



**September 17, 2023**

**24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**September 10, 2023**

Regular collection \_\_\_\_\_  
Attendance \_\_\_\_\_

**September 24**

**Lector:** Rebecca Harriman  
**Commentator:** Patty Williams  
**Ushers:** Owen family  
**Eucharistic Ministers:**  
Sally Warburton/Mary Ann Phillips  
**Lawn Care-**David Carper

**Readings for September 24 2023**

Reading 1     Isaiah 55:6-9  
Reading 2     Philippians 1:20c-24,27a  
Gospel         Matthew 20:1-16a

**Prayer List** -Tim Kimbleton, Carol Luttrell, John Balconi, Brenda Lessard, Jody Riffey, Megan Talbert, Rosanna Vallo, Stephen Petrowski, Jerry Stanley, Bill Vest, Raegan Ray, Marianne McGriffin, Georgia Snell English, Margaret McLawhorn, Carol Canty, Father Bernie, Clyde Bennett, Shannon Yates, Doug Waldrop, Lynn Canty, Chuck Yates, Ron Morgan, Sue Dasse, Tod Young, Al Surface, and Larry Riffey.  
**Let the Stanleys know if you have additions or deletions**

**Information about St. Edwards-** Daily readings, the bulletin, homilies, and other information can be found on our webpage at:  
<https://stedwardpulaski.org>

**Second Collection-** There will be a second collection next week for Retired Religious

**September Birthdays**

Jean Jennings         Sept. 4  
Caleb Harriman         Sept. 8  
Rick Grube             Sept. 8  
Mike Vallo             Sept. 10  
Materina Carper        Sept. 12  
**Debbie Grubb         Sept. 21**  
Patty Williams         Sept. 24  
Audrey Kertesz         Sept. 24  
Marsha DuBose         Sept. 27

***HAPPY BIRTHDAY***

**No September Anniversaries**

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***Daily Prayer This Week***

Who among us hasn't wondered about how much is enough? How many times do we need to forgive? How much of the goods of this earth do I need to have? How generous am I able to be? The parables Jesus uses often shock our attention and give us a rich fruit for reflection.

These days, the news stories are centered on war and conflict, and on financial collapse centered on greed. We are not always aware of the scope of the human tragedy that goes on in our neighborhoods, in our cities, in our world. Many people on the earth suffer in so many ways. We can see stories of pain and suffering on the other side of the world and we feel it here. We might be filled with horror and compassion and fear. Insecurity, powerlessness can bring us to our knees and to the Lord.

This week's readings help us with continuing reflection that can guide our integration of a confidence in God's love and mercy.

One of the great things that any tragedy brings forward is examples of great heroism and generosity. We also know that the human spirit can be tempted to the worst things imaginable. But, when we see people sacrificing their own lives to help others or showing with their generosity and passionate care how deeply they value human life, it lifts our own spirits and helps us be more generous and free.

We could ask the Lord this week to help us assess what we really need. Do riches become a trouble for us? Do anxieties and the pleasures of life choke my reception of the Word? Can we ask for the desire to walk through our days with trust in Jesus' power to heal, to bring what is dead to life? Each of us can make this daily desire request and reflection very concrete. And, as we prepare for the weekend, we can begin reflecting on how happy I am that God is merciful and generous, even toward those that I don't think "deserve" it.

As we begin each day with a desire, we can end each day with gratitude for what we received.