

**Monday**  
 SEPTEMBER 19  
 Weekday  
 Prv 3:27–34  
 Lk 8:16–18

**Tuesday**  
 SEPTEMBER 20  
 Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gŏn,  
 Priest, and Paul Chŏng  
 Ha-sang, and Companions,  
 Martyrs  
 Prv 21:1–6, 10–13  
 Lk 8:19–21

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

**Thursday**  
 SEPTEMBER 22  
 Weekday  
 Eccl 1:2–11  
 Lk 9:7–9

**Friday**  
 SEPTEMBER 23  
 St. Pius of Pietrelcina,  
 Priest  
 Eccl 3:1–11  
 Lk 9:18–22

**Saturday**  
 SEPTEMBER 24  
 Weekday  
 Eccl 11:9–12:8  
 Lk 9:43b–45

**Sunday**  
 SEPTEMBER 25  
 Twenty–sixth Sunday  
 in Ordinary Time  
 Am 6:1a, 4–7  
 1 Tm 6:11–16  
 Lk 16:19–31

# Dear Padre,

**A friend sent me a copy of *The Catholic Worker* newspaper. It was founded by one of his heroes, Dorothy Day. What can you tell me about her?**

**D**orothy Day was born in Brooklyn, New York, in 1897. She finished high school at age sixteen and joined the Socialist Party in 1914 as a college student. She converted to Catholicism in 1927.

During the Great Depression, Dorothy’s commitment to the poor deepened. In 1932 she met Peter Maurin, with whom she founded the Catholic Worker Movement. In 1933 she created *The Catholic Worker* newspaper, through which she proclaimed the rights of workers to dignity and to fair and honest treatment by industry and government, landlords, and neighbors. Her pro-labor and anti-war beliefs caused her to be labeled a Communist, but she was never a member of the Communist Party.

Dorothy’s concern for social justice grew—among other things, she worked with Cesar Chavez and the United Farm Workers. She was orthodox, pious, and had a deep sense of Catholic morality.

She died in 1980. In 2000, St. John Paul II granted the Archdiocese of New York permission to open a cause for Dorothy

Day’s sainthood. That cause was endorsed in 2012 by the US Conference of Catholic Bishops, who called her “a saint for our time.” In December 2021, Servant of God Dorothy Day’s cause advanced from the Archdiocese of New York to the Vatican’s Congregation for the Causes of the Saints.

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## A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

*In these times when social concerns are so important, I cannot fail to mention the Servant of God Dorothy Day, who founded the Catholic Worker Movement. Her social activism, her passion for justice and for the cause of the oppressed, were inspired by the Gospel, her faith, and the example of the saints.*

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