



September 1, 2019
Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

On the left are words that describe how people sometimes act to try to “exalt” themselves.

Write them onto the blanks in the order that will make two new words. Then read the ruler from top to bottom to find what God wants us to do.

And remember, don't try to compare yourself to other people—
God loves you just as you are!

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"When you hold a banquet, invite the poor,
the crippled, the lame, the blind." Luke 14 : 13

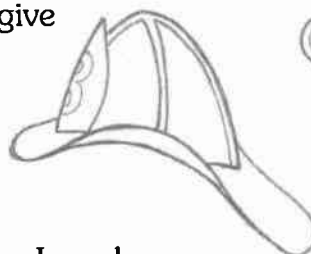
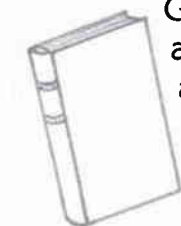


LABOR DAY

In 1894 President Grover Cleveland officially proclaimed the first Monday in September a day to honor all workers in the United States. Three years earlier, in 1891, Pope Leo XIII wrote an encyclical entitled *Rerum Novarum*, Latin for “new things.” The new things Pope Leo wrote about were the rights and dignity and respect that should be given to all workers. Tomorrow, September 2, the United States will celebrate Labor Day, a day that honors workers and remembers those who fought for laws that ensured that workers are treated with dignity and respect.

As Christians we believe that all honest work is good and holy, a way that we join God in the work of creation. Work is a chance for us to take the gifts and talents God has given us and use them for the good of our families and others. People work in many different ways. Some work with their hands to make things we need like clothes, food, and furniture. Others make things that are beautiful for us to enjoy—painters, jewelers, writers, poets, and composers of music. Still others do work that keeps us safe—road repairers, police and firefighters, and garbage collectors.

Doctors, teachers, nurses, and counselors give their lives to helping others. Many people work at home, raising children, preparing meals, washing clothes, and keeping the family’s home. On Labor Day we celebrate all people who work.



St. Joseph is the patron saint of workers. Joseph worked as a carpenter, a craftsman, and probably taught Jesus to work right alongside him. He is a good model of how our work helps others and gives praise to God. On this Labor Day, say a prayer for all the workers you know.

Make a list of all the different workers you know. Some people work with their hands, some work with their minds, some with their voices. Don’t leave anyone out. What work would you like to do when you grow up?

These are some of the workers I know.

This is the work they do.

St. Joseph, model of all workers, pray for us.

Jesus has taught us never to act or treat others
as though we are better than they are.

Amy is thinking of a word that means this.

Put her thought bubbles in correct number order to spell it.

