

# SAINT PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

## SEPTEMBER 17, 2017



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### Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 pm  
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am  
Monday & Friday: 5:30 pm  
Tuesday - Thursday: 7:00 am

### Spanish Mass:

*Resurrection Parish, Lexington*

Sunday: 6:00 pm

### Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 7:30 am - 7:30 pm  
Friday: 7:30 am - 6:00 pm  
Saturday: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm  
Sunday: 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

### Pastoral Care Contacts:

Ms. Kristi Reindl 419.524.2572  
*Hospital & Follow-up*  
*Nursing Homes/Assisted Living &*  
*Prayer Pipeline*  
Deacon John Reef 419.529.3694  
*Shut-ins/Homebound*

### Sacrament of Baptism:

Please contact the Parish Center to begin plans for the baptism of your baby or child.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday: 3:00 - 4:30 pm  
Other times by appointment.

### Sacrament of Marriage:

Arrangements should be made at the Parish Center at least six months in advance of the ceremony. A wedding date is confirmed after the initial meeting with a priest.

### Sunday Nursery:

Sunday Nursery is temporarily unavailable until further notice.

### Bulletin Deadline:

Monday, 12:00 noon. All requests must be submitted in writing or email and must receive prior approval.

### Parish Administrative Assistant:

Ms. Kristi Reindl 419.524.2572 ext.2122

### Pastoral Staff:

Fr. Gregory R. Hite, *Pastor*  
Fr. Austin Ammanniti, *Parochial Vicar*  
Mr. Bill Johnson,  
*Director of Music & Liturgy*  
Ms. Lynne Lukach, *Pastoral Associate*  
Mrs. Elizabeth Wurm, *Director of*  
*Religious Ed. & Youth Minister*

### Deacons:

Mr. John Reef  
Mr. Dennis Striker

### St. Peter's School:

Ms. Tammy Haus  
*High School, Jr. High School*  
Mrs. Madalyn Bauer  
*Elementary School*  
Mrs. Ashley Rastorfer  
*Montessori*

### Parish Business Manager:

Mr. Evan Mumea

### Director of Development:

Mr. Jason Crundwell

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**MASS INTENTIONS****Monday, September 18, Weekday**

5:00 pm Rosary  
5:30 pm Joseph Kastelic

**Tuesday, September 19, Weekday**

7:00 am Parish  
3:15 am Liberty Mass

**Wednesday, September 20, Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, & Paul Chong Ha-sang, & Companions, Martyrs**

7:00 am Parish

**Thursday, September 21, St. Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist**

7:00 am Fr. Michael Ricker  
9:15 am All School Mass

**Friday, September 22, Weekday**

5:00 pm Rosary  
5:30 pm Jim Speelman

**Saturday, September 23, Vigil of the Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5:00 pm Rose Tomits

**Sunday, September 24, Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 am Parish  
9:30 am Hetler Family  
11:30 am Furrow/Steele Family  
2:00 pm Anointing of the Sick

**LECTOR/COMMUNION MINISTER****Saturday, September 23**

5:00 pm **L** B Linkenbach, B Rader  
**D** D Falquette, D DeCenso, D Hipp, T Hipp, D Miller, M Joyce

**Sunday, September 24**

7:30 am **L** D Bessemer, M Santoro  
**D** M Collet, P Taylor, D Givens, K Reindl, K Reindl, K Randall,

9:30 am **L** K Bird, S Vaccaro  
**D** B Genter, S Weber, J Brennan, T Frasz, F Schuster, D Forster, D Dreskler,

11:30 am **L** C Mears, F Leitenberger  
**D** K Speck, J Liston, K Schreck, B Riley, C Mears, H Deel

2:00 pm Anointing Mass  
**L** C Taddeo, L Lukach  
**D** A Dillon, D Campbell, D Yockey, T Etwiler, J Liston

**MASS SERVERS****Saturday, September 23**

5:00pm E Holzmilller, Z Daniels, R Pruettmiller

**Sunday, September 24**

7:30am S Tridico, M Tridico, A Gasper  
9:30am R Henrich, J Ambrose, S Ambrose  
11:30am M Maxwell, A Pindel, E Fesler  
2:00 pm Anointing Mass \*need three

**100 YEARS FOR ST. PETER'S CHURCH!!**

Welcome to Centenary Weekend! Actually, we are celebrating the *fourth church* building, since our parish was actually founded in 1844, and the first church building was purchased in 1848. Our current cornerstone, which is visible on the front left side of the church, is dated 1911. It took six years to construct our current church, and it is remarkable how perfectly it was constructed, without the tools, technology, and machinery we have today! The precision of the building, its magnificent design, and the quality of the materials resulted in an edifice that stands on the hill for all in our community to witness.

In terms of our weekend celebration, I cannot overlook all the planning and detail work that our committee has provided. Like previous celebrations, this planning brought parishioners from about every facet of parish life. Their investment of time, talent, and treasure provides every parishioner the opportunity to experience joy and hope this weekend! On your behalf, I offer my thanks!

Most of us know that the decades have taken their toll on our community of Mansfield. Once a booming industrial town, many sectors of our community have suffered the effects of unemployment, an unstable economy, poverty, and a shrinking population. Without a doubt, the future of Mansfield remains uncertain. That is why St. Peter's Parish remains a stable presence in the center of this community to offer the presence of Christ in our liturgical life, quality Catholic education in our school system, service to the poor, and an oasis of refreshment and peace. All this would be impossible without your help – including your continued financial support, your faith, and your continued spirit of sacrifice.

There is a beautiful prayer from the *Roman Missal* celebrating the dedication of a church that I wish to share with you. "Almighty ever-living God, pour out your grace upon this place and extend the gift of your help to all who call upon you, that the power of your word and of the Sacraments may strengthen here the hearts of the faithful" (*Roman Missal, Rite of Dedication of a Church and an Altar, Collect prayer*). Let this be our prayer!

As the Body of Christ, let us continue to offer spiritual sacrifice to the Lord. Let us pray that our nation forever protects our religious freedom, and may we create a parish where individuals, our families, and our children will always find a spiritual home. And may the Heavenly Host continue to watch over us!

Father Gregory Hite, Pastor

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH**



*Prayer Requests*

Rose Mary Lang-Martin, Gwen Yockey, Joan Phalor, Duane Moser, Bill Martin, John Zeigler, John & Rose Anne Henney, Debbie Ashley, Pat Colarosa, Ken Kayden, Julie Krous, Laura Demarest, Mike Payton, Hope Daugherty, Krista Marshall, Nick & Hilda Schemine, Corbin Adams, Beverly Strauser, Bill Ruhl, Carol Pittenger, Thomas Conrad, Jeannie Burkhalter, Eliana Nelson, Andy Scodova, Stacy Wiparina, Mary Ann Switzer, Richard Shrilla, Rose Mary Martin (Vaccaro), Theresa Merkli, Colleen Behr, Dan Henige, Dolores Fancher, James Gann, Theresa Schmidt, Aaron Blank, Don Blank, MaKaya Butler, Amy Foust, Sherry Studer, Cindy Lassen, Dina Riley.

**IN GOD'S ARMS....** Stella Salvati, Josephine Chinni

**WEDDING BANNERS**

Ill Kelly Anatra & Scott Miller

**RCIA**

Are you - or do you have a loved one who is - interested in learning more about the journey toward reception into the Church? Would you like to explore more about Catholicism? The summer months are the ideal time to start the process, begin to ask questions, and enter into prayer and discernment. Please contact Lynne at the Parish Center by calling 419.524.2572, ext.2109 or you can email her at [lukach.lynne@myspartans.org](mailto:lukach.lynne@myspartans.org).

**HOST FAMILIES NEEDED**

Host families are needed for Japanese Junior High students from the evening of October 4, 2017 through the morning of October 9, 2017. The students have scheduled activities, hosts are welcome. Assistance with bedding is available. Call Ann Brown at 419.756.6983.

**PRISON MINISTRY CORNER**

We had a monthly total of 959 inmates participating in Catholic religious services at Richland Correctional in August. Here are the statistics:

- Mass Adoration—309
- Rosary Communion Service—351
- RCIA/Faith Enrichment—88
- Music & Fellowship—104
- Meditation—46
- Study classes (Choir Ensemble, Book Study)-47
- Lector Training—14



Several parishioners have joined us for Rosary prayer these past weeks. Are you interested in making a one-time visit? Contact Lynne at the parish center for an experience that will enrich your faith.

**ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT**

Our church history series EPIC began last Thursday evening at 6:30 pm. It is still possible to register for this captivating look at the story of our Church. Contact Lynne this week at the parish center.

We will begin WHAT CATHOLICS REALLY BELIEVE, a DVD series presented by Dr. Ray Guarendi and Fr. Kevin Fete, this Wednesday at 6:30pm (in the high school library) and repeated Friday morning at 10:00 am (in Assisi Hall). Contact Lynne with questions.

Bill Johnson looks forward to leading a group in an in-depth Church Art study. Please contact Bill at the parish center for details.

**CONFIRMATION ANNOUNCEMENT**

Our young people will be celebrating Confirmation with Monsignor Marvin Borger on October 15 at our regular Sunday 11:30am Mass. The Church will be unusually full with family and friends of the Confirmandi. Since it is a more solemn occasion, incense will be used! Parishioners with allergies or other sensitivity to incense may want to choose to attend another of our Sunday Masses that weekend. If you have mobility problems, you may also want to choose another Mass that weekend. Our other weekend Masses are Saturday at 5:00 pm and Sunday at 7:30 am & 9:30 am. Please call the Parish Liturgy Office or the Parish Religious Education Office at 419.524.2572 if you have questions.

**RETIRING**

After **62 years of faithful service** to St. Peter's Parish as an **Usher, Mel Switzer** is hanging up his collection basket and retiring. I wish to acknowledge Mel's faithful service, and thank him for his commitment to our parish. God bless you and your wife, Mary Ann. -- Fr. Hite

**SUNDAY OFFERING**

9/1/2017



<i>Sunday Collection</i>	
Total Sunday Collection To Date:	\$135,508.00
Total Budgeted Sunday Collection To Date:	\$151,767.00
<b>Sunday Collection Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$16,259.00)</b>
 <i>School Collection</i>	
Total School Collection To Date:	\$30,471.00
Total Budgeted School Collection To Date:	\$28,584.00
<b>School Collection Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$1,887.00</b>

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL UPDATE**

<b>Total Pledged:</b>	<b>\$2,605,184</b>
Amount needed to reach challenge goal:	\$394,815
Payments to Date:	\$1,643,338

As of August 31, 2017

**ST. PETER'S SCHOOL 2017-2018**

On September 12, St. Peter's Elementary School celebrated the 91st anniversary of the blessing of the land, Benediction and groundbreaking by Father Rupert C. Goebel for the construction of the building which now houses grades K - 6.

This September, too, the building that currently houses the parish offices, convent, and junior high, high school and San Damiano Hall students celebrates its 59th anniversary. Back in 1958, the school newspaper, "The Key", announced this building as the "Dream ComeTrue". With the land purchase of \$30,000 and construction costs at 2.25 million, the top two floors of this building became the new home of the Franciscan Sisters. The remaining floors contained science labs, 14 classrooms, a library, cafeteria and a combination gym/auditorium. Great care has been taken by maintenance staff, school staff and many volunteers and donors through the years to keep all buildings on campus in excellent condition. These past months, there have been some major improvements throughout the campus grounds.

Including all registered students for Montessori Preschool/Kindergarten, Kindergarten and elementary (grades 1-6), we welcome a total of 217 students to a new school year! In addition, for junior high and high school, we welcome 246 students to the new school year.

We ask God's blessing on these 463 St. Peter's School students, their teachers and administrators and their parents. We pray that the school year will be a time for all to appreciate and fully use God's gift of learning.

And it's never too late to enroll! Any parent who is interested in St. Peter's School for their child(ren), please call [419.524.2572](tel:419.524.2572).

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**ST. PETER'S RESPECT LIFE CHAPTER**

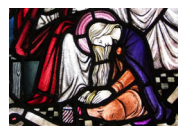
Have you ever given any thought to what the consequences would have been if Mary, the Blessed Virgin, had said "NO" to the news that she was with child? That's a scary thought, isn't it? We wouldn't have JESUS, the most important human ever born, the Catholic Church, and the Mass and the EUCHARIST. So much to be grateful for. Offer Mary a prayer of "Thanks" for her saying "YES" and may all women says yes to their pregnancy bring another human being into the world.

**HEARTS AND MINDS**

Our next meeting is Tuesday, Sept 26th, 5:30 pm in the Assisi Room on the 4<sup>th</sup> floor of the High School building. Please come in through the Parish Center Office. If you are experiencing difficult issues in your life from depression to dementia in a family member, come for coffee, prayer and informal conversation. For further information contact Sue Malaska [vmalaska@neo.rr.com](mailto:vmalaska@neo.rr.com) or call 419.756.0962.

**SINGING IS TWICE PRAYING**

So said St. Augustine and, as many around here will tell you, St. Peter's Music Teacher Sr. Rafael Wand OSF/J was very fond of quoting him. A new season is beginning for the Music Ministry. We need singers and ringers! Please consider joining the Traditional Choir, Contemporary Ensemble, Bell Choir or Funeral Choir. WE NEED YOU! Call 419.524.2572 ext. 2113 for more information.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS**

St. Peter's annual Mass with the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be Sunday, September 24 at 2:00 pm in church. This beautiful Mass offers the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick to those with acute or chronic illnesses and those with other physical or emotional infirmities and the elderly.

We also offer a special blessing to all those who are caregivers, health service providers, doctors, nurses, and others who work in the fields of medicine or health care. We encourage you to attend with your family. If you are not in need of anointing but know of a parishioner or relative who is, please invite them to join you.

Mass will be celebrated Sunday, September 24 at 2:00 pm. Please call the 419.524.2572, ext. 2113 for more information.

**ST. PETER'S FALL GALA & AUCTION**

We are just one month away from this year's Fall Gala Live & Silent Auction! It's our signature event of the year, and we hope you will join us for the festivities. Tickets are just \$50/person and \$40/seniors. Get a group of 10 and save on a table.

Order tickets online at [www.stpetersgala.org](http://www.stpetersgala.org) or purchase at the parish center.



**SEPTEMBER 2017**



We would like to recognize and say a special prayer for the parishioners celebrating birthdays in the month of September especially the 14 people who are 85 and above:

Albert Drozda, Mildred Dillon, Sr. Bernard Marie Campbell, Germaine Monachino, Maryellen Chelsky, Raymond Rallo, Hilda Schemine, Eileen Bozyski, Jacques Boisvert, Mary Berick, Edwin Pfahler, Carl Musille, Ursula Unterwagner, and Edmund Andres.

May God continue to shower his blessings upon you. If you are above 85 and we missed your birthday this month, please let us know.

**GRACE BEFORE MEALS**



This special evening is in celebration of 75 years of service in Richland County by Catholic Charities with a live cooking demonstration, talk and dinner featuring keynote speaker Fr. Leo Patalinghug, founder of *Grace Before Meals* and cooking show host.

Plan now for November 7, 2017 at 6:30 pm at the James W. Kehoe Center, Shelby, Ohio.

Bishop Daniel Thomas will also be in attendance. Tickets are \$50. per person.

Contact Sue Warren at 419.524.0733 ext. 229 or contact her at [mwarren@toledodiocese.org](mailto:mwarren@toledodiocese.org) for more information. Seats will go fast! Don't miss this once in a lifetime experience!

**SOUND VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!**

We are grateful for the generosity which allowed us to purchase and install our new sound system. We hope you will appreciate the improvements we have been able to make to the sound in Church. Now we are in need of a select few volunteers who will be willing to serve as sound system helpers when we have special liturgies or require additional set-up or adjustments. This will be an infrequent activity and no regular time commitment is required. We need individuals who are well experienced in sound, electronic amplification and related technology. If you are interested in helping with this need, please contact Bill Johnson at the Parish Center.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FRIDAY COOK OUTS**



**Month of September—Friday Night Meals:**

**(Last Friday Night Cook Outs of the Season!)**

**5:30 pm — 7:00 pm**

**Burgers, Italian Sausage, Hot Dogs & Side Dishes**

Adults \$7.00, Children under 12 - \$5.00

**PIZZA ON SATURDAYS after 5:00 pm Mass**

Cost \$5.00, Children under 8 are FREE -1114 Park Ave. West  
Phone 419.529.5532

**CENTENNIAL NOTES:**

*DID YOU KNOW...* The first Mass celebrated in our present church building took place on September 12, 1915? The formal dedication of the church was not celebrated until September 16, 1917 -- one hundred years ago this weekend. The Dedication Mass in 1917 was celebrated in an incomplete church building. The shipment of the stained glass windows, which were made in Germany, was held up due to the First World War. Newspapers at the time, however, declared the Dedication Mass to be the most important and historical Catholic event ever held in Mansfield up to that time.

**WEBER CENTER PRESENTATION— MIGRANT FARM LABOR & THEOLOGY**

Baldemar Velasquez, President and founder of the Farm Labor Organizing Committee (FLOC), will share the amazing story of this organization, founded 50 years ago, and its impact in giving migrant farm workers a voice. Mr. Velasquez's presentation, "Celebrating 50 Years of Struggle: The Story of the Farm Labor Organizing Committee," will be held from 7:00 to 8:30 pm Thursday, September 28, 2017. The event is free and open to the public. No registration is required.

Dr. John F. Haught, a systematic theologian and Distinguished Research Professor at Georgetown University, will explore how our changing understanding of the cosmos influences our understanding of God, our religion, and our religious traditions. Dr. Haught's talk, "Faith and Theology for an Unfinished Universe," will be from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm Saturday, September 30, 2017. The \$45 fee includes lunch. Registration and a non-refundable deposit of \$10 are required. To register, call 517.266.4000 or go online, <https://weber.adriandominicans.org/Registration.aspx>

Weber Center is located on the Motherhouse Campus of the Adrian Dominican Sisters, East of Siena Heights University. For information, call Weber Center at 517.266.4000.

**RECYCLING—NEXT DATE: **OCTOBER 13, 2017****



**10:00 am—11:00 am & 2:00 pm— 4:00 pm**

(Every 2nd Friday of the month) in the Franciscan Activity Center parking lot.

**BLUE BARRELS: October 14-15**

**The Basilica & National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation**, Carey, Ohio, invites you to attend two special events: Sunday September 24 Family Day. Both events offer a special Mass at noon & confessions prior to Mass. Benediction & prayers for healing with the Relic of the True Cross will follow an outdoor rosary procession at 2:30pm. Look us up at [www.olcshrine.com](http://www.olcshrine.com) for more information or call 419.396.7107.

**TDCCW CONFERENCE—Sept 29-30, 2017** The Toledo Diocese Council of Catholic Women invites all women of the diocese to their annual fall conference September 29-30, 2017 at St. Joan of Arc Parish, 5856 Heatherdowns, Toledo. Theme: "To Each Person the Manifestation of the Spirit is Given for the Common Good." 1 Cor 12:7. Renee Marazon, gifted teacher and motivational speaker, will guide us through her book "Charisms of the Holy Spirit." What are your gifts? Deacon John Nahrgang, Diocese of Phoenix, will speak on "Discerning Fatima and other Church Approved Revelations with the Guidance of the Holy Spirit." Pre-conference dinner and speaker is optional (\$20). Pre-registration required for the conference (\$25). Contact Pastoral Center (TDCCW) 419.244.6711 ext.4929 for a registration form or Judy Warntz at 419.867.1227 or [jwarntz9877@att.net](mailto:jwarntz9877@att.net).

**2017 Diocesan Celebration of Wedding Anniversaries Our Lady Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral October 1, 2017, at 3:00 pm.** Join Bishop Daniel Thomas and the Office of Marriage and Family Life to commemorate 25, 40, 50, 60 and 60-plus years of marriage for couples in the Diocese of Toledo. Registered couples will receive a commemorative certificate. To register go to: [toledoanniversarymass.org](http://toledoanniversarymass.org), contact Marsha Rivas, 419.214.4938, or call your parish office. The registration deadline is September 15, 2017.

**Our Lady of Consolation Shrine**, Carey, OH invites you to "Our Journey with Our Blessed Mother." The sixth and final "Journey" series will be on Sunday, October 1 at the noon Mass with the former Pastor of St. Michael's Parish, Findlay, OH Mgr. Michael Hohenbrink. Plan to attend our "Journey." Any questions call 419-396-7107 or look us up at [olcshrine.com](http://olcshrine.com).

**Join Bishop Thomas for the Venerable Solanus Casey beautification Mass at:** Ford Field (Detroit) November 18 at 4:00 pm. Ride in the comfort of luxury motor coaches to enjoy a rare spiritual experience of the Mass of the beautification of Fr. Solanus Casey which will take place in Fr. Casey's adopted home town of Detroit. Must register by August 30, 2017. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/vus-trip-to-father-solanus-casey-beatification-tickets-37252612567> Please email questions to [jmalenfant@toledodioceses.org](mailto:jmalenfant@toledodioceses.org) or call Deacon Joe Malenfant at 419.244.6711 ext. 4914.



**FORGIVENESS**

Nearly ten years before, a son and father had parted ways when the business they shared went bankrupt. The son blamed the father. They did not speak to each other again.

Then the father became seriously ill. The mother called the son and told him he had better come soon. The son walked sheepishly into the hospital room. The father motioned his son to him and whispered: "Did you ever think you could do anything that would keep me from loving you?"

Resentment and anger are foul things, the first reading from Sirach tells us. Remember the last things. Stop hating. Live by the commandments. As Saint Paul writes to the Romans, we are to live for the Lord and die for the Lord.

Jesus' parable in today's Gospel reminds us of God's compassion. The immense sin of humanity has been forgiven and stricken from the record. We are to forgive others in the same way.

**TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

We've seen how the rescue of Eucharistic Prayer II from the mists of history changed the style of our prayer, introducing a sleek simplicity to the prayer said aloud by the priest. Remember, before the reform of our prayer in the late 1960s, the priest whispered the words of the Roman Canon, Eucharistic Prayer I. His voice was not amplified, his back was to the people, who could only tell what was going on by a shift in his posture as he bowed and genuflected and as bells were rung to indicate his progress through the prayer.

With the emergence of the new prayers, some feared that the old prayer would be lost forever if it weren't somehow changed. The reformers asked that it be streamlined a bit by omitting the repeated "Through Christ" at the end of various intercessions, and trimming the list of somewhat obscure saints. The new edition therefore brackets parts of the two lists of saints in the prayer, unfortunately dropping all the women from the second set. The decision was also made to keep the Lord's words at the consecration exactly the same in every Eucharistic Prayer, although there is precedent for more variety. On November 2, 1968, Pope Paul VI signed off on the plan of the new Mass, and by April 1969, the publication of the revised order of Mass was announced.

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**TODAY'S READINGS**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**First Reading** — Remember the commandments and hate not your neighbor (Sirach 27:30 — 28:9).

**Psalm** — The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion (Psalm 103).

**Second Reading** — Whether we live, or whether we die, we do so for the Lord (Romans 14:7-9).

**Gospel** — Forgive one another from your heart (Matthew 18:21-35).

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**A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE:** Today Jesus is saying to us: "Why are you idle? Go into my vineyard." Family, where "the last will be first," is the "vineyard" entrusted to us in today's gospel. Successful families are constructed by "laborers," who work hard on family relationships, and not by couch potatoes. By Bud Ozar



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