

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 17, 2019

*"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

BLESSED

When we think of the word "Beatitude" we think of today's discourse from Luke's Gospel, or the more familiar one from Matthew (which begins "Blessed are the poor in spirit . . ."). Actually, beatitudes occur throughout the prophets and Gospels. Today in Jeremiah (with an echo in the psalm) we hear, "Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord" (Jeremiah 17:7). Following his resurrection in John's Gospel, Christ proclaims, "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed" (John 20:29). The evangelists placed these sayings throughout the Gospels as short reminders about the characteristics that one will find in a follower of Christ, characteristics that will help spread the Good News in this life and lead to eternal blessings in the next. In Latin, the saints are called the *Beati*, the "Blessed," for they are the ones who lived the "blessed" life as described by Jesus throughout the Gospels. How blessed are we, when we also strive to make our own days a living beatitude!
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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	\$3,347.00	\$2,456.00
Number of Families contributing	120	91
Total Pledge for 2019	\$167,031.00	\$163,188.00
Pledged to Date (6 Weeks)	\$20,369.00	\$19,838.00
Received to Date	\$16,738.00	\$13,773.00
Envelopes Outstanding	\$3,631.00	\$6,065.00

LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2019
\$173.00	\$1,495.00

Twenty-four ladies made a contribution last week.

PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2019
\$1,200.00	\$6,013.00

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

BICENTENNIAL CAMPAIGN

Parish Goal	\$165,000.00
Amount Received to Date	\$
Amount Outstanding	\$164,616.00

20 people made a B.C. contribution last week.

PARKING LOT totaled \$3.00.

25 **CHILDREN** contributed \$103.00.

POOR BOX totaled \$20.00.

The **ATTENDANCE** for last Saturday 4:00 p.m. Mass was 85, 7:00 p.m. Mass was 130 and Sunday 10:00 a.m. Mass was 120.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

When young Caridad Mercader decided to escape her dull life as a housewife and mother, she moved to Paris and joined the Communist party working in the underground. Later, she sent for her young son and trained him in intrigue. He grew up to be an assassin. Too late Mrs. Mercader saw her exciting world crumble and she was left in disillusionment. Her son in prison, her dreams crushed, now stooped and old, she confided to a friend.

"We have been deceived. This is not paradise. It is Hell."

Millions have echoed Mrs. Mercader's frustration. Too late many learn the lure of the bright lights and the sound of exciting music is cotton candy melting in disappointment when taken. In it is no substance but only that which is harmful.

The wise Proverbist noted,

"Bread of deceit is sweet to a man; but afterwards his mouth shall be filled with gravel." (20:17) It is the wise man who refuses to be swept up with the enchantments of sin and sets his goals on pleasing Christ.

"Whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap" (Gal. 6:7).

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. Pat Michael & Eddie Jude in loving memory of Pete "Mockhem" Mulholland on the 3rd Anniversary of his death
2. Jim Thomas, Carla, Tatum and Palmer and in loving memory of Peyton Sherlock on the 3rd Anniversary of her death;
3. the Wife and Family of Pat "Irishman" Carroll in loving memory of him on his Birthday;
4. Royalty Riley in loving memory of Jim "Babe" Carroll on his 70th Birthday;
5. The Family of Winnie Turner Riley in loving memory of her;
6. and a Parish Family Member in thanks to St. Expedite.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE The Banns of Marriage are announced for the second time for Hody Thomas Mulholland and Katlyn Riley.

CHURCH OFFICE will be closed this Monday, February 18th in observance of President's Day.

THANK YOU to a member for a donation in thanks to St. Jude; and to three members for their donations in thanks to St. Expedite.

KEY TO HAPPINESS

The Key to Happiness is to be able to change

Pain into Pleasure,

Darkness into light,

And Sorrow into Joy.

*This can only occur if we have the **COURAGE TO CHANGE.***

ATTITUDE IS IMPORTANT “Who will work in my absence?”

The Sun asked the entire world during sunset.
Everyone remained silent...
But Candle whispered, “I will try my level best.”
It’s not the matter of **SIZE** or **STATUS**,
but it’s the **ATTITUDE** that **SHINES**.

JOKE OF THE WEEK Some members of a health club were having their first meeting. The director said, “Now, I’d like each of you to give the facts of your daily routine.”

Several people spoke, admitting their excesses. Then one obviously overweight lady said, “I eat moderately. I drink moderately; and I exercise frequently.”

“Hmm,” said the manager. “And are you sure you have nothing else to add?”

“Well, yes,” admitted the lady. “I lie extensively.”

QUIPS & QUOTES

- The Christian should learn two things about his tongue – how to hold it and how to use it.
- Some Christians have will power, others have won’t power.
- The Christian life is like an airplane – when you stop, you drop.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Monday:** Presidents’ Day
- Thursday:** St. Peter Damian
- Friday:** Chair of St. Peter the Apostle; Washington’s Birthday
- Saturday:** St. Polycarp

MASS INTENTIONS

- Monday:** Funeral
- Tuesday:** For the repose of the souls of Petie Rabbit Carroll and Winnie Carroll on their Birthdays.
- Wednesday:** In honor of the Infant Jesus of Prague for the sick, St. Joseph and for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.
- Thursday:** For the repose of the soul of Thomas “Paco” Sherlock on the 4th Anniversary of his death.
- Friday:** For the repose of the soul of Ann Sherlock on the 34th Anniversary of her death.

A PRECIOUS TIME

We need a precious time of prayer
Before a loving God to kneel;
It may not be on bended knee,
Our heart reveals the way we feel.

A precious time to tell our Lord
The inner secrets of our heart;
We cast each burden at His feet,
Our every care will then depart.

O, Thank You, Lord, for loving us-
We often fail but still You care;
We thank You for amazing grace
And for a precious time of prayer.

Gertrude B. McClain

READERS

- Sat. Feb. 16th, 4:00 P.M.** Ritz & Ivana
- Sat. Feb. 16th, 7:00 P.M.** Christina & Natalie
- Sun. Feb. 17th, 10:00 A.M.** Jimmy Joseph & Theresa Maria
- Sat. Feb. 23rd, 4:00 P.M.** Cathy Lisa & Karen
- Sat. Feb. 23rd, 7:00 P.M.** Jay & Apple’s Christina
- Sun. Feb. 24th, 10:00 A.M.** Jimmy Joseph & Theresa Maria

READERS – WEEKDAYS

- Monday** - Josie
- Tuesday** - Ann Rita
- Wednesday** - Skylar
- Thursday** - Dayna
- Friday** - Pamela

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND

- Saturday 4:00 P.M.** Front: Bridget Ann; Left Cup: Winnie Ann
- February 16th**

Sunday 10:00 A.M.

- February 17th** Pete Man’s Nora; Rose Marie
- February 24th** Pete Man’s Nora; Rose Marie

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - WEEKDAY

- Monday** Bridget Rita
- Tuesday** Pete Man’s Nora
- Wednesday** Rosie Cat
- Thursday** Betty Jo
- Friday** P.A.’s Ann Marie

TODAYS REALITY

- **Lots of Humans – Less Humanity**
- **More Degrees – Less Common Sense**
- **Lots of Friends on Facebook – No Best Friends**
- **Big House – Small Family**
- **High Income – Less Peace of Mind**
- **Costly watches – No Time**
- **Advanced Medicine – Poor Health**

FANTASTIC MESSAGE.....! (MSG)

How can you “**SM_LE**” without “**I**”.
How can you be “**F_NE**” without “**I**”.
How can you “**W_SH**” without “**I**”.
How can you be “**N_CE**” without “**I**”.
How can you be a “**FR_END**” without “**I**”.
“**I**” am very important! But this “**I**” can never achieve “**S_CCESS**” nor can “**LA_GH**” without all of “**U**”... And that makes “**U**” more important than “**I**”.

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

FROM DEATH TO LIFE

Jesus Christ, may Your death be my life and in Your dying may I learn how to live. May Your struggles be my rest, Your human weakness my courage, Your embarrassment my honor, Your passion my delight, Your sadness my joy, in Your humiliation may I be exalted. In a word, may I find all my blessing in your trials. Amen.