



**TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Saturday September 16, Vigil  
4:00 p.m.– Patricia Sokol  
(Jeff Sokol)

Sunday, September 17, 2017  
9:30 a.m. - Dorothy Fitzpatrick  
(Fitzpatrick Family)

Monday, September 18, 2017  
8:45 a.m. - Barbara Rigot  
(Mary & John Husek)

Tuesday September 19, 2017  
8:45 a.m. - Mili Novak  
(Joe & Antonina Novak)

Wednesday, September 20  
8:45 a.m. - Deceased Members  
of the Knight Family  
(Deacon Phil & Betty Kraynik)

Thursday, September 21, 2017  
8:45 a.m. - Peggy Geisman  
(Diane Long)

Friday, September 22, 2017  
NO MASS

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

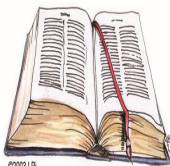
Saturday September 23, Vigil  
4:00 p.m.– John Storer  
(Diane Long)

Sunday, September 24, 2017  
9:30 a.m. - Deceased Members  
of the Rigot Family  
(Mary & John Husek)

**Daily Scripture Readings**

**SEPTEMBER**

- 18 1 Tim 2:1-8/Lk 7:1-10  
19 1 Tim 3:1-13/Lk 7:11-17  
20 1 Tim 3:14-16/Lk 7:31-35  
21 Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Mt 9:9-13  
22 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Lk 8:1-3  
23 1 Tm 6:13-16/Lk 8:4-15  
24 Is 55:6-9/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/  
Mt 20:1-16a



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*Dear Parish Family,*

The last few weeks have been a trying time for many in our nation, to say the least. We have seen the gulf coasts of Texas and Louisiana devastated by a major hurricane named Harvey. The fourth largest city of the United States was literally under water. Areas in the greater Houston area received more than 50 inches of rain as this powerful storm stalled over southeast Texas. Over 70 lives were lost, but many were saved through the efforts of professionally trained first responders and volunteers alike.

Less than a fortnight later, another major hurricane laid waste to entire islands in the Caribbean. As it moved westward, Puerto Rico, Hispaniola, the Turks and Caicos Islands and the Bahamas felt the sting of its power. Cuba's north coast and interior were pounded with incredible winds and rain. Finally, Florida and several southeastern states became the final recipients of the fury of Hurricane Irma. The number of fatalities is as yet undetermined. Still, many were saved through responsible evacuation operations and the dedication of first responders and volunteers.

As our nation recovers from these two disasters, there are so many images that come to mind. While scenes of devastation may be prominent in certain media outlets, there are other images as well. They are images of volunteers in boats rescuing citizens stranded in their homes. They are images of aid workers welcoming evacuees into shelters. They are images of people helping people in their time of need. From governmental, emergency agencies to the man or woman next door, we have seen some of the best of humanity in a time of catastrophe.

As I reflect on this, the readings for the Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time give us pause to reflect on how we are living our lives. The reading from the Book of Sirach (27:30 - 28:9) calls us to embrace a spirit of forgiveness. The psalmist (Ps. 103) reminds us that "The Lord is kind and merciful..." St. Paul, in his letter to the Romans (14: 7-9), underscores the reality that "whether we live or die, we are the Lord's." Our Blessed Lord (Matthew 18:21-35) tells St. Peter that we are to forgive "not seven times but seventy-seven times." In other words, we are to forgive always.

The events of the past few weeks remind us of how fragile life truly is. In the end, our lives in Christ are about love of God and love of neighbor as ourselves. This past week, we remembered the events of September 11, 2001. Those who choose the way of terror and hatred never win in the end. It is love that creates and it is love that redeems. As St. Paul tells us, "None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself." We live for the Lord. We live for the One who is Love: God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord from Sirach gives us a sobering command: "Remember your last days, set enmity aside; remember death and decay, and cease from sin." May we always choose the way of love who is the Way, the Truth and the Life – Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.

God bless you.

*Fr. Dan Redmond*

## SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS for September 23 & 24:

	September 23	September 24
LECTOR	Joddi Savage	Pat Tamburo
EMHC	Brenda Brcaak, Muriel Martin	Gayle & Tom Zarack
PLA	Mark & Cathy Oravec	Dan & Carole Doyle
SERVERS	Jordan & Mitch Parker	Anthony & Nick Rosati
COUNTING CREW		C Team

### Religious Education: Parish School of Religion

The 2017-2018 PSR school year began on Tuesday, September 12th with a wonderful family Mass celebrated by Father Janoch. During the Mass, we asked the Holy Spirit to give us His gifts of Knowledge, Wisdom, and Understanding. We thank Father Janoch for celebrating with us, and Ric Koenig for providing us with beautiful music.



We appreciate all of our dedicated volunteers who will be helping with PSR this year. Keeping us safe in the parking lot are: Lou Duda, John Husek, and Bill Mothersbaugh. Here are our catechists: Grade 1 - Sandy Fife and Kelly Carroll; Grade 2 - Gina Basich and Maureen Gordon; Grade 3 - Kathy and Mark Oravec; Grade 4 - Joyce Nelson and Lisa Mothersbaugh; Grade 5 - Christina Seamon and Mary Martin; Grade 6 - Joddi Savage and Pat Tamburo; and Grade 7 - Mary Husek and Teresa George.

We welcome the Auth, Bateman, Breland, Carroll, Cindric, Gigliotti, Juhasz, Merinar, and Spreitzer families who have joined us this year.

PSR Parent Board will meet on Tuesday, September 19th at 6:30 p.m. Come and join us as we discuss upcoming events and an opportunity to meet with other PSR parents.

### Parish Pastoral Council Requesting Nominations for New Members

Every parish of the Diocese of Cleveland is to have a Parish Pastoral Council. The Parish Pastoral Council is an advisory group which makes recommendations to the Pastor/Parish Administrator. Members of the Parish Pastoral Council represent the interests and pastoral needs of the parish community. Parish Pastoral Council meetings are bi-monthly at 7:00 pm on the third Wednesday of the month (next meeting is 9-20-17).

Nomination ballots will be available in the pews from September 9 through September 17. Please consider nominating yourself or another St. Patrick parishioner.

Thank you, *Parish Pastoral Council*

### Pro-Life

We will enter the largest "40 Days for Life" campaign in 375 cities! From September 27 to November 5, use your rights to give the joyful, silent witness of the love of Christ at otherwise despairing places. For more information: <https://40daysforlife.com/browse-campaigns/>



Our nation -- and our world -- need prayer. There is no peace inside of an abortion facility. That is the topic of the newest 40 Days for Life podcast episode, which discusses the power of prayer and the sterility of secularism: <https://40daysforlife.com/2017/08/29/podcast-86/>

There are consequences to secularism ... but there are also consequences to prayer!

### Offering for: September 10, 2017

September 10:	\$ 4,031.25
Votive Candles:	\$ 17.00
Capital Improv.:	\$ 45.00
Diocesan Assess.:	\$ 25.00
Hurricane Harvey:	\$ 1,945.00
Chinese Auction:	\$ 3,786.75

108 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.

In a special way, we pray for Chris Barber, Barbara Bock, Don Caserta, Joan Catalano, Cathy Colvin, Frank Foote, Doug Ganyard, Laura Gyorki, Kim Hamilton, Don Holt, Rick Kawalec, Delores Lynch, Mella McCain, Andrew & Anthony Mihalic, Joe Misosky, Virginia Perlik, Hildegard Redmond, Melissa Rhodes, Roseanne Ricci, Connor Sayers, Fr. Paul Sciarrotta, Katy Sirna, Lance Sneath, Billy Terlop, Denise Wade and Joel Walton.

### WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED, especially FRANK MCKEON.

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

