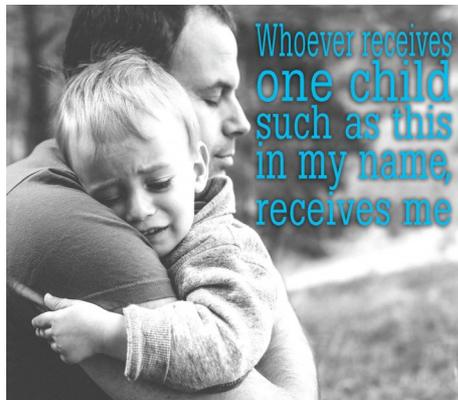


SEPTEMBER 23, 2018

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## Scripture Readings for the 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time can be found [here](#)

In this week's Gospel, Jesus catches his disciples squabbling about which of them is the greatest. He turns tables on them, telling them: "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." He then puts his arms around a child, showing them that those who have nothing are loved as fully as those who have much, and the need to serve others. Humility is the important thing for disciples. Thomas Merton said: "Pride makes us artificial and humility makes us real." In this Gospel we also receive the second of three predictions about Jesus' passion and resurrection. The disciples do not understand, yet they love Jesus and will continue to follow him.

- Do you know people of great humility who have done great things for others?
- What is the most important lesson you have learned from a child?
- How can, or do you act as a servant leader?
- Learn more about our call to serve the least among us [here](#).

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.*

This week we celebrate several saints. On Thursday, we observe the great works of **St. Vincent DePaul**. On Friday, we celebrate St. Lawrence Ruiz and companions who were executed because they would not denounce their faith or stomp on sacred images. The film **Silence** is an imaginative telling of their experience. We also celebrate **St. Wenceslas**, a Christian king in Bohemia who worked to Christianize his people. His brother murdered him to stop his evangelizing work. We know him best from the Christmas Carol. Finally, on September 29, we celebrate the Feast of the Archangels. You can learn more about these important messengers of God [here](#).

## Save the Date!



Our next meeting for those interested in becoming Catholic  
Is this Sunday, September 23, 8:30 a.m. in the Etue Room.  
See you there!

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