

**September 26, 2021**  
**Twenty-sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

*Numbers 11: 25-29*

*Psalm 19*

*James 5: 1-6*

*Mark 9: 38-43, 45, 47-48*

Not Dependent or Independent but Interdependent

In the first reading we see a manifestation of mystic exaltation. God bestows on others that which Moses had with God. Moses had a close relationship with God and now God was spreading it to others. The mystical relationship Moses had must go beyond Moses so that the community of faith may grow and prosper.

God wants all His creatures to know His love. That is God's aim. Therefore, God leads and guides us so that we may experience this love. As the psalm says, "The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart." It goes on to say the Lord's law is perfect and His decree is trustworthy. It refreshes the soul and gives wisdom to the simple. All of this is to be shared by all. No one person has a monopoly on God's gift of love.

We must examine our works (actions) to test them lest what we do keeps others from experiencing God's love. It is tempting to make people dependent on another. Making someone dependent is a way of controlling a person. On the other hand it is not right to be totally independent. As such one takes no responsibility for others and shuns another person's intimacy. The truth and reality of spirituality is we all are to be *interdependent*.

By being interdependent we are responsible for and *with* each other. This involves reciprocity wherein we reach out to the other in understanding before the other even reaches to us. We do not wait to be loved before we love. We are to be like God who loves us and shows mercy even though we do not show Him love in the first place. We reach out to others so that they may not be isolated and unfulfilled.

In the second reading James makes the point life on earth is transitory. Do not grasp at things that just do not last. There will be ruin of the godless that do not care about others. Being in possession of worldly goods might bring immediate satisfaction and even momentary stability and the goods themselves are not necessarily evil. Yet, there are people rich in earthly things that are unjust in their use of these things. They use what they have to exploit the vulnerable and poor. This is James' moral exhortation.

In the Gospel passage Jesus gives a warning against jealousy and intolerance. He wants us to understand serving the needy is welcoming God the Father. We find God in the one who needs help. Our lives are

intertwined. Who dictates what happens to the rest of us. We all interact with one another. We must keep alert to God's love that is present to some degree in all people. God works through people He places in our lives unexpectedly. That is what is meant by being interdependent. We are all part of the one work of creation working together helping each other. Each one of us is a part of the other. Each of us must take responsibility for our self and for the other. We are not dependent or independent. We are interdependent.

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**  
**Gn2:18-24;Heb2:9-11;Mk10:2-16**

Stewardship

Attendance last week:	208
Tithes Collected:	\$3,471.00
Online Giving:	\$645.00
Total:	\$4,116.00

Thank you!

**LITURGY FOR SEPTEMBER 26, 2021**  
**26<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time: Cycle B**

- **SONG #1: ALL ARE WELCOME HERE** (Pérez-Cuan)  
**ALL ARE WELCOME HERE, ALL ARE WELCOME HERE.**  
**WE ARE, WELCOME HERE! WE ARE, WELCOME HERE!**
  1. As we gather as one people, all are welcome in God's Holy place. Love is flowing, God is calling and we glorify His name.
  2. We are brothers, we are sisters, and together we seek harmony. Joyful voices, all around us let our praises rise to You!
  3. Fill our hearts Lord with your fire. Bless your people with your love and grace. In your promise, we have faith Lord; we rejoice. We give You thanks!
  4. All are welcome at His table. Sharing His bread, that's blessed and broken. Living water, source of all life; you give us unending love!
- **PSALM 19:** (D.Perez-Cuan)  
**The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.**
- **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** (Mass of Peace/Perez)  
**Your word, O Lord, is truth; consecrate us in the truth.**

**SONG # 2: ONLY THIS I WANT** (Schutte)

1. **Only this I want: but to know the Lord, and to bear his cross, so to wear the crown he wore.**
2. All but this is loss, worthless refuse to me, for to gain the Lord is to gain all I need.

3. I will run the race; I will fight the good fight, so to win the prize of the kingdom of my Lord.
4. Let your heart be glad, always glad in the Lord, so to shine like stars in the darkness of the night.

• **SONG #3: One Bread, One Body (Foley)**

1. **One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless. And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.**
2. Gentile of Jew, servant or free, woman or man, no more.
3. Many the gifts, many the works, one in the Lord of all.
4. Grain for the fields, scattered and grown, gathered to one, for all.

• **SONG # 4: I CHOOSE TO LOVE (D. Pérez-Cuan)**

1. Under God's eyes, we're all the same;  
We're all His children. He loves us all,  
so I choose love, I choose to love;  
you my brother and you my sister.  
I choose to love, I choose to love  
with all my heart with all my soul,  
with all my strength, with all my mind  
I choose to love!  
With all my heart, with all my soul,  
with all my strength, with all my mind  
I choose to love!
2. There is no doubt, that in our hearts,  
we hold the power to love each other;  
it's up to you to freely give  
the gift of love to all the world:  
Let's choose to love, let's choose to love  
with all our hearts, with all our souls,  
with all our strength, with all our minds,  
let's choose to love.
3. Where there is hatred, let's show them love. Where  
there is anger, let's show them more love. There's  
only one thing that really matters. That we love  
each other, the way that God loves us.
4. The time is now, to trust your heart.  
Don't fear what love brings. God's guiding light will  
lead your way, let's choose to love  
with all our hearts, with all our souls,  
with all our strength, with all our minds,  
let's choose to love... let's choose to love  
with all our hearts, with all our souls,  
with all our strength, with all our minds,  
let's choose to love.

• **SONG # 5: WITH ONE VOICE**

1. Take the Word and go out to every land; shine the light of Christ for all to see! May the lives of those we touch sing praise to God above. Let us sing, we'll sing:
2. **With one voice we'll pass the Word along; with one voice, bring justice to the world. And with all the angels we'll spread the goodness of God. With all power and glory the Word of God shall reign.**
3. Take the Word to our neighborhoods and streets; shine the light of Christ for all to see! May we all set out to live in peace and harmony. They will see and sing:
4. Take the Word to the people in despair; shine the light of Christ for all to see! May our actions and our deeds bring comfort to their needs. And they'll know and sing:
5. Take the Word to the nations everywhere; shine the light of Christ for all to see! May the witness of our lives transform the world anew. And we'll shine, we'll shine;

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### MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 25

4:00 p.m. † Ralph Cahill by Vivian  
Ryan Hurst by St. Vincent de Paul Society

Sunday, September 26

9:00 a.m. Blessed Sacrament Parish  
10:45 a.m. † Maria Pozo & Jose Ariza by Maria & Natalia  
† Frank Bruno Pileggi, Jr. by Melissa & Joe Johnson

Monday, September 27

8:00 a.m. NO MASS

Tuesday, September 28

8:00 a.m. † Souls In Purgatory by Richard & Margaret Schmelz

Wednesday, September 29

8:00 a.m. † Mary V. Murphy by Daniel Murphy

Thursday, September 30

8:00 a.m. Paul Maxwell by Beatrice Francis

Friday, October 1

8:00 a.m. † Souls In Purgatory by Richard & Margaret Schmelz

Saturday, October 2

4:00 p.m. † William Blaha by Mom & Dad  
† Marie Lang by Melissa & Joe Johnson

Sunday, October 3

9:00 a.m. † Capt. Edward Samuel Walsh, US Army  
by Walsh Family  
10:45 a.m. † Carol Hannan Kitkowski by Tom & Mary Hardy  
† Burt Lacks by Vivian