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September  
17,  
2017

## Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Should you  
not have  
pity on  
your fellow  
servant, as I have  
had pity on you?"

### MASS SCHEDULES

#### Sunday Mass in English

Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM & 12:15 PM

#### Daily Mass

7 & 8:30 AM (Saturday 8:30 AM)

#### Reconciliation

Saturday 3-4:00 PM

#### Misas Dominicales en Español

Sábado 6 PM, Domingo 2 & 6 PM

#### Misas en Español

Miércoles 7 PM

#### Reconciliación

Miércoles 6-7 PM, Sábado 3-4:00 PM

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### From the Pastor's Desk:

Once upon a time two brothers, who lived on adjoining farms, fell into conflict. It was the first serious rift in 40 years of farming side by side, sharing machinery, and trading labor and goods as needed without a conflict. Then the long collaboration fell apart.

It began with a small misunderstanding and it grew into a major difference, and finally it exploded into an exchange of bitter words followed by weeks of silence. One morning there was a knock on John's door. He opened it to find a man with a carpenter's tool box. "I'm looking for a few days' work" he said. "Perhaps you would have a few small jobs here and there I could help with? Could I help you?" "Yes," said the older brother. "I do have a job for you." "Look across the creek at that farm. That's my neighbor; in fact, it's my younger brother. Last week there was a meadow between us and he took his bulldozer to the river levee and now there is a creek between us. Well, he may have done this to spite me, but I'll do him one better." "See that pile of lumber by the barn? I want you to build me a fence — an 8-foot fence — so I won't need to see his place or his face anymore." The carpenter said, "I think I understand the situation. Show me the nails and the post-hole digger and I'll be able to do a job that pleases you." The older brother had to go to town, so he helped the carpenter get the materials ready and then he was off for the day. The carpenter worked hard all that day measuring, sawing, nailing. About sunset when the farmer returned, the carpenter had just finished his job. The farmer's eyes opened wide, his jaw dropped. There was no fence there at all. It was a bridge — a bridge stretching from one side of the creek to the other! A fine piece of work, handrails and all — and the neighbor, his younger brother was coming toward them, his hand outstretched. "You are quite a fellow to build this bridge after all I've said and done." The two brothers stood at each end of the bridge, and then they met in the middle, taking each other's hand. They turned to see the carpenter hoist his toolbox onto his shoulder. "No, wait! Stay a few days. I've a lot of other projects for you," said the older brother. "I'd love to stay on," the carpenter said, but I have many more bridges to build.

In the gospel of today Jesus tells us in response to Peter's limited generosity that there is no limit to forgiveness. We are a people in need of forgiveness and we are endlessly called upon to forgive. Jesus tells us that we must be compassionate as our heavenly Father is compassionate. Can we not imitate our Father?

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In a large city, a priest parked his car in a no-parking zone because he couldn't find a metered space. He put a note under the windshield wiper that read: I have circled the block 10 times. If I don't park here, I'll miss my appointment. "FORGIVE US OUR TRESPASSES." When he returned, he found a citation from a police officer along with this note: "I've circled this block for 10 years. If I don't give you a ticket, I'll lose my job. "LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION."

### Nota de nuestro pastor:

Érase una vez dos hermanos, quienes vivían en granjas

adyacentes, que cayeron en conflicto. Fue la primera grieta grave en 40 años de agricultura, compartiendo maquinaria y comercio, mano de obra y mercancías como fuese necesario uno al lado del otro sin un conflicto. La colaboración larga se desenlazó. Comenzó con un pequeño malentendido y creció a una gran diferencia, y finalmente explotó en un intercambio de palabras hirientes seguido de semanas de silencio. Una mañana tocaron en la puerta de Juan. Abrió para encontrar a un hombre con una caja de herramientas de carpintero. "Estoy buscando trabajo por unos días", dijo. "¿Tal vez tendría unos pequeños trabajos aquí y allá con que le pudiera ayudar? ¿Podría ayudarte?" "Sí-dijo el hermano mayor. "Tengo un trabajo para usted." "Mira esa granja a través de la quebrada. Es mi vecino; de hecho, es mi hermano menor. La semana pasada había una pradera entre nosotros y él tomó su buldócer sobre el dique del río y ahora hay un arroyo entre nosotros. Bueno, él pudo haber hecho esto para fastidiarme, pero le haré uno mejor." "¿Ves ese montón de madera por el granero? Quiero que me construyas una cerca — una cerca de 8-pies, así no necesitaré ver su cara ni su lugar ya. El carpintero dijo, "Creo que entiendo la situación. Muéstrame los clavos y el cavador de agujero posterior y voy a ser capaz de hacer un trabajo que le guste". El hermano mayor tenía que ir a la ciudad, así que le ayudó al carpintero con los materiales y luego se fue durante el día. El carpintero trabajó duro todo ese día midiendo, aserrando, clavando. Casi en la puesta del sol el granjero regresó, el carpintero acababa de terminar su trabajo. Los ojos del agricultor bien abiertos, su quijada cayó. No había ninguna cerca allí. Era un puente, un puente que se extendía desde un lado del arroyo al otro! Una fina pieza de trabajo, barandillas y todo, y el vecino, su hermano más joven venía hacia ellos, con su mano extendida. "Eres un buen compañero por construir este puente después de todo lo que he dicho y hecho". Los dos hermanos estaban parados en cada extremo del puente, y luego se reunieron en el centro, tomando la mano del otro. Se dieron vuelta para ver al carpintero poner sobre el hombro del alzamiento su caja de herramientas. "No, espera! Permanece unos días. Tengo muchos otros proyectos para ti, dijo el hermano mayor." "Me encantaría quedarme", dijo el carpintero, pero tengo muchos puentes más que construir. En el Evangelio de hoy Jesús nos dice en respuesta a la generosidad limitada de Pedro, que no hay límite para el perdón. Somos gente necesitada de perdón y estamos llamados sin cesar a perdonar. Jesús nos dice que debemos ser compasivos como nuestro Padre celestial es compasivo. ¿No podemos imitar a nuestro Padre?

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En una gran ciudad, un Sacerdote había estacionado su coche en una zona de no aparcamiento porque no había podido encontrar un espacio con medidor. Puso una nota bajo el limpiador de parabrisas que decía: he dado vueltas en círculo alrededor de la manzana 10 veces. Si no parqueo aquí, pierdo mi cita. "PERDONA NUESTRAS OFENSAS". Cuando él volvió, encontró una multa de un oficial de policía junto con esta nota: "he circundado esta manzana por 10 años. Si no te doy una multa, pierdo mi trabajo. "NO NOS DEJES CAER EN TENTACIÓN."

## WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the Week  
of September 17, 2017

### Sun/Dom:

Sir 27:30--28:7/Ps 103:1-4, 9-12/  
Rom 14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35

### Mon/Lunes:

1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 28:2, 7-9/Lk 7:1-10

### Tues/Martes:

1 Tm 3:1-13/Ps 101:1b-3ab, 5-6/Lk 7:11-17

### Wed/Mier:

1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-6/Lk 7:31-35

### Thurs/Juev:

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-5/Mt 9:9-13

### Fri/Vier:

1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-10, 17-20/Lk 8:1-3

### Sat/Sab:

1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-5/Lk 8:4-15

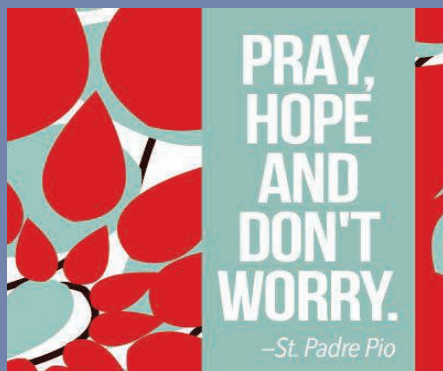
### Next Sun/Dom:

Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18/  
Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### Saturday ~September 23rd

Dinner Dance ~ 5:30-11 PM in the Gym  
~ sponsored by the Guadalupeño Group.  
Tickets are available at \$35.00 each and  
available from any Guadalupeño Member  
or from the Rectory office.



## OFFICE INFORMATION

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### Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday 10 AM-7:30 PM  
*Bilingual available T,W,F 4-7:30 PM*  
Saturday 10 AM-4 PM  
*Bilingual available 10 AM-4 PM*  
Sunday 10 AM-4 PM  
*Bilingual available 12 PM-4 PM*

### Rev. Joseph Antony Sebastian, SVD

Pastor

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday  
10 AM to 12 PM  
5 PM to 8 PM *(with appointment)*  
lunes, martes, miércoles, y Viernes  
10 AM a 12 PM  
5 PM a 8 PM *(con cita)*

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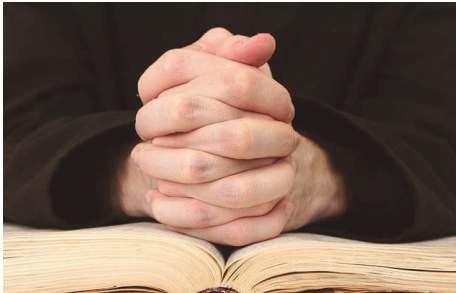
# Everyday Stewardship

Life was not always easy with my father when I was growing up. Let's just say he made many decisions along the way that led to fear, anger, and sadness for my family and me. Unfortunately, I was the only one in the family that would years later truly forgive him for his actions. My mother and sister held onto the resentment and anger they felt all their lives. For my father and me, reconciliation led to several years of a deepening relationship before his passing in 2011.

Forgiveness is not easy and I do not consider myself better or stronger because I was able to forgive and my family members could not. However, I can say that the blessings I received due to forgiveness and a renewed relationship with my father were far better than the animosity experienced by others. I also learned that forgiveness benefited me far more than my father.

As good stewards of time, we must realize that each passing day will never come again. What we do with that time is completely up to us. We can be wise and use it to build bridges, heal wounds, and cultivate love where there is hate. We can also choose to waste time in fear, resentment, and anger. I thank God often for the gift of my dad. However, I thank God more for the gift of time spent with him and the ability to see him not with my human eyes, but with the eyes of Jesus.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS © Liturgical Publications



## PRAY FOR

Beth Pineda Hutton  
Francis Roque  
Isabel Burkfield  
Joann Yarbrough  
Bernee Venenciano  
Rita Dondoyano  
Norma DeGuzman  
Amelia Mamaril  
Jim Smith  
Cassandra Rodriguez  
David Stump  
Minda Bermudez  
Georgie Dwonch  
Ellen Rodel Ramil Hilario  
Araceli Loza  
Angie Biscocho

## DONATIONS

### St Vincent de Paul

offering for next week:

# Cereal

Donations are very much appreciated—but please no expired food. ~ Thank You

## CONTRIBUTIONS CONTRIBUCIONES

COLLECTION FOR WEEK

**September 10th**

The Plate Collection

**\$ 8,601.50**

EFT Collection

**\$ 291.00**

On Line Giving

**\$ 387.00**

**TOTAL for the WEEK**

**\$ 9,279.50**

## VATICAN CORNER

On Sept. 7th thru 11th, 2017 Pope

Francis visited Colombia. The last visit by a pope to that country was in 1986. His journey had the moto: "Let's take the first step." The moto meaning that after 52 years of terrible internal fighting, with an estimated 220,000 people killed, and at least six million people displaced by the conflict, the peace agreement between the government and the largest rebel group, in its early stages of implementation, is a step towards a better future. Francis strongly supported the peace initiative without appearing to favor either side or specific deal points. He came to Colombia, a country of 48 million people (75% Catholic), to encourage the



divided nation to join back together in the cause of peace and reconciliation. Instead of being met by a usual military honor guard at the airport, the Pope was met by scores of children from across Colombia. He traveled to the cities of Bogotá, Villavicencio, Medellín and Cartagena, and met with the president and government officials, the country's bishops, several groups, including wounded veterans of the police and military hurt by land mines and gunfire. Francis performed blessings, held 4 Masses & a prayer meeting for national reconciliation. He paid homage at the church dedicated to Colombia's first saint, Pedro Claver, a Spaniard and Jesuit (like Francis), who in the 17th century ministered to slaves arriving after suffering terrible conditions on ships from Africa. Everywhere Pope Francis traveled, huge ecstatic crowds strained for a glimpse of him in his open popemobile. At one location a sudden stop of the popemobile caused Pope Francis to lose his balance and hit the left side of his face against a vertical bar. He received a bruise to his left cheekbone and eyelid, but he was not seriously hurt and he received ice treatment and was fine to continue on his trip. Later he joked "I was punched. I'm fine." He preached reconciliation, respect for the environment and encouraged youths to take up missionary work and other religious vocations. The peace deal between the government and rebels, gave concessions resulting in sharp division in Colombian society between those willing to forgive the violence of the past and those who insist the agreement's terms are too generous. About 7,000 rebels left the jungle, gave up weapons and returned to civilian life. They say they will form a new political party and vie for votes in Colombia's elections. Three days before the Pope's arrival, the second largest rebel group agreed to a three-month cease-fire and is negotiating a peace deal with the government. The former rebels of the first peace agreement have largely held up their end of the bargain, but the government appears to be fallen short in providing assistance to them, or even providing water and power as agreed. Programs like crop substitution for coca (cocaine) farmers remain in their infancy. A transitional justice program for war crimes could be delayed as long as May. Some say there are real storm clouds on the horizon. Pope Francis said "All of us are necessary to create and form a society...the greatness of the country lies in that there is room for all and all are important." He said "the best way to deal with conflict is the willingness to face conflict head on, to resolve it and to make it a link in the chain of a new process." Sources: ruters.com, latimes.com, nytimes.com

## Donations for the Silent Auction

We need items for our annual Silent Auction which will be part of the Fall Festival — October 1st

We are looking for :

~~ Completed Gift baskets, ~~ gift cards,

~~items that can be put together to make a gift basket , ~~ stand alone items to auction

Bring all items to the Rectory office ~~NEW ITEMS ONLY

Bring items by September 24th

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
September 16-23, 2017

**Saturday 4:30 PM**  
Francisco Camaclang †

**Saturday 6:00 PM**  
Refugio Magallon †  
Alfonso Ayala † (4th aniversario)

**Sunday 7:30 AM**  
Fortunato Albelda (healing)  
Esther Cuevas † (3rd anniversary)  
Maxima Tolentino †

**Sunday 9:00 AM**  
Victor Paguia (birthday)  
Connie Rodriguez (healing)  
Ligoria "Lily" Fernandez †  
Lucien Libunao ( † birthday)

**Sunday 10:30 AM**  
Jocelyn A. Alcantara †  
Isabel Yap Rosario †  
Pablo Trimor †

**Sunday 12:15 PM**  
The Community of St. Joachim

**Sunday 2:00 PM**  
Angelina Hernandez † (9 meses aniversario)  
Maria Alonso † (aniversario)  
Domitilo Rosas † (11th aniversario)  
Carmen Gutierrez †  
Ramon & Consuelo Villanueva †  
(2nd aniversario)

**Sunday 6:00 PM**  
The Community of St. Joachim

**Monday 7:00 AM**  
The Community of St. Joachim

**Monday 8:30 AM**  
Hana Rodriguez (birthday)  
Edgar & Mary Ann Delos Angeles  
(34th wedding anniversary)

**Tuesday 7:00 AM**  
Erico & Rosemarie Parras (thanksgiving)

**Tuesday 8:30 AM**  
The Community of St. Joachim

**Wednesday 7:00 AM**  
The Community of St. Joachim

**Wednesday 8 :30 AM**  
Lea Orlina (birthday)  
Segundo Arnobit † (anniversary)  
Dolores Arcadio Jacinto ( † birthday)

**Wednesday 7:00 PM**  
Juan Amador † (3rd aniversario)

**Thursday 7:00 AM**  
The Community of St. Joachim

**Thursday 8:30 AM**  
Fernando Pineda (birthday)  
Matea Lopez ( † birthday)

**Friday 7:00 AM**  
Nguyet Family Ancestors †

**Friday 8:30 AM**  
The Community of St. Joachim

**Saturday 8:30 AM**  
Maria Nguyet †

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