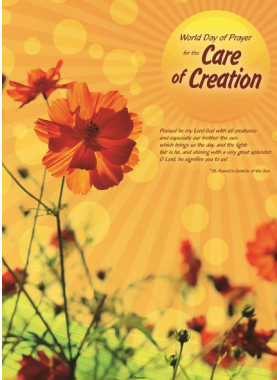


A weekly resource for everyday evangelizers

SEPTEMBER 2, THE 22ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



September 1
World Day of Prayer for Creation.
Here is more information and some suggested prayers.

Scripture Readings for the 22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time
can be found **here**

In today's Gospel, Jesus takes on the Pharisees over value of traditions. While traditions can help form us as God's people, more important is what we hold in our hearts. Choosing love first helps us see which traditions are helpful and which are not. Rules and laws should guide us toward allowing Jesus to transform our hearts and minds with love, which makes it possible for us to bring transformative love to the world. Jesus says that what is in our hearts is most important to God.

- **What life experiences caused you to act with your heart rather than the rules?**
 - **What ritual of our Church makes you most aware of God's presence?**
 - **What actions do you recognize as holy actions in others? In yourself?**

Catholics believe God reveals himself through both Scripture and Tradition.
Learn more about Sacred Tradition **here**

This week we celebrate the feast of Gregory the Great on September 3. Gregory was a mayor, a monk, a pope, a writer and composer of Gregorian Chant. As pope, he cared for the poor and renewed liturgy. He is a Doctor of the Church who wrote prolifically on theological issues. Learn more about him **here**.

Listen to Gregorian chant **here**. Many people enjoy Gregorian chant as a help for meditating.

A promotional graphic for an event titled "God, the Universe & You". The background is orange. At the top left, there is a circular diagram with a sun, a globe, and various symbols. A white button with the text "Save the date!" is at the top right. The main title "God, the Universe & You" is in large blue font. Below it, the text reads: "An evening with Matt Fradd", "Monday, October 22", "7 p.m.", "Presentation Church", "130 NW Murrey Road", "Lees Summit, MO", "www.olpls.org". On the right side, there is a small photo of Matt Fradd, a man with short brown hair, wearing a blue shirt, smiling. Below the photo is the text "MattFradd.com".

Our next meeting for those interested in becoming Catholic will be September 23, 8:30 a.m. in the Etue Room.

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