

The Church's Calendar This Week

Sunday, September 27

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A Promise of Hope & Healing Weekend

Masses at 6:00/8:00/10:00a/12:00/4:00/6:00p

Live-Streamed Mass at 10:00 a.m.

Monday, September 28

Monday of the 26th Week in Ordinary Time

Masses at 6:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 29

Feast of Ss. Michael, Gabriel, & Raphael Archangels

Masses at 6:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 30

Memorial of St. Jerome, Priest & Doctor of the Church

Sacrament of Reconciliation by Appointments' only

Mass at 6:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 1

Memorial of St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

Masses at 6:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

Friday, October 2

Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels

Masses at 6:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 3

Saturday of the 26th Week in Ordinary Time

Mass at 7:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00 a.m.

Mass at 12:00 p.m.

Vigil Mass at 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, October 4

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses at 6:00/8:00/10:00a/12:00/4:00/6:00p

Live-Streamed Mass at 10:00 a.m.

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Saints of the Week

The Scriptures are shallow enough for a babe to come and drink without fear of drowning and deep enough for theologians to swim in without ever reaching the bottom. - St. Jerome (347-420), Theologian, Confessor, Feast Day September 30

Stewardship of Treasure

Offertory Collection

9/14 - 9/20

Sunday Offering	\$ 3,346.75
Weekday	\$ 641.91
Online Giving	\$ 3,330.21
Feasts & Solemnities	\$ 20.00
Total Offertory	\$ 7,338.87

Other Collection

Repair & Maintenance	\$ 3,235.00
Mass Intention	\$ 42.00
Catholic University of America	\$ 20.00
Others (Candles, Outreach, etc.)	\$ 113.00

Total \$ **10,748.87**

Sharing the Faith

- Psalm 146 names those in dire need whom God loves. Where do you see people in desperate need around you?
- What keeps people from crossing the chasm between those who have enough and those who do not?
- How do you pursue the virtues Paul names: righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness?

A Promise of Hope & Healing

This weekend is Impact Weekend!

Thank you for celebrating Impact Weekend with us. Your gifts to our parish through our A Promise of Hope & Healing Program will help us raise as much money as we possibly can in the next 90 days to recover the lost offertory due to the pandemic. If completing your response was not possible at mass, we invite you to use the envelopes in the mailing you received to mail your response to the church or to drop it off at the office.

Electronic giving is the preferred, easy, safe and secure way to give to our parish. To schedule a recurring electronic gift directly from your bank account or credit card, please visit our website at www.cathedralofourladyofpeace.com and follow the instructions.

Our goal is 100% participation! Thank you for your generosity and support of Cathedral of Our Lady of Peace!

Woe to the complacent in Zion, / To the overconfident on the mount of Samaria, / Leaders of a nation favored from the first, /to whom the people of Israel have recourse! (Amos 6:1).

Sept. 27, 2020 – Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exegesis on this Sunday's readings

Ezekiel 18:25-28 / Psalm 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 / Philippians 2:1-11 or 2:1-5 / Matthew 21:28-32

Paul's opening exhortation to Timothy to pursue righteousness is a rallying cry for the message of today's scriptures. Righteousness for Paul means to be in right relationship with God, and by that bond, to be in right relationships with all of God's children, our sisters and brothers. This is the way we must live in order to bring about the reign of God Christ proclaimed.

Those relationships can be righted and reconciled when we care for the very ones whom God loves. The psalm is filled with the images of God's beloved: the oppressed, the hungry, captives, blind people, those bowed down, the just, strangers, the fatherless, widows. Amos uses the image of the rich ignoring the plight and collapse of Joseph in the face of opulence. Luke tells the story of the anonymous rich man dressed in purple who ignored Lazarus begging at his door. If we want to be in relationship with God, we must find ways to cross the wide chasms of complacency dividing us from our brothers and sisters and right all relationships of injustice.

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Next Sunday's Readings: "Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time"

Isaiah 5:1-7 / Psalm 80: 9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20 / Philippians 4:6-9 / Matthew 21:33-43

From the Desk of Fr. Pascual

Dear Cathedral Basilica Ohana,

Greetings of peace, love, and joy!

A Promise of Hope and Healing

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic and the suspension of our Masses in person in March till May, we have experienced a significant shortfall in our offertory collections. When the lockdown was lifted, we started to gather to celebrate Mass inside the Cathedral Basilica. Still, with all the protocols in place for safety and prevention, our attendance has tremendously declined.

As we all face the painful impact of Covid-19, our faith in the Lord will get us through, assuring us with His words to Peter, "It is I, do not be afraid." Entrusting ourselves to Jesus, we should not fear. We should not despair, but rather, we hold on to Him, giving us hope and healing for the future of our church and our families.

Here at the Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace, we are embarking on a three-month Capital Infusion Program called A Promise of Hope & Healing, which will help us continue our mission and plan for the future. As your pastor, I invite you to join me and participate in this 3-month infusion program to assist with the operating deficit we currently face. This fiscal year, we project a deficit of \$530,000.00 to operate and maintain our parish and support our ministries. As you notice, we have an ongoing project in place, but be informed that the funds collected through the Cathedral Renewal Campaign are meant to be used for the renovation project. It is a separate endeavor that we are also reaching out to many so that this beautiful Cathedral Basilica will stand through time and space. The operational budget is what we are so desperately in need of, which usually comes from our monthly collections.

Many of you may have received a mailing this week detailing our A Promise of Hope & Healing program. This program is above and beyond your weekly offertory support. This is an extraordinary effort to raise as much as possible in the next three months. The mailing includes a letter from me describing our parish's financial position, the challenges we face, and how you can help. Join us this weekend, September 26 and 27, in all Masses for the important Impact Weekend. I ask that you please keep reviewing the information in the mailing, prayerfully consider your level of support and participate by returning your response this Sunday and the coming days. Your response and participation are very important. You can make your offering using your credit card or an ACH automatic withdrawal through our Online Giving program. Please see our website for more details. I am praying, hoping, and counting on your generosity to reduce our deficit of \$530,000.00 as our parish continues its mission during these trying times.

If you have not received anything in the mail this week, please feel free to give our parish office a call, and we will gladly assist you in participating in this program. Also, you may inquire as well about the different types of gifts you may wish to give to support our program. Leave your name and your phone number if we are not able to answer your call, and we can get back to you as soon as we can.

Thank you so much for your time and your support. Please stay safe, always!

God bless you all and your families!

Your friend in Jesus,

Fr. Pascual