

## THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 19, 2020

*I will make you a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.*

— Isaiah 49:6b

### CALLED TO BE HOLY

With this Sunday we begin Ordinary Time. The readings tell us about God's relationship with Israel and John the Baptist's relationship with Jesus. Israel's relationship with God is so close, so intimate, that it is through Israel that God's "salvation [will] reach to the ends of the earth" (Isaiah 49:6). But we know from John the Baptist that for Israel to accomplish God's will, it must also recognize that Jesus is the Son of God. During these weeks we also get to know Jesus. We begin to understand more deeply our relationship to Jesus and what that relationship means for us, who are "called to be holy" (1 Corinthians 1:2) Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — The glory of the LORD shows through Israel, a light to all nations, that salvation may reach to the ends of the earth (Isaiah 49:3, 5-6).

**Psalm** — Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will (Psalm 40).

**Second Reading** — All those who call upon the name of the Lord are called to be holy (1 Corinthians 1:1-3).

**Gospel** — John the Baptist testifies: The one who comes after me, on whom the Spirit comes down and remains, is the Son of God (John 1:29-34).

### OUR GIFTS RECORD

|                                 | Offertory    | Development  |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| <b>Last Week's Collection</b>   | \$2,590.00   | \$2,085.00   |
| Number of Families contributing | 97           | 76           |
| Total Pledge for 2020           | \$167,031.00 | \$162,928.00 |
| Pledged to Date (2 Weeks)       | \$7,681.00   | \$7,4728.00  |
| Received to Date                | \$4,358.00   | \$3,131.00   |
| Envelopes Outstanding           | \$3,323.00   | \$4,297.00   |

### LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

| Amount given last week | Amount given to Date in 2020 |
|------------------------|------------------------------|
| \$277.00               | \$429.00                     |

Twenty-eight ladies made a contribution last week.

### PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

| Amount given last week | Amount given to Date in 2020 |
|------------------------|------------------------------|
| \$4,805.00             | \$7,875.00                   |

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

### BICENTENNIAL CAMPAIGN

| GOAL           | \$165,000.00 |
|----------------|--------------|
| Total Pledged  | \$208,330.00 |
| Total Received | \$14,247.00  |

12 **CHILDREN** contributed \$43.00.

The **ATTENDANCE** for last Saturday 4:00 p.m. Mass was 90; Saturday 7:00 P.M. was 125 and Sunday 10:00 a.m. Mass was 110.

### **EDUCATE YOUR CHILDREN**

**Don't educate your children to be RICH.**

**Educate them to be HAPPY.**

**So when they grow up they will know the value of things; not the price.**

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Two brothers, convicted of stealing sheep, were branded on the forehead with the letters S.T. meaning "Sheep Thief".

One of the brothers was unable to bear the stigma, and tried to bury himself in a foreign land; but men asked him about the strange letters, so he kept on wandering restlessly, and, at length, full of bitterness, died and was buried far from home.

The other brother said to himself, "I can't run away from the fact that I stole sheep. I will stay here and win back the respect of my neighbors and myself." As years passed, he built a reputation for integrity.

Decades later, a stranger one day saw the old man with the letters on his forehead. He asked a native what they signified. "It happened a great while ago," said the villager. "I've forgotten the particulars, but I think the letters are an abbreviation of 'Saint.'"

*Sin is the enemy of the soul, and virtue its friend.*

### FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. the Family of Betty "Hun" Carroll in loving memory of her on the Anniversary of her death;
2. The Skully's in in loving memory of Pat & Bonnie on the Anniversaries of their deaths;
3. and a Parish Member in thanks to St. Expedite.

### CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

The Church Office will be closed this Monday, January 20<sup>th</sup> in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

### BANNS OF MARRIAGE

are announced for the third time for Tommy Vincent Sherlock and Theresa Maria Gorman.

The Banns of Marriage are announced for the first time for Jim Edward Carroll and Loriel Riley.

### IF YOUR SEE

If you see the **MOON**...you see the **BEAUTY** of God.

If you see the **SUN**...you see the **POWER** of God.

If you see the **MIRROR**...you see the best **CREATION** of God.

### SPECIAL COLLECTION

The second collection next weekend will be for the *Church in Latin America*. Please be generous.

### JOKE OF THE WEEK

A shopkeeper was dismayed when a brand-new business much like his own opened up next door and erected a huge sign that read, "**BEST DEALS.**"

He was horrified when another competitor opened up on his right, and announced its arrival with and even larger sign, "**LOWEST PRICES.**"

The shopkeeper panicked, until he got an idea. He put the biggest sign of all over his own shop. It read, "**ENTRANCE.**"

### THANK YOU

to a member for a donation in thanks to St. Expedite and St. Joseph for the needy; and two members for their donations in thanks to St. Expedite; a member for a donation in thanks to St. Mother Theresa and St. Raphael.

## JUST TO MAKE YOU SMILE

- Happiness comes through doors you didn't even know you left open.
- If Wal-Mart is lowering prices every day, how come nothing is free yet?
- Living on Earth is expensive, but it does include a free trip around the sun every year.

## PRAYER

**Sometimes PRAYER is the only GIFT we can give to the people we care for. So, on the wings of LOVE, I pray to God to take care and bless you every day of your life.**

## BE

Be *STRONG* but not *RUDE*

Be *KIND* but not *WEAK*.

Be *HUMBLE* but not *TIMID*

Be *PROUD* but not *ARROGANT*.

## SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

*Sunday:* Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
*Monday:* St. Fabian; St. Sebastian; Martin Luther King Jr. Day  
*Tuesday:* St. Agnes  
*Wednesday:* Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children  
*Thursday:* St. Vincent; St. Marianne Cope  
*Friday:* St. Francis de Sales  
*Saturday:* The Conversion of St. Paul;  
Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends

## MASS INTENTIONS

*Monday:* For the Holy Souls.  
*Tuesday:* For the repose of the souls of Tommy McGuire on his 49<sup>th</sup> Birthday and Edward Straightener O'Hara on his Birthday.  
*Wednesday:* In honor of the Infant Jesus of Prague for all the sick and St. Joseph for all the holy souls in purgatory.  
*Thursday:* For the repose of the soul of Shaft on the 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of his death.  
*Friday:* For the repose of the soul of Jack's Cathy.

## THE SPIRIT OF LOVE

*The spirit of love will guide you,  
And motivate your life.  
He will offer a special assurance,  
Bring comfort in trouble and strife.*

*The spirit of love will keep you,  
In the Shelter of God's hands.  
Through faith and total commitment,  
He will help you keep God's commands.*

*The spirit of love can conquer,  
When darkness comes into view.  
Giving out a light of brilliance,  
That will see you safely through.*

## READERS

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| Sat. Jan. 18 <sup>th</sup> , 4:00 P.M.<br>Joy & Leah   | Sat. Jan. 18 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00 P.M.<br>Carolyn & Bridgette Anna |
| Sun. Jan. 19 <sup>th</sup> , 10:00 A.M.                | Jimmy Joseph & Mary Cat  |
| Sat. Jan. 25 <sup>th</sup> , 4:00 P.M.<br>Ritz & Ivana | Sat. Jan. 25 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00 P.M.<br>Christina & Natalie      |
| Sun. Jan 26 <sup>th</sup> , 10:00 A.M.                 | Jimmy Joseph & Mary Cat  |

## READERS – WEEKDAYS

|           |              |
|-----------|--------------|
| Monday    | - Joy        |
| Tuesday   | - Skylar     |
| Wednesday | - Cathy Lisa |
| Thursday  | - Rose Marie |
| Friday    | - Christina  |

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND

|                    |                      |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| Saturday 4:00 P.M. | Jan 18 <sup>th</sup> |
| Front              | Bridget Ann          |
| Left Cup           | Winnie Ann           |

## Sunday 10:00 A.M.

|                       |                      |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Jan. 19 <sup>th</sup> | Jan 26 <sup>th</sup> |
| Pete Man's Nora       | Pete Man's Nora      |
| Rose Marie            | Rose Marie           |

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - WEEKDAY

|           |                 |
|-----------|-----------------|
| Monday    | Cathy Pole      |
| Tuesday   | Pete Man's Nora |
| Wednesday | Margaret Butts  |
| Thursday  | Betty Jo        |
| Friday    | Mary Cat        |

## 7 QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR KID

1. ***What made you smile today?***
2. ***Can you tell me an example of kindness you saw/showed?***
3. ***Tell me something you know today that you didn't know yesterday.***
4. ***What was the hardest rule to follow today?***
5. ***If you could change one thing about your day, what would it be?***
6. ***What made your teacher smile?***
7. ***If you could switch seats with anyone in class, who would it be? And why?***

## ~~~~~PRAYER CORNER~~~~~

### PRAYER TO LOVE MY ENEMIES

Lord God, Prince of Peace,

*You have asked us to love our enemies and pray for those who persecute us. To teach us how, You sent us Your son Jesus Christ who, even in the agony of crucifixion, cried, "Father forgive them." Help me pray for those who have harmed or tried to harm me. Give me the grace to truly forgive my enemies and bless those who persecute me. In so doing, I may reflect the loving grace You have shown to me. I ask this in the name of Your son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*