

# Twenty-Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

October 1, 2017



**First Reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28; Responsorial Psalm 25:4-9;  
Second Reading: Philippians 2:1-11; Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32**

***“He emptied himself, taking the form of a slave.”***

We are told by St. Paul: *“Do nothing out of selfishness or out of vainglory; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but also for those of others.”* The parable of Jesus this Sunday doesn't offer us with the example of the chief priests and elders of the people, but instead the tax collectors and prostitutes, now disciples and servants of God's Reign.

In the parable two sons are asked by their father to go out and work in the vineyard. One responds “I will not,” but later changes his heart and is obedient to the will of his father. The second son says, “Yes, sir,” but doesn't go. Like the chief priests and elders, we are urged to consider our own obedience to God. How are we responding to the will of the Father? Do we speak with words alone? Or can we identify with those who recognize and accept God's will, and turn to God? St. Paul tells us: *“He emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; ...he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.”*

## Respect Life Sunday: Be Not Afraid



When battered by life's storms, or immersed in a dense fog of suffering and uncertainty, we may feel alone and unequipped to handle the circumstances. Yet with words that echo through thousands of years into the corners of our hearts, the Lord says to us, “Do not fear: I am with you” (Isaiah 41:10).

He speaks these words not as one who merely observes our pain, but as one who experienced immense suffering. And the very wounds that bear witness to his suffering indicate the essence of our identity and worth: we are loved by God.

Reflecting on the healed wounds of the Risen Christ, we see that even our most difficult trials can be the place where God manifests his victory. He makes all things beautiful. He makes all things new.

He is *always* with us. Jesus promised this when he gave the disciples the same mission he gives to each of us: Go.

*Go be my hands and feet to a world enslaved by fear. Go to the woman who is unexpectedly pregnant and fears the future. Go to your friend who fears reprisal at work because he takes a stand for the protection of human life. Go to your aging parent in failing health who fears being a burden. And go to others, too, for their support.*

We don't need to have everything figured out. We can simply follow the guidance of Our Blessed Mother, the first disciple: “Do whatever he tells you” (John 2:5).

Walk with each other. Do not be afraid to embrace God's gift of life. Whatever storms or trials we face, we are not alone. He is with us.

*“Behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age” (Matthew 28:20).*

FOR ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:  
[www.usccb.org/respectlife](http://www.usccb.org/respectlife)

## Adult Sacramental Preparation

Our classes for adults who have not received the Sacrament of the Eucharist and/or Confirmation, as well as baptized adults of another Christian faith traditions who would like to enter into Full Communion with the Catholic Church, and adults who were never baptized, however would like to enter into a process of inquiry and discernment to become Catholics, are invited to begin their preparation **next Sunday, October 8, following our 11:15 am Mass.** For more information or to register, please speak with Fr. Dennis or John Condon, Adult Sacramental Preparation Catechist. Thank you.



## Mass Intentions Sept. 30-Oct. 7, 2017



Sat., 4:30 pm +Barbara Burdick  
Sun., 9:00 am +Brian Coughlan  
Sun., 11:15 am +Giuseppe Manuguerra  
Sun., 5:00 pm Victimas de los Terremotos en México  
Wed., 7:00 am Communion Service  
Thu., 7:00 am Communion Service  
Fri., 7:00 am +Josefa Davi

### NOTICIAS ESPECIALES

**Misa en Español** - Cada domingo a las 5:00 pm.

**Bautismos, Bodas, Quinceañeras** - Favor de hablar con P. Dennis.

**Confesiones** - Cada sábado, 3:30 pm y por cita.

**Músicos** - Si toca guitarra u otro instrumento, favor de participar en nuestro coro. Los ensayos son a las 4:15 pm antes de la Misa Dominical.

**Clases de Primera Comunión** - Clases del primer año comienzan hoy a las 4:00 pm, con la Misa de Español a las 5:00 pm. Las Clases del segundo año también empiezan hoy después de la Misa de 9:00 am a las 10:15 am.

### Domingo de Respetemos la Vida: No Temas

Cuando estamos agobiados por las tormentas de la vida, o sumergidos en una densa niebla de sufrimiento e incertidumbre, podemos sentirnos solos e incapaces de manejar las circunstancias. Sin embargo, con estas palabras que resuenan a través de miles de años en los rincones de nuestro corazón el Señor nos dice: "No temas, porque yo estoy contigo." (Isaías 41:10)  
*Vayan como mis manos y mis pies a un mundo esclavizado por el miedo. Vayan a la mujer embarazada inesperadamente que teme el futuro. Vayan a su amigo que teme represalias en el trabajo porque defiende la vida humana. Vayan a su madre o padre anciano que teme ser una carga. Y vayan a otros en busca del apoyo de ellos.*

### Youth Corner (Matthew 21:28-32)

Let's say YES to God! The parable of Jesus reminds us of the importance of Saying YES to what God asks of us. Jesus will show us the way. His love gives us the strength to be obedient to the Father and serve others with joy and respect.

## Hope's Pantry and Boutique

Our Hope's Pantry and Boutique are in need of a few additional parishioners to assist with this important ministry to those in need of food and clothing on Wednesdays from 9:45 to 11:30 am. Please speak with Lydia Newton or Janice Hawkins, or leave a message in the Parish Office, if you are interesting in serving.

## Monthly Lunch for Carmel Valley Seniors

You are invited every first Monday of the month at 11:30 am, Carmel Valley Community Center, 25 Ford Road. Bingo follows the free meal!

## Parents with Infants

We are happy you are with us! If you wish to use it, there is a room with a closed-circuit TV of the Mass across from the women's bathroom.

## 2nd Collections

**Next Sunday, October 8, 2017**

Diocesan Right to Life Ministry

**Sunday, October 15, 2017**

For the victims of the Earthquakes in Mexico

## Offertory Report 9/24/17

Plate \$1,626; 2nd Collection \$1,285; Hope's Pantry \$10; Other \$322; Total \$3,243.

*Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parishioner*

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**Pastor: Father Dennis Gallo**

## Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 9 am & 11:15 am

Spanish Mass: Sunday at 5 pm

Weekday Masses:

Wednesday through Friday 7 am

## Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 pm and by appointment

## Office Hours

Wednesday through Friday

9 am – 12 pm; 2 – 4 pm

## Ministries / Contacts

<b>Pastoral Council:</b>	Jeff Hawkins, Chair, Patrick Dowd, Vice Chair, Lori Jakubowski, Secretary, Tess Arthur, Alondra Klemek, Adele Margolis, Dede Woodhead,
<b>Finance Council:</b>	Joe Hertlein, Chair, Rafael Maldonado, Vice Chair, John Finn, Secretary, Diane Douglas, Pat Ryan, Steve Zalan
<b>Faith Formation:</b>	First Communion Year 1: Lorena Cabrera and Esther Valdez First Communion Year 2: Christian Haun and Patricia Merrifield Confirmation: Teresa Brunson, Christina Haupt, Lori Jakubowski RCIA / Becoming Catholic: John Condon
<b>Hope's Pantry:</b>	Lydia Newton • Wednesday 10 am–12 noon
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