

SEPTEMBER 26, 2021

## TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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*Behold, the wages you  
withheld from the workers  
who harvested your  
fields are crying aloud;  
and the cries of the harvesters  
have reached the ears  
of the Lord of hosts.*

*James 5:4*

Today's readings remind us that God is free: God acts as God wills regardless of what human beings might expect. In the reading from Numbers, God's spirit enters two men, Eldad and Medad, even though they had not been with the others who had received the spirit of God. And in Mark's Gospel, Jesus endorses an unknown exorcist, who did God's work in the name of Jesus but was not officially sanctioned by the disciples. That God's spirit is shared widely does not

threaten Moses or Jesus. They celebrate the notion that God's spirit blows where it wills. Moses was shaping the people of Israel, and Jesus similarly was shaping the community of disciples, to encounter a radically free God who doesn't fit their preconceptions. This encounter, when received with humility, widens their vision and deepens their faith. God continues to shape the Church similarly today, to open us up to God's freedom.

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**26th SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME  
SEPTEMBER 26, 2021**

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**Mass Intentions**

**Saturday, September 25, 2021- 5:45 pm**

**Parish Family of St. Patrick**

**Sunday, September 26, 2021 – 9:00 am**

**+Bernice Recupito req. by Leona Berner**

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday – NO MASS**

**Friday, October 1, 2021 - Adoration 9:00am until 10:45am**

**Saturday, October 2, 2021 – 5:45pm**

**Parish Family of St. Patrick**

**Sunday, October 3, 2021 – 9:00 am**

**+Ed Crossin**

**Father Sebastian is on Convocation next week  
If there is an emergency please call the office**

DATE	LECTOR
SATURDAY, October 2- 5:45pm	Linda Cakora
SUNDAY, October 3 - 9:00am	Grace Niemiec

**COUNTERS FOR OCTOBER 3, 2021 – Horath**

**PLEASE HELP**  
Volunteers for Lector are needed –  
Contact Linda at 815-546-4715  
**THANK YOU**



**In accordance with Illinois  
State mandates, masks are  
Required for anyone age 2  
and up regardless of**

# STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, the weekly  
Sunday collection goal is \$1,938.46

**Sunday, September 19, 2021.....\$1,247.00**

**Thank you for your support of our Parish.**

**Please give prayerful thought to continuing your support by either mailing in  
your contribution or by signing up for Online Giving.**

**To enroll in Online giving, please go to our website:  
[www.stpatrickwiltoncenter.org](http://www.stpatrickwiltoncenter.org) and follow the online  
giving link. *Thank you***



## *2021 Catholic Ministries Appeal*

*Thank you for pledging a gift to the CMAA! Monthly pledge payments should be made  
in the next few days. It is important these pledges be paid, so our parish will reach our  
goal. Once we have reached our goal in paid pledges, 70% of the amount over goal will  
be returned to our parish for our needs.*

Parish Goal:           \$ 9,600.00  
Amount Pledged:   \$ 9,070.00  
Amount Paid:         \$ 9,070.00

Thank you for your generous response.



Our Two Week  
Candle  
is burning for  
A SPECIAL  
INTENTION OF  
DAN & LYNNE  
PHELAN



MASS INTENTION  
OPENINGS AVAILABLE  
Remember a loved one or  
Honor someone special  
with a Mass Call the office  
and schedule a date.



**SCRAP METAL RECYCLING  
SPONSORED BY  
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM  
SATURDAY—OCTOBER 9  
ST. PATRICK CHURCH  
14936 W. WILMINGTON-PEOTONE RD.  
WILTON CENTER, ILLINOIS  
8:00AM UNTIL NOON**

## **Scrap Metal Collection Ideas**

Items we can accept:

### **Aluminum**

Aluminum Cans  
Aluminum Siding  
Aluminum pots / pans  
Vehicle Rims—No Tires

### **Copper**

Copper Pipe  
Copper Wire  
Household Wire  
Extension Cords  
Computer Cords

### **Stainless Steel**

Sinks  
Pots / pans  
Springs  
Pet dishes  
Door hinges

### **Batteries**

Car Batteries  
Lawn Mower Batteries  
Motorcycle Batteries

### **Electric Engines**

Box Fan motors  
Ceiling Fan Motors

### **Brass**

Faucet Fittings

### **Appliances**

Washers  
Dryers  
Stoves  
Refrigerators  
Freezers  
Dishwashers

### **Steel**

Bed Frames  
Metal Shelves  
Ironing Boards  
Bicycles—No Tires  
Brake Rotors  
Vehicle Engines  
Vehicle Rims—No Tires  
Farm Silos  
Ditch Culverts  
Chain Link Fence  
Fence Post—No Cement

### **Farm Equipment**

Tractors  
Combines  
Grain Boxes  
Tractor Wheels—No Tires



PROCLAIM THE WONDER OF GOD - The gift of the Spirit is given freely, not according to human expectations, but according to the generosity of God. Joshua wants Moses to stop Eldad and Medad from prophesying in the camp, when they were not with the others as the spirit was bestowed on them. Moses, so close to God's mind in the matter, wishes everyone could possess the spirit of God and proclaim it to the nations. Psalm 19 celebrates the perfection of God's law, and how it brings joy and delight. It is better than the finest gold or the sweetest honey. Moreover, God gives the wisdom of the prophets to everyone, especially the simple and lowly ones, even to children. It is the "little ones" who proclaim the wonder of God to all. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



**MEDICARE PART D  
OPEN ENROLLMENT  
OCT 15 – DEC 7, 2021**

The Senior Assistance Center at St. Paul the Apostle Peotone will begin accepting appointments Sep 1 for an annual review of your prescription drug plan. Premiums, drug tiers and formularies change from year to year. A review ensures you are on the best plan at the lowest cost. Call 708-258-6917 and press 5 for Senior Assistance. Leave your name and phone number to schedule an appointment.



### Undy Sunday 2021

Did you know that new underwear and socks are the most-requested, but least-donated items at Catholic Charities? These basic items (new underwear, warm socks, a fresh diaper) are truly treasures to those who are living in poverty.

St. Patrick Council of Catholic Women is helping Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet and the individuals and families they serve by collecting NEW underwear, undershirts, socks, and diapers for children and adults living in low-income households. Collection will be held the beginning of October.

All donations will be gratefully accepted, but we are focusing on the following specific items this year:

- Men's boxer briefs (all sizes)
- Size 6 diapers/pull-ups (boys and girls)
- Onesies size newborn—18 months (boys & girls)

There will be a bin set up in the vestibule for your donations.

If you'd prefer to send a monetary donation, please mail it to:  
Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet/Undy Sunday  
16555 Weber Road  
Crest Hill, IL 60403

For more information about Undy Sunday, please email Maggie Snow at [msnow@cc-doj.org](mailto:msnow@cc-doj.org). Thank you for making a difference in the lives of the poor and vulnerable in our community!



**PLEASE REMEMBER IN  
YOUR PRAYERS**

Marge Flint; Nancee Long, Shay Phelan,  
Lisa Bernhard; Fr. Jim Lennon; Noreen  
McAndrew; Cathy Engler; Don Smith;  
Steve Niemiec; Holly Flint-Jones; Dan  
Gast; Nona Stauffenberg; Jimmy Quigley;  
Breckin Van Hynning; Levi Hurley; Dave  
Lentman

**Please call the office to be included on  
the new list. Thank You.**

**Intention of the Holy Father  
MONTH OF OCTOBER**

- We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel.

If you or a loved one would like to be put on the prayer list because of illness, rehab, or living at a health care center please let the office know. If there is an emergency and you need a priest, Fr. Sebastian will be available and can be reached at : 1(815) 478-3440 ex. 102 or 815-476-7491 and then press 1.

Twenty-sixth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
The law of the LORD is perfect,  
refreshing the soul;  
the decree of the LORD is  
trustworthy,  
giving wisdom to the simple.  
— Psalm 19:8

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK  
SEPTEMBER 26, 2021**



Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Ps  
102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Lk 9:46-  
50  
Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk  
9:51-56  
Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-  
12a; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51  
Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8  
-11; Lk 10:1-12  
Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9;  
Lk 10:13-16  
Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37;  
Mt 18:1-5, 10  
Sunday: Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb  
2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCE**

Sunday: Twenty-sixth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time;  
Priesthood Sunday  
Monday: St. Vincent de Paul  
Tuesday: St. Lawrence Ruiz and  
Companions;  
St. Wenceslaus  
Wednesday: Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and  
Raphael  
Thursday: St. Jerome  
Friday: St. Thérèse of the Child  
Jesus; First Friday  
Saturday: The Holy Guardian  
Angels; First Saturday



## LOOK WITHIN

A wrestling match of sorts takes place in this section of Mark's Gospel. Jesus tries mightily to describe what it will mean to be his followers, and the disciples try mightily to avoid the subject. They point to an outsider, and the dangers *he* poses. Jesus turns the tables and asks his disciples to look within themselves: how are *they* a danger to Jesus and his work? Jesus uses graphic language, invoking self-amputation, to underscore his point.

Sometimes our most difficult obstacles lie deep within. Like our hands and feet, some attitudes and habits are deeply a part of us, and their removal would be traumatic for us. Yet we know that some beliefs (such as idolatries based on race, wealth, or gender) or behaviors (such as addictions) seriously harm ourselves and many others. We need a prayerful, non-neurotic watchfulness about our inner life. When necessary, we need a fierce resistance to anything that places us or others in danger.

## UNITY IN CHRIST

Jesus, in today's Gospel from Mark, says "whoever is not against us is for us." Mark was speaking to his own Christian community. From its beginnings, there were tensions in the Church about who speaks for Jesus. Jesus himself always called for unity of heart and a diversity of expression as a sign of the truth of the Gospel. It is no secret that in Christian history and continuing today, divisions have seriously damaged the message and cause of Christ.

In our own time and place, cultural and political divisions have reduced our ability to solve problems and to live together in a just and peaceful society. Perhaps this is a time for Christians to step up, to remember that our unity in Christ is far deeper than the differences that we perceive. We are called to reach out and listen to each other, to honor each other as members of the Body of Christ. Christians can lead the way, and show everyone watching how it's done.

Today's Readings: Num 11:25–29; Ps 19:8, 10, 12–13, 14; Jas 5:1–6; Mk 9:38–43, 45, 47–48

**9/26/2021**