

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



We are very much influenced by advertisements to think that various products will make us happy. Like for example brand new cars, luxury clothes and new houses, cosmetics, food, and others. Advertisements are very successful in convincing large numbers of people to buy the products which may be beyond their basic needs and dangerous for their health and to their pocket as well. Many people spend their hard-earned money to buy cigarettes, hard liquor and beer which are also dangerous for their health. Manufacturers of these products make billions of dollars as profits at the expense of the people. They think that this is economic growth and yet leads people to their destruction. I don't say this generally because there are so many who manufacture food and services for the good of the people too.

In our gospel today, Jesus is also doing an advertisement. He is selling a product. The name of this product is *Baseleia* or the Kingdom of God. We can have this at the expense of Jesus because He suffered for this on the cross. He was crucified. How to acquire this as our own is through discipleship. There is only one ingredient to become disciples, self-denial, and it entails suffering. That is why Jesus said: "If a man wishes to come after me, he must deny his very self, take up his cross and begin to follow in my footsteps. Whoever saves his life will lose it. But whoever loses his life for my sake will find it."

According to Fr. Wilfredo Pagiuo, suffering is a reality in life. Everyone must suffer. The problem is how to sweeten suffering and get the most out of it. Pope John Paul II, in an apostolic letter entitled *Salvifici Doloris* talked on suffering:

1. Suffering is evil. Evil is the absence of good rooted in sin which can bring about death. This absence of good can cause greater suffering if the one who suffers thinks he/she does not deserve such suffering.

2. There are different kinds of suffering: physical, spiritual, and psychological. There are also private sufferings like loneliness. And there are common sufferings like those caused by epidemic, calamity and famine.

3. Suffering comes from the world. It does not come from God. Yet the one who suffers usually turns to God to ask on the causes and objectives of suffering.

4. Suffering can be a punishment arising from the justice of God. It can also be a test like how it was with Job. And God can also permit suffering in order that it can serve as a seed for holiness or greatness.

5. Our sufferings can also be joined with the sufferings of Christ for our salvation or for that of others. Not because Christ's sufferings are not enough. But because Christ has left this open to love so that the bitter sufferings of man mingled with this love may turn into a sweet spring which shall overflow into eternity

(Rev. Saju Oreethaparambil, C.Ss.R.)

Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday, August 31 **9:00 a.m.**

Thanksgiving Wedding Anniversary for Andrew and Alphy
req Mathew family
All souls in purgatory req Benilda Fajardo

Tuesday, September 1 **9:00 a.m.**

Soul of Rogelio Caballero req Lolita Pascua

Wednesday, September 2 **9:00 a.m.**

Souls of the departed req Rebecca Ramos

Thursday, September 3 **9:00 a.m.**

All souls in purgatory req Pauline Nguyen
In loving memory of Leo Didero req Theresa Didero

Friday, September 4 **9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.**

DAY OF PRAYER AND ADORATION **FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION**

9:00 a.m.

Khanh, Trang, Thong, Tuyen req Pauline Nguyen
Intentions of Anna Herman req John Cancian and
Theresa Didero

In memory of Josephine, Paul and Leo Hickey
req Cora Diongson

Saturday, September 5 **5:00 p.m.**

Samson and Virgilia Gabate req Gemma
William, Tuyen and Thomp req Pauline Nguyen
Mary, Angelo and Marie Cancian req Theresa Didero and
John Cancian

Sunday, September 6 **10:00 am**
For St. Charles Garnier Parish Community

SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTIONS



Our Sanctuary Lamp burns continually in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament in our Church. You may dedicate our Sanctuary Lamp to a deceased loved one or for a special intention. We will publish the Sanctuary Lamp Intentions in the bulletin each week. Call the parish office to request an intention or for more information.

This week the lamp burns:

**For the Special intentions and healing of
Hendrickson Sy, Millie Mae Pua and
Florentyne Pua
req Felisa Go**

**"THE LIGHT SHINES IN THE DARKNESS AND THE DARKNESS DOES
NOT OVERCOME IT." John 1:5**



August 22/23, 2026

Sunday Offering \$1,580.00
Loose Offering 367.00

Thank you for your generosity and continued support to St. Charles Garnier Parish

ST. CHARLES GARNIER PARISH 60TH YEAR

Brothers and Sisters this year marks the 60th year of Jubilee of our parish. The cornerstone for St. Charles Garnier Parish was set on September 11, 1966. It is an opportunity to renew the spiritual life of the parish, strengthen community, honor the past, and set a vision for the future. Our focus in the coming months will be:

August: Eucharist and Evangelization

September: Families & service

October: Thanksgiving & Hope

"The Lord has done great things for us; we are glad." (Ps. 126:3)

PARISH 60TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Planning for our celebrations is well underway. The Program Committee is working on gathering information about the Parish history, St. Charles Garnier, Parish Ministries and more. They are also beginning to seek sponsorships. If you have contacts that will help with their work, please speak to Tony Tigani.

Watch updates each week on the celebration details.

MONTHLY COFFEE TIME



Join us on Sunday, August 30, 2026 following the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Please bring a refreshment to share, while we enjoy the opportunity to connect with fellow parishioners. Thank you!

PILGRIMAGE TOUR TO SOUTH KOREA AND JAPAN

Under the Spiritual Guidance of Fr. Saju

April 7-20, 2027 (14 days)

More details call QS Travel and Tours Inc.

Tel: 905- 412-2242

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DAY OF PRAYER AND ADORATION
FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTION

September 4, 2026

Prayer Intention:

For the care of water

9:00 a.m. Holy Mass

9:30 a.m. Adoration Begins

4:00 p.m. Benediction

6:00 p.m. Confession

7:00 p.m. Holy Mass, Consecration of families to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

"How lovely is your dwelling place, Lord Almighty! My soul yearns for the courts of the Lord."

(Ps. 84: 1-2)



PARISH MOVIE & DINNER NIGHT
"WONDER"

Saturday, SEPTEMBER 12, 2026

Following the 5:00 p.m. Holy Mass

Lasagna Dinner & Movie:

\$15 / Person

Tickets are available after every Holy Mass

Please invite your family and friends

FEAST DAY OF SAINT PADRE PIO
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2026

HEALING MASS



ADORATION 6:00 p.m.

HEALING MASS 7:00 p.m.

ANOINTING WITH HOLY OIL

"Heal me, O Lord and I shall be healed; save me and I shall be saved, for you are my praise." (Jeremiah 17:14)

Please join us with your family and friends



BIBLE VERSE FOR THE WEEK

"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith--- and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast."

Ephesians 2:8-9