

Grow & go

Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature.

SEPTEMBER 16, 2018 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Scripture Readings for the 24th Sunday of Ordinary Time can be found [here](#)

In this week's Gospel, Jesus asks his disciples, *Who do you say I am?* Peter proceeds to argue with Jesus because his vision of the Messiah does not mesh well with Jesus' description which involves suffering and death. When Jesus tells Peter to get behind him, it is Jesus' way of saying I am the leader; you need to follow me. True disciples accept the cross along with the glory, while admirers of Jesus walk away when things become messy and difficult.

- Who do you say Jesus is?
- What is the most difficult/challenging cross you've had to carry?
- Has knowing Jesus ever created a serious problem for you?

In his latest apostolic exhortation, *Gaudete et Exsultate*, Pope Francis reminds us that we must spend time quietly in the presence of the Lord, letting his fire inflame our hearts. Prayerful reading of the Scriptures is another way we can allow Jesus to enlighten and renew us.

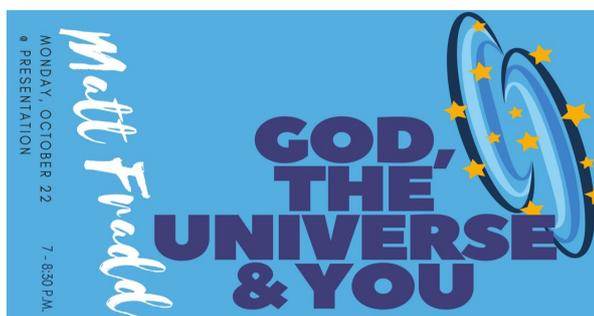
Learn more about Gaudete et Exsultate on Tuesday, September 25 at 7 pm in the Mulligan Room. Father Tom, Father Olvin and Mary Pat will help unpack this important document.

The apostles of Jesus are convinced that he is a "good guy" so he cannot be outcast and executed like a criminal. Jesus, however, reminds us that we are all on the same team: in God we are one. The Corporal Works of Mercy are one way we show our belief in the oneness of Jesus' family. You can watch a video [here](#).

This week we celebrate the Feast of [St. Andrew Kim](#) and companions and the Feast of [St. Matthew](#). Click on their names to learn more.

The PBS special, *From Jesus to Christ*, can be helpful in understanding the world of Jesus. You can watch it online [here](#).

Save the Date!



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