

**Sunday, August 17, 2025 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

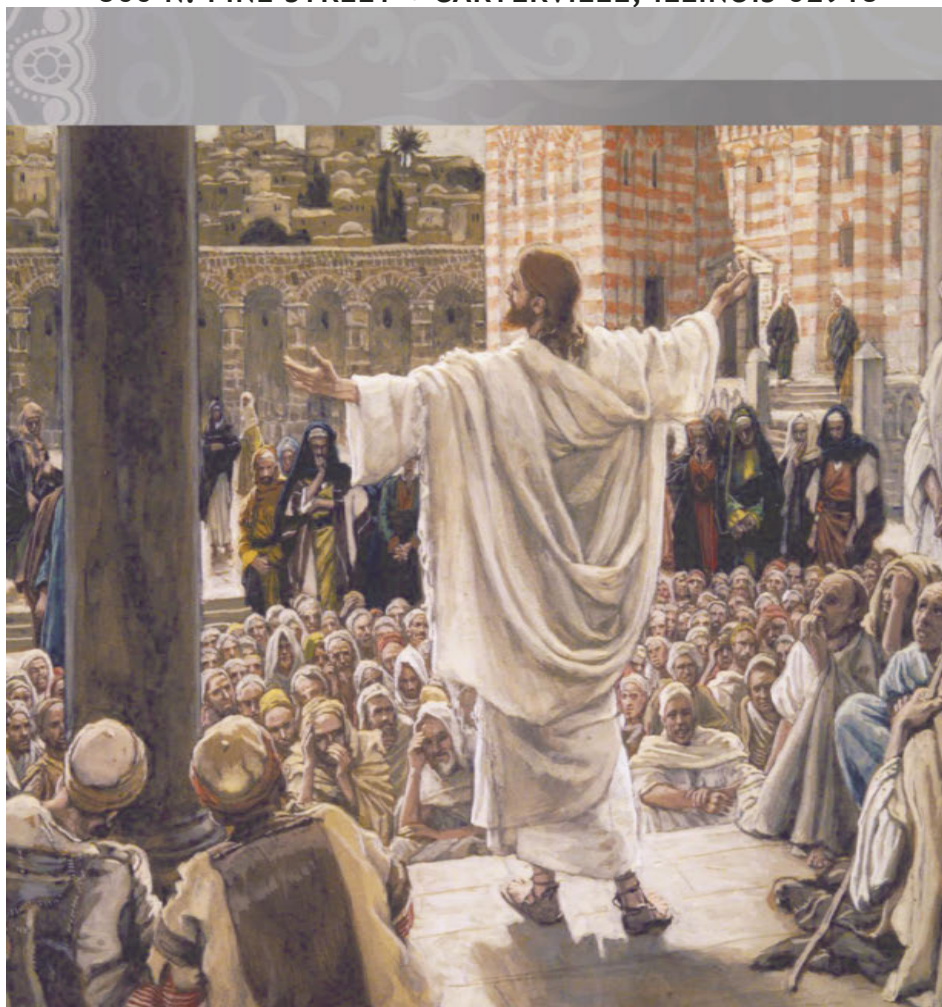


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## 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to his disciples: "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!" - Lk 12:49

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**"LORD, SEND OUT YOUR SPIRIT AND RENEW THE FACE OF THE EARTH"**

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# PRAYER AND REFLECTIONS

## CHURCH MATTERS



**PSR Family Day**  
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If someone is in need of prayer, or  
should be taken off the list, please call  
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### Prayer for Bravery

Dear God, In the moments when my faith is  
met with others' disdain or ridicule, give me  
the grace to be grounded in You. Remind me  
that Your mission matters, and that You  
alone bring comfort, healing, and salvation.  
Amen.

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## GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

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Luke 12:49-53

During my baseball career, my best coach often said, “You shouldn’t be worried if I yell at you. Be worried if I don’t. If I stop pushing you, it means I don’t think you have any more potential.” He demanded a lot, and I knew it meant he saw that I could be something special on the baseball field.

Jesus says some demanding words to us this week. “**Do you think I have come to establish peace on the earth?**” he asks, “**No, tell you, but rather division**” (Luke 12:51). He wants you and me—in fact, all the earth—to participate in the luminous glory of God. That’s why he speaks of himself as a divine arsonist. Divine fire is like a good coach: it demands the removal of all that obstructs the achievement of the lofty goal.

How is your life demanding right now? That inconvenient family situation, the unfair boss at work, the kids who reject their parents’ wishes, the nagging health issue? Maybe things would be more peaceful devoid of these seemingly arbitrary difficulties. But for us who believe in the one who comes to set the earth of fire, we should be much more worried if he stops demanding so much from us. In fact, let’s thank him for it. He sees how glorious we can become.

— Father John Muir

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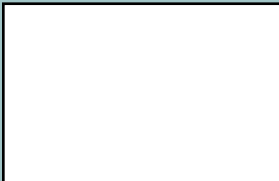
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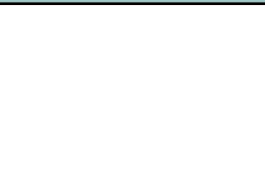


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