



October 5, 2025

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THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4 | 2 Tim 1:6-8, 13-14 | Lk 17:5-10

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples: "When you have done all you have been commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.'" I think what Jesus is drawing us to see is the humility we need as his disciples. It's easy to get puffed up, thinking, "Well, I've done this" or "I've done that" in service of God. We can even start to feel that God owes us. But we are called to love God for God's own sake, not for the accolades or even the reward that comes from faithfully serving him. St. Ignatius of Loyola penned a beautiful prayer called the Prayer for Generosity that expresses the sentiment that I feel is at the heart of our Scriptures today: "Eternal Word, only begotten Son of God, teach me true generosity. Teach me to serve you as you deserve. To give without counting the cost ... to sacrifice myself without thought of any reward save the knowledge that I have done your will." Let's ask God to help us to serve him with generous hearts.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

In his second letter to Timothy, Paul calls us to "bear [our] share of the hardship for the gospel with the strength that comes from God." Serving the Lord requires that we rely on the gift of the Spirit within us who empowers us to serve courageously and generously. The good news, Paul tells us, is that "God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control." In our efforts to serve God and to share our faith with others, let's remember that it is God's grace that is at work within us, equipping us and strengthening us. Let's remember Jesus' promise that even if we only have faith the size of a tiny mustard seed, we can still do great things for God. Indeed, through the gift of faith and the gift of his Holy Spirit, God has truly given us immense spiritual power.

PRAY

Take a moment to examine your own heart. Is your discipleship fueled more by a hope of reward (heaven), or, by pure love of God? Take some time to pray with St. Ignatius of Loyola's Prayer for Generosity (the full text can be found online), asking the Lord to increase your generosity in serving him.



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OUR MISSION

‘Inspired by the Holy Spirit we are a Eucharistic community called by God
To share the love of Jesus Christ and create a welcoming parish of renewal and mission.’

THIS WEEK

OCTOBER 5	OCTOBER 6	OCTOBER 7	OCTOBER 8	OCTOBER 9	OCTOBER 10	OCTOBER 11
CWL Food Drive 10a Mass 12p Mass 1-4p Adoration 7p Mass	9:30a CWL Quilters 6p Baptism Prep 6:30p RCIA	8:30a Mass 6p K of C Supper/ Meeting 7p Rosary Making	8:30a Mass 7p Adoration	8:30a Mass 1:30p 55+ Cards 	8:30a Mass 9a-12p Adoration	11a-12p Confession 5p Mass



October is the month of the Rosary.

Check out the table in the Place of Welcome for activities and resources.



 “Here I am Lord, Send me!” CWL is open to all women of the parish 16 years and older.
Please join us for our next general meeting on **October 14, 2025. Mass at 6:30 pm, meeting to follow.**
Please note: we are holding a food drive for Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish on the weekend of October 4/5. We will be accepting food and monetary donations. If you choose to give financial support in the form of a cheque, please make the cheque out to Our Lady of Gaudalupe Parish.
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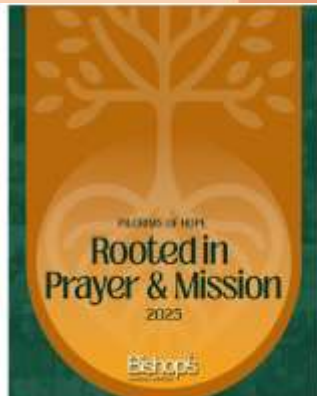
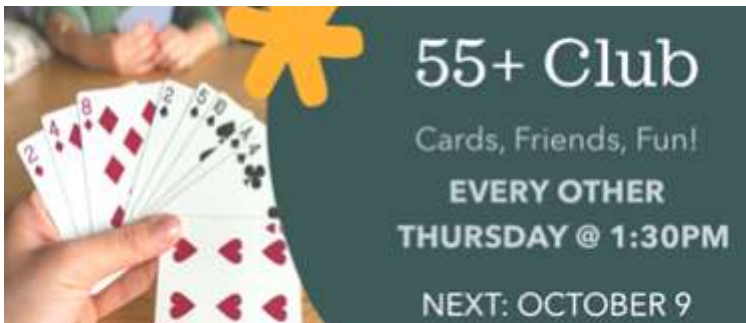
**THE POPE'S
PRAYER
INTENTIONS**

For collaboration between different religious traditions.

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity. OCTOBER 2025

WE PLEDGE 5%

Care and Share is an outreach program that coordinates support for children in Saskatoon's 17 community elementary schools. The program assists St. John's Ambulance in offering a babysitting course to 12 year old youths in the community schools to help them gain first aid skills. Care and Share also supports a dignity fund. If a child does not have the dignity of underwear or socks, shoes or weather appropriate clothing to wear, this fund is used to purchase what they need. This is offered to any children in the city that need assistance. Personal hygiene supplies like soap, shampoo and toothbrushes are also provided. Thank you for your support. www.careandsharesaskatoon.com



**BISHOP'S
ANNUAL APPEAL
MAIL OUT**

If you haven't received yours, visit the BAA Table in the Place of Welcome

LET US PRAY

- For the sick and all those who care for them, today we pray for: Vera Wolkosky, Callam Olver, Bob Kudel, Frederick Vizeacoumar, Vijaykumar Soupramania Modaliar, Helen Kemper, Phil Klassen, Evangeline Manzon, Erin Stevens,
- For all those who have died, today we remember: Ron Walsh, Val Mercredi
- And on the anniversary of death: Stan Wormsbecker, Carol Lesko, Maria Benita Fernando, Maria Mayflor Salvacion

We pray to the Lord

Lost and Found

Visit the table in the Place of Welcome. Items not picked up by **October 10** will be donated to the CWL Clothing Depot.

The Joyful Mysteries | Mysteries of the Rosary | Trailer

St. Padre Pio said, "The Rosary is the 'weapon' for these times." This incredible film series takes viewers right to the Holy Land, where these Mysteries actually happened, encouraging deeper reflection and meditation on them.

Our parish has a free Formed subscription for you! Simply scan the QR code or visit formed.org/signup to create your account and select our parish to get free access to this content and much more!

MASS TIMES

Saturday 5 pm

Sunday 10 am, 12 noon, 7 pm

Weekdays Tues. - Fri. 8:30 am

ADORATION

Wednesdays 7-8pm

Fridays, 9 am - 12 pm

Sundays, 1 - 4 pm

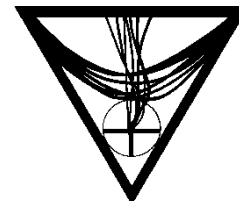
CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 11 am - 12 noon

or by appointment.



For more news and events in our diocese, see the Diocesan Bulletin at rcdos.ca under the News and Events tab.



Update to Holy Spirit Parishioners
Caring for Our Church Home Project
September 30, 2025

The Original Project

Our major renovation project is nearing completion.

To recap, the original scope of work included:

- Replacement of the rectory roof due to its 40 + years of age,
- Replacement of the cedar shingles on the mansard roof with asphalt shingles,
- Replacement of the heating and cooling system in the sanctuary, chapel, sacristy and music rooms due to failed under slab ducting and failure of the large 12.5-ton unit serving the south half of the sanctuary,
- Replacement of two furnaces serving the rectory

The initial project was projected to cost \$970,601. Actual costs are projected at \$982,566.

Work completed to date:

- Rectory roof is completed.
 - Including relining the internal eavestroughs and downspouts, which were as old as the original rectory roof.
- Asphalt shingles on the mansard roof have been completed.
- Heating and cooling units are installed and operational. There were three units installed on the roof and one unit installed on a stand behind the church.
- Rectory furnaces are installed.

Work still in process:

- Due to the failed under slab ducts, the re-design for heating and cooling airflow required installation of ducting on the walls.
 - The galvanized ducting is completed but the architectural covering of the ducts is in process.

- Painting and installation of LED lighting will be the last phases of this work. The LED lighting is required to minimize shadows under the ducting mounted on the interior walls.
- The new heating and cooling system will undergo an air balancing as soon as the ductwork finishes are done.
 - We are also working to have the return air louvres adjusted to minimize sound of the new heating and cooling system.
- Under slab ducts are being filled at the vent locations and covered with carpet to match, carpet which was taken from the sacristy. New flooring is being installed in the sacristy.
- New ceilings are to be installed in the confessional, sacristy and music rooms to cover the recently installed exposed ducting.
- A security fence will be installed around the large HVAC unit installed at the back of the church.

The Unexpected by the NE-Stained Glass Windows

During the process of installing the curb cuts for the HVAC units it was determined that there was significant saturation of the **NE roof section** by the stained-glass windows.

There has been leaking in that section of roofing for years, which was also very evident during the significant rains we experienced this summer. We were able to find sources of multiple leaks from the top of the bell tower down to and around the stained-glass windows, which had resulted in rotted wood structure and roof saturation.

The solution was to remove and replace this entire roof section, the exterior stucco wall in that alcove area, flashings on the beams of the metal roof sections and reseal of seams along the metal roof edges. The cost for this work was unavoidable and cost \$152,590. This work is completed.

Thanks to our parishioners for your understanding and financial support. It is our hope to have this project completed as soon as possible.

Building and Finance Committees

Nurturing Faith, Forming Disciples: Support the Ministries that Shape the Future of Our Church

In the heart of our diocese, two vital ministries are cultivating a new generation of faithful Catholics: **The Office of Evangelization & Catechesis and the Youth Ministry Office**. Their work is transformative reaching hundreds of lives through faith formation, leadership training, spiritual retreats and pastoral care.

Highlights from this Past Year:

- ✠ 318 Students encountered Christ through Confirmation Retreats, a remarkable increase of 128 youth from the previous year.
- ✝ 40 Candidates and 32 Catechumens participated in the Rite of Election, publicly affirming their journey toward full communion with the Church.
- 🌺 Over 250 leaders and ministers were enriched through the Fall and Spring Congresses, emphasizing the synergy of catechesis, evangelization, and liturgical beauty.
- 👤 172 lay ministers received training to serve as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, expanding Eucharistic reverence throughout the diocese.

Youth Ministry Office: A Church Alive with Young People

This year's spiritual impact:

- 🌱 Project Timothy mentored 25 young adults through a year-long leadership and faith formation journey, culminating in retreats and deepened spirituality.
- 🔥 Search Retreats empowered 80+ high school students in peer-led environments to discover Jesus in a personal and communal way.
- 🏆 Conquest & Challenge Clubs fostered weekly virtue-based formation for children ages 8–15, led by over 20 teen mentors. One club's food drive collected 3,000+ items for the Saskatoon Food Bank.
- ✈ Pilgrimage to Rome brought 29 young adults on a 10-day journey of hope and spiritual awakening culminating in an audience with Pope Leo.

This ministry touched over 325 young lives this year alone and the impact will echo for generations.

Why Your Support Matters

Behind every retreat, training, and gathering is your generosity. The Bishop's Annual Appeal makes these ministries possible ensuring that faith continues to flourish in our families, parishes, and hearts..

🙏 Be the reason someone encounters Christ.

Your contributions to the BAA enables this ministry to work with community partners and parishes



Give online at: <https://dscf.ca/baa> or contact
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

OCTOBER 5 — 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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Oct. 5, 2025 - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

<https://rcdos.ca>



*In all things we are rooted in Christ,
in His desire to bring God's love to all peoples.*

Upcoming Events

Life Chain: peaceful and prayerful pro-life witness will be held 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. **Sunday, Oct. 5** in Saskatoon at Idylwyld Dr. and 22nd Street; in Unity, SK, at Hwy 21 and 1st Avenue E.; and in Humboldt, SK, at the Civic Park. More info: www.campaignlifecoalition.com/life-chain.

Awaken Adult Faith: "I Believe" series about the Creed will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesdays in October at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 2nd floor of the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon. Cost is \$40 for the four sessions, held **Oct. 7, 14, 21 and 28**. Register at: <https://form.jotform.com/SaskatoonDiocese/awakenfall2025> or call Astrid Alas for information: (306) 659-5858. (*Adult Faith is supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.*)

Devotion to the Holy Face of Jesus will be held at 7:45 p.m. **Tuesday, Oct. 7** at St. Paul Co-Cathedral, 720 Spadina Crescent East, Saskatoon; includes Chaplet of the Holy Face, and prayers of reparation.

Theology on Tap For Young Adults 19 to 35: STM Just Youth Leader, Newman Executive member and Western Canadian Development and Peace Youth Ambassador Samuel Medernach is guest speaker at Louis' on Campus 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. **Tuesday, Oct. 7**. All are welcome!

One Million Children Praying the Rosary: Aid to the Church in Need is calling upon children and families to join in prayer on the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary **Tuesday, Oct. 7**, "for peace and unity in a world wounded by division, conflict, and suffering." Find resources on the ACN website at: <https://acn-canada.org/one-million-children>.

Catechist Connection for catechists throughout the diocese. There are two times to choose from: noon to 1 p.m. or 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. **Oct. 8, Nov. 5, and Dec. 10**. For more info contact Rural Catechesis Coordinator Quin Kleiboer at (306) 659-5857. (*Rural Catechesis is supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal.*)

STM Lecture: "Abraham The Migrant: Search for Belonging" will be presented by Fr. Sami Helewa, SJ, at 7 p.m. **Thursday, Oct. 9** at Fr. O'Donnell Auditorium, St. Thomas More, 1437 College Dr., Saskatoon. All are welcome to this free Leslie and Irene Dubé Catholic Studies event.

Bishop's Annual Appeal

"Pilgrims of Hope Rooted in Prayer and Mission"

Find this year's video, information, and online giving at: dscf.ca/baa.

Evangelization & Catechesis & Youth and Young Adult Ministry

are among the ministries supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal: reaching hundreds of lives through faith formation, leadership training, spiritual retreats and pastoral care.

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Discernment Night for Women: A monthly gathering will be held 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. **Thursday, Oct. 9** at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, 1224-12th Street East, Saskatoon Sk. for young women who want to stop and reflect on their journey with the Lord together. No registration required. All welcome!

A Vocation Discernment Night for Men will be held at 7 p.m. **Friday, Oct. 10** at Sts. Benedict and Scholastica residence, 1136 Temperance St., Saskatoon. The topic will be religious life and the Dominican order with guest speaker Fr. David Bellusci, OP. Contact Chris Ruest by Oct. 8 if interested in attending: c.ruest24@gmail.com.

Mass for Care of Creation: Bishop Mark Hagemoen will use new Mass prayers for the Care of Creation at a celebration of the Eucharist 9 a.m. **Sunday, Oct. 12** at Cathedral of the Holy Family 123 Nelson Rd, Saskatoon, and live-streamed at <https://saskatoonmass.com>.

K of C Pancake Breakfast will be held 11 a.m. **Sunday, Oct. 12** (after 10 a.m. Mass) at St. Mary Parish Hall, Avenue O South and 20 Street West, Saskatoon. All are welcome!

Diocesan Prayer - We pray as a diocesan family for the diocesan ministries of Evangelization and Catechesis and Youth Ministry: may this work supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal continue to inspire and inform missionary disciples across our diocese.

Message Board

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World Day of Migrants and Refugees Sunday, Oct. 5

honours families and individuals who are seeking safety among us. Jesus says: "I was a stranger and you welcomed me" (Mt 25:35). To live this call: pray for migrants and refugees, greet a newcomer at Mass, donate items for the "Welcome Kit Drive" by the diocesan Migration Office at the Catholic Pastoral Centre in Saskatoon, or sign up to volunteer/sponsor. For more info contact the Office of Migration at migration@rcdos.ca. May our diocese reflect Christ's hospitality in word and deed! (*Migration and refugee sponsorship is supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal.*)

Ecumenical Lunch and Learn Series: All are welcome to come and learn more about various ecumenical initiatives in our community in this lunchtime series held monthly at St. Martin United Church, 2617 Clarence Avenue South, Saskatoon. The first gathering will be held 12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m. **Wednesday, Oct. 15**, featuring Grow Hope Saskatchewan. Lunch is provided (free-will offering), but please RSVP to: admin@pceecumenism.ca or call (306) 653-1633. (*Ecumenism is supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.*)

"The Miracle of the 5000 & the Strength of Rwanda"

All are welcome to this information night about Grow Hope Saskatchewan to be held 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. **Thursday, Oct. 16** at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 2nd Floor, Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Rd, Saskatoon. Register at: <https://form.jotform.com/252125719376259> or contact Myron Rogal at mrogal@rcdos.ca or (306) 659-5841. (*Justice and Peace is supported by gifts to the BAA.*)

Pray with the Word of God: Verbum Dei Missionaries invite all young adults for a time of prayer with the Word of God from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. every other Saturday at 1132 Temperance St., Saskatoon. Upcoming dates are: **Oct 18, Nov. 1, Nov. 15, Nov. 29, and Dec. 13**. RSVP or for information, contact: Sr. Mirasol Abala at mabala@rcdos.ca or Sr. Marta Piano at mpiano@rcdos.ca. (*Evangelization and Catechesis is supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal.*)

Martensville Fall Supper – Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, 300-8th Avenue S., Martensville, SK, will hold a fall supper **Sunday, Oct. 19** with two sittings, 4:30 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. Tickets: adults (18+) \$25; youth 6-17 years \$10; children 5 and under free; or family rate \$60 (two adults and all children under 13 years). Call to book: (306) 891-6146.

Eucharistic Miracle Exhibit, Designed and Created by St. Carlo Acutis will be presented from 7 p.m. to 9:30 pm on **Tuesday, Oct. 21** at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, with presentations at 7 p.m., musical Eucharistic Adoration at 7:45 p.m., and viewing of exhibit with wine and cheese at 8 p.m.

Diocesan Congress Series

Three sessions - Open to all those interested!

• **Congress Day Oct. 9** with keynote speaker Jean-Paul de Fleuriot of Faith Room - 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 9 at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon. Cost \$25 (includes lunch).

• **Congress Music Ministry Workshop "The Heart of Worship" Oct. 10** with Cameron Turner and Jean-Paul de Fleuriot - 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 10 at Saint Anne Catholic Church, 217 Lenore Drive, Saskatoon. Free-will offering (refreshments served).

• **Congress Day Intro to Intentional Accompaniment "Activating Leaders to the Ends of the Earth" Oct. 16** with leaders from Catholic Christian Outreach - 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16. Cost \$25 (includes lunch).

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Catholic Health Association of Saskatchewan (CHAS) Convention Oct. 23 and 24 at Resurrection Parish, Regina. Find info about speakers, schedule, and registration at: <https://chassk.ca>.

St. Patrick Fall Supper will be held **Sunday, Oct. 26** at 3339 Centennial Dr., Saskatoon, doors open 4:30 p.m.; supper 5 p.m. Tickets: \$25 / over 13; \$15 / 6-12; free for 5 and under (ticket required.) Tickets: parish office (306) 384-1100; after weekend Mass, or call Abel at (306) 717-3135.

Food Pantry Appeal: The emergency food pantry at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish is appealing for donations of non-perishable food items (or funds to purchase needed items) to help meet the desperate needs of some of the most vulnerable in our community. Contact the parish at (306) 653-4945; the office is located at 426 Ave. J S., Saskatoon.

Blankets needed: Mission and Outreach Ministry at St. Mary Parish in Saskatoon is seeking donations of blankets, new or gently-used for those sleeping on the streets. E-mail jnunes@rcdos.ca or visit www.stmarysoutreach.com.

Tourtières for Sale: Saints-Martyrs-Canadiens Parish in Saskatoon is again holding a "Tourtières" fund-raiser. These traditional French Canadian meat pies are \$20 each. To reserve contact: mhill@rcdos.ca or (306) 665-1829.

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Bringing Home the Word

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October 5, 2025

Have Faith

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

That is so easy to say and so hard to do. This might be because we misunderstand what faith is and what it might do. Today's readings offer us three glimpses into what the Bible means by faith.

The reading from Habakkuk and the gospel passage seem to contradict each other. The gospel suggests that one can do wondrous things if one's faith is strong enough. Many people understand this literally and then are confused and terribly disappointed when things do not turn out as they wanted. Habakkuk is in a dire situation. He turned to God, but it seems to no avail: "You do not intervene"

(Habakkuk 1:2). What response did he get? "Don't give up. Don't lose faith."

Paul's letter was written to Timothy, one of Paul's own converts to faith in the risen Lord. Paul encourages Timothy to remain steadfast in that faith. It's clear that faith is not solely a set of beliefs and doctrines; it is a way of life—one that follows and is inspired by the example Jesus' life provides. It is also clear that living such a life might be dangerous, as evidenced by Paul's own imprisonment.

Reading the gospel passage again after considering these reflections, one might understand the power of faith in a new way. Perhaps the mulberry tree stands for the struggles that had to be endured by Habakkuk, the danger that Timothy faced in a hostile world, and the hurdles that challenge our own faith. It assures us that if we don't lose faith, we also can do wondrous things. †

Sunday Readings

Habakkuk 1:2–3; 2:2–4

The just one who is righteous because of faith shall live.

2 Timothy 1:6–8, 13–14

God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control.

Luke 17:5–10

[Jesus said,] "When you have done all you have been commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.'"

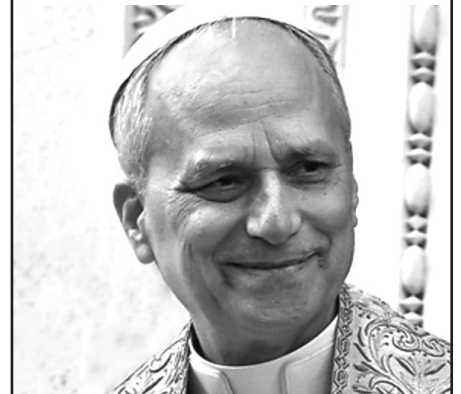


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A Word from Pope Leo XIV

There is so little dialogue around us; shouting often replaces it, not infrequently in the form of fake news and irrational arguments proposed by a few loud voices. Deeper reflection and study are essential, as well as a commitment to encounter and listen to the poor.

ADDRESS, ROME, MAY 17, 2025



REFLECTION QUESTIONS

ONE QUESTION FOR REFLECTION

- Does how I live reflect what I say I believe?
- What is one thing I can change to better live my faith?



Meet Pope Leo XIV

Sr. Gemma Morató Sendra, OP

There are people whose presence doesn't impose, but transforms. These people don't seek the spotlight, yet they "illuminate," as St. Thomas Aquinas once said. They don't raise their voices, yet they leave a lasting impression. They walk quietly behind the scenes, without a desire for prominence, yet they are often the soul behind key decisions—the whisper that orients, the listener who sustains.

Such has been the path of Robert Francis Prevost for decades: Augustinian friar, missionary in distant lands, bishop among the poor, prefect entrusted with discerning and appointing pastors throughout the world, and now Successor of Peter under the name Leo XIV. Yet, above all, he has been a seeker: a tireless seeker of truth in the spirit of St. Augustine, his spiritual teacher. Like St. Augustine, bishop of Hippo, Prevost has understood the Christian life as an interior journey of constant searching—sustained by faith and nourished by prayer, study, and community.

His vocation was not born of strategy or calculation, but of that restlessness of heart to which Augustine gave immortal expression: "You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our heart is restless until it rests in you." For St. Augustine and for Prevost, truth is not an abstract concept or intellectual construction, but a living person: Jesus Christ.

Leo XIV's life has not been an ecclesiastical climb to the top, but a pastoral path marked by service, empathy, and quiet fidelity. He never sought to stand out, yet he was chosen for one of the most demanding roles on earth. And he accepted it with the simplicity of someone who did not pursue the position, but who responds to a call. For him, as for many before him, service is not ambition, but—in the way of Jesus—a form of love. †

He has been a seeker: a tireless seeker of truth in this world.

From *Pope Leo XIV: Restless Heart, Faithful Shepherd* by Sr. Gemma Morató Sendra, OP, Liguori Publications (829000).

To order, call 800-325-9521 or visit Liguori.org.

Wisdom from Catholic Update

From "Five Ways to Share Your Faith" by John Roberto

Nurturing the growth of faith at home occurs through religious activities connected with daily family routines: eating together; praying in the morning, in the evening, and at mealtimes; having family conversations; displaying sacred objects and religious images, especially a Bible, crucifix, or image of Jesus; celebrating holy days, holidays, and Church seasons; providing moral guidance; engaging in family devotions; reading the Bible; and serving the needy. When we invite God into our family activities, we grow in faith, recognize God's presence and love in our lives, and experience home life as holy. The household becomes a living "laboratory" for cultivating and nurturing the growing faith of young disciples. In generations past, religious activities were more naturally part of family life—passed on from generation to generation and supported by ethnic traditions. Today, a Catholic family must intentionally choose to plant and nurture faith practices.

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Gracious God, enlighten our minds and open our hearts that we may humbly receive the message of your truth. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

The Redemptorists

WEEKDAY READINGS

October 6–11

Monday, Weekday:

Jon 1:1–2:2, 11 / Lk 10:25–37

Tuesday, Our Lady of the Rosary:

Jon 3:1–10 / Lk 10:38–42

Wednesday, Weekday:

Jon 4:1–11 / Lk 11:1–4

Thursday, Weekday:

Mal 3:13–20b / Lk 11:5–13

Friday, Weekday:

Jl 1:13–15; 2:1–2 / Lk 11:15–26

Saturday, Weekday:

Jl 4:12–21 / Lk 11:27–28

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Sunday, Oct 05, 2025

Time is on your side

Time is one of the great mysteries of the human experience. It has many qualities and dimensions. There is the inexorable, relentless public time of clocks and calendars, schedules, and appointments. Then there is private time, the internal time of our thoughts and experiences. This kind of time is unique to each individual and, like a bird, alternates between flight and perching. When we are doing something we love or spending time with someone we care about, the minutes slow down and we experience something akin to God's time, the eternal now. In this dimension there is no pain or suffering, worry or anxiety; no fear of the future or regret for the past—all is well and on time. Spend a few moments in God's time today.

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4; 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14; Luke 17:5-10 (141). *"If it delays, wait for it, it will surely come, it will not be late."*

Monday, Oct 06, 2025

Get ready for your close-up

Who is my neighbor? A man learned in Israelite law posed this question to Jesus. He asked neither what a neighbor was, nor how to treat a neighbor. The law had taught him that much. Rather he sought to know whom he needed to love. "Love thy neighbor" is a rule easy to understand and accept intellectually. Yet when we are face to face with other people, we are much more prone to excuse ourselves from this obligation. Thus, the Russian novelist Fyodor Dostoevsky wrote: "It's possible to love one's neighbor abstractly, and even occasionally from a distance, but hardly ever close up."

Try to see your neighbors in those faces most difficult to love.

Jonah 1:1-2:2, 11; Luke 10:25-37 (461). *"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart . . . and your neighbor as yourself."*

Tuesday, Oct 07, 2025

Choose the better part

We all know the gospel story of Martha and her sister Mary of Bethany. During a visit from their friend Jesus, Martha got a little steamed because she was stuck with the cooking and serving while Mary got to sit at the Master's feet and listen to his words. Like many an aggrieved sibling before and since, she took her gripe to a higher authority, in this case Christ himself: "Tell her to help me." But note: Jesus responded with neither condemnation nor praise. He merely said that Mary had "chosen the better part"—in other words, Mary realized the importance of taking time out of the busyness of everyday life for hearing the words and teachings of the Lord. You can, too.

Jonah 3:1-10; Luke 10:38-42 (462). *"There is need of only one thing."*

Wednesday, Oct 08, 2025

More than words

Think about the Lord's Prayer: It sounds as if it's mostly about what God does, but it's just as much—maybe more—about what we are to do. "Hallowed by your name, your kingdom come" is not only praise of God but also a prayer for God's name to be known and God's kingdom to be fulfilled on Earth—both of which involve our cooperation. "Forgive us our sins as we forgive those indebted to us" reminds us of the uncomfortable truth that scripture

proclaims loud and clear: God will forgive us to the extent we forgive one another. Next time you pray the Our Father, don't only say the words: Resolve to fulfill them.

Jonah 4:1-11; Luke 11:1-4 (463). *"Lord, teach us to pray."*

Thursday, Oct 09, 2025

A perfect example

Most of us who have children and all of us who were once children carry some regrets about the whole parenting process. Even the most devoted parents fall short. The good news is that love covers a multitude of flaws. When children know they are truly loved, they can forgive much. As Saint John Chrysostom advises, "If from the beginning we teach children to love true wisdom, they will have greater wealth and glory than riches can provide." Parenting will never be perfect, but love, humility, and a desire to lead children toward wisdom can go a long way. And for all our shortcomings, we can always look to the greatest parent of all, God, for guidance and grace.

Malachi 3:13-20b; Luke 11:5-13 (464). *"How much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?"*

Friday, Oct 10, 2025

Cast your demons out

Demons can make for great supernatural thrillers in the entertainment world, but they can also wreak havoc on our lives. We bump into them all the time—an unkind word, a sense of entitlement, a disparaging attitude toward ourselves or others. Our demons may not be the apocalyptic creatures of *The Walking Dead* or the latest "survival horror" video game, but they are very real and very deadly nonetheless. They can rob us of our conscience, of our God-given capacity to move toward the good, foster right relationships, and seek God always. What demons are you tangling with and how might you, in the words of the Catechism of the Catholic Church (no. 385), be vigilant in shifting your focus to God and trusting in the "superabundance" of God's grace?

Joel 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Luke 11:15-26 (465). *"Every kingdom divided against itself will be laid waste and house will fall against house."*

Saturday, Oct 11, 2025

Blessed are those who share the Good News

One day a female follower of Jesus, apparently touched by his words, was moved to shout out a blessing on him: "Blessed is the womb that carried you and the breasts at which you nursed," perhaps wishing that she herself should have such a son. Yet Jesus demurs and turns the blessing back upon her and all like her. While Jesus' mother and her womb are indeed blessed as we pray in the "Hail Mary," Jesus takes even greater delight in those of either gender who allow his words to take root in their hearts, their inmost being—those who keep that word alive by nourishing it and sharing it with others. Jesus blesses us for laboring and bringing the Good News to birth today.

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Joel 4:12-21; Luke 11:27-28 (466). *"Blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it."*

Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time



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Week of October 05, 2025



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The Joyful Mysteries

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