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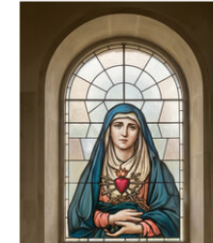
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September 20, 2026 Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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of Sorrows



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**Mass Schedule
September 2026**

Monday: 8am @
St Joachim

Tuesday: 8:15am @
St. James

Wednesday: 8:15am @
St. Joachim

Thursday: 8am @
St. James
Friday: 8am @
St. Joachim

Saturday 4pm
(1st & 3rd weekend @
St. James; 2nd & 4th
weekend @
St. Joachim)

Sunday: 8am @
St. Joachim
10am @ St. James

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, Sept 21:
@ St. Joachim: Ron
Laplant

Tuesday, Sept 22:
Bill Ruble

Wednesday, Sept 23: @
St. Joachim: Ryan Dowell

Thursday, Sept 24:
John Arena

Friday, Sept 25:
@ St. Joachim: Edith
Portell

Saturday Sept 26:
4pm: @ St. Joachim: Parish
Family

Sunday Sept 27:
8am: @ St. Joachim: Mary
& Joshua Sumpter
10am: Joan Knott

Mass Intentions are \$10.
Please call the office or
drop by to schedule them.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:15-3:45pm
Prior to Saturday
evening Mass or by
appointment



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September 27 : Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lector:
Saturday 4pm:
Sunday 10am: Jamie Warden

Eucharistic Ministers:
Saturday 4pm Sunday 10am
C: Danny Mueller
L: Diane McGirl
R: Mary Roy

Servers
Saturday 4pm:
Sunday 10am: Meadow Henson

Music:
Sat: 4:00pm. Chala Short
Sun. 8:00am Rebecca Richards
Sun: 10:00am Anita Govero or The Little Way Band

Daily Mass Lectors
Tuesday September 22: Catherine Dickey
Thursday September 24: Judy Wright
Tuesday September 29: Mary Campbell
Thursday October 1: Vicki Thurmond
Tuesday October 6: Joyce Politte
Thursday October 8: Rhonda Politte

Heavenly Dusters
Jeanne DeGonia 9/25
Diane Mull 10/2
Bobbie Heifner 10/9
Laura Allen 10/16

Altar Linens
Glenda Whitten 9/21
Kathy Pashia 9/28
Bobbie Heifner 10/5
Diane McGirl 10/12

Money Counters
Mary Ann & Donna 9/22
Becky & Rhonda 9/29
Jeanne & Rhonda 10/6
Pat & Tina 10/13

Weekly Collection 09/13/26

Envelopes:	1224.00
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Online Giving:	100.00
Maintenance:	25.00
St. Vincent de Paul:	84.00
Votives:	35.50
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Total Giving:	\$1832.50
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September 20, 2026 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last”. - MATTHEW 20:16

You’ve heard the saying “it’s not where you start, but how you finish.” This certainly applies to this Bible passage. We have a responsibility not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. We are called to generously share our gifts with others, not hoard them for our own use. Our sincere gratitude and cheerful generosity will help us live “God-centered” lives and not “self-centered” lives.

Thank You !!



THE COUNCIL’S CORNER

****Our next meeting is November 10 @ 5:30pm.**

*We are in need of Lectors, Altar Servers, and Eucharistic Ministers. If you would like to serve in these ministries, please let the parish office know. This is open to St. Joachim parishioners as well. We ask that you be added to the schedule. We have scheduled ministers each week. If you are not scheduled, we ask that you allow the scheduled ministers time to reach the altar before coming forward. Thank you for your time and dedication to these ministries.

*We are also in need of sacristans to help set up the altar for Mass and open up church for Mass when needed. Please call the office if you would like to help.

***IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, CONCERNS OR ISSUES, FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ERIC AUBUCHON @ 314-605-6268.**

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Our next Pantry Distribution day will be September 19th. We thank all our volunteers who help with the distribution and we especially thank all our generous donors who help support the pantry with your money and donations. We couldn't serve the needy in our community without your generosity and dedication to our mission.

St. Vincent de Paul collection:
Canned meat, canned chili w/meat, Boxed Cereal, powdered milk, breakfast items

September 20, 2026
Feast Day of St. Vincent de Paul

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As we celebrate his feast day, let us remember his words: “Go to the poor: you will find God.”

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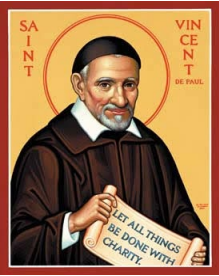
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Interested in Becoming Catholic or Learning more about the Catholic Faith? (OCIA: Order of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Sept 24 @ 6:30pm in the Incarnate Word Center:
Session Topic: Your Prayer Life & Catholic Prayer and Practices
If interested in becoming Catholic, are missing any of the Initiation Sacraments (First Communion, Penance, Confirmation) or in learning more about the Catholic Faith, call St. Joachim or St. James rectories or Vicki Thurmond (573-854-1257). If scheduling is an issue, please don't hesitate to reach out as we can try to make arrangements to help accommodate your schedule.

Ladies Sodality

Our next meeting is **Sept 21**. We will meet in the quilting room in the basement of the rectory. Please everyone try to attend.

Parish School of Religion(PSR)

PSR Teachers have already started working on activities and curriculum for this school year. Open house for parents and students is scheduled for September 9th at 6:00pm. There will be paperwork to fill out for the parents and a brief meeting about what we are working on for this year. For the kiddos, they will report to their new classrooms and meet their teachers for the year. We are looking forward to another great year!

Dr. Melissa Cordia

From the Parish Office:

****For the next 7 weeks, my Wednesday hours will be different. I will be working 11-4 to accomodate leading the Bible Study at St. Joachim. I apologize for the inconvenience.**

****We are collecting gently used or new rosaries for our nursing home residents and our OCIA participants. If you have any to donate, please drop them by the parish office. We appreciate any that you can donate.**

****Thank you to everyone who has been praying for my mother. We experienced a miracle and got the NO CANCER news! I am so grateful for all your prayers!**

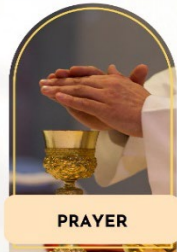


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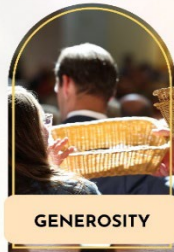
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Stewardship: An Attitude of Gratitude

Most people are aware of the concept of Stewardship – recognizing everything we have is a gift from God, being grateful, developing our gifts and generously sharing with others. Gifts are typically categorized as time, talent and treasure. But how do we practice this in everyday life?

TIME - invest in your prayer life

- Pray to God frequently throughout the day, every day.
- Talk and listen to God.

TALENT – willingness to help others

- Participate in parish ministries and other charitable organizations.
- Accept responsibility for helping others.

TREASURE – generosity with your financial gifts

- Generously return a portion of the money you have been given by God.
- Give cheerfully without expecting anything in return. No gift is too small or insignificant.

Stewardship isn't some exclusive club. We are all stewards. Living stewardship requires a conversion – a change that softens our hearts and makes room for the Holy Spirit to enter.

Living a stewardship lifestyle:

- Takes time – time to pray.
- Is difficult – demands placing God first in all things.
- Means taking risks – detaching ourselves from our time, possessions and money - placing our trust in God.

You are invited to follow this path!

And invite one other person – JUST ONE – to do the same!

Stewardship requires action. The action of past generations is what built the Church. It is our responsibility to develop and nurture our gifts for future generations. As St. Francis of Assisi said, "Preach the Gospel at all times. Use words when necessary."

Stewardship isn't easy, but it has tremendous rewards - Love, Peace and Joy on earth and eternal life in heaven!

Question: When you stand before God and He asks what you have done with the gifts He has given you, how will you respond?

The Ride For Life!

SXS RIDE & BENEFIT

Supporting Caring Hearts Family Resource Center

Join us for a fun-filled day supporting a vital community resource serving families in Washington County!

Event Details and Activities

17 Date: October 17, 2026

Location: The Red Barn,
130 Webster Rd, Caledonia, MO.

Registration Opens at 8:30 AM

Cost: \$20 per vehicle

Ride route is gravel and asphalt only.
Trucks and Jeeps welcome!

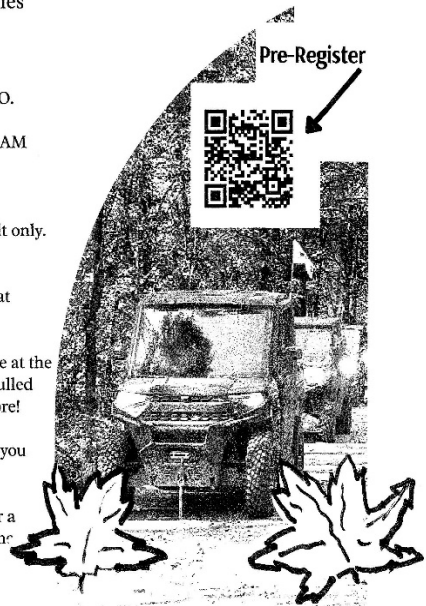
Ride departs the Red Barn at
930am

Enjoy delicious food for sale at the
Red Barn: Biscuits & Gravy, Pulled
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Play games for prizes while you
ride!

Donate to Caring Hearts for a
chance to win raffle prizes at the
end of the day!

Pre-Register



Caring Hearts Fundraiser

Caring Hearts Family Resource Center is raffling off a rifle between now and Oct. 17th when the drawing will take place at the **RIDE FOR LIFE** at the Red Barn in Caledonia. Please support the pro-life cause!!! Your support is appreciated!



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Reflection on Matthew 20:1–16a

The heart of Matthew 20:1–16a is God's startling **generosity**. Jesus' parable of the landowner reminds us that the Kingdom of Heaven does not operate on human notions of fairness or merit. Those who worked all day and those who arrived at the last hour receive the same wage—not because their efforts were equal, but because **God's mercy is abundant, free, and unearned**.

This challenges us. We often measure ourselves against others, wondering whether we've "done enough" or whether someone else has received more than they deserve. But Jesus invites us to see with new eyes: **God's love is not a reward for performance; it is a gift for all who come to Him**. The parable also encourages humility. Whether we have followed Christ for decades or are just beginning to turn toward Him, the invitation is the same—enter the vineyard, trust the Master, and rejoice in His goodness. Envy has no place in the Kingdom; gratitude does.

Today, ask for the grace to celebrate God's generosity—**both in your life and in the lives of others—and to remember that His mercy is always more than enough**.

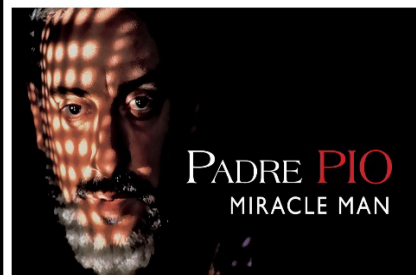
Living in the Father's Love
Fall Women's Bible Study
Our fall bible study for women will begin **Wednesday (St. Joachim) on September 23rd** and will be weekly (except for one week) & **Friday mornings (St. James) starting on September 18th**. The Friday study at St. James will be every two weeks.

Schedule for St. Joachim:

Sept. 23
Sept. 30
Oct 7
Oct 21 (meet in church);
Oct 28
Nov 4

Schedule for St. James:

Sept 18
Oct 2:Note change in date
Oct 16:Note change in date
Oct 30:Note change in date
Nov 13:Note change in date
Dec 4



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Parish Calendar

Sept 20: Emmaus Youth Group Meeting at St. Joachim in the Incarnate Word Center
6pm: ALL STUDENTS 6TH-12TH GRADES FROM ST. JAMES ARE WELCOME!

Sept 21: Rural Clinic here
Ladies Sodality meeting at 5:30pm

Sept 22: Parish Picnic Wrap-Up Meeting 6pm in the Parish Hall

Sept 23: The Parish Office will open late at 11:00am due to Bible Study at St. Joachim

Sept 26: Men's Faith Sharing Group 7am



Pope Leo XIV
General Audience
September 16, 2026

Dear brothers and sisters, in our continuing catechesis on the Second Vatican Council's document, *Gaudium et Spes*, today we focus on the importance of human relationships. Our understanding of human community is based on the foundation of the dignity of the human person. Instead of seeing differences as a danger or threat, the vision of humanity as a community of persons enables us to work together to seek the common good. When we move beyond an individualistic mindset to adopt an attitude of responsibility and participation in the effort to build a more humane and just world, social relationships are enriched with real substance and personal depth. They likewise contribute to the fulfillment of each human person and the development of society. Dear brothers and sisters, let us renew our commitment to realizing, in Christ, the precious gift of our humanity.

Dear Padre

September 20, 2026

Adam and Eve had two sons and maybe others not mentioned in the Bible. How were others born without having committed incest?

This is a perfectly valid question, and one that I think many people have probably asked themselves at one time or another. Unfortunately, it is the wrong question, because it does not reflect the true meaning of the story.

The story about Adam and Eve is not a literal story or, in other words, a story that would be reported by CNN or FOX News. It is a teaching story, intended to encourage belief in the creative power of God at work in his creation. It is not, nor has it ever been, a literal step-by-step tutorial of the early days of the human race.

The bible includes different literary forms: narrative or history, poetry and songs, parables, letters, genealogies, and more. Knowing what form is being used, the purpose of the passage, who is writing or talking, and the intended audience is the work of Scripture scholars. The story of creation is not intended to be literal; it is inspirational. ●

Fr. Thomas M. Santa, CSsR / DearPadre.org

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Picnic Wrap-Up Meeting
September 22
6:00pm
Parish Hall

We would like to invite everyone who has ideas and interest for improving our picnic to attend! Please join us and let us know how we can improve and make next year's picnic even more successful!

Monday

September 21
*St. Matthew,
Apostle and
Evangelist*

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13
Mt 9:9-13

Tuesday

September 22
Weekday

Prv 21:1-6, 10-13
Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday

September 23
*St. Pius of
Pietrelcina, Priest*

Prv 30:5-9
Lk 9:1-6

Thursday

September 24
Weekday

Ecll 1:2-11
Lk 9:7-9

Friday

September 25
Weekday

Ecll 3:1-11
Lk 9:18-22

Saturday

September 26
Weekday

Ecll 11:9-12:8
Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday

September 27
*Twenty-sixth
Sunday in
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Ez 18:25-28
Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5
Mt 21:28-32

Good News!

September 20, 2026

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

Isaiah 55:6-9 / Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a / Matthew 20:1-16a

MIGUEL DULICK

I keep hearing preachers say this is their least favorite gospel, because it makes people so mad! All the workers in a vineyard get a full day's pay—which folks interpret as heaven—even the ones who came at the last hour of the afternoon. “You mean, I work hard my whole life, and some nobody from nowhere just waltzes into heaven ahead of me?” But wait a minute! You think you *deserve* your “pay”? None of us is anywhere or anything, even breathing, without God's grace. It's not a competition; it's our only hope! We should be dancing in the street to celebrate God's generosity. Matthew himself must have chuckled at this parable, since he was also a latecomer, having spent his life grinding his own brothers and sisters into poverty to feed the tax maw of the Roman Empire. Then, Jesus called him! I love the twist in the parable: the owner not only pays the last ones equally, but he pays them *first*!

If you don't like standing in line, you could be like Paul, who wants to just skip to the end: “I long to depart this life and be with Christ” (Philippians 1:23). As he says, “To me life is Christ, and death is gain” (Philippians 1:21). We should all be so eager. Just concentrate on the “fruitful labor” of service to others. Put everyone else ahead of you, and don't be afraid of some hard work. Any vineyard is a challenge, even when that vineyard is the Church. ●

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YOU ARE INVITED!!
6th grade ~ graduating Seniors
WHEN
September 20th
WHERE
IWC Building, St. Joachim Parish grounds
TIME
@ 6pm
Come and join us! Grab a sweet treat and catch up with everyone! Find out what we are all about!

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Saint Matthew | Catholic Saints

Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. We are all familiar with the four Gospels, but what makes them stand out from the rest? Join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Michael Barber as they discuss St. Matthew, the great Apostle and evangelist.

Bible Study: The Gospel of Matthew 1:1-25

Join Dr. Tim Gray and Dr. Michael Barber as they begin studying the Gospel of Matthew by introducing St. Matthew and looking at chapter 1 of this incredible gospel.

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- *Enter our parish's zip code 63664
- *Enter your name and your email address.
- *Enjoy!



Permanent Diaconate Information Night

Do you feel called to do something special for you Church? If so a vocation to the Permanent Diaconate might be something that you are being called to. The Office of the Permanent Diaconate is asking that interested men attend one of the Information Nights to begin exploring a vocation the Permanent Diaconate. Upcoming Information Nights will be held on **Wednesday, October 14, 2026 and Monday, October 19, 2026 at Cardinal Rigali Center. All meetings will begin at 6:30 PM. Wives of men considering this vocation are strongly encouraged to attend.** For more information or to reserve a spot at the meeting, please contact the Office of the Permanent Diaconate at 314.792.7433.

Community Christmas Dinner Update

On September 10th, 17 parishioners from St. James and St. Joachim came together for the first planning meeting for what we are calling “Community Christmas”. The turnout itself was encouraging. These volunteers understand the needs facing families in their own communities and willingly stepped forward to help make this effort a success for their neighbors.

Date: December 5th

Time: Doors Open 1 pm – 3 pm

Parish SVDP and other ministries participating:
St. Joachim – Dennis Boyer (SVDP President)
St. James - Rhonda Politte (POC, SVDP)
St. Stephens – Barb Rulo

Background

Last year, the Southern Vicariate partnered with Raven's Ministry and Caring Hearts to provide a Thanksgiving meal for neighbors in need. After seeing the continued needs reflected through our local food pantries, Conversations with St. James and St. Joachim started about creating something similar locally during the Christmas season. Again, the response was immediate: 17 parishioners came together for the first brainstorming meeting and began turning the idea into a community effort.

Community Christmas

Expected attendance: 100–150 people, particularly families and individuals who have utilized the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry and other local assistance.
Meal coordinators:
Dr. Paul Villmer - St. James
Monica Pratt - St. Joachim

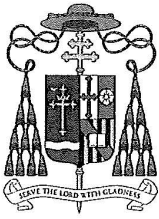
Christmas for the Children

We are holding a Toy drive during the month of October. We are asking for toys to be donated unwrapped. This way during our wrapping party, we can group the toys by gender and age appropriate. Wrapped gifts will be provided on the day of event for children, infant through age 10, and Santa will be present.

Toy drive will run throughout October, partnering with our Archdiocesan Education community and inviting children and families from throughout the Southern Vicariate to help provide gifts for other children. Queen of All Saints, Sacred Heart Valley Park, and Holy Family have already committed to hold a Toy Drive.

Thank you Fr. Dattilo, and Angie for saying yes to the idea. Thank you to everyone who has already said yes to helping make Community Christmas possible.

Sincerely,
George Herrera,
Director of Social Outreach
Southern Vicariate of the Archdiocese of St. Louis



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September 8, 2026

Reverend Anthony A. Dattilo
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Dear Father Dattilo,

Thank you for your work on the 2026 *Annual Catholic Appeal*, which raised more this year than ever before. Almost 30,000 households contributed more than \$19 million to help build the Church. Please see the upcoming *St. Louis Review* for more details. Because the work of our parishes was so critical to our success, I have enclosed your final parish report and a preview of the Final Results Supplement for your early review.

Because of your success, we were able to allocate additional funds for our Catholic schools, Catholic Charities, parish life, affordable housing, and other important areas. Your efforts will make a real difference in the lives of those we serve. I hope you share this good news with your parishioners, so that they can enjoy knowing that their gifts are helping so many people.

The parishioners and parish leadership at Saint James Parish met the new donor goal for the parish. Without the generosity of many parishioners across our archdiocese, I would not have such good news to report today. Please extend my sincere gratitude to your parishioners for their faithful support.

I also want to offer my gratitude to Mary, the mother of our Church, for her maternal protection and ongoing intercession for the *Annual Catholic Appeal* and the entire Church in the Archdiocese of St. Louis. Please join me in honoring Our Lady for her care for the Church. Thank you, once again, for your faithful service. I will keep you and your parish in my prayers. May God continue to pour out His blessings upon you and your priestly ministry.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Mitchell T. Rozanski
Archbishop of St. Louis

Enclosures

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Parish Progress Report

8/18/2026

Saint James Parish-353
201 N Missouri St
Potosi, MO 63664-1745

2026 Published Goal	\$14,700		
Challenge Goal	\$0		
New donor Goal	13		
To date total	\$10,400		
Total Parishioners	223		
Returned to date	45		
Total Number of Donors	38		
# New Donors	13	Net New / Renewed	\$1,585
# Increased contributions	13	Net Increase	\$385
# Maintained contributions	9	Total from Maintained Donors	\$5,155
# Decreased contributions	3	Net Decrease	(\$1,555)
Signed refusal cards returned	7		
Pledges percent	17.04%		
Prior Year Pledges percent	11.74%		
Cards returned percent	20.18%		
Cards returned with matching gift	0		
Matching gift total	\$0		

Pledge breakdown by category	Count	Pledge Total
Non givers (Signed Refusals)	7	
Below \$150	22	\$1,435
\$150 - \$299	8	\$1,820
\$300 - \$499	5	\$1,825
\$500 - \$999	0	
Sponsors \$1,000 - \$2,499	2	\$2,820
Ambassadors \$2,500 - \$4,999	1	\$2,500
Endorsers \$5,000 - \$9,999	0	
Guarantors \$10,000 - \$14,999	0	
Bronze Guarantors \$15,000 - \$19,999	0	
Silver Guarantors \$20,000 - \$24,999	0	
Gold Guarantors \$25,000 - \$34,999	0	
Platinum Guarantors \$35,000 - \$49,999	0	
Diamond Guarantors \$50,000 - \$99,999	0	
Centurion - \$100,000	0	