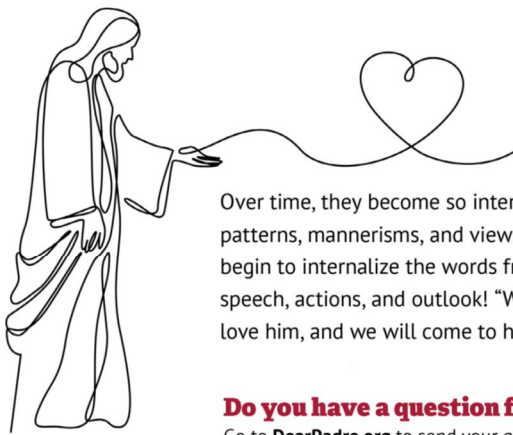


Dear Padre,

Why does my parish priest preach about love practically every Sunday?

“Through the course of the liturgical year, the homily sets forth the mysteries of faith and the standards of the Christian life on the basis of the sacred text” (*Lectionary*, 24). A translation of the English word “love” appears in the Bible more than 500 times; by comparison, “sin” appears approximately 400 times. Thus, insofar as the homily “should be an explanation of some aspect of the readings from sacred Scripture” (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 65), God’s word on “love” is far too prevalent to overlook.



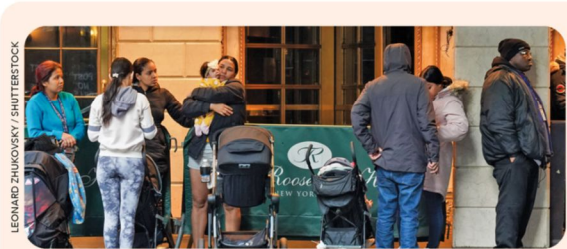
Pope Francis called God’s word “a love letter, written to us by the One who knows us best.” In the Bible, this God who desires to bestow his love on us (See 1 John 3:1), is essentially telling us, “How do I love thee? Let me count the ways.” How we love God in return may be likened to two partners in a committed relationship.

Over time, they become so intertwined that they can even assume each other’s speech patterns, mannerisms, and views. Likewise, for those who love God, over the years we can begin to internalize the words from God’s “love letter” and reflect them in our Christian speech, actions, and outlook! “Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our dwelling with him” (John 14:23). ●

Fr. Byron Miller, CSSR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

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A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

In our day, there is a widespread thirst for justice, a desire for authentic fatherhood and motherhood, a profound longing for spirituality, especially among young people and the marginalized, who do not always find effective means of making their needs known. There is a growing demand for the Church’s social doctrine, to which we need to respond.

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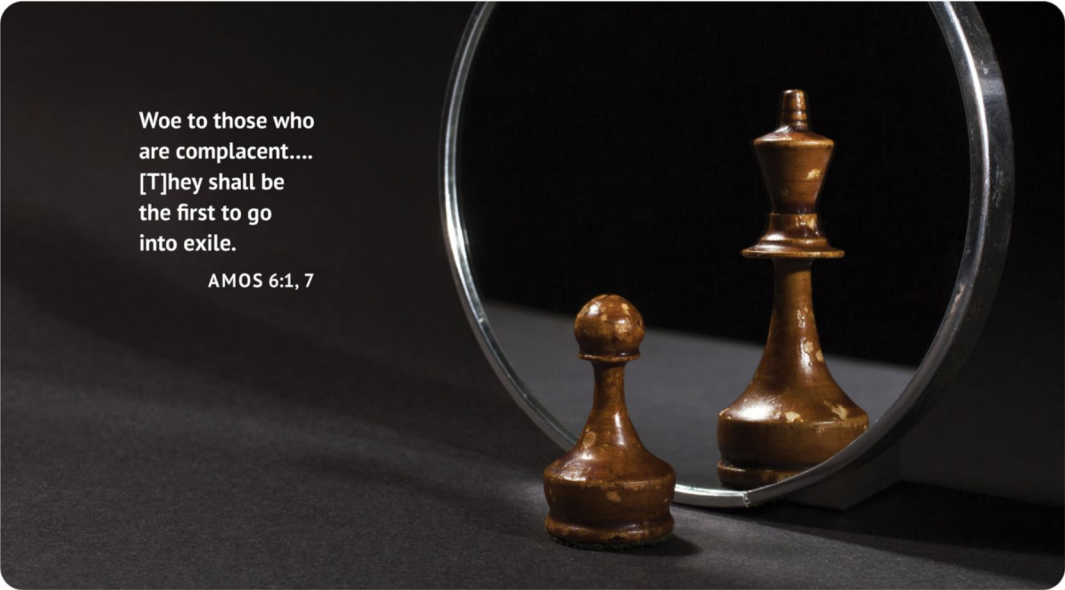
Monday September 29 <i>Sts. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels</i> Dn 7:9–10, 13–14 or Rv 12:7–12ab Jn 1:47–51	Thursday October 2 <i>The Holy Guardian Angels</i> Neh 8:1–4a, 5–6, 7b–12 Mt 18:1–5, 10
Tuesday September 30 <i>St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church</i> Zec 8:20–23 Lk 9:51–56	Friday October 3 <i>Weekday</i> Bar 1:15–22 Lk 10:13–16
Wednesday October 1 <i>St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church</i> Neh 2:1–8 Lk 9:57–62	Saturday October 4 <i>St. Francis of Assisi</i> Bar 4:5–12, 27–29 Lk 10:17–24
	Sunday October 5 <i>Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Hb 1:2–3; 2:2–4 2 Tm 1:6–8, 13–14 Lk 17:5–10



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Our Parish COMMUNITY

September 28, 2025
Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)
Amos 6:1a, 4–7 / 1 Timothy 6:11–16 / Luke 16:19–31



Woe to those who
are complacent....
[T]hey shall be
the first to go
into exile.

AMOS 6:1, 7

Adrift

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

In *A Christmas Carol*, Ebenezer Scrooge found himself confronted by the person he had become: someone forced to accept the reality painted by the Ghosts of Christmas Past, Present, and Yet to Come. Scrooge hadn’t realized how he had slowly drifted into becoming an uncaring and greedy person, unable to show compassion because he never really saw someone else’s pain. The story of Ebenezer Scrooge is the story of the rich man in this Sunday’s gospel who was unmoved by poor Lazarus, sitting at the gate of the rich man’s sumptuous life. They are both stories of human beings drifting into emptiness.

St. Thomas Aquinas suggested that our motivations in life can ultimately be reduced to eight different categories. If we’re interested in understanding what sort of people we are becoming, we might ask

ourselves which of these questions best describes our motivation: Am I making my decisions and choices about life based on wealth? Or am I looking to be admired by others and be praised? Is it lasting glory that I seek? Or power so that I can be noted for “making a difference?” Is what I seek a life of ultimate pleasure and comfort? Is it health that I look for? Or perhaps something related to my inner life—some intangible good, like virtue or knowledge? Or is it to see God already in this life what I truly want? It is always a challenge to know our true selves because all too often we may be adrift, unaware of who we are becoming. ●

Reflect

Which of St. Thomas Aquinas’ questions describes me and my choices?

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WELCOME! NO MATTER WHAT YOUR PRESENT OR PAST STATUS IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, NO MATTER YOUR PERSONAL HISTORY, AGE, RACE OR BACKGROUND, YOU ARE INVITED, WELCOMED, ACCEPTED, AND LOVED AT ST. GENEVIEVE CATHOLIC PARISH.

RECONCILIATION: (Confession) available, following Mass, on Sunday and Wednesday – please contact Fr. Pedro, before mass, to confirm availability. Also by appointment.
BAPTISM: Please contact the Deacon or Pastor, at least one month prior to desired date.
SACRAMENT of MARRIAGE: Please contact the Deacon or Pastor at least six months prior to desired date.

Please remember St. Genevieve Parish in your Will

THANK YOU for your donations!

Weekly Budget: \$1,255.00
09/14/25: \$678.00
09/21/25: \$917.00
Building Fund Donations: \$500.00

CAFFEINE & CALORIES:
The weekly social hour continues, after Mass.

Thank you to all who volunteer and share!
Please consider hosting C & C. Contact Alicia Brown for info, 509-429-1621.

 **BUILDING COMMITTEE**
People with ideas about the new parish hall, especially those with building skills, are welcome to Contact the Building Committee.

PARENTS: Please do not allow your children to play on/around the new block retaining wall. Thank you!

 **The Cove is, again, in need of toilet paper. Donations can be left in the basket at the side door.**

The Cove THANKS YOU for your continuing donations of food, laundry detergent, dish soap, bar soap, toothbrushes, and toothpaste.

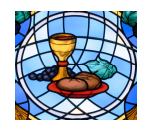
Mass Schedule:
Sunday, Sept 28 @ 11:00 am Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Rosary @ 10:20 am
Wednesday, Oct 1 @ 9:30 am; Rosary @ 9:00 am;
Adoration PAUSED UNTIL ADVENT
First Friday, Anointing of the Sick Oct 3 @ 9:30 am
Sunday, Oct 5, Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, @ 11:00 am, Rosary @ 10:20 am



Liturgy of the Word
Amos 6:1a, 4–7
Psalm 146
1 Timothy 6:11–16
Luke 16:19–31
Woe to the complacent rich!
“Praise the Lord, my soul!”
Seek after virtues with lasting value.
There once was a rich man, and at his gate lay the beggar Lazarus.
For the second Sunday in a row, we hear the prophet Amos deliver a harsh condemnation of the callous rich. Also once again, we hear Jesus tell a story to teach the proper attitude toward material wealth. Here, the rich man and Lazarus find their states completely reversed after they die. Let us heed the lessons Amos and Jesus teach us and pray that we never become blind and uncaring to those in desperate need.
Question of the Week: Who do I choose to ignore who appears to be in need? To whom can I reach out with compassion and charity and without judgment or condescension?



The 2025 Bishop's Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA) is now! Please prayerfully consider how you can support the work of the Diocese. Donation envelopes are at church entrances and in the pews.



Adults, if you are wondering about Catholicism, contact Deacon Bill at 425-941-9171 or bwehmeyer1945@gmail.com. The first session is **today** in the church at 1 PM and then every-other-Sunday.



Parents, if you have children who are at least 7 years old, please contact Fr. Pedro at either 509-997-4201, 509-689-2931, or shbrewstercds@gmail.com for sacramental preparation.

Feast of St. Francis, Blessing of Pets. Bring your pets to be blessed after First Friday Mass on October 3.

If you want to participate in Children's Liturgy of the Word Carmen Merrill will be providing the required Safe Environment training after Mass on Sunday, October 19 in the rectory.

The Lord shall reign forever, your God, O Zion, through all generations

PRAY
Please Remember in Your Prayers
Lupe Garcia
Bill Wilburn
Sheila Kerr
Jonathan Kessler
Paul Budrow
Kyle Rogers
Fr. Sean Thomson
Thomson Family
Fred Nowicki
Evangeline Grace Knox
Teagan Maxwell
Melissa Larson
Jim Perra
Howard Burcham
Terry & Barb Anderson
Bernice Morgan
Mark Crum
Nate Chrastina
Wannita Knox
Roland Cruz
Duncan Bronson
Mary Rasmussen
Brooke Stendera

Repose of the Soul of