



**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME**

**SATURDAY** Sept. 17, 2016 Vigil  
5:30 p.m. - Mili Novak  
(Joe & Antonina Novak)

**SUNDAY**, September 18, 2016  
9:30 a.m. - Barbara Rigot  
(John & Mary Husek)

**Monday**, September 19, 2016  
8:45 a.m. - Howard Rarick  
(Jim Rarick)

**Tuesday** September 20, 2016  
8:45 a.m. - Milka Novak  
(Joe & Antonina Novak)

**Wednesday**, September 21  
8:45 a.m. - Peggy Geisman  
(Diane Long)

**Thursday**, September 22  
8:45 a.m. - John Storer  
(Diane Long)

**Friday**, September 23, 2016  
NO MASS

**TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME**  
**SATURDAY** Sept. 24, 2016 Vigil  
5:30 p.m. - Kevin Kearns  
(The Stefancin Family)

**SUNDAY**, September 25, 2016  
9:30 a.m. - John & Alberta  
Major  
(The Family)

**Daily Scripture Readings**

**SEPTEMBER**

19 Prv 3:27-34/Lk 8:16-18  
20 Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Lk 8:19-21  
21 Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Mt 9:9-13  
22 Eccl 1:2-11/Lk 9:7-9  
23 Eccl 3:1-11/Lk 9:18-22  
24 Eccl 11:9—12:8/Lk 9:43b-45  
25 Am 6:1a, 4-7/1 Tm 6:11-16/  
Lk 16:19-31



**SEPTEMBER 17, 2016: TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*Dear Parish Family,*

Back in the late winter of 2012, I was contacted by a representative of a musician named Tony Melendez. Tony had heard about the tragic shootings that had just taken place at Chardon High School and wanted to offer a live, free concert at St. Mary's parish. I was thrilled and this event did take place in the early spring of 2012.

I had come to know of Tony many years earlier. During a pastoral visit to the United States in 1987, Pope St. John Paul II visited Los Angeles. During a rally with youth, Tony played guitar and sang for the Holy Father. Tony, however, has no arms, yet he uses his toes to make marvelous music. It seems that when his mom was pregnant with Tony, she took a prescription drug called thalidomide. It caused her son to be born without arms. Tony's mom was obviously devastated, but she refused to give up. She put a great deal of energy into her son and he responded by developing a wonderful talent for music. Tony and his mom made the best of a very difficult situation.

The Gospel for the 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time tells about a man who also found himself in a difficult situation. Unlike Tony, this man had only himself to blame. He had been "cooking the books" and his supervisor decided to do an audit. The dishonest steward knew that he was finished. Instead of attempting to run away, he acted in a decisive manner. He used his remaining opportunities to win some friends.

It is important to understand that in Jesus' day a steward had more latitude than someone in middle management today. The steward had to show a profit, but he could also use the administration of his master's resources to obtain personal benefits. For example, he could raise or lower an interest rate as long as he brought in earnings for his master. We see that the master praises him for his efforts. It serves as a lesson for us so that we might use money in such a way that the poor will welcome us into eternal life.

The dishonest steward acted boldly and we should act boldly as well. Are we feeling stymied and powerless for some reason? Do we ever feel that life has dealt a losing hand? Some very good advice comes to us from St. Theresa of Calcutta. Whenever her sisters felt down she would tell them, "Get out with the people." Chances are there is always someone close-by who is worse off (who needs help). The dishonest steward didn't curl up into a ball. He acted decisively.

Back in the fourth century St. John Chrysostom said: "*Not to enable the poor to share in our goods is to steal from them and deprive them of life. The goods we possess are not ours, but theirs.*" The Catechism of the Catholic Church quotes this statement of St. John Chrysostom in its section on "Love for the Poor (CCC # 2446)." The Catechism reminds us that when we give to the poor we should not think we are doing something "noble" and "kind." The Catechism does not use the "charity" to speak about sharing with the poor. It uses the word "justice." What we have does not ultimately belong to us. We are stewards of God's gifts.

I thank you for your generous support of our parish and I pray that you and your loved ones will experience God's abundant blessings.

God bless you.

*Fr. Dan Redmond*

Administrator

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS for SEPTEMBER 24 & 25, 2016**

	September 24 at 5:30 pm	September 25 at 9:30 am
<b>LECTOR</b>	Linda Ropchock	Amanda Schwartz
<b>EMHC</b>	Brenda Brack, Muriel Martin	Mary & John Husek
<b>PLA</b>	Beth Heinz	Trudi Clark
<b>SERVERS</b>	Trent & Luke Shutty, Gabriella Mills	Anthony & Nicki Rosati, Lucas Kuehn
<b>COUNTING CREW</b>		C Team

**Religious Education: Parish School of Religion**



The PSR School Year began last Tuesday evening as we welcomed families and catechists to the Opening Mass celebrated by Father Dan Redmond. In his homily, we heard Father Dan stress the importance of handing down our faith to the next generation - our children. At the Mass, catechists for the 2016-2017 school year were recognized and commissioned to serve the students of our PSR program.

Our PSR catechists include: Sandy Fife, Grade 1; Joyce Nelson, Maureen Gordon, Lynn Ludvik and Teresa George, Grade 2; Kelly Ryan and Mary Husek, Grade 3; Mark and Kathy Oravec, Grades 4, 5, and 6; and Pat Tamburo and Joddi Savage, Grade 7. Keeping us safe in the parking lot are Lou Duda, John Husek, and Bill Mothersbaugh. We appreciate the efforts of all those who give of their time and talent. We look forward to a year of prayer, getting to know Jesus, and learning about our Catholic Faith – all while having fun in our PSR community.

**Pro-Life:**

Abortion is inherently different from other medical procedures because no other procedure involves the purposeful termination of a potential life.



**Forty Days for Life starts September 28th.** As in past years, Denny and Ruth Lynch will car pool from St. Mary parking lot to Planned Parenthood in Painesville every Tuesday. Meet at 10:30 and peaceful walk and pray from 11:00 until noon.



**WEDDING BANNS: Sunday Sept. 18, 2016:**

III. Zachary Lausin and Maria Beardsley-Holbert

**Jubilee Year of Mercy**

If the reality of the Redemption, in its human dimension, reveals the unheard-of greatness of man, then, at the same time, *the divine dimension of the Redemption* enables us to uncover the depth of that love which does not recoil before the extraordinary sacrifice of the Son, in order to satisfy the fidelity of the Creator and Father towards human beings..." St. John Paul II, *Dives in Misericordia*, 1980.



**To schedule a Mass Intention or Bulletin Announcement**

Please call St. Patrick Parish Office at 440-298-1327, or place a Mass Intention envelope in the collection basket. **We need Mass Intentions, especially for daily Masses all through 2016.** For bulletin announcements, please contact Pattie Batchman at [pattie.batchman@gmail.com](mailto:pattie.batchman@gmail.com) by Monday evening. Thank You!

**Offering for:  
September 11, 2016**

September 11: \$ 3,826.00

Votive Candles: \$ 24.50  
 Capital Improv. \$ 30.00  
 Diocesan Assess \$ 10.00  
 Donation \$ 1000.00  
 Chinese Auction \$ 3,013.05

100 envelopes and loose checks

Thank you for your generous support of our parish ministries and operations.

St. Patrick,  
pray for us!



WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE ILL. MAY GOD BLESS THEM WITH HOPE AND HEALING

In a special way, we pray for Ed Baitt, Carol & John Bobroski, Frank Foote, Laura Gyorki, Nancy Hallahan, Kim Hamilton, Mark Humphreys, Monica Karl, Jeanne Koritansky, Rick Kawalec, Carol Maline, Mella McCain, Anthony Mihalic, Joseph & Hildegard Redmond, Connor Sayers, Fr. Paul Sciarrotta, Katy Sirna and Ann (Betty) Zgonc.

WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED.

May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

