


Do the Right Thing!

"Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much. Luke 16:10 (NIV)


Based on Luke 16:1-13


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P R K V Y W Q G F W Q O T G H
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A A I P S O M Q M P N Z U O E
M W O J H T G M O G D T P V B
S E V S T Z E E N A U F O R T
P J I M F Q P R E K V L E S O
B D A N P L Y O Y C K T U U R
H K D V O R M U C D A R X F S
Y P R O P E R T Y H T L Z N U
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DISHONEST	SERVE	WASTING	HATE	ACCOUNT
MONEY	RICH	DEBTORS	MANAGER	TRUST
PROPERTY	MASTER	PEOPLE	LOVE	WEALTH



No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other - or else he will be devoted to one and despise the other. You can not serve God and money





Luke 16:1

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

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REFLECTION

The parable in this Sunday’s Gospel passage (cf. Lk 16:1-13) has as its protagonist a sly and dishonest steward who, charged with wasting his master’s goods, is about to be dismissed.

Jesus presents this example certainly not to encourage dishonesty, but prudence. Indeed he emphasizes: “The master commended the dishonest steward for his prudence” (v. 8), that is, for that combination of intelligence and cunning, which enables one to overcome difficult situations. The key to reading this narrative lies in Jesus’ invitation at the end of the parable: “make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous mammon, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal habitations” (v. 9). This seems somewhat confusing, but it is not so: the “unrighteous mammon” is money — also called “devil’s dung” — and in general material goods.

Wealth can propel one to build walls, create division and discrimination. Jesus, on the contrary, encourages his disciples to reverse course: “Make friends for yourselves by means of mammon”. It is an invitation to know how to change goods and wealth into relationships, because people are worth more than things, and count more than the wealth they possess. Indeed, in life, it is not those who have many riches who bear fruit, but those who create and keep alive many bonds, many relationships, many friendships through a variety of “mammon”, that is, the different gifts that God has given them. But Jesus also points to the ultimate aim of his exhortation: “Make friends for yourselves by means of mammon so that they may receive you into the eternal habitations”. If we are able to transform wealth into tools of fraternity and solidarity, not only will God be there to welcome us into heaven, but also those with whom we have shared, properly stewarded what the Lord has placed in our hands.

Brothers and sisters, this Gospel passage makes the question of the dishonest steward dismissed by his master, resonate in us: “What shall I do now?” (cf. v. 3). In facing our shortcomings and our failures, Jesus assures us that we are always in time to put right with good the harm done. Those who have caused tears, make someone happy; those who have wrongfully taken,

give to those who are in need. By doing so, we will be commended by the Lord “because we have acted with prudence”, that is, with the wisdom of those who recognize themselves as children of God and challenge themselves for the Kingdom of Heaven. May the Blessed Virgin help us to be prudent by assuring ourselves not worldly success but eternal life, so that at the moment of the final judgement, the needy people whom we have helped can testify that in them we saw and served the Lord.

Pope Francis

NOTICES

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

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

WEEKDAY READINGS (PSALTER WEEK (1))

- 22 Monday - Weekday in Ordinary
Ezra 1: 1-6; Luke 8: 16-18
- 23 Tuesday - St. Pius of Pietrelcina
Ezra 6: 7-8, 12b, 14-20; Luke 8: 19-21
- 24 Wednesday - Weekday in Ordinary
Ezra 9: 5-9; Luke 9: 1-6
- 25 Thursday - Weekday in Ordinary
Haggai 1: 1-8; Luke 9: 7-9
- 26 Friday - Weekday in Ordinary
Haggai 2: 1-9; Luke 9: 18-22
- 27 Saturday - St. Vincent De Paul
Zechariah 2: 5-9, 14-15a; Luke 9: 43b-45
- 28 Sunday - 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Amos 6: 1a, 4-7 ; Luke 16: 19-31

Nutrition Tip for the week

Pack healthy snacks for the children this school term: fresh fruit, peanut butter sandwich, coconut jelly flesh, homemade muffin, lightly salted popcorn.

Catechesis Corner

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS CONT...

THE SIXTH COMMANDMENT CONT...

II. The Vocation to Chastity

The integrality of the gift of self

Charity is the form of all the virtues. Under its influence, chastity appears as a school of the gift of the person. Self-mastery is ordered to the gift of self. Chastity leads him who practices it to become a witness to his neighbor of God's fidelity and loving kindness.

The virtue of chastity blossoms in friendship. It shows the disciple how to follow and imitate him who has chosen us as his friends,(cf. Jn 15:15) who has given himself totally to us and allows us to participate in his divine estate. Chastity is a promise of immortality. Chastity is expressed notably in friendship with one's neighbor. Whether it develops between persons of the same or opposite sex, friendship represents a great good for all. It leads to spiritual communion.

The various forms of chastity

All the baptized are called to chastity. the Christian has "put on Christ,"(Gal 3:27). The model for all chastity. All Christ's faithful are called to lead a chaste life in keeping with their particular states of life. At the moment of his Baptism, the Christian is pledged to lead his affective life in chastity.

"People should cultivate [chastity] in the way that is suited to their state of life. Some profess virginity or consecrated celibacy which enables them to give themselves to God alone with an undivided heart in a remarkable manner. Others live in the way prescribed for all by the moral law, whether they are married or single." (CDF, Persona humana 11). Married people are called to live conjugal chastity; others practice chastity in continence:

There are three forms of the virtue of chastity: the first is that of spouses, the second that of widows, and the third that of virgins. We do not praise any one of them to the exclusion of the others.... This is what makes for the richness of the discipline of the Church. (St. Ambrose, De viduis 4, 23: PL 16, 255A).

Those who are engaged to marry are called to live chastity in continence. They should see in this time of testing a discovery of mutual respect, an apprenticeship in fidelity, and the hope of receiving one another from God. They should reserve for marriage the expressions of affection that belong to married love. They will help each other grow in chastity.

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COLLECTIONS:

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross - 14th Sept, 2025

Cathedral 6.00 p.m.	\$ 788.07	Belmont	\$ 199.25
Cathedral 8.00 a.m.	\$ 512.92	Mt. Mortiz	\$ 220.00
Happy Hill	\$ 651.10	Brizan	\$ 107.50
Tempe	\$ 547.75	Fontenoy	\$ 131.90

Total: \$ 3,158.49

PRAYER FOR PROTECTION AGAINST

NATURAL DISASTERS

Loving Father, maker of heaven and earth, Lord of all creation. All elements of nature obey your command. With faith in your love and mercy, we pray that you may protect us, your people from storms, hurricanes and all other natural disasters. We place all our trust and hope in you, calm our fears and help us to be thankful to you for your goodness. Lord hear our prayer and answer us in your wisdom, love and mercy. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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.

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

Of all the idols people worship, money is probably the most common. Jesus says; 'You can not be the slave both of God and of money' We are here to worship God, not just with our lips but with our hearts.

First Reading: From the prophet Amos chapter 8 verses 4 to 7. The prophet Amos condemns the exploitation of the poor.

Second Reading: Since God wants everyone to be saved we should pray for everyone, but especially for those who bear the responsibility of public office. This we hear from the letter of St Paul to Timothy Chapter 2 verses 1 to 8.

Gospel: According to Luke chapter 16 verses 1 to 13. Jesus shows how greed for money can ruin a person, and insists that we can't serve both God and money.