods, gift items, and gift cards for the many raffles. Donations may be brought to weekend Masses or to the Parish Office. Thank you for helping to make this parish event successful by your donations and attendance.

**MASSES FOR**

**SEPTEMBER 25 – OCTOBER 1, 2023**

*Every Mass is offered for the faithful, living or dead,  
however the following are specifically remembered this week.*

**Monday, September 25**

7:30 am – Peter Gallo by family

**Tuesday, September 26**

7:30 am – Anthony Capuano, Sr.  
by Robert & Donna DiMartino

**Wednesday, September 27 – St. Vincent de Paul**

7:30 am – Intentions of Parishioners

**Thursday, September 28**

7:30 am – Intentions of Parishioners

**Friday, September 29**

**Saints Michael, Gabriel, & Raphael, Archangels**

7:30 am – Edward J. DiMartino, Sr. – 27 Year Remembrance  
by Robert & Donna DiMartino  
3:00 pm – Divine Mercy Chaplet

**Saturday, September 30**

8:00 am – Intention of Priest Celebrant

**WEEKLY CHURCH SUPPORT**

What Our Lord Asks Is Not Equal Gifts - But Equal Sacrifice.  
(Increased Giving Campaign)

Church Collections & Mail-in Budgets

**Weekend of September 16 & 17, 2023**

\$4,761.00

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection:

Retired Scalabrini Missionaries: \$1,340.00

**Sanctuary Candle &  
Altar Bread & Wine:**



*In Memory of*

*Loretta Funaro*

*Maria Annina & Antonio Marinucci*

**+ Died in Christ +**

*Gloria Carnevale*

**LORD'S DAY MASSES**

**Saturday, September 30**

**5:00 pm**

Anthony "Tony" Carnevale  
by wife, Cheryl, Ernie & Missy, & Family  
Deceased of the Cicci Family by Marie

**6:30 pm** – Mass in Spanish

**Sunday, October 1**

**26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Respect Life Sunday**

**8:00 am**

Intentions of Parishioners

**9:30 am** – Mass in Spanish

**11:30 am**

Elsa Maglione by daughter & grandsons  
In Honor of Madonna Consolazione, IMO:  
Josephine Masso – Margaret DeSesto – Jean Lanzi  
Jean Pattek – Susan Lennon  
by family

**SPONSORS FOR OUR BULLETIN**

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*This Week's Bulletin Is Sponsored*

*In Memory of*

**Elmira Ciccone**