

# TWENTY—SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## PASTOR'S CORNER

**After all those years being together, I realize that your image of a good pastor might have evolved.** So to clarify certain aspects of this on-going process, I want to share with you the chain letter called “The Perfect Pastor.” It describes him in these ten points:

1. The perfect pastor preaches exactly 10 minutes and always says everything that needs to be said.
2. He always makes the message of the Gospel comfortable, because he knows how to smooth out the rough edges, sanitize the language and naturalize the supernatural.
3. He condemns sin boldly but never hurts anyone’s feelings, because for him the twofold commandment of love is just a mere exhortation to being nice and kind.
4. He works from 8 A.M. until midnight, because he is also the church janitor and parish secretary in-between.
5. He is always ready to answer the calls and messages of his parishioners between midnight and 8 o’clock.
6. He makes \$200 a week, wears good clothes, drives a nice car, eats at good restaurants and donates \$100 a week to the church.
7. He is a 29 year-old handsome man who has already 40 years’ experience of being a priest.
8. He makes many home and school visits a day and spends hours in his office to be handy when needed.
9. He is also in the confessional most of the time.
10. In a word, the perfect pastor simply knows how to please everyone in his parish, because he is never angry, sick or tired.

This chain letter concludes with this statement: *“If your pastor does not measure up, simply send this notice to the other churches that are tired of their pastor too. Then bundle up your pastor and send him to the church at the top of the list. If everyone cooperates, in one week you will receive so many pastors, and one of them should be perfect.”*

**P.S. Good luck to you, and just one more thing:** A pastor was going through the mail one day. Drawing a single sheet of paper from an envelope, he found just one word: “FOOL.” The next Sunday he made this announcement: *“I have known many people who have written letters and forgot to sign their names. But this week I received a letter from someone who signed his name and forgot to write a letter.”* So perhaps being prudent and wise is better than trying to be perfect, for it is healthier, but let me assure you that it is a life-long struggle to keep it healthy.

*Fr. Slawek*

# SEPTEMBER 29, 2024



## MASS INTENTIONS

### Tuesday, October 1

9 a.m. Private Intentions.

### Wednesday, October 2

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of David Emer req. by the Emer family.

### Thursday, October 3

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Irene & Hubert Yau req. by Margaret Leung . Galen Leung & family.

### Friday, October 4

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Irene & Hubert Yau req. by Margaret Leung . Galen Leung & family.

### Saturday, October 5

4:30p.m. Private Intentions.

### Sunday, October 6

9 a.m. Repose of the soul of Albert Nicholas req. by the Santhiapillai family.

11 a.m. Repose of the soul of Carmalita Cosgrove req. by the Legion of Mary.



## COFFEE & TEA SOCIAL

Wednesday, October 2, 2024

After the 9 a.m. Mass in the Parish



## ARE YOU MOVING? OR HAVE YOU ALREADY MOVED?

Please contact the parish office so your records can be updated. Thank you.



Children's Liturgy will be during the 9 am mass.



## HOLY SPIRIT PARISH INCOME/EXPENSE

Diocesan Assessment for January—June 2024:  
\$ 31, 289.00—5 installment payments

### SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

#### Ordinary Income

Regular Envelope Offering	\$ 3, 940.00
Loose offering	\$ 75.00
Building Fund	\$ 210.00
Votive Candles	\$ 300.00
Church Rental	\$ 2, 800.00 (Sacred Heart CM Church—Aug. pymt)
Parking Rental	\$ 345.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 7, 602.00</b>

#### Ordinary Expense

Church Expense:	\$ 1, 896.80
Assessment payment: 4 of 5	\$ 6, 257.80
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 8, 154.60</b>

### SEPTEMBER 22, 2024

#### Ordinary Income

Regular Envelope Offering	\$ 3, 112.00
Loose offering	\$ 152.00
Parking Rental	\$ 770.00
Votive Candles	\$ 310.00
Donate Now (online donation )	\$ 1, 935.29
PAG (preauthorized giving monthly)	\$ 4, 713.16
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$10, 992.45</b>

#### Ordinary Expense

Church Expense:	\$14, 538.73 (Payroll incl.)
Assessment payment: 5 of 5	\$ 6, 257.80
	<b>\$20, 796.53</b>

## SACRAMENTAL PREPARATIONS SESSIONS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 2024 -2025

Parents and/or Guardians, if you have a young person who will be in grades 2 thru 7 who have not made their sacraments for the school year 2024-2025, and they wish the reception of either First Holy Communion, Confirmation or both, please be advised that a letter will be given out in our parish schools in September. Also, much of our notices/communications about Sacramental prep is posted in the parish bulletins so please be vigilant and pick up weekly bulletins. Peace of Christ!

- Info Session for the Sacrament of Confirmation will be on Sunday, October 6th after the 11 a.m. Mass at the Church Hall.



## THE SOCIETY OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL HOLY SPIRIT CONFERENCE

Every time we pass by the Poor Box, let us remind ourselves of God's mercy and compassion. It is in showing kindness and compassion to those who are in need, that we can be His witnesses. Love is itself the fulfillment of all our works. God's love is unconditional. Be sure that yours is too! Please remember the Poor Box on your way out of the Church.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!**