

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



Love and Labor *We recently spent a weekend at a bed and breakfast remodeled from an old barn. The barn was built more than one hundred fifty years ago when the land became a grape vineyard. We ran each morning through the rows of vines filled with grapes at harvest time. The sweet smell filled my senses, leaving me with feelings of warmth. Everything was right with the world. I couldn't help but wonder, however, what those vines had seen over the past hundred and fifty years. For sure they'd seen hard work. Certainly not many days had passed without hard work and strife, but surely there had been love and healing, too. It's true that few things can last very long without love and labor.*

Comment

Isaiah has composed a song about his friend, the vineyard keeper. We are not told this right away, but the vineyard keeper is actually God. The keeper first decided on which land to plant, then the land was cleared of stones. After this, he planted the vines and constructed a vat and watchtower. By the best agrarian measure, the crop had every chance to become perfect, but it didn't. Wild grapes grew instead, and the keeper became irritated. His only recourse was to let the vineyard go and become what it would.

Matthew's Gospel continues the vineyard theme, but in this case, it is the human element that is addressed. The landowner (God) previously sent servants (prophets) to gather the proceeds from the harvest. The vineyard workers (the chief priests and elders) killed the slaves. Finally the landowner sent his son thinking the workers surely would not kill him, too. But they did (Jesus' crucifixion). We know that it is God's way that something good should be born from something bad. Even though

the workers killed the son, new life for the world began with his death and resurrection.

Reflection

We are clearly the vines planted by Isaiah's vineyard keeper. We have been given every opportunity to love and serve God, but are the grapes of our vines wild or will we yield a good crop?

The vineyard of Matthew's Gospel has been left to us. The owner's son was killed, but new life began with his resurrection. The field has been entrusted to our care—that is the field of the Church and God's world. We are called to continue the care of the vineyard and be faithful to its mission. The fruit we yield must be good. Therefore, we need to work actively in our Church and world to be sure that it is God's will that prevails.

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Celebrate the Baby by Helping Babies!

The parish will be collecting baby items during the month of October to donate to the Women's Pregnancy Crisis Center.

► **BABY DONATIONS to include:**

Diapers – Sizes 4-6, Wipes,
New or gently used Baby Clothes, preferably
12 months and up,
Baby Lotions, and Baby Shampoo.

You can bring your donations to any of the Masses.

¡Celebra al Bebé ayudando a los bebés!

La parroquia estará recolectando artículos para bebés durante el mes de octubre para donarlos al Centro de Crisis de Embarazo de Mujeres.

► **DONACIONES PARA BEBÉS para incluir:**

Pañales - Tallas 4-6, Toallitas húmedas,
Ropa de bebé nueva o poco usada,
preferiblemente de 12 meses en adelante,
Lociones para bebés y Champú para bebés.

Puedes llevar tus donaciones a cualquiera de las Misas.

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● **NOTE** back page of this bulletin for our Jamaica Prize winners and other . . .

More Reports forthcoming later

Thank You Patty for all the information!



Saturday, October 3rd -

5:00PM-IHM – Guadalupanas living and deceased;
+Gloria Castro, Delia Sparkman, Rudy Torres, Nellie,
Dolores, Francisco, Frank Jr., Velia, Juana, Tony y
Patricia Gomez; +Thomas, Josefa, Ascension, &
Raymond Castro; +Angel Saavedra;
For Mia Smart's health

7:00PM St. Albert - Por la Gente de Nolan County

Sunday, October 4th –

8:00AM – IHM Por nuestros seminaristas Cameron
Moore y Martin Luna; +José Cruces;

en acción de gracias por el cumpleaños de Patrick Villa

11:00AM – IHM – In thanksgiving for the birthdays of
Angie, Roland & Daniel Gonzalez, Francisco, Keasson
& Karter Acevedo & Jerika Madrigal;
+Ezequiel, Albina, Delia y Teresa Gonzalez; Ebelio
Solis, Rafael y Concha Acevedo

Tuesday, October 6th 9:00 AM-HF

In thanksgiving to St. Jude

Wednesday, October 7th 6:00PM - IHM

In thanksgiving for the birthdays of Antonio Manuel
Heredia & Samuel Mendez

Thursday, October 8th 9:00 AM-HF

+Richard Ramirez

Friday, October 9th 9:00 AM-HF

In thanksgiving to St. Jude

Saturday, October 10th -

5:00PM-IHM – For the People of Nolan County

Sunday, October 11th –

8:00AM – IHM +Cirilo, Victoria y Lucia Chavira;
+Christopher Cardoza; +Rodrigo DeLoera

11:00AM - +Martina Herrera; +Manuel y Petra Aguilar;
en acción de gracias por el cumpleaños de David Diaz

COLLECTION DATA September 26/27, 2026

ENVELOPES/CHECKS.....	\$2,800.00
LOOSE PLATE.....	1,394.65
Seminarian Education.....	939.00
TOTAL COLLECTION.....	\$5,133.65

"Thank you for your generosity."

HOLY SPIRIT CLEANING SCHEDULE

October 10 – Youth Group October 17 – Parish Council

LIFE CHAIN – *A Peaceful, Prayerful, Public Witness
for the Dignity of Every Human Life*

Please come Pray the Rosary this Sunday, October 4,
2026, from 2:00pm-3:00pm in front of Immaculate Heart
— for an end to abortion and for a greater respect for all
human life — *All are Welcome!*

CONFIRMATIONS – are next Saturday, October 10th,
during the 5:00pm Mass.

ADVANCED STUDY OF THE FAITH – led by Fr.
Johsh, on Saturday, October 10th, at 10:00am at Holy
Family Hall.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – There will be a
training session October 10th, at 10:00am, here at
Immaculate Heart for anyone who is interested in being
a Eucharistic Minister. For more information contact
Deacon David Mendez @325-725-6333.

MINISTROS de la EUCCHARISTIA – Tendremos un
sesión de capacitacion el 10 de octubre a las 10:00am
aqui en Inmaculado Corazon para quienes estén
interesados en servir como ministros de la Eucaristía.
Para más informacion comuniquese con el Diacono
David Mendez @325-6333.

CCD RELIGIOUS EDUCATION 2026-2027

Sunday classes - Pre-K to 6th Grade; 9:30-10:40am
Wednesday Classes -7th to 11th Grades; 7:00-8:30pm

OCIA – Classes have started. If you are needing
Sacraments or would like to learn more about the faith,
you may still sign up to attend. Classes are held on
Thursdays, 6:00pm, Holy Family Hall.

WEDNESDAY – Confessions begin at 5:15pm followed
by Mass at 6:00pm & Adoration until 8:30pm at IHM.

GRUPO MISIONERO - Meets on Thursdays, at
7:00pm at Immaculate Heart Hall

ULTREYA MEETINGS

Sunday, October 4th - 6:00pm (*English*)

Monday, October 5th - 7:00pm (*Spanish*)

at IHM Hall. All are welcome! You don't have to be a
cursillista to attend. For information on the Cursillo
movement, please visit

<http://www.sanangelocursillo.com/home.html>

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c;
Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15;
Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-6; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 11:27-28

Sunday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20;
Mt 22:1-14 [1-10]

Jamaica 2026 Prize Winners

Raffle Ticket Winners

	Ticket #	Prize won	Sold by
1 Brayan Coceres	741	Golf Cart	Domingo Castillo
2 Stephanie Hill	4923	\$2,000 prepaid debit card	Mariann & Mike Aguilar
3 Rita Cantu	2173	Freezer with beef	Diana DeLoera
4 Frank Calderon	5419	Freezer with variety of meat	Loose
5 Danny Camacho	4809	Patio furniture	Mariann & Mike Aguilar
6 Pete Gutierrez	3060	Playstation 5 Pro	Jennifer Adame
7 Luis Villa	2943	Segway Scooter	Lupe DeLoera
8 Sammy Calvio	362	Nintendo Switch 2	Candy Aguayo
9 John Cherek	3500	Propane Grill	Ellie Mendez
10 Kaylee Gallegos	5382	Garmin Smart Watch	Loose

Top Raffle Ticket Sellers

	Tickets Sold	
Mariann & Mike Aguilar	59	
Jessie Castro	28	These amazing sellers that turned in 100 tickets (10 books) or more, excluding Father Josh, were placed in a drawing for a drone. Congratulations to Jennifer Adame for winning drawing.
Father Josh	21	
Jennifer Adame	19	
Lupe DeLoera	17	
Loretta & Leo Hernandez	14	
Sara Aguayo	13	
Ellie Mendez	12	
Luz Pantoja	11	
Domingo Castillo	10	
Salvador Aguayo	10	

Silent Auction Winners

	Bid	
1 Adolfo Garza	\$350.00	Virgin Mary Rug from Turkey
2 Salvador Aguayo	\$50.00	Icon of Jesus from the Holy Land
3 Sara Aguayo	\$350.00	Olive Wood Crucifix from the Holy Land
4 Fabiola Acevedo	\$200.00	Icon of the Transfiguration from Greece
5 Patty & Greg Torres	\$50.00	Painting of the Sacred Heart by Erika DeHoyos
6 Patty & Greg Torres	\$110.00	Icon of the Last Supper from Greece
7 Marguerite Pickett	\$500.00	Bourbon Tasting and Dinner with Father Josh
8 Adam Galvan	\$700.00	Olive Wood Our Lady of Guadalupe from the Holy Land
9 Adam Galvan	\$100.00	Icon of Mary from the Holy Land

Thank you to all who purchased a ticket, sold a ticket, donated prizes, food, drinks and contributed their precious time to make the 2026 Jamaica a great success!