

TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUNE 5, 2016

You changed my mourning into dancing; O LORD, my God, forever will I give you thanks.

— Psalm 30:12, 13

HOPE AND LIFE

Today's readings tell the story of two widows. The first reading relates the plight of the widow with whom the prophet Elijah stayed; the Gospel tells about the widow of Nain. In each story, the widow's only son had died. For people who lived in those cultures, the son was the only support of a widow, and the carrying on of the family name by the son was equal to immortality. A widow whose only son has died could lose all hope. Elijah and Jesus are the restorers of hope; they bring the sons back to life. Saint Paul was metaphorically raised from the dead when he experienced the conversion and call from God that he describes in today's second reading. What are Christians called to do today? We may not be able to raise the dead, but perhaps we can rekindle hope for a single parent. We may not be able to convert a persecutor like Paul, but if we speak the gospel openly and gently with our lives, we might touch a life with the Good News.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Elijah revives the son of a widow (1 Kings 17:17-24).

Psalm — I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me (Psalm 30).

Second Reading — Paul explains God's call to him to preach to the Gentiles (Galatians 1:11-19).

Gospel — Jesus raises from the dead the son of a widow in the city of Nain (Luke 7:11-17).

OUR GIFTS RECORD

	Offertory	Development
Last Week's Collection	\$3,190.42	\$2,432.42
Number of Families contributing	91	63
Total Pledge for 2016	\$172,351.00	\$185,388.00
Pledged to Date (21 Weeks)	\$72,990.00	\$79,276.00
Received to Date	\$70,126.50	\$54,385.50
Envelopes Outstanding	\$2,863.50	\$24,890.50

LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2016
\$165.00	\$4,101.00

Eighteen ladies made a contribution last week.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL WEEKLY REPORT

2016 Parish Goal	\$23,330.00
Amount Received to Date	\$5,009.61
Amount Outstanding	\$18,320.39

Six people made a B.A.A. contribution last week.

HALL RENOVATION FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2016
\$385.00	\$6,068.00

Ten people made a Hall Fund contribution last week.

PARKING LOT totaled \$5.00.

POOR BOX \$85.00.

23 **CHILDREN** contributed \$118.00.

The **ATTENDANCE** for last Saturday 4:00 P.M. Mass was 180, 7:00 P.M. Mass was 50 and Sunday 10:00 A.M. Mass was 120.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

A flood was threatening a small town and everyone was leaving for safety except one man who said, "God will save me. I have faith." As the water level rose, a jeep came to rescue him. The man refused saying, "God will save me. I have faith." As the water level rose further, he went up to the second story, and a boat came to help him. Again, he refused to go, saying, "God will save me. I have faith." The water kept rising and the man climbed on to the roof. A helicopter came to rescue him, but he said, "God will save me. I have faith." Well, finally he drowned.

When he reached his Maker he angrily questioned, "I had complete faith in you. Why did you ignore my prayers and let me drown?" The Lord replied, "Who do you think sent you the jeep, the boat, and the helicopter?"

The only way to overcome the fatalistic attitude is to accept responsibly and believe in the law of cause and effect rather than luck.

It takes action, preparation and planning rather than waiting, wondering or wishing, to accomplish anything in life.

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. the Wife and Family of Mikey Joe Riley in loving memory of him on his 69th Birthday;
2. the Wife and Family of Johnny Ringo Sherlock in loving memory of him on the 5th Anniversary of his death;
3. Apple and Family in loving memory of Betty Apple on the 4th Anniversary of her death and 74th Birthday;
4. the Family of High's Rosie in loving memory of her on her Birthday;
5. the Wife and Family of Jimmy Sherlock in loving memory of him on the 2nd Anniversary of his death;
6. a Parish Family Member in thanks to St. Expedite
7. and a Parish family Member in honor of the Divine Trinity and Sacred Heart for prayers answered.

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES to Fr. Peter Clarke on the 53rd Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood. Best wishes from St. Edward's Parish Family.

SPECIAL COLLECTION The second collection next weekend will be the *Annual Seminary Collection*. Please be generous.

SUMMER ADORATION begins this week. Now Adoration will be Mondays and Thursdays only, from 10:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

BEST WISHES

Fr. Cherian would like to wish all Parish Family members who are going out of town for the Summer. Best Wishes and Prayers, for Good Luck, Happiness and a Safe Return!

CONGRATULATIONS to Jax Carroll, Monroe Carroll, John Keyon Riley, and Patrick Lewis Riley for making the all A Honor Roll.

Congratulations to Jim Murphy Riley for receiving the Good Citizenship Award and Johnny Rouk for receiving the Best Helper Award.

CONGRATULATIONS to Patrick Lewis Riley and his baseball team for winning the 2016 North Augusta Baseball Championship; and also Congratulations to Pete Patrick Carroll and Patrick Presley Carroll and their team the Dodgers for winning the 2016 North Augusta Baseball Championship 13-14 year old league.

JOKE OF THE WEEK Pete was telling a friend that he had lost his job. "Why did the foreman fire you?" the friend asked in surprise. "Oh," Pete said, "you know how foremen are. They stand around you with their hands in their pockets watching everybody else work." "We all know that," replied his friend. "but why did he let you go?" "Jealousy," answered Pete. "All the other workers thought I was the foreman."

THANK YOU to two Parish Family members for their donations in thanks to St. Expedite, St. Joseph and the Infant of Atocha; a member for a \$100 donation in thanks to St. Francis; a member for a donation in thanks to Our Lady of Guadalupe, St. Expedite, St. Anthony and St. Maria Goretti; a member for a donation in thanks to St. Expedite for the needy, Our Lady of Fatima and St. Anthony; a member for a donation in thanks to the Holy Child of Atocha and Holy Mother of Atocha; a member for a donation in thanks to St. Paul, St. George, St. Expedite, St. Michael and St. Anthony; and a member for a donation in thanks to St. Expedite.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Norbert
Thursday: St. Ephrem
Saturday: St. Barnabas

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday: In loving memory of Betty Apple on the 4th Anniversary of her death and 74th Birthday and Mikey Joe Riley on his 69th Birthday.
Tuesday: In loving memory of Johnny Ringo Sherlock on the 5th Anniversary of his death.
Wednesday: In thanks for Melania McNally on her 10th Birthday.
Thursday: In honor of the Holy Souls and St. Joseph.
Friday: In loving memory of Pat Little Shot Sherlock on the Anniversary of his death.

INSPIRATION

**In dark moments one wonders what this life is about,
When our minds may be worried, or clouded by doubt.**

**When something happens, we can't understand,
Maybe it's God's way of extending His hand.**

**To let us know, He is always there;
He has promised to answer our every prayer.**

**If we will but put ourselves in His Care,
He will lighten the load of the cross we must bear.**

READERS

Sat. June 4th, 4:00 P.M. Mary Theresa & Karen Gorman
Sun. June 5th, 10:00 A.M. Jimmy Joseph & Rose Marie

Sat. June 11th, 4:00 P.M. Julie Ann & Bridget Ann
Sun. June 12th, 10:00 A.M. Jimmy Joseph & Rose Marie

READERS – WEEKDAYS

Monday Mary Theresa
Tuesday Allison
Wednesday Rose Marie
Thursday Julie Ann
Friday Bridget Ann

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND

Saturday 4:00 P.M. June 4th
Front Bridget Ann
Left Cup Winnie Ann

Sunday 10:00 A.M.

June 5th June 12th
Pete Man's Nora Pete Man's Nora
Rose Marie Rose Marie

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - WEEKDAY

Monday Bridget Rita
Tuesday Pete Man's Nora
Wednesday Rose Marie
Thursday Winnie Ann
Friday Bridget Ann

CLASSIC DEFINITIONS

- **Marriage:** It's an agreement in which a man loses his bachelor degree and a woman gains her master.
- **Compromise:** The art of dividing a cake in such a way that everybody believes he got the biggest piece.
- **Tears:** The hydraulic force by which masculine will-power is defeated by feminine water-power.
- **Smile:** A curve that can set a lot of things straight.
- **Committee:** Individuals who can do nothing individually and sit to decide that nothing can be done together.
- **Atom Bomb:** An invention to end all inventions.

PRAYER CORNER

PRAYER OF SELF-OFFERING TO GOD

Take, O Lord, and receive my entire liberty, my memory, my understanding, and my whole will. All that I am and all that I possess You have given me. I surrender it all to You to be disposed of according to Your Will. Give me only Your love and Your grace; with these I will be rich enough and will desire nothing more. Amen.