

St Matthew | Beginning 25th Week of Ordinary Time

This weekend is Saturday the 21 September, the Feast of St Matthew the Apostle and Evangelist, and Sunday the 22 September, beginning the 25th week of Ordinary Time.

Luke Parker sings, "Sweet Surrender".

This weekend's reading is from the Gospel of Matthew.

Spend a few moments picturing yourself in this scene, at dinner with Jesus. Are you with the dodgy crowd around Jesus? How does that feel?

When the Pharisees object, Jesus defends the people gathered around him. What's it like to hear Jesus defending you?

Listen again to the passage, and hear Jesus saying that you are the reason he has come.

Is there anything you want to say to the Lord? Speak to him simply, as a friend.