



Dearest brothers and sisters: All good giving and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no alteration or shadow cause by change. He willed to give us birth by the word of truth that we may be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures. Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you and is able to save your souls. Be does of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and the Father is this: to care for orphans and widows in their affliction and to keep oneself unstained by the world. James

### This Weekend's Hymns

All hymns can be found in the Seasonal Missalette.

Opening Hymn: #241

Communion Hymn: #287

Closing Hymn: #300

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## TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 2018

Sunday, September 2 Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
DE 8:30 Special Intentions of the Parishioners and Friends of St. Rose

BW 10:30 Margaret Riedinger from Roy

BW 12:00 Jacqueline Sand from Carol and Larry

### Monday, September 3

*Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church*

12:10 Michael Ryan from Pat and Ellen Homan

### Tuesday, September 4

12:10 William Fariello from Judy and George Thelen

### Wednesday September 5

*Saint Teresa of Calcutta, Religious*

12:10 Dennis Crane

### Thursday, September 6

12:10 William Earls from Paul Christensen and Lucy Davis

### Friday, September 7

12:10 Margaret Riedinger from Roy

### Saturday, September 8

*The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

12:10 Jerry Stoeckle from his Wife

BW 7:00 Joyce Dacey from Kay and Bill Russ

### Sunday, September 9 Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

BW 8:30 Special Intentions of the Parishioners and Friends of St. Rose

BW 10:30 Ron Koettters from the Family

BW 12:00 David Leonard from Mary and Barry Smyth

### From the Pastor's Desk

In the charity of your prayers please pray for the soul of **Dennis Crane** whose memorial was this past week here at St. Rose Church.

Debbie Wesselman is in need of a CCD teacher this coming Fall. If you can help please contact Debbie Wesselman @513-703-8229 or wesselmandmma@aol.com

**RCIA starts September 29th.** If you know someone who may be interested in learning more about the Catholic Church please call Fr. Barry @513-871-11.

**CCD classes for grades kdg. thru 8th grades will resume Sunday, September 16th. Registration will be that morning at 9:00 a.m. This is the year for Confirmation, so if you have a**

child in the 7th grade or above that needs to be confirmed come join us!!. Any questions please contact Debbie Wesselman @513-703-8229 or wesselmandmma@aol.com.

### SAVE THE DATE September 16th

St. Rose is reviving the St. Rose Golf Outing, September 16th. \$50.00 a person, golf only, \$70.00 golf and dinner. For those not golfing you can join us on the 19th hole in the undercroft for dinner at \$20.00 a person. You can also sign up by calling the office M-Thurs from 8:00-3:30. 513-871-1162.

The Little Sisters of the Poor will be present at all the Masses next weekend seeking your assistance in their ministry. For the past 150 years, the Sisters have been offering the needy elderly of the tri-state, a home where they are welcomed as Christ, cared for as a family, and accompanied with dignity until God calls them to himself. The Sisters depend on our support to meet the needs of their poor elderly. Your generosity will be appreciated. For more information visit their website at [www.littlesistersofthepoorcincinnati.org](http://www.littlesistersofthepoorcincinnati.org).

CAN YOU HELP? Why not get some friends together and have some fun while helping others? St. Francis Seraph Ministries has a real need for volunteers for their Cooking for the Family Program on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and Monday and Saturday mornings. Please contact Theresa Diersen at [tdiersen@sfsministries.org](mailto:tdiersen@sfsministries.org) or 513.549.0542 ext 289 to volunteer or to get more information.

### Lectors/Lay Distributors for Sept. 8th and Sept. 9th

7:00 Joe Christmann, M. Luehrmann, Mike Gregorio, W. Russ

8:30 Jon Hemmer, Matt Howland, Tom Perrino, Michael Trotta, Lenny Diaspro

10:30 Michael Alfieri, Roland Becker, Tim McMahan, Bob Sheil, J. Sonnefeld

12:00 Pat Burke, John Flick, Patrick Homan, Shawn Gillette



**Opening Prayer**

God of might, giver of every good gift,  
put into our hearts the love of your name,  
so that, by deepening our sense of reverence,  
you may nurture in us what is good  
and, by your watchful care,  
keep safe what you have nurtured.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**Reflecting on Living the Gospel**

Today we return to the Gospel of Mark after a five-week trip through John 6. In some ways Mark may seem to be familiar territory after the theological digression through the bread of life discourse and its antecedents. Mark tells us about some Jewish practices of the time that would have been unfamiliar to his readers. It is as though we are listening in to one side of a family feud. We hear the early Christians' take on their elder sibling's faith. Not surprisingly, the Christians were critical of Jewish practices, claiming they missed the point. The practices criticized in this gospel are perilously close to those of any religious person. There is a strong temptation to believe that we, by our actions and good deeds, make ourselves worthy of God. It can be easy to focus on the ritual, and miss the deeper, more meaningful action that the ritual points to.

We can imagine attending a birthday party with the focus on what kind and flavor are the cake and ice cream, when the "Happy Birthday" song is sung, how it is sung, who sings it, whether there is a birthday wish, whether the wish was "voiced" thereby nullifying it, or kept to the wisher thereby guaranteeing its fruition, and many other details of the event. All of the focus on the external ritual of the birthday can cause us to forget that this is a celebration of life for the one whose birthday it is. The party with its attendant rituals should not pull us away from the celebration of the individual. The early Christians (following the example of Isaiah who is quoted) critiqued those who would misplace the emphasis on the externals. Their admonition is not for their theological opponents only. It's also for us.

**Closing Prayer**

May your word of life and love "take root" in our hearts, O God, so that these prayers we offer may become a harvest of justice and peace for all our brothers and sisters. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

**Gospel**

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

When the Pharisees with some scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, they observed that some of his disciples ate their meals with unclean, that is, unwashed, hands.—For the Pharisees and, in fact, all Jews, do not eat without carefully washing their hands, keeping the tradition of the elders. And on coming from the marketplace they do not eat without purifying themselves. And there are many other things that they have traditionally observed, the purification of cups and jugs and kettles and beds.— So the Pharisees and scribes questioned him, "Why do your disciples not follow the tradition of the elders but instead eat a meal with unclean hands?" He responded, "Well did Isaiah prophesy about you hypocrites, as it is written: *This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines human precepts.* You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition."



He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile.

"From within people, from their hearts, come evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance, folly. All these evils come from within and they defile."

**For Reflection:**

- What's the difference between one's faith and one's religion?

**Suggestions for group and individual use:**

1. Pray aloud the opening prayer (in *The Roman Missal* called the "collect");
2. One person read aloud the gospel;
3. Each read prayerfully "Reflecting on Living the Gospel" and spend some time in personal prayer;
4. Share together responses to "For Reflection";
5. Pray the "Closing Prayer."

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**Readings for the week:**

22nd Sunday in Ord. Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday Nativity of Virgin Mary	23rd Sunday in Ord. Time
Daut 4:1-2, 6-8 Ps 152:3, 3-4, 4-5 Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27	1 Cor 21:5 Ps 118:97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102 Luka 4:16-30	1 Cor 21:6b-16 Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14 Luka 4:31-37	1 Cor 3:1-9 Ps 33:12-13, 14-15, 20-21 Luka 4:38-44	1 Cor 3:18-23 Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 Luka 5:1-11	1 Cor 4:1-5 Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 27-28, 39-40 Luka 5:23-39	1 Cor 4:5-6 Mic 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30 Ps 138ab, 6c Matt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23	Ps 145:7, 8-9, 9-10 Jas 21:5 Mark 7:31-37