

" NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 7, 2022

Our soul waits for the LORD,
who is our help and our shield.
— Psalm 33:20



FAITH

Our readings today explore how faith begins and how faith works. Faith begins with God's initiative of love, together with God's promise about the future. The passage from Hebrews urges readers to have an assured confidence in God, who promised and delivered a lasting legacy to Abraham. The book of Wisdom reminds readers of the God who promised and delivered freedom from slavery during the Exodus. In the Gospel passage from Luke, Jesus begins with the promise that "your Father is pleased to give you the Kingdom," before describing how to live faithfully during times when God seems absent. God's promises mean that God is fully invested in our future. Living in these promises, we can confidently let go of fear and insecurity. We can anticipate that when God intervenes in our lives, it will be for our benefit. And we can become God's partners in fulfilling these divine promises.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Your ancestors waited in faith and courage for God's promised summons (**Wisdom 18:6-9**).

Psalm — Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own (**Psalm 33**).

Second Reading — Because of his faithful obedience to God's call, Abraham's descendants number as the stars (**Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 [1-2, 8-12]**).

Today's Gospel — Keep watch and be prepared, for you do not know the day or the hour when the Son of Man will appear (**Luke 12:32-48 [35-40]**).

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Mt 17:22-27
- Tuesday:** Ez 2:8 — 3:4; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
- Wednesday:** 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26
- Thursday:** Ez 12:1-12; Ps 78:56-59, 61-62; Mt 18:21 — 19:1
- Friday:** Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Mt 19:3-12
- Saturday:** Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 19:13-15
- Sunday:** Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2-4, 18; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday:** Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday:** St. Dominic
- Tuesday:** St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein)
- Wednesday:** St. Lawrence
- Thursday:** St. Clare
- Friday:** St. Jane Frances de Chantal
- Saturday:** Ss. Pontian and Hippolytus; Blessed Virgin Mary

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

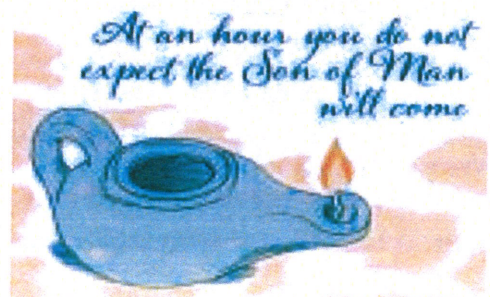
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Almighty ever-living God,
whom, taught by the Holy Spirit,
we dare to call our Father,
bring, we pray, to perfection in our hearts
the spirit of adoption as your sons and daughters,
that we may merit to enter into the inheritance
which you have promised.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

What does it mean to be an adopted son or daughter of the Father?

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WEEKLY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Masks are encouraged.

SUNDAY: 8:00 a.m. MASS
10:00 a.m. MASS
WEDNESDAY MASS: 9:00 a.m.
PRAYER MEETING: 6:00 p.m.

SUNDAY AUGUST 14TH ASSIGNMENTS

SERVERS: 8:00 a.m. John Mendy,
Luciana Mendy
10:00 a.m. All Servers

LECTORS: 8:00 a.m. Angela Curry,
Everette Curry
10:00 a.m. Diane Charity,
Ramonda Doakes

WELCOME: Caleb Johnson

COUNTERS: Team Two:
Leah Henderson
Shirley Thaw
Kim Urenda

DIOCESAN TRAINING AVAILABLE

- ✓ EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
 - ✓ OF HOLY COMMUNION
- WORKSHOP**

Tuesday, September 27, 2022

St. Mark Parish

- ✓ READERS TRAINING WORKSHOP
(Lectors)

Wednesday, September 28, 2022

St. Mark Parish

St. Monica Parishioners: Please call our Church Office to register for these classes. 816-471-3696.

OUR SPECIAL PRAYER LIST

Please notify Father Leonard when a family member has been hospitalized or has become homebound. Call the Church Office, 16-471-3696, or email leombuthia@yahoo.com.

Jeanette Hamilton, Rosa Birch, Delores Bazy, Vera Brown, Kevin Brown, Ray Myers, Vauncille Bartlett, Mary Ann Grayson, Donald & Mable Parson, Sergio Mendoza, Earl Greene, Jr., Ovell & Frances Thomas, Dorothy Mustin, Earnestine Nard, Flora Waddell, Elaine Lomax, Donna Dupree, Cheryl Warren, Chaunceyetta Mize, Rhea Holloman, Clara Mays, Melva McClellan, Carlos & Paula Nix, Velma Jennings, Brenda A. Martin, Margaret Sams, Yvonne Dillahunty, John & Debra Johnson, Carrie Miller

THE DIOCESE OF KANSAS CITY /ST. JOSEPH - is committed to *combating sexual abuse in the Church.* If you are a victim of sexual abuse or suspect sexual abuse,

- 1) Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline, at 1-800-392-3728 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18
- 2) Contact your local Law Enforcement Agency, or call 911, and
- 3) After report to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult to the Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, crayon@ombudsmankc.org, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese or of Kansas City- St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families.

- ✓ VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED
- ✓ ALTAR SERVERS
- ✓ COUNTERS
- ✓ EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
- ✓ LAWN & GARDEN TEAM MEMBERS,
- ✓ LECTORS
- ✓ USHERS

Please call the Church Office, to join one or more of these ministries.

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Training will be provided.

CIRCLE OF GRACE® FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

- **Circle of Grace®** - is the required safety training that must be provided annually to the children (Pre-K through 12th grade) in our parish programs, sacramental preparation classes and in our schools. Contact Don Stubbings, stubbings@diocesekcsj.org.

Please Contact:

St. Monica Director Religious Education:

Ramonda Doakes,
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