September 2

Prayer for the Unemployed

“For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went.”
Matthew 20:1-4

Prayer: O God of the vineyard, you call us all to productive labor, to employ our gifts and talents for you. We pray for those who are unemployed. Strengthen them in this difficult hour, uplift their spirits, and grant them a place among your laborers until all be employed for the common good, and we share fully in our true work of praising you with heart and mind and soul forever. Amen

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