



Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

20 September 2026 | Sunday



Are you envious because
I am generous?

Google is actually a mathematical term, the number one followed by one hundred zeros. Why is Seven Up, the soft drink, not Six or Eight Up? Was there ever a real Dr. Pepper? There are questions which do have answers—some in physics, some in history. “Why” is pretty close to the first word children learn. The first is “No!” and the second is “Mine!” Answers to their “whys” do not seem to satisfy their little minds.

Some questions do have answers, but our adult minds desperately seek answers to much bigger questions than why blue-colored soap foams white. As long as we have experiences we will have questions. What we want is the security of certainty and ultimately of control. Seeking for answers is a wonderful human hunger. Being angry or disillusioned by our incompleteness results from our arrogance. We hate the embarrassing encounters with a humbling discovery of our little minds.

“Quest” is the basis of our Christian faith and the gesture of extending our empty hands toward the reception of the Eucharistic presence of Jesus is a holy expression of our human poverty and God’s abundant accompaniment. As we “quest” along these days, we can pray with our ponderings and try to pray with smiles which change humiliations into celebrations of our truth. We are still children whether we like it or not.

Reflection

Our First Reading is from the last chapter of the Book of Consolation in whose sixteen chapters Israel has been encouraged to hope in and seek the Lord’s freeing them from exile. It seems to the people of Israel that God has abandoned them, and the first verse we hear from the prophet would indicate that God might not be around for a while: “... while he may be found.”

As we gather, let us remember and pray for . . .

Monday, September 21 St. Matthew the Apostle & Evangelist
(8:25 a.m. rosary)

9:00 a.m. †Giovanna Marsillo

Tuesday, September 22

(8:25 a.m. rosary)

9:00 a.m. †James Salvatore

Wednesday, September 23 St. Pio of Pietrelcina Padre Pio

(8:25 a.m. rosary)

9:00 a.m. †Walter & Fatima Rodrigues

Thursday, September 24

(8:25 a.m. rosary)

9:00 a.m. †Luigi Giancola

Friday, September 25

(8:25 a.m. rosary)

9:00 a.m. †Matthew Kappukatt

Saturday, September 26 Sts. Cosmas and Damian

4:30 p.m. †Lena Basile Buric, Richard Harris,
Dave Gallucci & Joe Paul Sorkany

Sunday, September 27

9:00 a.m. ♦ People of the parish

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11:00 a.m. †Charles Mignelli

5:00 p.m. †Francisco Zorilla

The “scoundrel” and the “wicked” are those who have drifted away from their trust in the God, who seemingly has left them while they are in captivity in Babylon. The previous sayings of God in this Book of Second Isaiah are full of reminders that the God of the covenant is faithful and God’s mercy is forever. The verses end with a reminder that God is not figure-out-able. While humans question and drift away when answers are not forthcoming, God is still the Seeker, the Finder, and the Ultimate Non-Answering Answer

The Gospel is a parable of apparent injustice. We think we should be given more for doing more. The owner made a deal with the early-morning workers and a deal with the noon-timers and the evening crew, one they did not understand: that all will be paid the same whether early or late.

This is a parable about God’s historical relationship beginning with Abram and continuing through the prophets and presently with the disciples to whom the story is told. Jesus is telling his followers that God’s love for Israel is constant and everlasting.

Prayer Intention for the Month of September:

For the care of water

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS /CATECHUMENATE (R.C.I.A.)

Are you, or someone you know:
Interested in joining the Catholic Church?
Considering becoming Catholic?
Baptized Catholic but have not received all the
Sacraments of Initiation?
Simply interested in learning more about the Catholic
faith?

A Catholic who would like to deepen or renew your
knowledge of the faith?

If you answered **YES** to any of the above, we invite you
to join us!

The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.)**, also
known as the Catechumenate, is a journey of faith and
discovery for adults who wish to learn more about the
Catholic Church and, for some, prepare to enter into full
communion with the Church.

Through prayer, reflection, and sharing with our parish
community, participants are invited to explore their
relationship with God and discover the beauty of the
Catholic faith.

**If you know someone who may be interested, please
invite them and consider accompanying them to our
introductory sessions.**

We would like to begin our introductory sessions soon,
so please help us plan ahead by providing the following
information:

NAME:

CELL:



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Learn about Parish Ministries and how you could help
your parish by volunteering

Hospitality Ministers, Extraordinary Ministers of
Communion, Minister of the Word,
Bereavement Ministers.

Happy Anniversary

CONGRATULATIONS

Dolora & Marcello Multari, who are celebrating
their 40th Wedding Anniversary on September 27.
May God bless them for their faithful witness to the
power of marriage in our society.



**MAY GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR
FAITHFUL STEWARDSHIP!**

Sunday Collection
September 13 \$6.496

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Attention!

Parents and or Guardian from Public & Catholic
Schools

Does your child need to prepare for:
Baptism, (not baptized, or baptized in
another faith tradition)? Reconciliation?
First Communion? Confirmation?



Please come forward!

We begin sacramental preparation by attending
Sunday Mass. We do not wish for children to miss out
on preparation for the graces of these important
sacraments and the blessings they bring to family life.
We especially request that grandparents and friends
spread the word and to reach out. An information &
registration meeting with Fr. Mathew please call the
parish office today 905/356-7533 or email at
stthomasmoreparish@copeco.net



HOLY COMMUNION TO THOSE AT HOME IN HOSPITAL OR IN LONG TERM CARE

Under the spiritual guidance of Fr. Mathew, members of
the Legion of Mary bring the Holy Eucharist to those
parishioners who are unable to attend Mass. Holy
Communion is brought to Lundy Manor, Cavendish
Manor, Millennium Trail Manor, Oakwood Park Lodge
and Meadows of Dorchester seniors homes. Also when
requested, Holy Communion is brought to those in
hospital or are confined at home. Currently Holy
Communion is brought to approximately 70 parishioners
per week. If you know of someone who would
wish to receive Holy Communion, please
contact the parish office.



PILGRIMAGE 2027 "EXPLORERS OF FAITH"

Fr. Luke and QS Travel invite you to a wonderful
adventure of faith, May 5-19, 2027. Journey by land
and sea through Spain, France and Italy, visiting
Marian shrines, historic cathedrals and holy places
associated with the Apostles and saints. The
pilgrimage features a seven-night Western
Mediterranean cruise aboard Royal Caribbean
Explorer of the Seas, with daily Mass, prayer and
spiritual reflection.

Come and join the Explorers of Faith!
For the complete itinerary,
registration information
and QS Travel contact details, visit:
sites.google.com/view/explorers-of-faith/home
Or scan the QR code.



*"Great love can change small things into great ones. It is only
love that lends value to our actions." -St. Faustina Kowalska*