

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 11, 2022

Gospel Luke 15:1-32 (or Luke 15:1-10)

(Citation adapted for length. For full text, see your Bible.)

. . . He addressed this parable.

“What man among you having a hundred sheep
and losing one of them

would not leave the ninety-nine in the desert
and go after the lost one until he finds it?

And when he does find it,

he sets it on his shoulders with great joy, . . .
he calls together his friends and
neighbors: . . .

‘Rejoice with me because I have found my lost
sheep.’ . . .

“Or what woman having ten coins and losing one
would not light a lamp and sweep the house,
searching carefully until she finds it?

And when she does find it,
she calls together her friends and
neighbors: . . .

‘Rejoice with me because I have found the
coin that I lost.’

In just the same way, I tell you,
there will be rejoicing among the angels of
God
over one sinner who repents.”

Then he said,

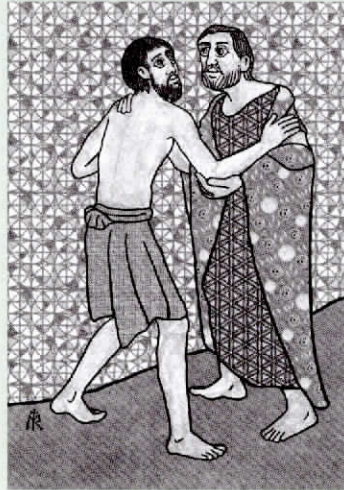
“A man had two sons, and the younger son
said to his father,

‘Father give me the share of your estate that
should come to me.’

So the father divided the property between
them. . . .

The younger son . . . set off to a distant country
where he squandered his inheritance. . . .

A severe famine struck that country, . . .



So he hired himself out . . . to tend the
swine. . . .

Coming to his senses he thought, . . .

‘I shall get up and go to my father and say, . . .

“Father, I have sinned against heaven and
against you.

I no longer deserve to be called your son;
treat me as you would treat one of your
hired workers.” . . .

While he was still a long way off,
his father caught sight of him,
and was filled with compassion.

He ran to his son, embraced him and kissed
him. . . .

[He] ordered his servants, . . .

‘[L]et us celebrate with a feast,

because this son of mine was dead, and has
come to life again;

he was lost, and has been found. . . .’”

Readings for the week:

24th Sunday in Ord. Time

Exod 32:7-11, 13-14
Ps 51:3-4, 12-13,
17, 19
1 Tim 1:12-17
Luke 15:1-32 or
Luke 15:1-10

Monday

1 Cor 11:17-26, 33
Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9,
10, 17
Luke 7:1-10

Tuesday

1 Cor 12:12-14,
27-31a
Ps 100:1b-2,
3, 4, 5
Luke 7:11-17

Wednesday

Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Num 21:4b-9
Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35,
36-37, 38
Phil 2:6-11
John 3:13-17

Thursday

1 Cor 15:1-11
Ps 118:1b-2,
16ab-17, 28
John 19:25-27 or
Luke 2:33-35

Friday

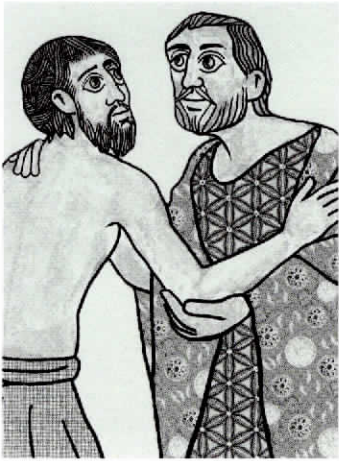
1 Cor 15:12-20
Ps 17:1bcd, 6, 7,
8b and 15
Luke 8:1-3

Saturday

1 Cor 15:35-37,
42-49
Ps 56:10c-12,
13-14
Luke 8:4-15

25th Sunday in Ord. Time

Amos 8:4-7
Ps 113:1-2, 4-6,
7-8
1 Tim 2:1-8
Luke 16:1-13 or
Luke 16:10-13



Opening Prayer

Look upon us, O God,
Creator and ruler of all things,
and, that we may feel the working of your mercy,
grant that we may serve you with all our heart.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Reflecting on Living the Gospel

In his book *The Road to Daybreak*, Henri Nouwen described his “homecoming” from academically successful but personally unsatisfying professorships at Harvard and Yale to his life working with men and women with disabilities in the L’Arche Daybreak community in Canada. With these wounded but loving and unpretentious people, Nouwen gradually learned to let go of his drive to do things and prove things. He was able to be his vulnerable, unadorned, and unmasked self, able to receive and give so much love.

The parable of the Prodigal Son shows us an image of our Father who is also prodigal—a spendthrift with his love for each one of us, his unadorned and vulnerable children. In giving his sons their inheritance, the father makes his first gesture of radical, “foolish” love, and allows the younger boy the freedom to leave home. He shows his foolish, costly love again when he offers his returning son not a cool, reserved reception, but a running welcome, a kiss, a compassionate embrace that squeezes all the preconceived plans out of his son. And finally, the father is a foolish lover when, at the cost of being considered both rude and stupid, he ignores his guests in order to plead with his elder son to join in the communal rejoicing over his brother’s return. But he refuses to be reconciled; he, too, has to learn what it means to be a son. He refuses to say “my brother,” speaking only of “your son.”

Abruptly, we are left with the elder son on the threshold of choice: to accept or reject the father’s love, to be reconciled or unreconciled with a brother or sister. Jesus invites us, today’s listeners, to write the conclusion to the parable with our lives.

Closing Prayer

Loving God, thank you for the gift of this day and the opportunity to grow in relationship with you. We turn away all too often, yet you remain steadfast in your love and mercy, calling us back to you. Keep us mindful of our need for reconciliation and relationship, that we might remain faithful to your Gospel and the way of life to which we are called. **Amen.**

For Reflection:

• Which character in today’s gospel do you most identify with? Why?

Suggestions for group and individual use:

1. Pray aloud the “Opening Prayer” (in *The Roman Missal* called the “collect”).
2. One person read aloud the gospel.
3. Each read prayerfully “Reflecting on Living the Gospel” and spend some time in personal prayer.
4. Share together responses to “For Reflection.”
5. Pray the “Closing Prayer.”

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MASS TIMES:

Fr. Anastacio Postrano, Pastor

Daily Mass: 6:30 AM – 7:30 AM (except Mondays)

Saturday: 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Sunday: 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM

4th Wednesday Masses are at 9:00AM at Hale Makua Nursing Home (Wailuku).

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Every 1st Friday: 6:00 AM

CONFESSION

Saturday: 4:30 PM

After every weekday mass or by appointment.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism, Confession, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick, Funerals please call the office to make an appointment (808) 244-3284 or (808) 385-3021 (please leave a message).

You can also reach us via email at stannwaihee@gmail.com.

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Financials: 08/29/22 – 09/04/22

Weekly Collection Goal \$2400	Total \$1691.00 Short\$709.00	
In Church	\$	1341.00
Online Giving	\$	350.00
Mail In	\$.00

Family Faith Formation Kick-Off, Sunday, September 11, 10 am – 12:00 pm on the parish grounds. Meet other St. Ann families, pray together, pick up your family learning materials, and tour Ka Mana Loa ‘Ohana garden together.

Time to place your Bread Orders – sign up sheet is at church entry. Bread Day is Tuesday, September 20th; pick up time 8:00 a.m. to Noon. Please join us in the production of St. Ann’s onolicious bread on Monday afternoon, September 19th @ 4:30 p.m. The more the merrier ~ hope to see you there!

Next weekend, Second Collection for Catholic University of America. You will help more than 6,000 students who are seeking a faith-filled education at an institution that supports cutting-edge research in multiple fields. Your investment will enable the University to continue to support the Church and to advance its work of preparing the next generation of leadership, both religious and lay, of our Church and nation.

Have a Blessed Week!