

# Dear Padre,

*Is envy a sin? I find myself becoming very envious of people who have more than I do. I find it difficult to be content with what my family and I have now.*

We live in a climate that encourages discontent with what we have. Advertising plays on our feelings of envy and our desire for possessions. In this almost universal rush to possess more and better material objects, Christians are called to a counter-witness. We are called to embrace a freedom and a poverty of spirit that actually rejoices in the blessings of others.

The Tenth Commandment alerts us to the danger of undisciplined envy: “You shall not covet...anything that belongs to your neighbor” (Exodus 20:17). In the New Testament, Jesus says that where our treasure is, there also will be our heart. (See Matthew 6:21.) The real antidote to envy, then, is prayers of thanks for all God has given to us and others. To feel envious, to desire or covet someone else’s possessions, is not in itself a mortal sin. But to let that feeling invade your mind, to indulge it and rationalize it, is to let that feeling harden into an envious frame of mind. Then you are flirting with real sin. The grave sin is to allow these envious thoughts to drive you to any injustice or evil. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* sums it up well: “Would you like to see God glorified by you? Then rejoice in your brother’s [and sister’s] progress, and you will immediately give glory to God” (2540). ●



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## Do you have a question for the Padre?

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| Monday          | Tuesday       | Wednesday  | Thursday     | Friday            | Saturday    | Sunday                         |
|-----------------|---------------|------------|--------------|-------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|
| October 6       | October 7     | October 8  | October 9    | October 10        | October 11  | October 12                     |
| Weekday         | Weekday       | Weekday    | Weekday      | Weekday           | Weekday     | Weekday                        |
| Jon 1:1–2:2, 11 | <i>Rosary</i> | Jon 4:1–11 | Mal 3:13–20b | Jl 1:13–15; 2:1–2 | Jl 4:12–21  | <i>Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> |
| Lk 10:25–37     | Jon 3:1–10    | Lk 11:1–4  | Lk 11:5–13   | Lk 11:15–26       | Lk 11:27–28 | 2 Kgs 5:14–17                  |
|                 | Lk 10:38–42   |            |              |                   |             | 2 Tm 2:8–13                    |
|                 |               |            |              |                   |             | Lk 17:11–19                    |



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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

# Our Parish COMMUNITY

October 5, 2025  
*Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)*  
Habakkuk 1:2–3; 2:2–4 / 2 Timothy 1:6–8, 13–14 / Luke 17:5–10



## Never Big Enough

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Childhood daydreams come peppered with visions of heroes and heroines, movie stars and rock stars, fame and notoriety. Eventually, however, we adjust our visions of what we can become as we are confronted by the reality of who we are. Seldom, however, are our daydreams and visions big enough. They tend to be only about ourselves, barely including others.

The same may be said about becoming people of faith. Too readily we think of faith simply as our personal decision to believe in God. Faith then becomes one-sided—the prayers we say, the Masses we attend, the Church’s rules we obey. Like the people of the prophet Habakkuk’s day, we may bemoan, “I cry for help and you do not listen.... [I] cry out to you, ‘Violence!’ and you do not intervene” (Habakkuk 1:2).

Then, too, our faith and its vision for life are not big enough, for we do not allow room for God to slip into our lives and do what God does. Then, faith is only about ourselves—our needs and struggles and pains. Faith needs to be a surrender to God’s vision, not simply for ourselves, but for all of life. [The LORD said,] “The vision is a witness for the appointed time...it will not disappoint. If it delays, wait for it, it will surely come, it will not be late” (Habakkuk 2:3). The difficulty is that we want God to make life perfect for us the way we want it and when we want it. Then, it becomes our vision for life and not God’s. ●

## Reflect

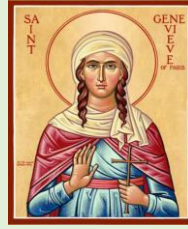
*Have I ever given up my vision or plan and found God’s plan to be perfect for me?*



God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control.  
2 TIMOTHY 1:7

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**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  
09/21/25: \$917.00  
09/28/25: \$1679.00  
Building Fund Donations: \$370.00

**ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS**

The next Altar Society Meeting will be Wednesday October  
22 after Mass. Hope to see you there!

 **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.

**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.**

**Mass Schedule:**

**Sunday, Oct 5 @ 11:00 am Twenty-seventh Sunday in  
Ordinary Time, Rosary @ 10:20 am**  
**Wednesday, Oct 8 @ 9:30 am; Rosary @ 9:00 am;**  
**Adoration PAUSED UNTIL ADVENT**  
**Sunday, Oct 12, Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time,**  
**@ 11:00 am, Rosary @ 10:20 am**



**Liturgy of the Word**

*Habakkuk 1:2–3; 2:2–4 How long, Lord, will you make me witness misery?  
Psalm 95 “If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.”  
2 Timothy 1:6–8, 13–14 Guard the rich deposit of faith you were given.  
Luke 17:5–10 When you have done everything for the kingdom, do more*

The prophet Habakkuk cries out to God in frustration, upset that nothing  
is being done about the discord and violence in Judah. “Patience,”  
God answers. The apostles cry out to Jesus, complaining their faith isn’t  
strong enough. “You have plenty,” Jesus assures them. May we not be  
too timid to cry out to God in our need, may we listen for God’s reassuring  
voice, and, as we sing in the psalm, may we harden not our hearts.

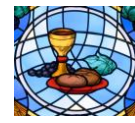
**Question of the Week: What can I do this week to be an “unprofitable servant” in  
God’s eyes?**



**ANNOUNCEMENTS**



**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. As of  
10/3/11 families participated and \$10,050 pledged. Thank You!!



**Adults, if you are wondering about Catholicism,** contact Deacon  
Bill at 425-941-9171 or [bwehmeyer1945@gmail.com](mailto:bwehmeyer1945@gmail.com).

**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](mailto:shbrewstercds@gmail.com) for sacramental preparation.

**ENDOW Seeker of the Truth-**Women’s Scripture Study is Monday  
October 6 6-8pm in the rectory. Please join us

**HIGHWAY CLEANING:** The next highway cleaning is scheduled for Friday  
October 24<sup>th</sup> at 9am. Meet at Hwy 20 and Finley Canyon Rd.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD,** collection is Nov.17-24. Filled boxes  
need to be collected during collection week. More info is at the church entrance

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**