



**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 20, 2015**

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH

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Come Celebrate Eileen's 100th Birthday
after the 11:00 AM Mass, Sunday, September 27, 2015



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Jesus, the Son of Man, is on the road which leads to his passion. Although his message jars the disciples' expectations, he nevertheless strives to draw them after him. Unwittingly, and often unwillingly, they are to become messengers of a suffering Messiah.

"What were you discussing on the way home?" Jesus must have observed their lack of perception. They are arguing about who will be the greatest in that temporal kingdom which they anticipate. Accustomed to humiliation, they dream of advancement to positions of prestige and power. "You want to be the first?" says Jesus, "Become the last! You want to be great? Become small! You want to be masters? Become servants!" This paradox is based not on theoretical considerations but on the concrete example which the suffering servant himself never ceases to give.

And what do we discuss on the way home? Perhaps we too would be embarrassed if Jesus were to question us. In speaking about what is closest to our hearts, we reveal the depths of ourselves. You dream of authority, of power? Ask yourself how you will best serve others, how you will best help those in need. So must it be with every Christian eager to conform with Jesus.

LITURGICAL READINGS

- Today: Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Wisdom 2:12, 17-20/ Psalm 54/
James 3:16 through 4:3/ Mark 9:30-37
- Monday: Saint Matthew, Apostle, Evangelist. Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-13/ Psalm 19/
Matthew 9:9-13
- Tuesday: Ezra 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/ Psalm 122/ Luke 8:19-21
- Wednesday: Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest (Padre Pio). Ezra 9:5-9/ (Psalm) Tobit 13:2-4,
7-8/ Luke 9:1-6
- Thursday: Haggai 1:1-8/ Psalm 149/ Luke 9:7-9
- Friday: Haggai 2:1-9/ Psalm 43:1-4/ Luke 9:18-22
- Saturday: Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs. Zechariah 2:5-9, 14-15a
(Psalm) Jeremiah 31:10-12b, 13/ Luke 9:43b-45
- Next Sunday: Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Numbers 11:25-29/ Psalm 19/
James 5:1-6/ Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

COLLECTION FOR LAST SUNDAY: \$4,126.57 Thank you.

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND:

4:00 PM: Elizabeth and David Barberis

9:00 AM: Maryla and Greg Kaminski

11:00 AM: Patrick and Theresa Niedermeyer

Please come early. If you cannot fulfill your assignment, please make sure you find a substitute. Thank you.

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