

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

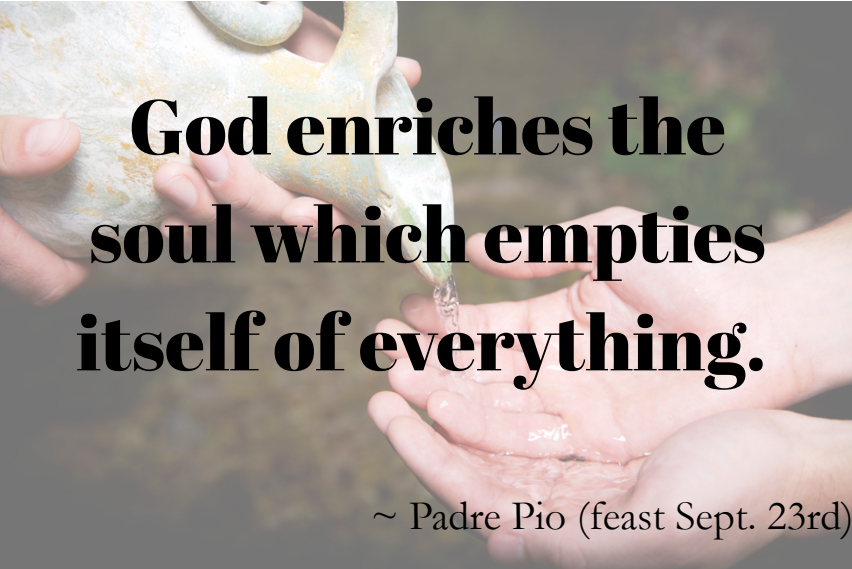
My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.



Cherry Ridge

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**God enriches the
soul which empties
itself of everything.**

~ Padre Pio (feast Sept. 23rd)



*Thus, the Last
Will Be First
and the First
Will Be Last*

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Celebration of the Eucharist
Week of September 20th, 2026

<u>Sat. (Sept. 19th)</u> <u>4:00pm</u>	<u>Anticipated Mass of the Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> Kathi McSweeney ~ Mary Kemp
<u>Sun. (Sept. 20th)</u> <u>11:15am</u>	<u>Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> Bernadette Stebler ~ John Stebler
<u>Wed. (Sept. 23rd)</u> <u>10:30am</u>	<u>St. Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)</u> Joseph & Lillian Giuffre ~ Andrea Giuffre
<u>Sat. (Sept. 26th)</u> <u>4:00pm</u>	<u>Anticipated Mass of the Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> Gloria & Richard Loiacono ~ Sister, Patty
<u>Sun. (Sept. 27th)</u> <u>11:15 am</u>	<u>Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</u> Dave Miller ~ Mary Lou & Family



Dear Friends,

Jesus's parable this Sunday can irritate us. We might be sympathetic with the early-morning workers, out in the sun all day only to receive the same pay as those who had just arrived. Equal pay for equal work seems right by our standards and for good reason. In contrast, the parable defies human logic. The landowner pays the usual daily wage, but chooses to be generous to his latest hires, knowing that they need to be able to eat too. In a way, the landowner's action is a matter of justice. Each receives what they need for the day.

We are reminded that although God owes us nothing, he offers abundantly and equally. We are occasionally tempted to think that our own actions deserve more reward, more of God's abundant mercy, than the actions of others. But God's generosity cannot be quantified or partitioned into different amounts for different people. When we think that way, we are trying to relate to God on our terms rather than to accept God's radically different ways.

Jesus is teaching us that we can do nothing to earn his generous love; it is given to any who are willing to accept it. Those who are "first"—those who think that they have done something to deserve God's love—will be last. Those who are last—those who know that they cannot earn God's love—will be first.

Today's gospel calls us to be mindful of the gifts God has generously shared with us and how we, in turn, are called to share these gifts with others.

Have a Blessed Week~ Rose