



# FAITH AT HOME

Making Faith Come Alive for Your Family



## Make the faith come alive for your family on Sundays by preparing all week.

- [Bishop O'Connell asks the faithful to pray the Rosary each day. Learn how here.](#)
- [Livestream Sunday Mass. Make a spiritual communion.](#)
- [Watch this video](#) about the return to Mass in our Diocese.
- Celebrate [Catechetical Sunday](#) on 9/20. Pray for all Catechists in our Diocese.

**A Catechist's Prayer:**

Loving Father, pour forth your Holy Spirit upon me that I may be a good catechist of your Word, your Son, Jesus Christ. Render my mind and heart so open, receptive and responsive to your Holy Spirit that, like Mary, I might become a living instrument of your Word to others. Help me to be a faithful witness to Gospel life so that your Church may become ever more alive. Let the fire of your love so enkindle my heart that I may be an instrument of drawing others to love of you in the Church of your Son. I ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



**25<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time**  
**Sept. 20, 2020**

### Mass Readings

- Sirach 27:30-28:7
- Psalm 145
- Romans 14:7-9
- Matthew 20:1-16A

**Discuss:** In this Gospel, Jesus tells the first workers, "My friend, I am not cheating you. Did you not agree with me for the daily wage?" **How do you feel about God's justice in the parable of the workers in the vineyards?**

The readings of the day can be found on the [United States Catholic Conference of Bishops Website](#)



## Tip of the Week

**"...The last will be first and the first will be last."**  
**Mt. 20:16**

God's generosity is difficult for us to notice in our everyday lives. Are we envious because God is generous? God treats all of us justly and generously.

Sometimes we might see God's generosity only through material things, but God's generosity also comes as spiritual things such as "peace". The workers in the vineyard that were not hired may have been anxious about not being able to provide for their family until the owner "saved" them and gave them peace. We may experience anxiety about life and are searching for peace right now. Let's ask God to give us that peace.

**Families can celebrate and notice God's generosity:**

- Before sharing a meal, thank God for ways in which God has entered your home and become part of your life.
- Celebrate the gifts of each person in the family.
- Understand envy - [Watch this video from Catholic Breakfast on envy.](#)
- [Pope Francis tells us to turn envy to friendship.](#)
- [More info on this Gospel – Loyola Press](#)
- God's generosity fulfills our needs. [Read about](#) the difference between our wants and needs.

## Activities for Families

[Prayer for the start of a new school year.](#)

[Quick and Easy Ways to Make Mealtime Prayer](#)

[More Meaningful.](#)

[Dear Freshman - Life Teen Blog.](#)

[Global Life Night – Life Teen gathering.](#)

[Project YM Live Sundays @ 8 PM.](#)

The Diocese of Trenton is here to support you and your family.

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