



MUSIC FOR THE LITURGY

Sunday, September 15, 2019  
Twenty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

4:00 PM  
8:00 AM

Gathering: O God, Beyond All Praising BB 535  
Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 103)

*Loving and forgiving are you, O Lord;  
slow to anger, rich in kindness, loving  
and forgiving are you.*

Preparation Lord, Who At Thy First Eucharist BB 365

Mass Parts Mass of Creation

Communion Eat This Bread BB 336  
Bread Of Life BB 321

Recessional: I Sing The Mighty Power Of God BB 422

10:00 AM

Gathering: Sing To The Mountains BB 831  
Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 51)

*Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.*

Preparation Where Love Is Found BB 668  
We Walk By Faith BB 496

Mass Parts Mass of Creation

Communion We Are Many Parts BB 583  
I Am The Bread Of Life BB 363

Recessional: City Of God BB 385



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✠ PARISH TITHING ✠

Our Parish needs to take in \$7,000.00 each week in order to make ends meet. Thank you for your generosity to our parish! Your weekly contribution helps ensure that the parish remains a vibrant community. Please remember to submit your weekly gift even if you will be away. We depend upon your support!

September 1, 2019

Offertory \$8,551.83  
Property Management \$1,425.90

September 8, 2019

Offertory \$11,464.30  
Catholic University \$ 1,162.02

PARISH GIVING

Saint Luke the Evangelist Parish has engaged *Parish Giving* to provide parishioners with an opportunity to make your offertory and other contributions through Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT). Parish Giving is a simple, secure, and convenient way to manage your stewardship without weekly envelopes and without worries. It allows you to select contribution amounts and special collections right from your own computer or smart phone. You can be a good steward for the Parish even when you are away from the area on a weekend. Parish Giving allows you to print out a report detailing your contributions for the year. This program is available to parishioners at no cost. Log on to the St. Luke the Evangelist Parish website at <http://stlukenh.org>, click on the Parish Giving logo, and follow the easy registration instructions.

UPCOMING SECOND & SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

September 15, 2019 Fuel  
September 22, 2019 Priest Retirement Fund

Out of respect, please remember to  
silence or turn off  
your cell phones during Mass.  
Thank you!



Suggested Weekly Contribution Based on Income

Annual Income	5% Commitment annually/weekly	3% Commitment annually/weekly
\$100,000	\$5,000/\$100	\$3,000/\$60
\$75,000	\$3,750/\$75	\$2,250/\$45
\$60,000	\$3,000/\$60	\$1,800/\$36
\$50,000	\$2,500/\$50	\$1,500/\$30
\$40,000	\$2,000/\$40	\$1,200/\$24
\$30,000	\$1,500/\$30	\$900/\$18
\$25,000	\$1,250/\$25	\$750/\$15
\$15,000	\$750/\$15	\$450/\$9

Suggested Weekly Contribution Based on a Percentage Increase

Your Current Offertory Contribution	25% Increase	30% Increase	40% Increase
\$75.00	\$93.75	\$97.50	\$105.00
\$50.00	\$62.50	\$65.00	\$70.00
\$40.00	\$50.00	\$52.00	\$56.00
\$35.00	\$43.75	\$45.50	\$49.00
\$30.00	\$37.50	\$39.00	\$42.00
\$25.00	\$31.25	\$32.50	\$35.00
\$20.00	\$25.00	\$26.00	\$28.00
\$15.00	\$18.75	\$19.50	\$21.00
\$10.00	\$12.50	\$13.00	\$14.00
\$5.00	\$6.25	\$6.50	\$7.00

✠ PARISH NEWS ✠

## PAINT THE TOWN!

## THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FOR SAINT LUKE THE EVANGELIST PARISH

Our Parish community continues with our Capital Campaign. Our next projects include exterior painting for the church and Parish house in Newton. We'd also like to paint the interior sanctuary of the church in Newton and complete some electrical upgrades to the church.

Other possible projects include work on our Plaistow and Newton parking lots, and ramp access to the church in Plaistow.

### *Can you help?*

Any contribution is welcome. Make checks payable to  
*Saint Luke the Evangelist – Capital Campaign.*

### ST. VINCENT de PAUL BAKE SALE WALK FOR THE POOR

The St. Vincent de Paul's Annual Appeal and Bake Sale will be held on the weekend of **September 21-22, 2019** and their "Walk For The Poor" will be held on **Saturday, September 28, 2019.**

Would you like to participate in this walk? This is St. Vincent de Paul's largest fundraiser. Please consider helping us help those in need in our community and "Walk a Mile in our Shoes". If interested, please email Susan Mokray at [suziqmo@aol.com](mailto:suziqmo@aol.com) or Margaret Madeiros at [madeiros7@msn.com](mailto:madeiras7@msn.com) for details.

You can support the St. Vincent de Paul Society's Walk for the Poor by donating to this event online at <https://www.fopwalk.org/event/2378>. Simply click "donate to this event" or "donate to walker".

Donations are tax deductible and donor receipts are available. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

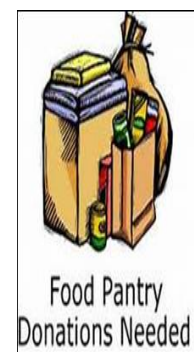
**Also, bakers are needed for our bake sale to be held the weekend of September 22-23 after all Liturgies. We are seeking talented bakers to drop off their baked goods at any of the Masses you attend and then turn around and purchase some of our other fine pastries!**



ST. LUKE'S WEBSITE! <http://stlukenh.org>

### ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST FOOD PANTRY

Food or care items are always needed – donations can be dropped off at Church or are welcome at the Parish Office during regular business hours. Cash donations for food are always welcome – make checks payable to **St. Luke the Evangelist Food Pantry**. All donations to the Food Pantry go toward helping the needy of our communities.



### FOOD PANTRY HOURS

Wednesday from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon

Thursday from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Friday from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon

For more information, call the St. Luke Food Pantry at 603-819-4949.

### WHILE AWAY THIS FALL...

We appreciate all of you who remember to send in your Parish Offertory during the Fall even when on vacation or visiting other parishes. Thank you for remembering that our expenses also continue through the Fall months. We invite others to consider doing the same before or even after you return home.

*TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

✠ **WEEKLY CALENDAR** ✠

Sunday, September 15

11:00 AM Religious Ed Registration *Plaistow*  
11:00 AM RCIA *Plaistow*

Wednesday, September 18

**HOLY ANGELS CHURCH OPEN  
ALL DAY FOR PRAYER**

7:00 PM St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting *Plaistow*

Thursday, September 19

8:30 AM Adoration Begins *Newton*  
9:00 AM Intercessory Prayer *Plaistow*  
8:30 PM Adoration Ends *Newton*

Saturday, September 21

**ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY  
APPEAL AND BAKE SALE**

3:00 PM Sacrament of Reconciliation *Plaistow*

Sunday, September 22

**ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY  
APPEAL AND BAKE SALE**

10:00 AM Religious Ed – PreK to 8  
11:00 AM RCIA *Plaistow*  
12:00 PM Parish Pastoral Council Meeting *Plaistow*

**NO DAILY MASSES**

There will be **NO** daily Masses on the following dates:  
**September 16, 17, 18, 19 and September 23, 24, 25, 26.**

**PROJECT RACHEL**

If you or someone you know is suffering after abortion, confidential non-judgmental help is available. Call Project Rachel's national toll-free number at 1-888-456-HOPE (4673) or visit [www.hopeafterabortion.org](http://www.hopeafterabortion.org).

**St. Vincent  
de Paul  
Society**



The generosity of your contributions have allowed us to help out those in need with rent, medical, and heating oil assistance. The St. Vincent de Paul Society is so grateful and blessed.

Our next meeting on **Wednesday, September 18 at 7:00 PM**. We meet downstairs in the Church Hall in Plaistow. **New members are always welcome!**

If you seek assistance or need information about the St. Vincent de Paul Society, call 603-382-8324 x315.

**Hear, OH LORD, and answer me  
for I am poor and needy.**

✠ **MASS INTENTIONS** ✠

Saturday, September 14 ~ Vigil / 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ord. Time

*Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32*

4:00 PM Louise Waters by Pat Zakiewicz  
*Plaistow*

Sunday, September 15 ~ 24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32*

8:00 AM Heather Decareau by her family  
*Newton*

10:00 AM In Thanksgiving to St. Michael the Archangel  
*Plaistow*

Monday, September 16 ~ Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian,  
Bishop, Martyrs

1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 7:1-10  
*No Mass*

Tuesday, September 17 ~ Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and  
Doctor of the Church

1 Tm 3:1-13; Lk 7:11-17  
*No Mass*

Wednesday, September 18 ~ Weekday

1 Tm 3:14-16; Lk 7:31-35  
*No Mass*

Thursday, September 19 ~ Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

1 Tm 4:12-16; Lk 7:36-50  
*No Mass*

Friday, September 20 ~ Andrew Kim Tægön, Priest, and  
Paul Chông Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs

1 Tm 6:2c-12; Lk 8:1-3  
*No Mass*

Saturday, September 21 ~ Matthew, Apostle & Evangelist

*Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13 (Day)*

*Am 8:4-7; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13 (Vigil)*

4:00 PM Frank Szczapa (3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary)  
by his family  
*Plaistow*

Sunday, September 22 ~ 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Am 8:4-7; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13*

8:00 AM Frank DiChiara by Mary Anne and Jim Downs  
*Newton*

10:00 AM Bill Knowles by his wife, Marjorie Knowles  
*Plaistow*

**PRAYER LINE**

St. Luke's offers a prayer line as a resource for those seeking prayer assistance. To submit your prayer request please call Cathy Smith at 603-382-8324, ext. 314 or email her at [csmith@stluketheevangelist.net](mailto:csmith@stluketheevangelist.net).

**MARCH FOR LIFE**

The 2020 pilgrimage to Washington, DC for the annual March for Life is **Thursday, January 23 to Saturday, January 25, 2020**. Questions? Contact Derek McDonald at 663-0171. Registration information coming soon!

✠ FAITH FORMATION & PARISH INFORMATION ✠



**VIGIL LIGHT**

The Vigil Light in front of the Blessed Mother Icon at Mary Mother of the Church will burn this week in loving memory of

**The Antczak Family**

by the Burge family

**RCIA**

The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults** is the process by which people become members of the Roman Catholic Church. If you or someone you know is interested in inquiring about becoming a member of the Roman Catholic Church, call Cathy Smith at 603-382-8324, ext. 305 or email her at [csmith@stluketheevangelist.net](mailto:csmith@stluketheevangelist.net).

**ADULT CONFIRMATION**

Are you an adult who has been Baptized and received Eucharist, but has not celebrated the sacrament of Confirmation? The adult Confirmation process is an opportunity to complete the Sacraments of Initiation. If you would like to prepare for Confirmation, or if you have questions, call Cathy Smith at 603-382-8324, ext. 305 or email her at [csmith@stluketheevangelist.net](mailto:csmith@stluketheevangelist.net).

**PARENTS BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION**

The monthly preparation session for infant Baptism will be held after the 10:00 AM Liturgy on **Sunday, October 6, 2019** in the Parish Office living room. All parents planning to celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism are welcome. Families wishing to celebrate Baptism in the Church must be registered (according to Church Canon Law) and practicing (attending Sunday Mass) for 3 full months before a Baptism can be scheduled. The use of the envelope system is always optional; however, it does guarantee a manner of accountability. For most families, the Pastor or staff can easily verify attendance during these three months. Church Canon Law also regulates baptismal sponsors (godparents). Sponsors must be at least 16, fully initiated (having received Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation), and be practicing Catholics living Christian lives consistent with the Church's teaching. Please see Fr. Albert with questions.

**ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

Bishop Peter A. Libasci invites all couples celebrating an anniversary in 2019 of **5, 25 or 50 years**, to attend the **Fall Wedding Anniversary Mass**. This celebration will be held on **Sunday, October 20, 2019 at 2:00 PM, at St. Joseph Cathedral, Manchester**. To register, please contact your parish office by **September 20, 2019**. The parish office will gather and submit all necessary information. Once registration has been completed by the parish office, all registrants will receive an invitation to this special celebration. Couples celebrating anniversaries of 10, 15, 20, 30, 35, 40, 45 or 55+ years will be asked to register later for a spring celebration.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend! The next Weekends are **October 18-20, 2019** in Laconia, NH and **December 13-15, 2019** in Duxbury, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit <https://www.mema.org/>.

**ADORATION**

We are truly blessed to have times for Adoration of Our Lord in our Parish. This time of prayer and intercession is not only a source of great grace for the individual, but it is a great source of grace for us as a parish family, as well.

We have many who have made the commitment to spend an hour each week with our Eucharistic Lord, **but** we need more people so there will be at least two people at each hour. We are also looking for people who would be able to substitute.

**Newton – Thursday  
8:30 AM – 8:30 PM**

If you can commit to one hour a week in Adoration of our Lord, or if you can be a substitute, please contact Cathy Smith at 603-382-8324, ext. 305 or email her at [csmith@stluketheevangelist.net](mailto:csmith@stluketheevangelist.net).

**The Church in Plaistow is open all day on Wednesdays for people to stop by and pray before the presence of Jesus in the tabernacle.**

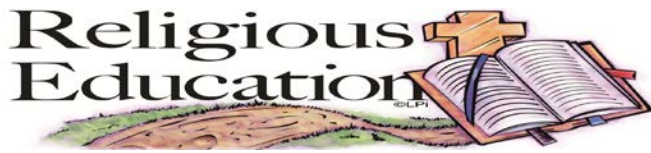
✠ PARISH DIRECTORY ✠

Parish Office	382-8324
Parish Prayer Line	382-8324 x 314
St. Vincent de Paul Society	382-8324 x 315
St. Luke's Food Pantry	819-4949
Preschool	382-9783
Presentation of Mary Convent	382-2744

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✠ Parish News ~ Youth News ~ Around The Diocese ✠



**ST. LUKE THE EVANGELIST  
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Religious Education Registration for the 2019-2020 Academic Year for Grades Pre-K through 8 has begun. If your child is currently enrolled, a registration form has been sent home. If your child is new to the Program, please call Joyce Szczapa in the Religious Education Office at 603-382-8324 for more information.

**CATECHISTS NEEDED**

Our Religious Education Program is in need of catechists for Sunday mornings. Training will be provided. If you can help, please email Joyce at [jszczapa@stluketheevangelist.net](mailto:jszczapa@stluketheevangelist.net).

**JOSEPH HOUSE WOMEN'S RETREAT  
A FLOURISHING LIFE**

279 Cartier Street, Manchester, NH

Women are invited to a retreat at Joseph House in Manchester, NH beginning at 7:00 PM on Friday, September 20 through 8:00 PM on Saturday, September 21. Learn how to let go of fear, anxiety, and self-talk to embrace a life rooted in love. Cost is \$130. To register, or for more information, go to [www.josephhouseretreats.org](http://www.josephhouseretreats.org).

**SAVVY CAREGIVER TRAINING**

Savvy Caregiver Training is free, professional-level training for anyone involved in caring for a family member or friend with dementia or Alzheimer's Disease. The 6-week course is designed to increase caregivers' understanding of the changes experienced throughout the progression of dementia, increase your caregiving competency and to develop skills and strategies to manage day-to-day challenges. The Savvy Caregiver Program has been demonstrated to increase caregiver knowledge, skill and confidence, while reducing caregiver stress. Classes will be held on **Saturdays from 10 AM to 12:00 Noon on September 21, 28, October 5, 12, 19, and 26** at the Kingston Community Library, 2 Library Lane, Kingston, NH 03848. Supervised temporary care and activities during classes will be provided by Easter Seals NH for your loved ones with dementia. To register for the class and temporary case services by telephone please call (603) 324-0110 or online: <https://www.annemarieolsenhaywardcounselingandconsulting.com/>.

**Christmas Craft Fair!**

Saturday, November 9, 2019

9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

St. Luke the Evangelist

Parish Center

8 Atkinson Depot Road

(Route 121) Plaistow, NH



Thousands of one-of-a-kind gifts from 24+ vendors of high-quality hand-crafted and hand-made items. Plus: Country Store, Silent Auction, Jewelry and our very famous Cookie Heaven. Something for every budget. Five Big Raffles: \$1,000 Cash Raffle, Wine Raffle, Penny Sale, Theme Basket Raffle, Quilt Raffle. Breakfast and lunch available. Refreshments, live entertainment, and children's activities all day. Photos with Santa Claus from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. **Plenty of free parking! No admission fee! Indoors—rain or shine.** Please note: the Parish Center is NOT wheelchair accessible. Questions? Call 603-382-8324.

**JESUS aCROSS THE BORDER FALL FORUM**

Friday, September 20, 2019

7:30 PM to 12:00 AM

St. Joseph The Worker Shrine

37 Lee Street, Lowell, MA

[www.jesusacrosstheborder.org](http://www.jesusacrosstheborder.org)

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
ST JUDE COUNCIL # 6617  
GIVE YOUR PARISH COMMUNITY  
1 HOUR A MONTH**

The Knights of Columbus are a vital and vibrant part of the St Luke the Evangelist Parish. We welcome any practicing Catholic man 18 or older to join the Knights, whose main purpose is charitable works in support of our parish and community. Joining is simple – talk to a brother Knight or you can now join on-line. Go to [www.kofc.org/joinus](http://www.kofc.org/joinus). Your Council is involved in many activities from collecting money for people with intellectual disabilities through the Tootsie Roll Drive to the annual St Jude Golf Open which raises money for parish families in need. The list is as long as you want it to be. Do you have a certain passion you would like to get involved in? Come join us and make it a reality! We are Catholic men. We live by principles informed by faith. We are sons, fathers, husbands, and grandfathers. Join us on life's greatest adventure to discover the man God calls you to be. Feel free to call Dan Sullivan at 603-770-4803, email him at [dans49@comcast.net](mailto:dans49@comcast.net), or catch him at the 8:00 AM Sunday Mass in Newton. For more information about the Knights, go to [www.kofc.org/un/en/todays-knights/what-we-do.html](http://www.kofc.org/un/en/todays-knights/what-we-do.html)



# Bringing Home the Word

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)  
September 15, 2019

## Are We "Older Sons"?

By Mary Katharine Deeley

A preacher at a prayer service read the story of the Prodigal Son. The story was so familiar, I tuned out until he reached the part about the reaction of the elder son complaining about his brother's treatment. The preacher continued, "So the father responded, 'You are absolutely right: Let's send him away again.'" The congregation looked startled as this unfamiliar version rang in our ears. The preacher said, "That's the way I always thought the story should have gone." He continued to reflect on the passage and our all-too-

human reaction to a father who seems to spoil his younger kid rotten. The more he talked, the more I realized that there is a little of the elder son in all of us. We want to be rewarded, and we want those who are wrong to be punished.

I think today's account in Exodus was written from that perspective. God, as we understand him, wants to strike down all those who made the golden calf—and rightfully so. But Moses reminds God of his promise to Abraham, a memory of love so powerful that God cannot destroy his children regardless of his anger. We don't see how the Prodigal's father responded when his younger son first left. Maybe he was angry or disappointed as we might have been. Rather, we see that his love was so powerful that the son is welcomed back and falls to his knees in relief and contrition.

"It's pure grace that the father didn't react as we might have," said the preacher, "Thank God." And he read the rest of the passage as it had been written. +

*There's some of the elder son in all of us. We want to be rewarded and those who are wrong to be punished.*

## A Word from Pope Francis

Emails, text messages, social networks, and chats can be fully human forms of communication....Social networks can facilitate relationships and promote the good of society, but they can also lead to further polarization and division between individuals and groups. The digital world is a public square...where we can either encourage or demean one another.

—Fiftieth World Communications Day, January 24, 2016



## Sunday Readings

**Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14**

So the LORD changed his mind about the punishment he had threatened to inflict on his people.

**1 Timothy 1:12-17**

Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Of these I am the foremost.

**Luke 15:1-32 or 15:1-10**

[Jesus said,] "We must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found."

## REFLECTION QUESTIONS



- Am I too eager to advocate punishment instead of forgiveness?
- Before meting out punishment, do I pause to recall my own sins and failings?

# Why Wait for Marriage (or Marry at All)?

**Couples who live together before marriage generally divorce at higher rates than couples who don't.**

By Jim Healy, PhD

My parents were married in 1960. They said, “We didn’t know anybody living together, and our friends didn’t either.” Few could claim that today. There are now millions of cohabiting opposite-sex couples in America, and most who marry this year (including Catholics) will have lived together first.

As a Church, how do we make sense of this? More personally, how do we respond if our children or acquaintances choose to cohabit? When we listen to cohabiting couples, they offer multiple reasons for living together. These range from wanting to be together more, sexual accessibility, economic necessity, wanting to “take the next step” in commitment, testing for compatibility, and reducing the possibility of divorce. So it’s important not to assume that we know why a couple is living together until we ask.

Implicit in the reasons given by many couples are questions about commitment. In a country where the divorce rate for first marriages hovers between 40 and 50 percent, cohabitation seems like a perfect way to test if a relationship is “marriage-



worthy.” The social sciences, though, clearly tell us that cohabitation actually has the opposite effect.

After years of research, it still appears that couples who live together before marriage generally divorce at higher rates than couples who don’t. Why? Because cohabiting couples blend their lives

in such a way that it’s difficult to leave, even if it’s clear that one should. When, as often happens, an ultimatum is offered (“Either we marry or somebody needs to move out”), the path of least resistance is to marry. Moving in with somebody you’re not sure you want to marry makes it more likely, not less, that you’ll marry the person against your better judgment.

If that research isn’t convincing, the theological arguments may be more compelling. We Catholics believe that marriage is a sacrament—a primary way of showing God’s faithful, creative love to the world. We believe that, when we make love, we are offering each other not just an action or a moment, but our entire lives, in imitation of the way Jesus offered his life for us. The Catholic Church says cohabitation is wrong, not because it increases human happiness, but because it limits it.

So how do we treat cohabiting couples who come to the Church requesting marriage? In St. John Paul II’s words

about cohabiting couples, we are to “make tactful and respectful contact with the couples concerned, and enlighten them patiently, correct them charitably and show them the witness of Christian family life, in such a way as to smooth the path for them to regularize their situation” (*Familiaris Consortio*, 81).

In other words, we welcome them. We help them assess their readiness for marriage. We offer them the richness of our teaching on sexuality and marriage, and we challenge them with it—as we do with anyone preparing for marriage. We allow them to marry in the Church, inviting them into ongoing evangelization within our parishes.

What about parents, who are torn on how to react when their adult children choose cohabitation? Many parents who have navigated this challenge offer this advice: Be clear about your own beliefs and why you hold them, “living the truth in love” (Ephesians 4:15).

And stay emotionally connected with your children. Tell them what you believe without repeating it whenever you see them. Your willingness to consider their viewpoints will win you the right to share your own perspectives. +

## PRAYER

*Lord, I am grateful for your gentle, guiding ways. Save me from losing myself in the things of the world.*

*Help me to find my way to your heart of goodness.*

—From *Grateful Meditations for Every Day in Ordinary Time*, Rev. Warren J. Savage and Mary Ann McSweeney

## WEEKDAY READINGS

September 16–21

**Monday**, Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian:  
1 Tm 2:1–8 / Lk 7:1–10


**Tuesday**, Weekday:  
1 Tm 3:1–13 / Lk 7:11–17

**Wednesday**, Weekday:  
1 Tm 3:14–16 / Lk 7:31–35

**Thursday**, Weekday: 1 Tm 4:12–16 / Lk 7:36–50

**Friday**, Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn,  
Paul Chŏng Ha-sang, and Companions:  
1 Tm 6:2c–12 / Lk 8:1–3

**Saturday**, St. Matthew:  
Eph 4:1–7, 11–13 / Mt 9:9–13

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