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SEPTEMBER 20, 2026 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday - Friday: 6:30 a.m.

& 12:00 p.m.

Saturday: 7:00 a.m.

& 12:00 p.m.

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.

(Fulfills Sunday Obligation)

Sunday: 8:00 a.m.,

10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m.

& 5:00 p.m.

(unless noted in the bulletin)

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday and Saturday

10:00am - 11:00am

located at 1159 Fort Street Mall

(unless noted in the bulletin)

Devotions

First Friday

Adoration/Benediction

at 10:00 a.m.

First Saturday

Adoration after 7:00 a.m. Mass

(unless noted in the bulletin)

PARISH OFFICE

MONDAY through FRIDAY

8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Closed on holidays

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This week's Readings: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Isaiah 55:6-9; Psalm 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18
Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a; Alleluia - Acts 16:14b; Matthew 20:1-16a

Next week's Readings: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Ezekiel 18:25-28; Psalm 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
Philippians 2:1-11 or 2:1-5; Alleluia - John 10:27; Matthew 21:28-32

"GOD'S GENEROSITY BEYOND OUR EXPECTATIONS"

Beloved Disciples of Christ,

Greetings of peace, love, joy, and hope!

One of the realities of human life is our desire to succeed. We work hard, make sacrifices, persevere through difficulties, and patiently wait for the fruits of our labor. Whether in our families, workplaces, ministries, or communities, we naturally hope our efforts will be recognized and rewarded. In today's world, where achievements, status, and recognition are highly valued, it is easy to measure success by what we receive in return.

Yet the Word of God challenges this way of thinking. Through the Prophet Isaiah, the Lord reminds us: "My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways." God's way of seeing and judging differs greatly from our human standards.

This truth is beautifully illustrated in the Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard. Those who labored from early morning received the same wage as those who worked only the last hour of the day. Naturally, the first workers felt disappointed and even resentful. They expected more because they had worked longer and endured the day's heat. But the landowner reminded them that he had not treated them unjustly. He had given them what they had agreed upon. What troubled them was not injustice but the master's generosity toward others.

This parable speaks powerfully to our present situation. We live in a society where comparison has become almost unavoidable. Through social media and constant exposure to others' lives, we can easily fall into the trap of comparing our blessings, achievements, and even our faith journeys with those around us. We sometimes wonder why others seem to receive opportunities, success, healing, or blessings we have long prayed for. Like the workers in the vineyard, we may begin to question God's fairness.

Jesus invites us today to move beyond a mentality of comparison and entitlement. God's love is not earned like a paycheck. His mercy cannot be measured by human standards. The Lord desires that all people, even those who come late, those who have strayed, those who have failed, and those who are only now turning to Him, may experience His saving grace. In God's Kingdom, no one is excluded from His compassion.

At times, we may be tempted to think that because we have been faithful for many years, active in ministry, or diligent in fulfilling our religious duties, God somehow owes us special treatment. When our expectations are not met, disappointment can turn to frustration, and frustration to complaint. Yet faith teaches us that everything we have is first and foremost a gift from God.

Instead of asking, "Why did they receive the same?" perhaps we should ask, "How generous is God in welcoming everyone?" Rather than focusing on what others have received, we are called to be grateful for the countless blessings the Lord has already given us. Gratitude opens our hearts to joy, while comparison often steals our peace.

As we continue our journey of faith amid the challenges of our world, let us trust more deeply in God's wisdom and goodness. Let us rejoice whenever others receive God's blessings and mercy. And let us enter the Lord's vineyard each day not as those demanding rewards, but as grateful disciples eager to serve.

May God's grace continue to transform our hearts, freeing us from envy, comparison, and entitlement. When the day comes for us to stand before Him, may He find us faithful, humble, and generous, ready to receive the greatest reward, a place in His Kingdom.

Your Friend in the Jesus,
Fr. Pascual Abaya IV



Turn to
the Lord
for Mercy

Isaiah 55:7

CHURCH'S CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Sunday, Sept. 20, 2026
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Masses at 8:00am/10:00am/12:00pm/5:00pm

Monday, Sept. 21, 2026
Feast of St. Matthew
Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2026
Tuesday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time
Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Wednesday, Sept. 23, 2026
Memorial of St. Pius of Pietrelcina
Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00 - 11:00am
Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Thursday, Sept. 24, 2026
Thursday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time
Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Friday, Sept. 25, 2026
Friday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time
Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Saturday, Sept. 26, 2026
Saturday of the 25th Week in Ordinary Time
Masses at 7:00am & 12:00pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00 - 11:00am
Vigil Mass at 5:00pm

Sunday, Sept. 27, 2026
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Masses at 8:00am/10:00am/12:00pm/5:00pm

SHARING FAITH

Talk to a friend or to your faith sharing group about a time when you experienced God's generosity. What happened? How did you respond? Did anyone respond with jealousy like the workers in this Sunday's parable?

How would the workers' attitudes have to change in order for everyone to see the landowner as generous beyond expectations? What helps you to change your envy into gratitude?

When you encounter others who are experiencing envy, what can you do or say to help the other person see things from another perspective?

CATHEDRAL SPECIAL EVENTS





Mission statement:
The mission of the **International Catholic Stewardship Council** is to foster an environment in which stewardship is understood. Throughout the Catholic Church.

ICSC STEWARDSHIP PRAYER (SEPT.)

Loving and Gracious God,
We ask You to open our hearts
to your Son's life and ministry
and to answer the call
to be his disciples.

May our response
be rooted
in the Gospel;

may we be
ever mindful
of the needs
of our communities;

and may our stewardship
flow from a profound sense
of gratitude for
Your many blessings.

By the gift of the Holy Spirit,
empower and inspire us
to respond in a way
that brings hope to others
and reveals the love
that comes to us
through Jesus Christ.

We ask this in His Name,
who is Lord
forever and ever.

Amen.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

September 7 - 13, 2026

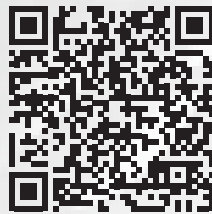
Offertory Collection

Sunday	\$ 5,067.00
Weekday	\$ 915.02
Other Feasts, Solemnities, Holy Day	\$ 210.00
Online Giving	\$ 1,226.72
Total Offertory	\$ 7,418.74

Other Collection

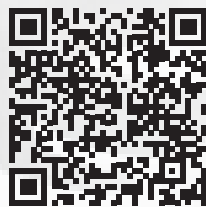
Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 0.00
Diocesan Collection	\$ 262.00
Special Collection (Intentions, etc.)	\$ 1,174.00
Other Collection (Gallery, etc.)	\$ 281.00
Total	\$ 9,135.74

OFFERTORY GIVING



Looking for convenient, safe and secure way of giving to our church? We have an online giving featured in our website or click on the QR Code and go through the easy-to-follow steps. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Parish office. We thank you for your continued support in fulfilling the mission of the Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace.

HAWAII STORM RELIEF & RECOVERY



Hurricane Lala and Lowell brought destructive winds, torrential rain and severe flooding to all the islands in the State of Hawai'i, leaving families and communities facing damage, displacement and a difficult road to recovery.

The Hawai'i Catholic Community Foundation (HCCF) has established the **Hawai'i Storm Relief & Recovery Fund** to support relief and recovery efforts for all islands in the State of Hawai'i impacted by Hurricane Lala and Lowell and any other tropical weather systems. Your generosity will help provide assistance where it is most needed as affected communities recover. Please prayerfully consider making a gift to help our brothers and sisters in Hawai'i. Every contribution, regardless of size, is an expression of compassion and solidarity with those facing the difficult work of recovery and rebuilding. For more information on how you can help, scan the QR Code. Thank you for your help & generosity!

EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION

Everyone is invited to a Eucharistic Procession Jubilee of St. Francis of Assisi on Saturday, October 3, 2026. Procession starting from Ss. Peter & Paul with Holy Mass at 8:00am with departure of the Eucharistic Procession to Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa ending with Reconciliations, Prayers & Benediction. Approximately 3.2 miles. To register, visit www.sspeterpaulhawaii.org/eucharisticprocession

SAINT FOR THE WEEK

"I pray that His Divine Goodness may accompany you, be your consolation along the way, your shade against the heat of the sun, your shelter in rain and cold, your soft bed in your weariness, your strength in your toil and finally, that He bring you back in perfect health and filled with good works."

St. Vincent de Paul, (349 - 407), Pope, Feast Day September 21