



Next Up!

MIGUEL DULICK

I keep hearing preachers say this is their least favorite gospel, because it makes people so mad! All the workers in a vineyard get a full day's pay—which folks interpret as heaven—even the ones who came at the last hour of the afternoon. “You mean, I work hard my whole life, and some nobody from nowhere just waltzes into heaven ahead of me?” But wait a minute! You think you *deserve* your “pay”? None of us is anywhere or anything, even breathing, without God's grace. It's not a competition; it's our only hope! We should be dancing in the street to celebrate God's generosity. Matthew himself must have chuckled at this parable, since he was also a latecomer, having spent his life grinding his own brothers and sisters into poverty to feed the tax maw of the Roman Empire. Then, Jesus called him! I love the twist in the parable: the owner not only pays the last ones equally, but he pays them *first*!

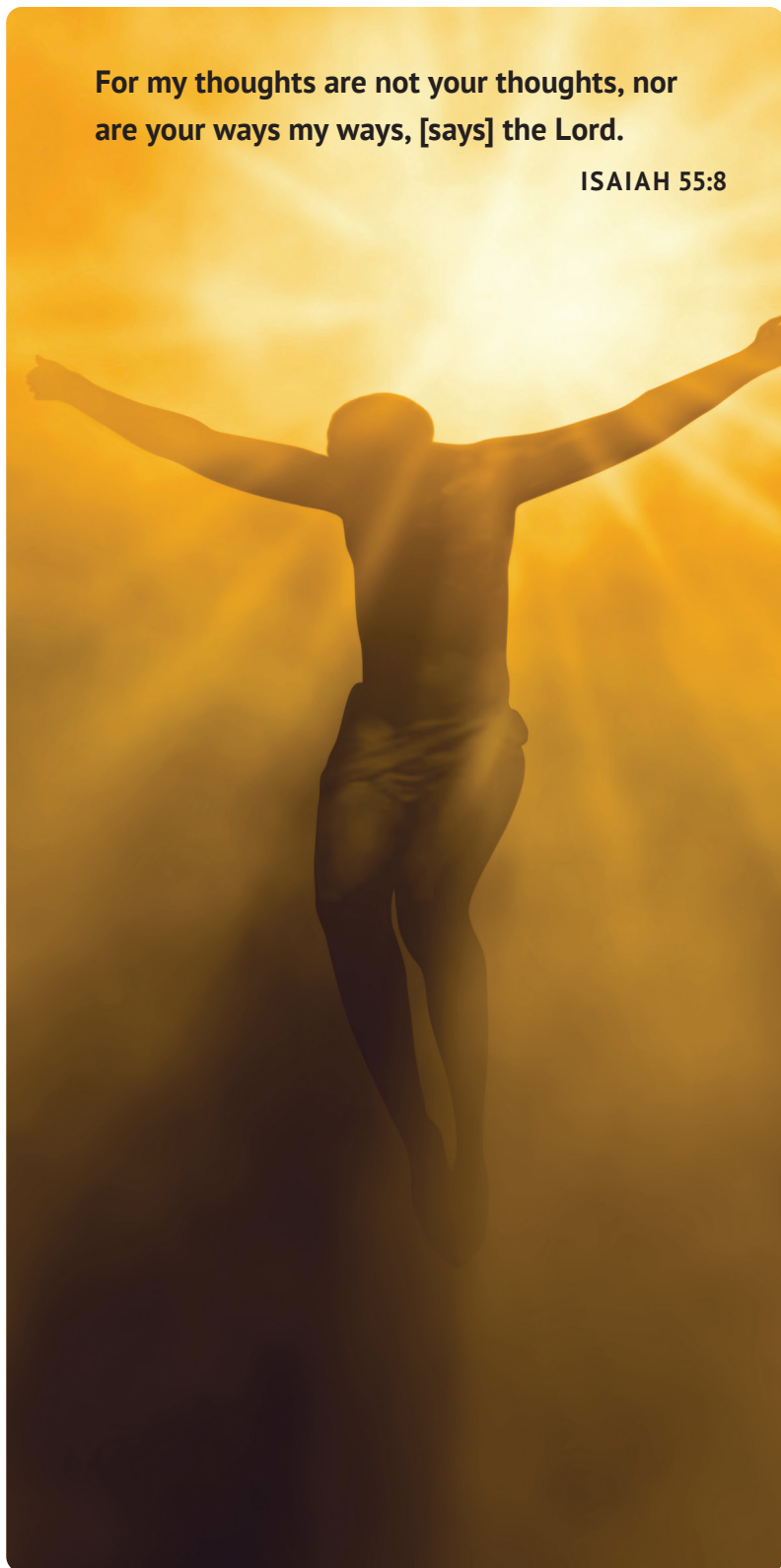


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If you don't like standing in line, you could be like Paul, who wants to just skip to the end: “I long to depart this life and be with Christ” (Philippians 1:23). As he says, “To me life is Christ, and death is gain” (Philippians 1:21). We should all be so eager. Just concentrate on the “fruitful labor” of service to others. Put everyone else ahead of you, and don't be afraid of some hard work. Any vineyard is a challenge, even when that vineyard is the Church. ●

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor
are your ways my ways, [says] the Lord.

ISAIAH 55:8



Reflect

Do I feel more deserving than others or struggle with envy?



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Weddings: By appointment – 1 year in advance. Pre-Marriage Course is required for all weddings here or overseas

Website: www.romancatholicbermuda.bm – Where you can find information about our Diocese.

Facebook: www.facebook.com/CatholicDioceseBermuda – Visit our page & "LIKE" us to join our on-line community.

DATES	TIMES	INTENTIONS
Sat. Sept. 19th	6:30pm	In thanksgiving for all of the SVDP Loaves and Fishes Volunteers, both past and present
Sun. Sept. 20th (Portuguese)	8:30am	+ Fr. Julio Blazejewski, CR, Happy Birthday in Heaven
	10:00am	+ Jose Fernando Pimentel, Antonio Pimentel
		+ Angelina Botelho, Joao Carlos Frias
	11:30am	+ Senhor Padre Julio
	6:00pm	+ Patrick Moss, 1st Anniversary of Death
		+ Jorge J Bosch
Mon. Sept. 21st	7:30am	Fr. Dandy Traje, CP Healing Prayers
Tues. Sept. 22nd	7:30am	+ Tim Hasselbring
Wed. Sept. 23rd	7:30am	Don Johann, 90th Birthday Wishes
	12:10pm	+ For the Deceased Members of the Donaghy Family
Thurs. Sept. 24th	7:30am	Special Intention of Kevin Alcantara
	12:10pm	Special Intention of Pamela (Penny) Fowkes
Fri. Sept. 25th	7:30am	+ Mary J. DeSilva, Birthday in Heaven
	12:10pm	For those who have died by suicide and those who are considering it
Sat. Sept. 26th	6:30pm	+ Jeffrey Mark Medeiros
		+ Beatriz Medeiros, Birthday in Heaven
Sun. Sept. 27th	8:30am	+ Kirby Brackstone
	10:00am	
	11:30am	+ Lucena Lazaro
	6:00pm	+ Jorge J Bosch

NEXT WEEK'S MINISTRY: September 26th & 27th, 2026

Time:	6:30pm	8:30am	11:30am	6:00pm
Proclaimer:	J. Judd	M. Wambeke A. Aguila	V. Turner A. Da Silva	CFC Kids
Communion Ministers:	C. Johnson C. Maiato A. Machado	I. Brackstone G. Lovecchio C. Scarth	G. Edwards A. Cannonier H. Velasco	A. Galea M. Tan A. Tan
Song Leaders:	B. Barreto-Hogan	F. Wohlmuth	A. L. Garina	CFC Kids Choir

ST. THERESA'S GIFT SHOP: The shop has various cards, bibles, rosaries, holy water bottles, statues, frames, and many other gift ideas, all at a great price!
Do support our little Gift Shop!



The last will be first
and the first will be last

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ONLINE BANKING SUNDAY OFFERINGS & PARISH ENVELOPES:

Please make direct payments to St. Theresa's Cathedral at BNTB A/C #2000 6060 4827 32100. Also, the parish encourages the use of Sunday Offering Envelopes.

Thank you for your continued support!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:

Please consider a direct deposit or cash donation to the SVDP Society. Direct deposit to SVDP Society – BNTB BDA #2000 6060 4767 11100 or USD # 8400 7847 30010 or use the SVDP envelopes.



PASSIONIST HOUR:

Please come and join Fr. Dandy and Fr. Vivien, our Passionist priests, on Friday, September 25th at 6pm, for the last Passionist Hour, here at St. Theresa's Cathedral. Spend some time to get to know them, and their spirituality.



FILIPINO MASS SCHEDULE:

St. Theresa's Cathedral
7pm 1st Friday of the month
St. Anthony's Church
11am 1st Saturday of the month
St. Patrick's Church
7pm 2nd Friday of the month
St. Joseph's Church
11am 3rd Saturday of the month
Stella Maris Church
7pm Last Wednesday of the month



SATURDAY MORNING HOLY MASS:

The Saturday Holy Mass will be held in the St. Theresa's Cathedral Chapel at 9am. This Holy Mass, in Portuguese, will be followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Adoration. Benediction will be at 10:15am.

LECTIO DIVINA ON ZOOM:

Has resumed on Monday's at 7:30pm.

Please contact Franz Wohlmuth at fgwohlmuth@logic.bm to join.



CATHEDRAL HOURS:

Monday-Friday 7am-4:30pm
Saturday 8:30am-7:30pm
Sunday 8am-7pm



FOCUS: God rewards those who place their trust in him.

It is hard not to relate to the worker who toiled all day and then was jealous of the worker who was paid equally for his one hour of work. But if we unite ourselves to the heart of Christ, we can understand God's pleasure in the conversion of all souls, whether they were faithful their whole lives or came to him right before death. Thank God for the mercy shown to each of us.

Steward's Sharing of Treasure

	Date	Actual
Collection:	Sept. 12th & 13th	\$4,262.50
Electronic Offering:	Sept. 12th & 13th	\$670.00
Filipino Mass:	Sept. 4th	\$662.00
2026 Collection to Date: Week 38		\$224,240.04

Thank you for your support!



ST. THERESA'S CHAPEL September 20th-26th, 2026

Donation given for Two 7 Day Candles
& Two Roses

In Loving Memory of Eugene & Mary DeSilva Sr.



BAPTISM:

We welcome Kai Jasper Fitzgerald, son of Gregory Fitzgerald & Tammy Short who will receive the Sacrament of Baptism, this **Sunday, September 20th, 2026.**

Welcome to the Church Family Kai!

SAVE THE DATE:

Missionary Childhood Rally
100th Anniversary of World Mission Sunday
"One in Christ, united in Mission"

For children ages 5 to 14 on **Saturday, October 17th from 9 am - 1 pm** in the Mt. St. Agnes Academy Auditorium.

Please RSVP by Monday, September 21st, 2026 to our CCD leader Maria Pacheco at sttheresasccd@gmail.com.

We look forward to seeing you there!



ST. THERESA'S CCD PROGRAM:

The CCD Program will commence on **Saturday, October 24th from 9am-10:30am**. Children who are or will be between the ages of 6 and 13 this year are welcome to join our CCD Program. All NEW students are required to register for the CCD Program. Registration forms are available by emailing sttheresasccd@gmail.com or from our Roman Catholic Diocese website - <https://www.romancatholicbermuda.bm/ministries/religious-education-ccd>. Children who attended the CCD Program last year do not need to register. If your contact information has changed, please send this information to sttheresasccd@gmail.com. The St. Theresa's CCD Team look forward to seeing all new and familiar faces in our CCD Program in October!



THE BISHOP'S CORNER

Dear Fellow-Catholics,



When we were finishing the Summer Lunch & Movie Program, several people approached me and asked if there was a chance to continue this project, as it was for many a great experience of socializing and spending some time in community.

I am happy to announce that Lunch & Movie Program will resume and continue throughout the year with a frequency of one gathering a month. We will not be able to have it on Thursdays as there is the 12:10pm Mass at our Cathedral and no event should compete with Holy Eucharist.

The Lunch & Movie gatherings will take place on the first Tuesday of every month, beginning in October, with the exception of March as it is Lent. The precise dates are: October 6, November 3, December 1, January 5, February 2, April 6, May 4, June 1.

We will begin at 12:00pm with lunch and then we will watch a movie with an intermission for ice-cream and eventually desserts. The movies will be announced week after week.

I hope that this will allow us to continue to enjoy these moments of good food and good company and inspire us to grow together as a community of Jesus' disciples.

Have a peaceful weekend and a good week!

Bishop Wes

ST. THERESA'S FEAST & FR. DANDY'S FAREWELL DINNER:

Join us for dinner & fellowship on
Saturday, October 3, 2026 at 7:30pm
in the St. Theresa's Hall.

Adults: \$45 Children Under 13: \$25

Tickets can be purchased from any Parish Council Members, Fr. Dandy and the Rectory office.

Come and enjoy good food and fellowship!



VISITING THE SICK:

Do you know of anyone who is sick, infirm, or homebound? Would they like to be visited by our priest? If so, please call our office at 292-0607 ext. 2, or send an email to sttheresas@northrock.bm to arrange a visit or to receive the Anointing of the Sick.



MEN OF GOD MONTHLY GROUP:

The next Men of God monthly group meeting will be held on **Tuesday, September 22nd at 7pm.**

We hope to see you there!



CHILDREN SERVING AT OUR 6PM MASS:

Next Sunday, September 27th at 6pm

We encourage our children to participate in this mass!



ATTENTION:

The Portuguese Mass has resumed at St. Patrick's on Wednesdays and will be celebrated at 7pm.

We look forward to seeing you there!



Dear Padre,

Adam and Eve had two sons and maybe others not mentioned in the Bible. How were others born without having committed incest?

This is a perfectly valid question, and one that I think many people have probably asked themselves at one time or another. Unfortunately, it is the wrong question, because it does not reflect the true meaning of the story.

The story about Adam and Eve is not a literal story or, in other words, a story that would be reported by CNN or FOX News. It is a teaching story, intended to encourage belief in the creative power of God at work in his creation. It is not, nor has it ever been, a literal step-by-step tutorial of the early days of the human race.

The bible includes different literary forms: narrative or history, poetry and songs, parables, letters, genealogies, and more. Knowing what form is being used, the purpose of the passage, who is writing or talking, and the intended audience is the work of Scripture scholars. The story of creation is not intended to be literal; it is inspirational. ●

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org

Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about **Dear Padre**.

Monday

September 21
St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist
Eph 4:1–7, 11–13
Mt 9:9–13

Tuesday

September 22
Weekday
Prv 21:1–6, 10–13
Lk 8:19–21

Wednesday

September 23
St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest
Prv 30:5–9
Lk 9:1–6

Thursday

September 24
Weekday
Eccl 1:2–11
Lk 9:7–9

Friday

September 25
Weekday
Eccl 3:1–11
Lk 9:18–22

Saturday

September 26
Weekday
Eccl 11:9–12:8
Lk 9:43b–45

Sunday

September 27
Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ez 18:25–28
Phil 2:1–11 or 2:1–5
Mt 21:28–32

A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

It is a great sign of hope—especially in our times, traversed by so many conflicts and wars—to know that the Church is a people in which women and men of different nationalities, languages, and cultures live together in faith: it is...a reminder and prophecy of that unity and peace to which God the Father calls all his children.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, ROME, MARCH 11, 2026

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