

Daily Homily  
Eighth Week of Ordinary Time: Friday  
2 June 2023  
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We are back in Ordinary Time... Ordinary coming from the word "Ordinal," which means counted. So, we are counting up the weeks. Our Lenten and Easter Retreat interrupted the count during week seven... right now we are in week eight... this Sunday will be the Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time – even though we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity this weekend.

We count up... it's symbolic that as the number grows, so should our faith grow as well.

Then we hear the Gospel today... Jesus cursing the things that are useless, like a fig tree... Jesus cleansing what is unnecessary.

If our faith is to grow... what needs to be alleviated from your life today? If your faith is to grow... what needs to be cleansed? Spring cleaning is necessary not only for our homes but also for our souls, our spiritual lives.

If nothing readily comes to mind, ask the Lord to enter into your garden to prune and water... ask the Lord to enter into your temple to turn over unnecessary tables and to clean.