

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time: Oct 04, 2026

Holy Father’s Intention for October:

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.

“Finally, he sent his son to them, thinking, 'They will respect my son.'”

Today, we contemplate the mystery of the rejection of God in general, and of Christ in particular. It is surprising to see the repeated resistance of humans to God's love.

However, today's parable refers more specifically to the rejection the Jews had towards Christ: “Finally, he sent his son to them, thinking, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to one another, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and acquire his inheritance.' They seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him” (Mt 21:37-39). This is not easy to comprehend: it's because Christ came to redeem the entire world, and the Jews were waiting for their own "messiah" to grant them dominion over the entire world...

When I was in the Holy Land, I was given a tourist brochure of Israel that featured the most famous Jews in history: from Moses, Gideon, and Joshua, to Ben Gurion, founder of the State of Israel. However, Jesus Christ was not in that brochure. Yet, Jesus has been the most well-known Jew in history: he is recognized worldwide, and it's been two thousand years since he died...

Over time, great figures are admired, but they are not loved. Today, no one loves Cervantes or Michelangelo. However, Jesus is the most loved in history. Men and women give their lives out of love for Him. Some through martyrdom, and others "drop by drop", living only for Him. There are thousands and thousands throughout the world.

And Jesus has had the most significant influence on history. Values now accepted everywhere have Christian origins. Not only that, but it is also evident that there is a growing closeness to Jesus Christ, even among Jews ("our elder brothers in faith," as said by Saint John Paul II). Let us specifically pray for the conversion of the Jews, for this people with its great values, when converted to Catholicism, can be of immense benefit to all of humanity.

The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel.

Today’s Gospel: Matthew 21: 33-43:

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people: "Hear another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a hedge around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went on a journey. When vintage time drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to obtain his produce. But the tenants seized the servants and one they beat, another they killed, and a third they stoned. Again he sent other servants, more numerous than the first ones, but they treated them in the same way. Finally, he sent his son to them, thinking, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to one another, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and acquire his inheritance.' They seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?" They answered him, "He will put those wretched men to a wretched death and lease his vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the proper times." Jesus said to them, "Did you never read in the Scriptures: *The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; by the Lord has this been done, and it is wonderful in our eyes?* Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit."



Second Collection: We have a Second Collection on this Sunday for formation of Permanent Deacons. **Please be generous!**

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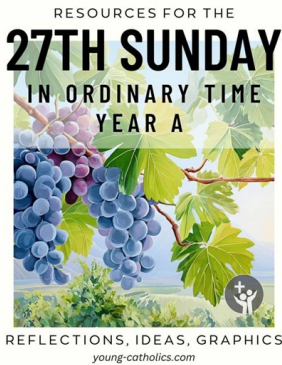
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time: Praying at all times

“In everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.” These are the words from St. Paul’s letter to the Philippians that we hear in today’s second reading. Elsewhere in his letter to the Thessalonians he says “Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.” St. Paul is urging us to pray in all circumstances and at all times. But is it really feasible for us to pray at all times?

While we may not be able to spend every moment praying in the chapel, we can still pray ceaselessly by offering up all of our acts as a prayer to God. St. Josemaria Escriva says that “You can be sure that it is through the circumstances of ordinary life, ordained or permitted by the infinite wisdom of divine Providence, that we come close to God ... To this I now add that your work too must become a personal prayer, that it must become a real conversation with Our Father in heaven”

As stewards, we can pray and be in union with God through our professional work as well as our charitable works for the parish community. If we offer up these moments of work to God as a means to commune with Him, we will begin to live out St. Paul’s exhortation to pray ceaselessly. Let us strive to never forget the dignity and value of our work as stewards of Christ.

Summary: In today’s second reading St. Paul urges us to pray ceaselessly in all circumstances. While we may not be able to spend every moment in the chapel, we can still pray ceaselessly by offering up all of our acts as a prayer to God. Let us strive to intentionally realize the dignity of our professional work, and our work as stewards, as a means to be in communion with God.



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Offering for Sep 27,2026

Total Sum. Collection	\$4,207.00
Votive Candles	\$ 102.00
PSR	\$ 485.00
Renting Hall	\$ 350.00
Food Sale	\$ 4,899.00

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time: “Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and pleading with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.” Do not be anxious about discerning your vocation.

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Baptism: Arrangements must be made one week in advance.
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sunday from 8:30 am to 9:00 am or by appointment.
Marriage: Arrangements must be made at least 6 months prior to plan date of wedding.

Mass Schedule & Mass Intentions

Sun 10/04: * Father Joseph Hoan by family
* Joseph, 3 Maria, Dominic, Francis by Mon Hang
* Thanksgiving, peace for family and all souls by 1 person
Mon 10/05: * Peace for family by 1 person
Tues 10/06: * All souls and unborn babies by Soan Nguyen
Wed 10/07: * Dominic, Maria, ancestors and all souls by 1 person
* Paul, Isave, 2 Ann, Joseph and all souls by Hung Ha
Thus 10/08: * Joseph and Maria by Hong Au
* Thanksgiving by Lap Sam family
Fri 10/09: * Peace for family by Hong Au
* Peter by Lot Uyen family
Sat 10/10: * All souls by Hong Au
* Paul, Isave, 2 Ann, Joseph and all souls by Hung Ha