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Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Confession, First Communion and Confirmation

Make contact with the coordinator of this area for information about the various programs available. Appointments can be made in the parish office at anytime.

Baptism

Parents wishing to baptize their children (ages 1-5) are invited to make an appointment in the parish office to speak with a staff member in order to make arrangements.

Confessions

Saturday 5:30-6:30 p.m. and at the parish office by appointment.

Marriage

Couples planning to be married should call for an appointment six months in advance of the wedding.

Visits to the Sick

In emergency, call the parish office at any hour. Please inform the office of sick or homebound who desire the sacraments.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend

Saturday Vigil

7:00pm Spanish (organ & cantor)

Sunday

8:00am English (organ & cantor)
9:30am Spanish (organ & cantor)
11:30am English (organ & cantor)
1:30pm Vietnamese (keyboard & choir)

Weekdays

Monday - Friday

8:30am Spanish 12:00pm English

Thursday & Saturday

7:45am Vietnamese

2 PRAYER AND WORSHIP

SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 22

8:30 a.m. Olinda Salcedo, Gladys Hernandez, Bienvenido Gonzalez, Neil Patel (D), Marvin Andres Valdez (L) por su salud

12:00 p.m. Trudell Constance Mapp (D), Albertine Louise Seale (D), Felicia Seale Miller, Joseph Ofosu Miller (L), Trinidad Tapongot on her death anniversary

Tuesday, September 23

8:30 a.m. Acción de gracias al Sagrado Corazón de Jesus, Teresa Baker, Jacqueline Peterson, María Vega (D), Dando gracias al Corazón de Jesus

12:00 pm All Souls

Wednesday, September 24

8:30 a.m. Teqmundu Ortega Garcia (D) Mercedes Mejia (D), Elpidia Taveras (D)

12:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 25

8:30 a.m. Jose Montezuma, Marisol Graterol, Angelica Contreras, Marina Cordero (D)

12:00p.m.

Friday, September 26

8:30 a.m. America Garcia Peña (D), Enrique Bolaños (D)

12:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 27

7:45 a.m. Phero Luc & Ana Thuy (D)

7:00 p.m. Margarita Piñeiro (D), Margarita Felipe (D), Corazón de Jesus, Mercedes Alvarez (D), Domingo Alvarez (D), Gertrudis Alamo (L), Elisa Berrios (L), Leslie Olivieri Cuadrado (L)

Sunday, September 28

8:00 a.m. People of SNT

9:30: a.m. Elsa Maria Marte (D), Gustavo Garcia Flores - Dando gracias a la Virgen de Guadalupe, Mercedes Muñoz de Agudo

11:30 am Ricardo Reyes (D)

1:30 pm Giuse Lai & Maria Son (D)

READINGS

First Reading:

The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:

Never will I forget a thing they have done! (Am 8:7)

Psalm:

Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor. (Ps 113)

Second Reading:

There is also one mediator between God and men,

the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as ransom for all. (1 Tm 2:5-6)

Gospel:

"No servant can serve two masters.

He will either hate one and love the other,

or be devoted to one and despise the other.

You cannot serve both God and mammon." (Lk 16:13)

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Readings for the week of September 21, 2025

Sunday: Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8 (see 1a, 7b)/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1b)/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31



25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Luke 16:10-13

Before I was a priest, I was a lazy worker for a retail Apple store. Hearing a rumor that my boss was going to fire me, I secretly sold iPhones for half-price, gave away dozens of free iPads, and donated several brand-new laptops to managers in other stores in the mall. After a week, my boss called me into his office. He knew what I was up to. He said I had cost the store thousands of dollars. "Really great work, John," he said. "I am going to recommend you to be my assistant manager and double your pay." I was amazed.

And so are you. Which is understandable because it never happened. How could it? My tall tale is a retelling of Jesus' brow-furrowing parable we hear this week. A lazy, dishonest steward defrauds his boss and then the **"master commended the dishonest servant for acting prudently"** (Luke 16:8). What is the Lord saying to us?

Most of us treat our spiritual lives like a lazy teenager at an Apple store. We really don't care. We go through the motions. Then, if we are lucky, something happens that shakes us to spiritual action; to employ whatever time, money, and resources we have to build around us a strong network of love. Every saint did that. Our Lord is so good he *wants* us to use his stuff to forgive debts and to bless others. He wants us to ensure our future. So do it!

— *Father John Muir*

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MASS EVERY SUNDAY @ 11:30 AM

PARENTS ORIENTATION MEETING
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 14, 2025
 11:00 AM @ FATHER SMITH CENTER

FIRST DAY OF CLASS
SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

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EN EL CENTRO PADRE SMITH
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MISA CADA DOMINGO @ 11:30 AM

REUNION DE PADRES
DOMINGO 14 DE SEPTIEMBRE, 2025
 11:00 AM @ CENTRO PADRE SMITH

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DOMINGO 28 DE SEPTIEMBRE, 2025

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CLASS EVERY TUESDAY
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PARENTS ORIENTATION MEETING
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 16, 2025
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TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 23, 2025

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MARTES 16 DE SEPTIEMBRE, 2025
 7:00 PM @ CENTRO PADRE SMITH

PRIMER DIA DE CLASE
MARTES 23 DE SEPTIEMBRE, 2025

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

No servant can serve two masters, and in his goodness, God gives us the ability to choose. Will we serve mammon, the riches of this world? Or will we seek true wealth, the kind that cannot be hoarded or wasted, but only given freely away?

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