

THE SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 13, 2022

*“Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours.
Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied.”*

— Luke 6:20-21a

FEELING BLESSED

Congratulations! Welcome to the Kingdom! Rejoice and leap for joy! Sounds a little like Easter, doesn't it? Well, in a very real way, it is. This Sunday, the scriptures remind us that we are blessed and beloved, especially when we have difficulties and don't feel especially blessed. Jesus reminds us that God blesses us in our trials, so we should trust in the saving power of God. We are “raised from the dead,” as it were, each time we arise from our hardships. The ultimate proof of all of this is our new life in Christ, who died so that we could be free of sin, and was raised from the dead so that we might all have new life. Wouldn't that be something? A new life, in which poverty is riches and sadness is transformed into lightness of spirit? It's a topsy-turvy world, isn't it? Do you feel blessed today?

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — The one who trusts in the LORD is like a tree planted beside the waters (Jeremiah 17:5-8).

Psalm — Blessed are they who hope in the Lord (Psalm 1).

Second Reading — Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep (1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20).

Gospel — Blessed are you who are poor, hungry, weeping. Woe to you who are rich, filled, laughing (Luke 6:17, 20-26).

OUR GIFTS RECORD

	Offertory	Development
Last Week's Collection	\$3,083.00	\$2,590.00
Number of Families contributing	90	68
Total Pledge for 2022	\$160,375.00	\$163,292.00
Pledged to Date (6 Weeks)	\$19,666.00	\$19,914.00
Received to Date	\$11,691.00	\$9,865.00
Envelopes Outstanding	\$7,975.00	\$10,049.00

LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2022
\$150.00	\$609.00

Eighteen ladies made a contribution last week.

PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2022
\$12,120.00	\$15,410.00

Three people made a P.L.C. contribution last week.

BICENTENNIAL CAMPAIGN

GOAL	\$165,000.00
Total Pledged	\$210,300.00
Total Received	\$69,865.00

POOR BOX totaled \$100.00.

13 **CHILDREN** contributed \$80.00.

BAA totaled \$60.00.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

A poll was taken at a large college recently and students were found to be honest about one thing in particular — lying.

There were three major causes given for lying. First was the fear of punishment — 31.3%. Second, — at 24.3% — was the wish to avoid hurting someone. The third reason — at 18.3% — was the desire to avoid a disagreeable situation.

The students were also asked under what circumstances a lie would be acceptable and 32.9% said, “To avoid hurting someone.” Another 22.6% said, “To protect someone.”

The lie that hurts someone else was registered as the “most unforgivable” and rated a negative 54.3% vote.

The big question is: Is it even justifiable to lie? What is our answer? If your vote is in tune with the students polled, then you are out of tune with the Word of God.

The writers of Proverbs states that “He that speaketh lies shall not escape.” What God expects is clean, honest hearts that love that love God and speak the truth.

“Is God getting what he expects from you?”

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. the Family of Jack's Cathy in loving memory of her on her 71st Birthday;
2. the Gallons in loving memory of Johnny and Catherine Ann Gallon on their Birthdays and Wedding Anniversary;
3. the Family of Pete “Mockhem” Mulholland and Peyton Sherlock in loving memory of them on the 6th Anniversary of their deaths;
4. the Wife and Family of Pete Jude Gorman on the 1st Anniversary of his death;
5. the Family of Big Pete Gorman on the 3rd Anniversary of his death;
6. and a Parish Family member in thanks to St. Expedite.

SPECIAL COLLECTION The second collection next weekend will be for the *Bishop's Annual Appeal*. Please be generous in this collection.

SERENITY PRAYER

Lord, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; courage to change the things I can; and the wisdom to know the difference.

TUESDAY MASS will be at 12:00 Noon each week until further notice.

THANK YOU to a parish member for a \$350 donation in thanks to St. Jude; a parish member for their donation in thanks to St. Raphael, St. Mother Theresa and Padre Pio; a parish member for their donation in thanks to St. Jude; and a parish member for a donation in Thanksgiving to St. Monica, Our Lady of Light, and St. Rita of the Impossible; and also to two parish members for their donations in thanks to St. Expedite.

ONE LINERS

- **Don't sweat the petty things and don't pet the sweaty things.**
- **I went to a bookstore and asked the saleswoman, "Where's the self-help section?" She said if she told me, it would defeat the purpose.**
- **Isn't it a bit unnerving that doctors call what they do "practice?"**
- **I went to buy some camouflage trousers the other day but I couldn't find any.**

JOKE OF THE WEEK A native of Holland was chatting with an American tourist explaining why the flag of the Netherlands is red, white and blue.

"Our flag symbolizes our taxes," he said. "We get red when we talk about them, grow white when we get the tax bill, and are blue after we pay them.

"It's the same way in the United States," said the American traveler, "only we also see stars."

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: World Marriage Day

Monday: Ss. Cyril and Methodius; Valentine's Day

Thursday: The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday: Funeral.

Tuesday: For the repose of the soul of Jack's Cathy on her 71st Birthday.

Wednesday: In honor of the Infant Jesus of Prague and St. Joseph for all the sick and for all the holy souls in purgatory and for the repose of the soul of Pete Jude Dep Gorman on the 1st Anniversary of his death.

Thursday: For the repose of the soul of Kate Sloopy Carroll on her Birthday.

Friday: In honor of the Holy Souls and Precious Blood and for the repose of the soul of Eddie Big Shot on the Anniversary of his death.

A CHRISTIAN'S PRAYER

*Oh, help me Lord, I humbly pray,
To win some soul to Thee today...
A lost one, stumbling o'er a stone
Who cannot find his way alone...
Oh, Help me as I go about
To try to clear his mind of doubt.*

*I'll tell him of Thy saving grace
And pray that he will seek Thy face...
And I shall let my lost friend know
How strong in Christian faith he'll grow,
How happy all his days will be
When once he yields his all to Thee.
Oh, help me then, in all I do
To bring a lost one close to You. Amen.*

READERS

Sat. Feb. 12th, 4:00 P.M. Leah & Dayna Sat. Feb. 12th, 7:00 P.M. Savannah & Ritz

Sun. Feb. 13th, 10:00 A.M. Jersey & Bridgette Anna

Sat. Feb. 19th, 4:00 P.M. Cathy Lisa & Reed Sat. Feb. 19th, 7:00 P.M. Natalie & Mary Martha

Sun. Feb. 20th, 10:00 A.M. Jersey & Bridgette Anna

READERS – WEEKDAYS

Monday	-	Kara
Tuesday	-	Dayna
Wednesday	-	Cathy Lisa
Thursday	-	Natalie
Friday	-	Graclynn

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - WEEKDAY

Monday	-	Kim Gallon
Tuesday	-	Nora
Wednesday	-	Catherine Ann
Thursday	-	Mary Cat
Friday	-	Rosie Cat

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND

<u>Saturday 4:00 P.M.</u>	<u>February 12th</u>
Front	Winnie Ann
Right	Cathy Pole
Left	Catherine Ann

<u>Saturday 7:00 P.M.</u>	<u>February 12th</u>
Right	Rosie Cat
Left	Cathy Jap

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
<u>February 13th</u>	<u>February 20th</u>
Rose Marie	Rose Marie

WISDOM OF FULTON SHEEN

*As the mother knows the needs better than the babe,
so the Blessed Mother understands our cries and worries
and knows them better than we know ourselves.*

MIRACLES DO HAPPEN

*Sometimes in life our BLESSINGS come early.
Sometimes they come later.
But they always come and they are always ON TIME.
Keep PRAYING, have FAITH.
ASK, BELIEVE and WAIT
MIRACLES DO HAPPEN!*

~~~~~PRAYER CORNER~~~~~

A PRAYER OF HOPE

Lord, thank You for Your healing and grace. Please restore hope in faithful around the world as they live with the unimaginable. Give us the strength to help lessen the wounds and heartaches of our Christian brothers and sisters and give them the strength to accept the struggles inflicted upon them each day. In Jesus' name. Amen.