

# Assumption Catholic Church

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*Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*September 18, 2022*



*You cannot serve both God and mammon.*

LUKE 16:13

***May You Find Christ Here...May You Bring Christ to the World!***

**Mass Schedule:**

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, 12 noon

Friday, 9:00 a.m.

**Confessions:**

Saturdays, 3:00-3:45 p.m.

Weekdays, 30 mins. prior to Mass

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**Office Hours:**

Monday - Thursday

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**Bulletin Deadline:**

Wednesday, 12 noon

## Sunday Reflection: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

What is the point of Jesus' parable of the rich man and the steward (Luke 16:1-13)? Jesus did not praise the steward for his dishonest behavior but for his shrewd foresight in relieving the debts of others who he believed would, in turn, treat him as a friend and show him mercy, kindness, and generosity in his time of need and great want. Jesus immediately followed this parable with an exhortation to his followers to make use of the world's material goods, including "tainted money," to relieve those who are indebted to us for the material and physical help we give them in their time of need and want. In the Scriptures generous giving is connected with almsgiving, the sharing of our financial and material resources with those in need (Luke 12:33). Those who receive alms become our friends because we are merciful to them in their time of need. And God who sees all rewards those who are generous in helping others.

What is the enemy of generosity? It's greed, the excessive desire for personal gain and security. However, we do not need to be afraid for true generosity which does not impoverish the giver, but enriches that person a hundredfold! Our money, time, and possessions are precious resources and gifts from God. We can guard them jealously for ourselves alone or allow the love of the Lord to guide us in making good use of them for the benefit of others, especially those in need. Ask the Lord to fill our heart with a spirit of generosity and joy in sharing what we have with others. Let us pray: Lord Jesus, all that I have is a gift from you. May I love you freely and generously with all that I possess. Help me to be a wise and faithful steward of the resources you put at my disposal, including the use of my time, money, health and possessions.

### Readings for Next Sunday,

September 25, 2022

Amos 6:1a, 4-7

1 Timothy 6:11-16

Luke 16:19-31

## † Saint Matthew the Apostle

Saint Matthew is the first-century tax collector turned apostle who chronicled the life and ministry of Christ in his Gospel. Although relatively little is known about the life of St. Matthew, the account he wrote of Christ's ministry – traditionally considered to be the first of the four Gospels – is of immeasurable value, particularly in its verification of Jesus as the Messiah.



*Feast Day: September 21*

The Gospel accounts of Mark and Luke, like Matthew's own, describe the encounter between Jesus and Matthew under the surprising circumstances of Matthew's tax-collecting duties. Jewish publicans, who collected taxes on behalf of the Roman rulers of first-century Judea, were objects of scorn and even hatred among their own communities, since they worked on behalf of the occupying power and often earned their living by collecting more than the state's due.

Jesus most likely first encountered Matthew near the house of Peter, in Capernaum near the Sea of Galilee. The meeting of the two was dramatic, as Matthew's third-person account in his Gospel captured: "As Jesus passed on, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the customs post. He said to him, 'Follow me'. And he got up and followed him."

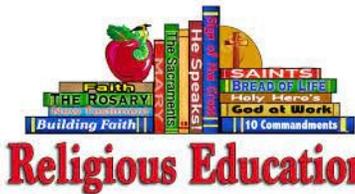
St. Matthew is thought to have died near present day Egypt as a martyr while preaching the Gospel. He is the patron saint of bankers.

Source: [catholicnewsagency.com](http://catholicnewsagency.com)



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## CCD Classes Begin Next Sunday!

We are very excited to begin a new year of religious education in our parish!

Our semester begins next Sunday, September 25, with a welcome back party for all students. There will be time for them to get reacquainted with their teachers and classmates, games, prizes, and snacks!

The full class schedule for the first semester will be shared with parents soon. Some special dates to remember:

- September 25 Welcome back event
- October 2 Parent Meeting
- November 13 Youth Mass
- December 11 Youth Mass
- December 11 Christmas Program (time TBD)

As a reminder, classes are held on Sundays immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass and conclude at 10:30 a.m. If you have not yet registered your child, please contact the Parish Office.

*Today across our Diocese we celebrate Catechetical Sunday. This day gives us an opportunity to reflect on the role we each play in passing on our faith and to thank those who have answered the call of sharing God's word with the children of our parish:*

### **Director of Religious Education**

Kelley Kuhn

### **Pre-K and Kindergarten**

Rebekah Rhodes

Landon Rhodes (aid)

### **Grades 1 and 2**

Jean Harber

Carlie and Abby Del Signore (aids)

### **Grades 3 and 4**

Meredythe Barrick

### **Grades 5 and 6**

Marie Del Signore and Julie Alt

Jane Placka (aid)

### **Grades 7 and 8**

Kelley Kuhn and Joe Maybury

### **Grades 9-12**

Jeff Kuhn

Bob Konka (aid)

### **Youth Group Coordinator**

Jill Blacka

## Mass Schedule and Intentions

Date	Time	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, September 17	4:00 p.m.	Soul of Harry Barrick .....	Howard & Karen Barrick
		The Alt, Cobb & Kuh families.....	Dean Alt
Sunday, September 18	8:30 a.m.	Soul of Joseph W. Willis.....	Mary Alexander
Monday, September 19	No Mass		
Tuesday, September 20	No Mass		
Wednesday, September 21	5:00 p.m.	Souls of John & Hazel Coffman.....	Cindy & Jim Alt
		Soul of Domenick Greco.....	Sue Greco
Thursday, September 22	12 noon	Soul of Bobby Dorsey .....	Marion Dorsey
		Soul of Dolores Fairall.....	Nancy Starcher
Friday, September 23	9:00 a.m.	Soul of Harold Doolan.....	Mike & Rosie Landis
		Souls of Larry & Carmela DeMasi .....	Dena Turner
Saturday, September 24	4:00 p.m.	The Marsh, Roach & Cessna families.....	Linda Marsh
Sunday, September 25	8:30 a.m.	Soul of Ron Chiccehitto .....	Jan Chiccehitto
		Soul of Gwendolyn DeMasi.....	Her Loving Family



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## It's Donut Sunday!

Please join us after Mass next Sunday (September 25) at St. Mary's Hall for donuts, coffee and fellowship! Thank you to the Parish Council for hosting this month's event.

### Collections & Attendance September 10-11, 2022

#### Offertory

Offertory Envelopes .....	\$2,454
Loose Donations .....	\$800
Repairs & Maintenance .....	\$75
Votive Candles .....	\$119
Poor Box .....	\$102
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$3,550</b>

#### Attendance

Saturday, 9/10 .....	72
Sunday, 9/11 .....	44
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>116</b>

### National Collection for The Catholic University of America

A Diocesan collection is scheduled for next Sunday, September 25, for The Catholic University of America. For 135 years, the university has educated students who go on to serve the nation and transform the world. Gifts to this collection provide critical support to students, as well as helping to fund research initiatives and training programs which assist dioceses and parishes around the country in addressing challenges faced by the Catholic Church. To learn more, visit [igivecatholictogether.org](http://igivecatholictogether.org).

### Liturgical Minister Schedule

#### Saturday, September 24

Lector: Karen Yowler  
Servers: James & Tess Maybury  
EM: Jean Harber  
Cantor: Anita Tetreault  
Greeters: Sue & Jean Harber

#### Sunday, September 25

Lector: Kelley Kuhn  
Servers: Abby & Libby Del Signore  
EM: Tina Stephen  
Cantor: Nancy Starcher  
Greeters: Tony & Marie Del Signore

#### Saturday, October 1

Lector: Alan Taylor  
Servers: Tucker Newlin & Jude Barrick  
EM: Janet Corley  
Cantor: Anita Tetreault  
Greeters: Kelli & Kerri Wittman

#### Sunday, October 2

Lector: Paul Bogdan  
Servers: Mike & Rosie Landis  
EM: David Minnich  
Cantor: Nancy Starcher  
Greeters: Paul Bogdan & Janet Corley



Former parishioner Tony DiBacco has extended an invitation to all of us to attend the party celebrating his 100th birthday! It will be held on Saturday, October 1, from 12:30 to 3:30 at St.

Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church social hall (316 Brown Street, Thomas, WV). Please, no gifts or cards. Also, Mass at St. Thomas is at 5 p.m. on Saturdays.



*May your blessings be as countless  
as the autumn leaves.*

*Autumn begins September 22*

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