

## Reflection Questions

- Choose one of the four cardinal virtues (prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance) and describe how you've seen personal growth in that area.
- In this Sunday's Gospel Reading, Jesus declares, "You cannot serve both God and mammon." How can you relate?
- Share what's going on in your life today and relate it to an action, solution, or recovery principle.

### Catholic in Recovery Resources Online

Visit [catholicinrecovery.com](http://catholicinrecovery.com) for a variety of resources related to addiction recovery and the Catholic Church:

- Articles published weekly related to various types of addictions, the impact of addiction on families, practical application of the Twelve Steps and sacraments, and more
- Full directory of virtual and in-person meetings available
- Read testimonials of CIR community members
- Enroll in the Catholic in Recovery Novena
- Pre-order *The Catholic in Recovery Workbook*

### Sunday Mass Readings this Week

**First Reading:** Amos 8:4-7

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8

**Second Reading:** 1 Timothy 2:1-8

**Gospel:** Luke 16:1-13

## Twenty fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



As we recover from a state of darkness and isolation, regardless of our addiction, compulsion, or unhealthy attachment, we find that we need a wholesale change. We must live our lives based on new principles if we are to be joyful and free. We slowly shed layers of self-centeredness and replace old patterns with what the Church considers four cardinal virtues: prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance.

Prudence, guided judgment based on sound reasoning and is gained by leaning on a core group of individuals that can relate to what we're going through. Repeatedly embrace new ideas and reframe our lives with hope as we acknowledge and seek the will of God. We become more in tune with the Spirit that guides our judgment.

