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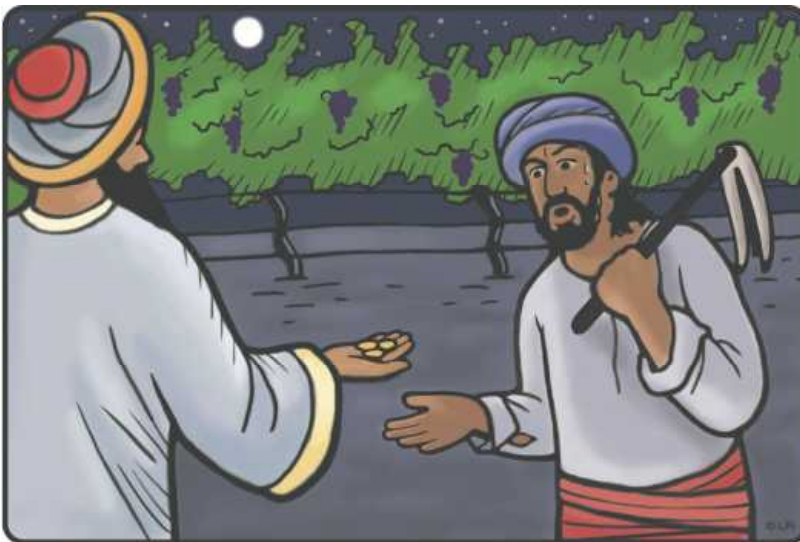
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## 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Are you envious because I am generous?" The landowner in today's Gospel parable surprised everyone. Contrary to standard practice, he paid all of his laborers the same wage, regardless of how many hours they had worked! Of course this was a very pleasant surprise for those who had begun their job late in the day. And, understandably, it was something of a disappointment for those who had toiled since the morning. From their perspective, they should have gotten more than the others. But in fact the landowner was not cheating anyone; he was simply being especially generous with the latecomers.

This story would have had a special meaning for the Jewish audience listening to Jesus. They, the Chosen People, were the laborers who had started at 9am. They belonged to the group with a long history of worshipping the true God. Non-Jewish Gentiles, on the other hand, had appeared late in the game.



*“Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous? Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last.”*

— Mt. 20:13c-16  
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Jesus was making the point that just because he would offer the same salvation and mercy to everyone, there should be no reason for the Jews to complain. They had received their promised Messiah; so what if, in God's mercy, he allowed others who had not waited so long to be saved as well? Divine generosity is not meant to be a cause for jealousy.

Now, we may feel removed from the concerns of those Jews. But the basic lesson remains relevant: that we ought to appreciate God's generosity, even when it reaches to those whom we may not expect God to forgive. Those who have long been faithful, for example, might think they deserve more benefits than sinners who repent late in life. But instead, we should all rejoice to see God's mercy extended to everyone, no matter when they joined the fold.

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

### Our Mission Statement

The Church of Corpus Christi, a welcoming parish community, making Christ present through sharing his message, celebrating the liturgy and challenging members to practice justice, peace and charity.



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A couple of weeks ago the concern of Archbishop Hebda and Bishop Cozzens, along with a statement from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, concerning the

termination of the DACA program was shared with you as an insert in the bulletin. Since then bills have been introduced in both the Senate and House (S.1615 / HR.3440) in a bipartisan effort and referred to as The Dream Act of 2017. The bills are intended to protect immigrant youth who entered the United States as children and know America as their only home. The bills offer qualifying immigrant youth "conditional permanent resident status" and a path to full lawful permanent residency and eventual citizenship. These bills would protect numerous youth, including the over 780,000 individuals who received temporary relief from deportation and employment eligibility through the Department of Homeland Security's Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program. It is important that these bills receive wide support and swift passage in the Congress. You can help that effort by contacting your Representative and Senators who serve in Washington, DC. The Minnesota Catholic Conference, through the Catholic Advocacy Network, has provided a way for you to do just that. Go to [JUSTICEFORIMMIGRANTS.CAPWIZ.COM](http://JUSTICEFORIMMIGRANTS.CAPWIZ.COM) and once there click on the link Take Action. Follow the instructions and let your concern and support be known.

This coming Friday, September 29, at 10am, is our annual fall Mass to celebrate the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. Those who live with chronic illness, physical or mental, or are simply feeling the effects of aging are invited and encouraged to attend this Mass and receive the Sacrament. A luncheon will take place in the Gathering Area following the Mass, so please RSVP for the luncheon by Wednesday this week to the Parish Office. The Saint Rose Anointing Mass will be on Monday, October 2, at 10am, if that date is better for you.

God Love You!  
Fr Fitz

## Hurricane Irma Relief - Second Collection September 30/October 1

Hurricane Harvey caused extensive damage to southern Texas and the surrounding areas, and you have been very generous in offering financial help. Thank you for your contributions of \$3,100.

Right after Harvey hit south Texas, Hurricane Irma came to cause widespread destruction and devastation in Puerto Rico and the US Virgin Islands, and severely impact parts of Florida. And now Hurricane Maria is striking those same Caribbean islands.

Archbishop Hebda has asked that we once again offer our support with a special collection. The funds will be distributed by Catholic Charities USA. You may contribute through the second collection at all Masses next weekend, or on the donation page on the parish website. Thank you again for your generosity. [WWW.CHURCHOFCORPUSCHRISTI.ORG](http://WWW.CHURCHOFCORPUSCHRISTI.ORG)

## PRESIDER SCHEDULE

**Corpus Christi  
September 30**  
Saturday—5:00 pm Mass  
Presider: Fr. Nygaard

**October 1**  
Sunday—9:30 am Mass  
Presider: Fr. Nygaard  
Sunday—6:00 pm Mass  
Presider: Fr. Fitzpatrick

**Saint Rose of Lima  
September 30**  
Saturday—4:30 pm Mass  
Presider: Fr. Fitzpatrick

**October 1**  
Sunday—8:00 am Mass  
Presider: Fr. Fitzpatrick  
Sunday—10:00 am Mass  
Presider: Fr. Fitzpatrick

## PARISH NEWS

### Hurricane Harvey Collection Results

A special collection was taken on September 9-10 to help the victims of Hurricane Harvey. You responded with donations of \$3,100. Thank you for your generosity!

### Missionary Collection Results

Father James Peterson asked your support on August 26-27 for our Archdiocesan Mission in Venezuela. You responded with contributions of \$3,862 for the our Mission. Thank you for your generous support!

### Hurricane Irma Collection Next Week

An emergency collection has been called for the victims of Hurricane Irma to be taken up in parishes on the weekend of September 30 and October 1. You may also go to the donation page on the parish website [WWW.CHURCHOFCORPUSCHRISTI.ORG](http://WWW.CHURCHOFCORPUSCHRISTI.ORG). Thank you for responding to this urgent need.

### Calendars

Sr. Andrea is collecting calendars again this year. Leave them on the top of the ramp and Doodles will see that she receives them. Thank you!

### Red Cross Bloodmobile - Early Notice

We had originally planned for our Fall Drive to be on Friday, November 3. Due to scheduling conflicts, this drive has been moved to Friday, November 24, the day after Thanksgiving. Online registration is not yet available. We will provide another notice when the registration period is open. Questions can be directed to Mary Ellen Brown 651 636-4487.



### Eat a Little, Talk A lot

Due to scheduling conflicts, we will not meet this month, but will meet next month. Same as usual, the 4th Thursday, October 26, at noon in the Parish Center. All are welcome!

### Global Potluck—Save the Date!

Sunday, November 12, following the 9:30am Mass. Come and hear fellow parishioners share their immigration stories. Bring food that reflects your culture to share.

**PARISH NEWS *continued***

**Adult Education**

Morning Breakfast and Retreat for Caregivers  
 Caring for the Spirit of the Caregiver  
 Presenter: Mary Lou Carney, M.Div., MBA, BCC  
 Catholic Chaplain, Adjunct professor, St.  
 Thomas University, Spiritual Director; Retreat  
 Leader



Date: Tuesday, October 3, 2017  
 Time: Breakfast, 9 to 9:30 am  
 Presentation, 9:30 to 11:30 am  
 Place: Saint Rose of Lima Parish Center Lower Level  
 2048 Hamline Avenue North, Roseville

Rest and Replenishment for anyone who has others in their care. To register, please call Linda in the Saint Rose Faith Formation Office at 651-357-1209 or e mail her at LDEURR@SAINTROSEOFLIMA.NET by Friday, September 29, 2017.

A free will offering will be graciously appreciated.  
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**The Word Among Us**

Complimentary copies of The Word Among Us for September are available at the top of the ramp. They provide the weekday Mass scriptures and a reflection for the day. Feel free to pick one up.

**FAITH FORMATION**

**Pancake Breakfast Thank you**

Thank you to all who made the Pancake Breakfast a success. We raised \$615 for next summer's Youth Mission Trip!



**Youth Mission Trip**

All youth and adults interested in the Youth Mission Trip are invited to an informational meeting on Sunday, October 15, at 7pm. We will have a bonfire and slideshow at the fire pit behind church if the weather is nice. Otherwise, we will meet in the Gathering Area.

**Archdiocesan Youth Day**

High school youth and adult leaders are invited to Archdiocesan Youth Day on October 28. More information can be found on our website. Please e-mail Liz by October 1 if you are interested in participating.



**Faith Formation**

There is still time to enroll your child in Sunday School, Middle School or Sr. High Faith Formation, First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, or Confirmation. Materials were mailed in late July and can also be found on the parish web site.

**PARISH NEWS *continued***

**Mass of Anointing**

Friday, September 29 at 10am

Please join us as this Sacrament is celebrated for all those needing spiritual and/or physical strength. In this rite we convey God's grace to those who receive it, through the power of the Holy Spirit.

A luncheon will follow Mass and prayer shawls will be available for pickup. Please let us know that you will attend. RSVP to Toni at 651-846-9212. Thank you!



**Growing Through Loss**

The Fall series begins tomorrow and runs through Monday, October 23.

Subject: Talking about Tough Stuff:  
 Communicating about Grief  
 Time: Monday, September 25, 6:45-9pm  
 Place: Centennial United Methodist Church  
 1524 West County Road C2  
 Roseville, MN 55113  
 651-633-7644



There is no charge.

Corpus Christi is part of the coalition of north suburban churches that makes this series possible.

**Our Lady appeared at Fatima on October 13, 109 years ago. and 70,000 people witnessed the miracle of the sun.**

Everyone is invited to come and take part in a Public Square Rosary Rally on October 14 at noon at Corpus Christi. It will be one of thousands of rallies taking place all over the United States. We will be praying for peace, and end to the persecution of Christians, and for increased faith in God in our Country. We will be gathering outside at the corner of Fairview and County Road B. The gathering will last about an hour so you might want to bring a chair if you need to sit down. If you can't stay for the whole time, you can come and go as needed. For more information call Sharon Valois at 651-775-6262.

**AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE**

**33 Days to Morning Glory**

Archbishop Hebda and Bishop Cozzens invite you to join in an Archdiocesan Marian Consecration. In preparation for the consecration, Fr. Michael Gaitley's "33 Days to Morning Glory" was recommended to begin on Sunday, September 10. The fulfillment of this consecration will take place on Friday, October 13, the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima. Archbishop Hebda will conclude this Consecration by celebrating Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Paul at 5:15pm.

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### **WEEKEND MASSES—CHURCH**

Saturday.....5:00 pm, Sunday.....9:30 am, 6:00 pm

### **DAILY MASS—CHURCH**

Monday and Tuesday.....8:00 am

### **RECONCILIATION—RECONCILIATION ROOM IN CHURCH**

Saturday at 4:00 pm - 4:30 pm or by appointment with the pastor.

### **BAPTISM**

Congratulations! Catechetical class required. Please contact the Parish Center for more details and registration.

### **MARRIAGE**

Congratulations! Please contact the pastor one year prior to scheduling a wedding date.

### **BULLETIN DEADLINE**

Monday at 9:00 am

### **MASS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Thursday at 9:00 am

### **Parish Registration**

New Parishioner Welcome is the second weekend of each month in the Gathering Area after all Masses. Please look for the table in the Gathering Area. Welcome!

**PARISH CALENDAR**

**Monday, September 25**

8:00 am—Mass—Church † *Maxine Gamboni*

**Tuesday, September 26**

8:00 am—Mass—Church † *George Sowada*

8:00 am—Farmers Market—Parking Lot

8:30 am—Bible Study—Gathering Area

10:00 am—Bible Study—Parish Center Kitchen

2:00 pm—Sunrise Mass—Sunrise Assisted Living

**Wednesday, September 27**

8:00 am—Mass—Saint Rose of Lima

6:00 pm—Band—Church

7:00 pm—Grades 6,7,8, & Confirmation—School

Senior High—Parish Center Basement

7:00 pm—Mom's in Prayer—Parish Center Chapel

**Thursday, September 28**

8:00 am—Communion Service—Saint Rose of Lima

7:00 pm—Young Adult Group—Parish Center Basement

**Friday, September 29**

8:00 am—Mass—Saint Rose of Lima

10:00 am—Anointing Mass—Church

**Saturday, September 30**

4:00 pm—Reconciliation—Reconciliation Room

5:00 pm—Mass—Church - Hurricane Irma Collection

**Sunday, October 1**

9:00 am—Sunday School

9:30 am—Mass—Church - Hurricane Irma Collection

6:00 pm—Mass—Church - Hurricane Irma Collection

**Readings for the Week of September 24, 2017**

Sunday: Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18/  
Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-6/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Ps 122:1-5/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2-4befghn, 7-8/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-5/  
Jn 1:47-51

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jr 31:10-12ab, 13/  
Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-9/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/  
Mt 21:28-32

**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP**

**September 17, 2017.....\$3,644**

**Electronic Contributions.....\$9,857**

**On-line Contributions.....\$842**

**September to Date.....\$22,836**

**September Budget.....\$33,838**

**Year to Date.....\$71,832**

**Budget to Date.....\$72,843**

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