

Sister's Spin

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The Labor Day Holiday has some strong ties to the state of Illinois and more specifically to the city of Chicago. It was after the Pullman Railroad Strike in Chicago that Grover Cleveland set up the holiday in 1894. Three years prior to that, Pope Leo XIII issued the encyclical ***Rerum Novarum*** detailing the rights and dignity of the worker in conjunction with those of industrial leaders. This day serves to remind us that as workers, we are made in the image and likeness of God, and we unite with God in caring for the earth by the many jobs we hold. As you prepare to celebrate this weekend, consider your role as a worker--that does include those who study--and give thanks for a time of rest before getting back to the job! -- SM

