

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 27, 2026

Remember your mercies, O Lord!

El Señor espera a que el pecador se vuelva hacia el y entonces tenga nueva vida, como dice el profeta Ezequiel (PRIMERA LECTURA). Lo mismo nos quiere decir Jesús al relatarnos la parábola de los hijos a quienes su padre mando a trabajar en la vina (EVANGELIO). San Pablo nos habla de la vida diaria del cristiano, que debe seguir el ejemplo de Cristo en su pasión, porque los cristianos deben vivir humildemente, ya que el Hijo de Dios se humillo hasta morir en la cruz (SEGUNDA LECTURA).



Masses For The Week

- sab 26** **Vigilia del XXVI Domingo Ordinario**
04:30 pm +Virginia Ruiz Trevino (Ruiz Family)
+Rosita Carpentier (Family)
+Juan Manuel Casarez, Sr. (Family)
+John Albert Martinez (His Wife Nancy Martinez)
+Oscar R. Noriega (His Family)
- Sun 27** **XXVI Sunday in Ordinary Time**
11:30 am Missa Pro Populo
- Mon 28** **NO MASS**
- Tue 29** **Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels**
08:00 am +Candelaria Sánchez Guerra (Anita L. Guerra)
- Wed 30** **Saint Jerome, Priest, Doctor of the Church**
08:00 am +Fr. Gerold Langsch (Herminia Torres)
- Thr 01** **Saint Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin, Doctor of the Church**
08:00 am Fr. Christian (Herminia Torres)
- Fri 02** **The Holy Guardian Angel**
08:00 am Fr. Nolasco Hinojosa (Herminia Torres)
- Sat 03** **Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary**
08:00 am Fr. Anthony Mendoza (Herminia Torres)

The Sanctuary Candle



This Week will be Burning in Memory of
+John Albert Martinez (His Wife Nancy Martinez)

Good News!

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Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)
Ezekiel 18:25–28 / Philippians 2:1–11 or 2:1–5 /
Matthew 21:28–32
ANN M. GARRIDO

Most parents can resonate with today's gospel. Who hasn't had a child promise to do their chores and then neglect to do them? Or a child who threw a fit when asked to help but then pitched in after all?

Jesus' parables intend to give clues about a mystery he called the kingdom of God—a revelation about what the world will look like when God's dreams for it are realized. We get a good hint that this parable is meant to be about the kingdom of God because it speaks of a vineyard, and Jesus often compared God's kingdom to a vineyard. Vineyards throughout the ancient world were associated with joy and abundance, but they also required much tending. They needed workers, and that is what God has called us to be for the kingdom.

Jesus observed that those who professed to support God's coming kingdom often seemed to do little to help bring it about whereas those who historically had been viewed as resistant to God's ways were more receptive to John the Baptist's preaching—and, we can imagine, Jesus' message as well. They were the ones who proved in the end more willing to lend a hand.

The vineyard of which Jesus spoke still requires workers. It still requires people willing to collaborate with God in gathering the abundant harvest that will mark a season of great joy. We can imagine that, like any parent, God's greatest delight would be to have children who say "yes!" and then follow through on their word! •

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Dear Padre

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Why must I choose practicing Catholics as my baby's godparents?

The Church is clear about the qualifications of godparents: at least sixteen years old; leading lives of faith; confirmed and having already received Communion, among others. (See the Code of Canon Law, 872–874.) "Godparent" isn't simply an honorary title we bestow on someone. It's an important role in a child's faith life. Parents and godparents introduce us to Jesus and teach us to pray. We talk to Jesus on our own and learn more about him through Scripture. Our parents take us to church. We watch their example and that of our godparents. It is the gradual process of being introduced to Jesus by those who know him that leads us to trust him and have faith in him. At baptism, a godparent lights a candle from the Easter candle and holds it for the child as the presider says, "Receive the light of Christ." That is how faith comes to us: a gift from God, but through other people. Parents and godparents must have the bright flame of faith in their own hearts if they hope to pass it to the child.

It is permitted to have only one godparent, fulfilling the requirements previously mentioned, and a special "witness" who is a person of faith but is not Catholic. •

Fr. Gary Lauenstein, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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SECOND COLLECTION--RESPECT LIFE

The annual Respect Life Collection in the Diocese of Laredo will be next weekend, October 03 & October 04. This annual collection assists with pro-life activities.

Segunda Colecta--Respeto a La Vida

La colecta anual de Respeto a la Vida en la Diócesis de Laredo será la siguiente semana días 03 y 04 de octubre. Esta colecta anual ayuda con las actividades de pro-vida



LIFE CHAIN IN LAREDO

Sunday, October 4, 2026, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Sidewalks from McPherson Road and Hillside Road. Join us to prayerfully witness that **Every Human Life Matters and is Sacred from**

conception to natural death. This will be a peaceful opportunity to pray for respect for the Life of every human being.

Cadena Pro-Vida en Laredo

Domingo, 4 de octubre, 2026, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

En las banquetas de McPherson Road y Hillside Road Acompáñenos para dar testimonio de nuestra convicción **que la vida de Todo Ser Humano es Importante y Sagrada desde la concepción hasta la muerte natural.** Sera un evento de paz donde rezaremos por el respeto de la vida de cada ser humano.



LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Oscar Noriega, Justin Pecina, Irma Santos, Gerardo Castro, Guadalupe Ortiz, María E. Maldonado, Alicia Guardiola, Delia Hinojosa, Rebecca Quintero, Herminia Torres, Vladimiro Checchin, Lalo Uribe, Aida Ramirez and Maria Elena Garcia.



Colecta de la Semana Pasada

Envelopes: \$ 1,526.00

Loose: \$ 252.00

Children's Envelopes: \$ 3.00

Total Sunday Collection: \$ 1,781.00

Total Expenses Last Week: \$ 3,202.80



ANNUAL RED MASS

Parishioners are invited to join His Excellency, John J. Gomez, JCL, on Tuesday, October 06, 2026, at 6 pm at San Agustin Cathedral. The Red Mass is offered for all legal professions throughout

the Diocese of Laredo. Everyone is invited to attend.

Misa Roja Anual

Se extiende una invitación a los feligreses para que acompañen al Obispo John J. Gómez, JCL, el martes, 06 de octubre, 2026 a las 6pm en la Catedral de San Agustín. La Misa Roja se ofrece por todos los miembros de la profesión legal en la Diócesis de Laredo. Todos están cordialmente invitados.

2026 Catholic Sharing Appeal

as of August

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

2026 CATHOLIC SHARING APPEAL

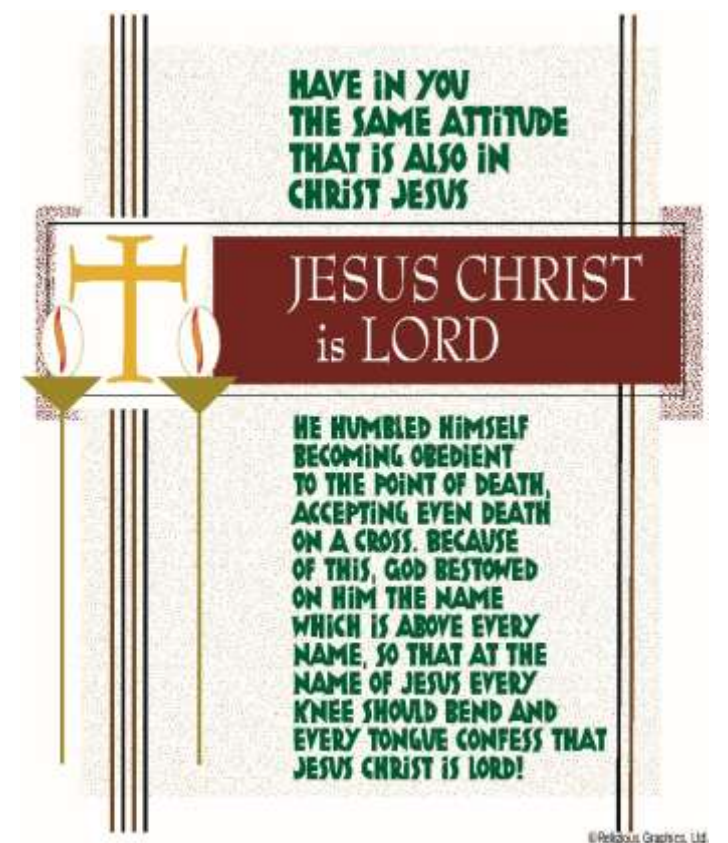
Building The Kingdom Together

\$ 11,140.95 - Our Gifts to Date/Nuestras Donaciones

\$ 17,480.00 - Our Pledges to Date/Nuestras Promesas

\$ 14,900.00 - Our Parish Goal/Nuestra Meta

84 Families Participating/Familias Participantes



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