

# Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Gathering Song

1. I call you to my Fa - ther's house, A  
 2. Lay down your sor - row, calm your fear; The  
 3. Al - though the way be hard and long In -  
 4. I have pre - pared a wed - ding feast Of  
 5. I call you to my Fa - ther's house, A

love - ly dwell - ing place. He comes to meet you  
 Fa - ther bids you come. With o - pen arms he  
 to the prom - ised land. Be not a - fraid to  
 fin - est food and wine. O join us at this  
 love - ly dwell - ing place. Be not a - fraid to

on the road, Arms read - y to em - brace.  
 wel - comes you To your e - ter - nal home.  
 walk with me: I hold you by the hand.  
 ban - quet where My friends, the saints, now dine.  
 trav - el there And meet him face to face.

**Gloria** — see sidebar

LITURGY OF THE WORD

**Reading I:** Exodus 32.7-11, 13-14

**Response:** Psalm 51 — cantor first, then assembly



I will rise and go to my fa-ther; I will rise and go to my fa-ther.

**Reading II:** 1 Timothy 1.12-17

**Gospel Acclamation** — cantor first, then assembly

✠. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

**Gospel:** Luke 15.1-32

**Profession of Faith:** Nicene Creed — see sidebar

**The Universal Prayer**

## GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,  
 and on earth peace to people of good will.  
 We praise you,  
 we bless you,  
 we adore you,  
 we glorify you,  
 we give you thanks for your great glory,  
 Lord God, heavenly King,  
 O God, almighty Father.  
 Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
 Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
 you take away the sins of the world,  
 have mercy on us;  
 you take away the sins of the world,  
 receive our prayer;  
 you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
 have mercy on us.  
 For you alone are the Holy One,  
 you alone are the Lord,  
 you alone are the Most High,  
 Jesus Christ,  
 with the Holy Spirit,  
 in the glory of God the Father.  
 Amen.

## Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,  
 the Father almighty,  
 maker of heaven and earth,  
 of all things visible and invisible.  
 I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
 the Only Begotten Son of God,  
 born of the Father before all ages.  
 God from God, Light from Light,  
 true God from true God,  
 begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
 through him all things were made.  
 For us men and for our salvation  
 he came down from heaven,  
*and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate  
 of the Virgin Mary, and became man.*  
 For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
 he suffered death and was buried,  
 and rose again on the third day  
 in accordance with the Scriptures.  
 He ascended into heaven  
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
 He will come again in glory  
 to judge the living and the dead  
 and his kingdom will have no end.  
 I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
 who with the Father and the Son  
 is adored and glorified,  
 who has spoken through the prophets.  
 I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
 I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
 and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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## More “Blah, Blah, Blah” from Msgr. Mark

A college professor of mine had a way of putting it: “No one falls out of a basement window.” She meant that you can only

know how you are doing if there is some yardstick against which to measure your efforts. In the world of work such things are called **job descriptions**. That is a plain-language tool that explains the duties and responsibilities of a position. It’s meant as a prod of how you should be spending your time.

If you were asked whether you thought you were meeting expectations as a disciple, what would you say? What could you point to as evidence that you understand and own the duties and responsibilities that come with being a follower of Jesus? Discipleship isn’t a matter of checking off boxes on a “to do” list ... but there are habits that suggest you are trying. As a pastor I’ve thought about that a lot ... how should I nudge my people towards growth? And, over the years, I’ve come up with something of a five-point job description for being a disciple. They are hiding behind how I shape my preaching. I try to hand them on in my time with our Confirmation students. I thought it might be worthwhile to lay them out here over the next few weeks ... so you might hold them up against yourself and ask, “How am I doing?”

The first point of the job description is “**Do I know the story?**” It’s first—not because it’s the most important—but because it’s the place to start. Christian life is a relationship, and relationships start with knowing something about the other. If you are only a vague presence behind a curtain, it’s going to be difficult becoming friends.

Of course, the story I’m thinking about is the Jesus story. It started with God’s dealings with His first people, the Jews, but of course for us it centers on who Jesus was and what he said and did. The Bible and the Tradition of our community are the places to start. Could you instruct a child in the basics of faith? Would you be able to explain to an adult of another religious tradition (or none) the difference your Catholic faith brings to your life? We invest a lot of energy teaching children these things, but I know grown-ups who still have a lot of questions. Then, too, the answers that we received in 4<sup>th</sup> grade didn’t cover all the complexities of living an adult faith. What have you done with your questions? Have you attended an education program, made a retreat, or read a religious book lately? How is the Bible or the Catechism a part of your regular study? I’d love to hear your responses to the “Do you know the story?” question.

For the last four years I’ve presented an annual overview of adult faith I’ve entitled “Catholicism 101.” I didn’t even let COVID get in the way, holding a series by ZOOM in 2020-2021. I am guessing maybe a hundred and twenty of you have wrestled your way through it with me over those years. I was flattered by your interest. It was quite a commitment ... twenty-four or twenty-five Tuesdays over eight months. I loved doing it ... but this year I’ve decided to give “101” a rest and try something else. I’m thinking about offering two or three evening mini-courses, each running maybe five or six weeks. I’m hoping that way it might be easier for people to get on the bus. That way, too, we can go a little deeper on things than the Catholicism 101 format allowed. Check out my suggestions elsewhere in this bulletin ... or, still better, tell me what you are hungry to learn about “knowing the story.”

Msgr. Mark Pierce

### Sunday, September 11

7:30am Confessions at CR  
8:30am Mass at CR: +Lisa Hintz  
10:30am Mass at SM: +Butch Reich

### Monday, September 12

*The Most Holy Name of Mary*  
5:30pm Mass at CR: +Ken Andraski  
6:00pm Confessions at CR

**NOTE:** The rosary will be said beginning at 11:35 am before the Daily Masses. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will follow Mass.

### Tuesday, September 13

*St. John Chrysostom*  
12:10pm Mass at CR: For the Deceased  
Members of the Seubert Family  
1:00pm Adoration at CR  
3:00pm Mass at Forest Park: +Rita Heil  
5:30pm Rosary and Novena at CR

### Wednesday, September 14

*The Exaltation of the Holy Cross*  
12:10pm Mass at CR: +James Gassner

### Thursday, September 15

12:10pm Mass at CR: +Roy Kocik

### Friday, September 16

*Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian*  
9:00am What Catholics Believe Bible Study-SM  
12:10pm Mass at CR: Deceased Members of the  
Seubert Family

### 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### Saturday, September 17

9:00am Prayer Shawl Ministry at SM  
3:00pm Confessions at SM  
4:00pm Mass at SM: +Norbert and Helen Berens  
5:30pm Mass at CR: For the People of the  
Eastside Parishes

### Sunday, September 18

7:30am Confessions at CR  
8:30am Mass at CR: +Scott Hafner  
10:30am Mass at SM: +Russell and Mary Gass

**CR** - Church of the Resurrection • **SM** - St. Michael Church

## Connect with Worship at Home

Mass and reflection opportunities are available throughout the week on our website at [eastsideparishes.org](https://eastsideparishes.org)

- ◇ The 8:30am Sunday Mass at the Church of the Resurrection is live-streamed for immediate viewing and then available for re-viewing for several days.
- ◇ One of the clergy records a reading from the daily Mass and shares a 5-8 minute (audio-only) reflection.

Scripture readings for this week can be found at: <https://bible.usccb.org>

## Readings for the 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time September 18

*Amos 8:4-7; 1 Timothy 2:1-8; Luke 16:1-13*

Jesus tells his disciples a parable that appears to recommend a dishonest, crafty steward. This praise for a crooked man has so bothered generations of commentators that they've tried to find explanations that will prove that the steward really wasn't crooked at all—maybe that the amount he cancels from his boss's creditors' IOU's was his percentage, or his boss "overcharge." The message is simpler ... and more direct. Perhaps the steward is a Model—not for his crookedness—but in his willingness to give away what is under his control to win friends. *How are we like the steward who watches over wealth that really belongs to someone else? How do you use your stewardship to make friends with God?*



### Jesus Welcomes You for a Visit through Eucharistic Adoration this Tues., Sept. 13

As we settle into our fall routine, why not make time with Jesus in the Holy Eucharist part of that routine? Exposition and Adoration will begin at 1 pm at the Church of the Resurrection and conclude at 5 pm. Prayer materials will be available to aid your conversation with Him.

### Faith Formation Registration Open

Registration forms and calendars are available on our website for Faith Formation (K-12).

**A Parent Meeting and Open House for all grades will be at St. Michael's on September 21 at 6 pm.**



Go to [eastsideparishes.org/ff](http://eastsideparishes.org/ff) today to access registration forms and other helpful information.

**Please remember all of our homebound and hospitalized parishioners from Resurrection and St. Michael Parishes in your prayers this week.**

**Resurrection Sanctuary Lamp burns for the:**  
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**St. Mary Side Altar Candle:**  
In memory of Rose Gossage

**St. Michael Votive Candles burn:**

- In memory of Tom Vick
- In memory of Verjean Steiner
- For good health for the Woodward Family
- Wedding Anniversary of Butch and Ann Reich
- In memory of Chester and Margaret Kwarcianny

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Office Hours: 8am-12pm Tuesday-Friday

**St. Michael Parish** • 611 Stark St. • 715.842.4283  
Office Hours: 8am-4pm Mon-Thurs., noon on Friday

### Eastside Parishes Pictorial Directory Information:

- ◆ The picture-taking dates remaining are September 13-17. We hope to add another week to our schedule—watch for more dates.
- ◆ Visit [eastsideparishes.org](http://eastsideparishes.org) and click on the purple banner to sign up for a time slot.
- ◆ If you prefer, please call 715-842-4283 to sign up.

Picture orders from the August 9-13 photo sessions have been delivered. You may pick them at St. Michael's Office or watch for them after Masses some of the upcoming weekends.



### Parishioners who are homebound or in a nursing home

and are unable to come to have their picture taken, but would like to be included in the directory, may call 715-842-4283 to make arrangements for someone to visit them and take their picture.

### How about joining Fr. Mark for a six- or seven-week, Tuesday evening, brief course on faith?

As he explains in his column, Fr. Mark is going to substitute two or three short courses on Tuesday nights for his "Catholicism 101" course. Each series will be a separate topic, with a limited number of weeks, so you can step on or off as you like. He is still thinking about Tuesday evenings at 7:00 pm. The first mini-course will begin Tuesday, September 27. The topic will be selected by a beauty contest. The one that gets the most votes will be first up. Vote early, and vote often ... by calling 715-842-4283 or emailing the parish at [smoffice@eastsideparishes.org](mailto:smoffice@eastsideparishes.org) and leaving your name and phone number/email and which one(s) you are interested in.:

- Option A:** The Bible for Bozos – how to approach the Scriptures and develop a plan for personal use.
- Option B:** Praying Like an Adult – practical plans for developing a deeper, richer prayer life.
- Option C:** Stump the Pastor – those in attendance will select themes/topics they want to explore.



### Friday Morning Men's Group begins this Friday, the 16th, with a book by Bishop Robert Barron

Men are ... well, different. Many of us find it hard to know what to say when the topics stray from the Packers, work, and the like. Some of us tend to lose our voices when the other gender, who seem to share so easily, begin to speak. One remedy is a Men's Group: a study and social group for the men of the Eastside Parishes. We meet two Fridays a month, usually the first and third, from 6:30-7:45 am for a light breakfast, discussion, and prayer at Francis Hall at Resurrection Church. The starting date will be Friday, September 16. This year the "agenda" will be a readthrough of some of the essays in Bishop Robert Barron's new book, "Redeeming the Time." So again, September 16, 6:30 am, in Francis Hall at Resurrection. Call 715-842-4283 to get on the list.

4 Financial Giving September 4, 2022



St. Michael Parish

Church of the Resurrection

Adult Envelopes/Offertory .....	\$11,350.00
Electronic Contributions.....	\$3,003.00
Weekly Total .....	\$14,353.00
Fiscal Year-to-date Contributions .....	\$99,289.76

Adult Envelopes/Offertory .....	\$8,328.00
Electronic Contributions.....	\$2,500.00
Weekly Total.....	\$10,828.00
Fiscal Year-to-date Contributions....	\$94,731.23



Cash contributions this week.....	\$825.00
Electronic contributions this week.....	\$500.00
"We Believe" weekly total .....	\$1,325.00

Total "We Believe" cash contributions to date ..... \$1,327,285.57

Total pledges (including friends' match)..... \$1,356,987.43  
(not counting St. Ambrose Financial Services interest forgiveness)

To Touch is to Heal, To Heal is to Touch

September 2022

***"My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever."*** Psalm 73:26

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

Bless everyone with these beautiful, late summer days. Fr. Mark has put a couple of notices in the bulletin about the possible chance we may miss visiting with a parishioner that is in the hospital. The main issue seems to be if parishioners are admitted through the Emergency Room. Please share with the office if you or a loved one is admitted to the local hospitals. We are the Body of Christ and want to stay connected.

As I have been a Parish Nurse for over 20 years, I see a particular cardiac condition frequently. This month I want to share with you the importance of recognition and management of **atrial fibrillation**.

In 2021, between 2.7 and 6.1 million Americans experienced atrial fibrillation, which is defined as "supraventricular tachyarrhythmia with uncoordinated atrial electrical activation and consequently ineffective atrial contraction." Underlying conditions such as hypertension, obesity, sleep apnea, diabetes and heart failure alters the conduction system of the heart, which can result in atrial fibrillation.

In normal conduction of the heart, the sinoatrial node generates the heart's electrical impulse. In people with atrial fibrillation, the pulmonary veins generate the electrical impulse and create a disorganized rhythm. When the atria contract in a disorganized fashion, causing the atria to quiver or fibrillate. The ineffective atrial contraction decreases cardiac output. People may experience dizziness, weakness, chest pain, pulmonary edema, palpitations, labored breathing, and fatigue. Sometimes people have no symptoms. A proper diagnosis requires a EKG.

Atrial fibrillation places a heavy burden on the patient and the healthcare team. A plan of care and appropriate education materials are needed to understand the ramifications of atrial fibrillation in order to achieve an optimal quality of life. The entire health team must communicate and work together to minimize symptoms, prevent recurrence, prevent adverse outcomes, and improve the quality of life. Lifestyle and risk factor management play an important role in the patient's plan of care.

Another element consists of controlling symptoms with rate or rhythm control. Pharmacologic interventions are used to reach a targeted heart rate. Most providers aim for a sustained heart rate less than 110 beats per minute. The medications of choice include beta blockers, calcium channel blockers, digoxin, and antiarrhythmics. Rate control frequently is sufficient to alleviate symptoms of atrial fibrillation. The goal is to restore and maintain normal sinus rhythm and alleviate symptoms. Anticoagulants are also used as a pharmacologic intervention.

Atrial fibrillation is a complex condition associated with large symptom management. The patient must be at the center of the plan of care discussion and management.

***"Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it flows the strengths of life."***  
Proverbs 4:23



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strength God guides us. With a moth-er's love God  
nur-tures us and cra-dles us in gen - tle arms.

Eucharistic Acclamations — *see sidebar*Song during the Communion Procession— *cantor first, then assembly*

Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to you will not hun - ger.  
Je - sus Christ, Ris - en Lord, those who trust in you will not thirst.

## Song after the Final Blessing

1. This is my song, O God of all the na - tions,  
2. My coun-try's skies are blu-er than the o - cean,  
3. Teach us to sing, O God of all cre - a - tion,  
a song of peace for lands a - far and mine.  
and sun-light beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine;  
a song of hope for o - cean, sky, and pine.  
This is my home, the coun - try where my heart is;  
but oth - er lands have sun-light, too, and clo - ver,  
Teach us to walk the way that ends di - vi - sion,  
here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine.  
and skies are ev - 'ry - where as blue as mine.  
till ev - 'ry land and na - tion love en - twines.  
But oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are beat - ing  
So hear my song, O God of all the na - tions,  
Then will all peo - ples see your glo - rious vi - sion:  
with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.  
a song of peace for their land and for mine.  
the world at peace, be - lov - ed and di - vine.

## EUCHARISTIC ACCLAMATION

**Holy, Holy, Holy**  
**Lord God of hosts.**  
Heaven and earth  
are full of your glory.  
**Hosanna in the highest.**  
Blessed is he,  
blessed is he who comes  
in the name of the Lord.  
**Hosanna, hosanna,**  
**hosanna in the highest.**

## MYSTERY OF FAITH

**When we eat this Bread**  
**and drink this Cup,**  
**we proclaim your Death, O Lord,**  
**until you come again,**  
**until you come again.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in**  
**heaven, hallowed be thy**  
**name; thy kingdom come;**  
**thy will be done on earth as**  
**it is in heaven. Give us this**  
**day our daily bread; and**  
**forgive us our trespasses**  
**as we forgive those who**  
**trespass against us;**  
**and lead us not**  
**into temptation,**  
**but deliver us from evil.**

*Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil...  
and the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.*

**For the kingdom,**  
**the power, and the glory**  
**are yours, now and forever.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who  
takes away the sins of the world. Blessed  
are those called to the supper  
of the Lamb.*

**Lord, I am not worthy**  
**that you should enter**  
**under my roof,**  
**but only say the word**  
**and my soul**  
**shall be healed.**