

SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## Scripture Readings for the 26th Sunday of Ordinary Time can be found [here](#)

The apostles are again complaining to Jesus; other people who aren't part of their group are healing in Jesus' name. These people don't have the credentials that the apostles share; who do they think they are? Jesus makes it clear that whomever is not against us is for us.

Pope Francis, in a homily on this Gospel said, "The disciples were somewhat intolerant. Jesus broadened their horizons and said if this person can do good, we can all do good. The Spirit is at work in ways and people we might never expect. Our job is to broaden our horizons, let the Spirit work, and get out of the way."

In Finnegans Wake, the Irish Catholic author James Joyce says, "it's the Catholic Church. Here comes everybody." One of the strengths of the Church is its global diversity. All are welcome, to worship and pray with us, but more importantly to join us in service by attentiveness to the needs of those around us that allows us to minister on the spot with kindness, compassion, justice and charity.

- **Where do you see others who are not part of our parish or religion doing God's work in the world?**
- **What "healing" do you think is most needed in our world today? How can you be a minister of hope in this situation?**

This week we celebrate several saints. October 1 is the feast of St. Therese of Lisieux, also known as the Little Flower. Learn more about her [here](#). We celebrate the Guardian Angels on October 2. Church tradition says that each of us has a Guardian Angel who looks out for us. Learn the Guardian Angel prayer [here](#). October 4 is the feast of **Francis of Assisi**. Join us for our St. Francis pet blessing on October 6 at 3 p.m.

Do you ever wonder why we genuflect before we enter the pew? Father Brice gives an explanation [here](#).

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## Mini-Retreat for married couples

90 minutes for your marriage

**October 5, 7-8:30 pm**

Please RSVP to Mary Pat by October 2  
[mstorms@olpls.org](mailto:mstorms@olpls.org)

Childcare is available!

**Did you miss our presentation on Gaudete et Exsultate?  
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