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## September 22, 2024 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

**FIRST READING:** The wicked say: With revilement and torture let us put the just one to the test (Wisdom 2:12, 17-20).

**PSALM:** The Lord upholds my life (Psalm 54).

**SECOND READING:** The wisdom from above is full of mercy and good fruits (James 3:16 – 4:3).

**GOSPEL:** Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me (Mark 9:30-37).

**LITURGICAL REFLECTION:** St. Mark tells us that the disciples did not understand Jesus' predictions. The full extent of Jesus' identity and mission as the Son of God incarnate was still beyond their understanding. They had not yet encountered the divine love that Jesus came to bring to the world. And so they missed the meaning of Jesus' words completely! Jesus draws attention to the child in their midst as a reminder of the humility and simplicity that his disciples are to grow in. Children must depend on parents, family, teachers and generous adults for care and security. And children have a natural sense of awe and wonder at the gift of the world around them. Only total dependence on God and a heart of gratitude leads to humility before God as well as conversion of mind and heart that leads to humble service of others. God's word invites us to recommit ourselves to growing into humble disciples of Jesus and to following in his way of suffering, servant love that brings healing and peace to a world in need. The word of God gives strength and courage to ask God for the grace of true humility as we pray in faith, "speak to me, Lord."

Question: How is Jesus' example of servant leadership a model for your faith?

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### Liturgical Ministry Schedule

5:30PM Saturday – Sept 28<sup>th</sup>  
Lector Ed Olshefski

9:00AM Sunday – Sept 29<sup>th</sup>  
Lector: Kevin Houghton

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### Mass Intentions for the Week: (Sept 23<sup>rd</sup> – Sept 29<sup>th</sup>)

MON 09/23 7:00AM. . .+ For Deceased Members of the Family of Cirilia Graicar  
TUES 09/24 7:00AM. . .+ Kathleen Paige – (Greg & Kim Weakland)  
WED 09/25 7:00AM. . .+ Mike Delich – (John & Doris Gritzer)  
THURS 09/26 7:00AM. . .+ Dom Kurtz, Sr – (Tim & Diane Gorka)  
FRI 09/27 7:00AM. . .+ For Deceased Members of the Family of Cirila Graicar  
SAT 09/28 5:30PM. . .+ John Pencola – (Carmela Perry)  
SUN 09/29 9:00AM. . .+ Frank & Sue Karmanocky – (Family)



## September 22, 2024

**Stewardship Reflections:** Our readings today bring to light the daily struggle between good and evil and how we can combat this struggle through wisdom and gratitude. In our Second Reading, St. James encourages us to seek wisdom from above. "But the wisdom from above is first of all pure, then peaceable, gentle, compliant, full of mercy and good fruits..." When we seek the Lord, we will have the strength to choose good and the wisdom to properly use what we have received from Him.

When we are caught in the raging war of jealousy, fighting, and pride, and begin to become enslaved to our passions we are ultimately being ungrateful for what we have been given. We overlook the blessing God has given us and the gifts and talents He has entrusted to us.

Today, let us recall that we have an infinitely loving God who cares deeply for us. Consider all that He has blessed you with, and how you can use those blessings for His glory.

### LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS Sept 14<sup>th</sup> & Sept 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Collection:**

Weekly	\$	1,836.00
Monthly	\$	14.00
Catholic University	\$	10.00
Retired Priests Medical	\$	25.00

*Thank you for your continued support of St. Anne's Parish! Please remember in your prayers the deceased parishioners and benefactors of our parish. God Bless!*



#### Novena to Honor

#### St. Therese of the Child Jesus

Opens on **Monday, Sept 23<sup>rd</sup>** and will end on **Tuesday, Oct 1<sup>st</sup>**, the Feast of St. Therese.

#### Mass Schedule –

Weekday Masses at 7:50AM, 9AM and 7PM;  
Saturday Masses at 9AM, 4PM, and 7PM;  
Sunday Masses at 7:30AM, 10:30AM, & 7:00PM.  
Sunday, Sept 29<sup>th</sup> at 2PM Anointing of the sick

#### No 7:50AM Masses on Opening & Closing Days



#### A Catechesis for Adults and Youth Come and Listen!

Began Sept 16<sup>th</sup>

Meets Mondays & Wednesdays @7PM  
St John Gualbert Cathedral Activity Center  
110 Adams St.  
Free parking and babysitting

## Community News & Events



**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church in Windber** is having a **Fall Basket Party**. Sept 28<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> Noon – 5PM and Oct 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Noon – 5PM

Tickets are \$5 for 25 and can be purchased in the hall. There will not be a sit-down drawing. Drawing will be held live on our public Facebook Page. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church (SEAS). Limited take-out only food menu and homemade baked goods will be available.

#### St. Demetrius Parish in Gallitzin will hold its Annual Chicken BBQ Dinner and Fall Festival

on **Sunday, Sept 29<sup>th</sup>**, in the parish Activity Center, 714 Foster Street, Gallitzin. The meal includes a half BBQ chicken, deliciously seasoned and slow roasted over a fire pit, green beans, potato, roll, and a dessert. Dine-In and takeout dinners are available for \$14.00 each. A rummage sale will also be featured, along with baked goods, games, and a basket raffle. It's fun for the whole family! Dinner will be served beginning at 11:00AM until sold out.



**MUSIC BINGO BASH** – The St. Francis Fundraising Committee will be sponsoring a Music Bingo Bash **Saturday, Oct. 5. at the St. Francis Activity Center. Doors open at 5 pm.** Food will be served at 6 pm. Admission \$20. Includes dinner, nonalcoholic beverages and dessert. 5 Bingo cards. Beer bracelet is \$7. Qualifiers, 50/50 and cash giveaways every half hour! Tickets available in the vestibule before and after Masses. Or you can call Fran at 814-536-3667.

**Families and the Gospel** - (Mark 9: 30-37)  
Disagreements are common in families. But what would you say if Jesus posed the same question "What are you arguing about?" Is it silly and petty? Is it an attempt to impose your will and control on another. Today Jesus tells us and his disciples to give it up. We are meant to serve each other, not control.



*A person's a person.  
No matter how small.*  
-Dr. Seuss

**ABORTION:** The child is a human being, made in the image and likeness of God. We will be judged on how we have treated the least powerful among us, and on how we have loved the least. It all belongs to Him and He will come to judge the living.