

The Rich Man and Lazarus

"But Abraham replied, 'Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony.'" Luke 16:25 (NIV)

Choose the word that best matches the definition.



- ___ 1. Having a lot of money or valuable possessions
A. agony B. poor C. comfort D. rich
- ___ 2. An opening in a wall or fence for entrance or exit
A. gate B. chimney C. hole D. window
- ___ 3. A poor person who lives by asking others for money or food
A. banker B. baker C. prophet D. beggar
- ___ 4. Stopped living
A. slept B. tired C. repented D. died
- ___ 5. A clear, colorless, odorless, and tasteless liquid essential for most plant and animal life
A. lemonade B. tea C. coffee D. water
- ___ 6. Extreme physical or mental pain or suffering
A. repent B. agony C. comfort D. ease
- ___ 7. To change your behavior because you are sorry for what you have done
A. warn B. died C. repent D. agony
- ___ 8. To tell someone of possible danger or harm
A. warn B. comfort C. repent D. harm
- ___ 9. To soothe someone in a time of pain or suffering
A. warn B. harm C. comfort D. repent
- ___ 10. The fleshy part in the mouth that is used in tasting
A. teeth B. tongue C. tonsils D. gums

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER:

For our relationship with all of creation

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect..

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-INS IN OUR PARISH COMMUNITY:

Limo Grant, Ann Bishop, Thelma Joseph, Michael Philbert, Dean Andrew, Clarissa Bain, Arnold Joseph, Ambrose Noel, Andrea Jessica, Veronica Thomas, Emma Joseph, Joseph Ross, Finley Gill.

A major theme in the Gospel of Luke is the importance of the care of the poor in the life of discipleship. In the parable found in today's Gospel, Jesus contrasts the life of a rich man and the poor man, Lazarus, who lives in the shadow of the rich man and his wealth. Both die. Lazarus finds himself in heaven; the rich man in the netherworld. The rich man asks for assistance from Lazarus in his torment. But Abraham reminds the rich man of the good things he had in his life and describes the current situation as a reversal of fortunes. The rich man then asks that Lazarus be sent to warn his family, but this is denied with the reminder that Moses and the prophets have warned of judgment for those who neglect the care of the poor.

In the context of Luke's Gospel, this parable, delivered in the presence of a crowd of listeners, is part of Jesus' response to some Pharisees. These Pharisees are described in Luke's Gospel as "loving money." (Note: The Pharisees were followers of a sect of Judaism active before, during, and after Jesus' lifetime. They taught an oral interpretation of the Law of Moses as the basis for popular Jewish piety. They put less emphasis on Temple worship and more on applying the law to everyday life. Though they are often portrayed negatively in the Gospels, they shared many of Jesus' and the early Church's concerns about the law.) Jesus observed that the actions of some Pharisees betrayed misplaced priorities: they spoke one way, but acted in another.

The story of the rich man and Lazarus demonstrates the importance of the care of the poor and is a reminder to those who would follow Jesus of the unimportance of wealth in the eyes of God.

Pope Francis



"Abraham said, 'Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony.'
- Luke 16:25

NOTICES

The Catholic Charismatic Renewal invites all to a day of Renewal at the River Sallee Holy Family Catholic Church this Sunday 28th September at 2:00 pm.

Calling all Catholic youths and youths coordinators - You are invited to a Youth Jubilee and Healing Mass next Saturday 4th October, 2025 at the Cathedral at 3pm. Everyone is encouraged to walk with a candle.

Please note, there will be **NO** 6:00 pm mass at the cathedral on that day, but there will be 6:30 pm mass at Blessed Sacrament Grand Anse.

Battle Hill Pilgrimage takes place on Sunday 12th October, 2025 at 3pm at the Battle Hill Shrine. Everyone is encouraged to make an effort to attend.

WEEKDAY READINGS (PSALTER WEEK 2)

29 Monday - Sts Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, Archangels

Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14 or Revelation 12: 7-12ab

30 Tuesday - St. Jerome, Priest & Doctor

Zechariah 8: 20-23; Luke 9: 51-56

01 Wednesday - Weekday in Ordinary

Nehemiah 2: 1-8; Luke 9: 57-62

02 Thursday - Weekday in Ordinary (Guardian Angels)

Nehemiah 8: 1-4a, 5-6, 7b-1; Matthew 18: 1-5, 10

03 Friday - Weekday in Ordinary

Baruch 1: 15-22; Luke 10: 13-16

04 Saturday - St. Francis of Assisi

Baruch 4: 5-12, 27-29; Luke 10: 17-24

05 Sunday - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Habakkuk 1: 2-3; 2: 2-4; Luke 17: 5-10

Nutrition Tip for the week

Avoid foods high in salt like cheese, cured meats, pickles and bouillon cubes. Let's keep blood pressure in control. Choose green leafy vegetables, unsalted nuts, lemon juice, and fresh or dried herbs and spices.

Parish Pastoral Team: FR. KUFRE EMMANUEL MSP (Cathedral Administrator)

DEACON RAPHAEL JOHNSON (Parish Deacon)

THE PRESENTATION BROTHERS

Catechesis Corner

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS CONT...

THE SIXTH COMMANDMENT CONT...

II. The Vocation to Chastity- Offenses against chastity

Lust is disordered desire for or inordinate enjoyment of sexual pleasure. Sexual pleasure is morally disordered when sought for itself, isolated from its procreative and unitive purposes.

By masturbation is to be understood the deliberate stimulation of the genital organs in order to derive sexual pleasure. "Both the Magisterium of the Church, in the course of a constant tradition, and the moral sense of the faithful have been in no doubt and have firmly maintained that masturbation is an intrinsically and gravely disordered action." (*CDF, Persona humana* 9). "The deliberate use of the sexual faculty, for whatever reason, outside of marriage is essentially contrary to its purpose." For here sexual pleasure is sought outside of "the sexual relationship which is demanded by the moral order and in which the total meaning of mutual self-giving and human procreation in the context of true love is achieved." (*CDF, Persona humana* 9). To form an equitable judgment about the subjects' moral responsibility and to guide pastoral action, one must take into account the affective immaturity, force of acquired habit, conditions of anxiety, or other psychological or social factors that lessen or even extenuate moral culpability.

Fornication is carnal union between an unmarried man and an unmarried woman. It is gravely contrary to the dignity of persons and of human sexuality which is naturally ordered to the good of spouses and the generation and education of children. Moreover, it is a grave scandal when there is corruption of the young.

Pornography consists in removing real or simulated sexual acts from the intimacy of the partners, in order to display them deliberately to third parties. It offends against chastity because it perverts the conjugal act, the intimate giving of spouses to each other. It does grave injury to the dignity of its participants (actors, vendors, the public), since each one becomes an object of base pleasure and illicit profit for others. It immerses all who are involved in the illusion of a fantasy world. It is a grave offense. Civil authorities should prevent the production and distribution of pornographic materials.

Prostitution does injury to the dignity of the person who engages in it, reducing the person to an instrument of sexual pleasure. The one who pays sins gravely against himself: he violates the chastity to which his Baptism pledged him and defiles his body, the temple of the Holy Spirit. (*cf. 1 Cor 6:15-20*). Prostitution is a social scourge. It usually involves women, but also men, children, and adolescents. While it is always gravely sinful to engage in prostitution, the imputability of the offense can be attenuated by destitution, blackmail, or social pressure.

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COLLECTIONS:

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time /C - 21st September, 2025

Cathedral 6.00 p.m.	\$ 860.80	Belmont	\$ 294.50
Cathedral 8.00 a.m.	\$ 618.70	Mt. Moritz	\$ 183.00
Happy Hill	\$ 745.35	Brizan	\$ 149.65
Tempe	\$ 259.25	Fontenoy	\$ 128.75

Total: \$ 3,240.00

May God continue to bless you!

THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in Heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, **Pilgrims of Hope**, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. **Amen.**

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We wish everyone celebrating their birthdays today and this week



We wish everyone celebrating an anniversary today and this week



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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time /C - September 28th, 2025

Sunday Mass Schedules:

Cathedral Saturday: 6:00 p.m.
 Belmont Saturday: 6:00 p.m.
 Brizan Sunday: 6:30 a.m.
 Cathedral Sunday: 8:00 a.m.

Happy Hill Sunday: 8:00 a.m.
 Tempe Sunday: 8:00 a.m.
 Fontenoy Sunday: 10:00 a.m.
 Mt. Moritz Sunday: 10:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

Cathedral: 6:15 a.m. & 12:15 p.m.
 Happy Hill - Wednesday - 6 pm

CONFESSION:

Cathedral: Saturdays: 7.00 a.m. - 8.00 a.m.
 (Priests available at request)

Welcome!

As we listen again to the parable of the Rich man and Lazarus; we remember that one great evil in the world today is the terrible indifference towards one's neighbour which is so widespread.

First Reading: From the prophet Amos chapter 6 verse 1 and 4 to 7. Amos speaks boldly to the wealthy of both Judah and Israel.

Second Reading: From the first letter of St Paul to Timothy Chapter 6 verses 11 to 16. As Jesus was faithful to his call in face of an hostility that led to his death, so Christians facing persecution should remain faithful to God's call.

Gospel: According to Luke chapter 16 verses 19 to 31. We hear the story of a very rich man who ignored the plight of a beggar sitting at his gate.