



# February 13, 2022

## 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time



**MASS INTENTIONS**  
 Sat., February 12 ~ 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time/Vigil  
 5:30 PM Patricia Owen  
 Sunday, February 13 ~ 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 9:30 AM Departed Family & Friends  
 of Janet & Rob Brosnan,  
 Richard Hutchings  
 Monday, February 14  
 9:00 AM Ona Morrison  
 Wednesday, February 16  
 9:00 AM Grace Frasciello  
 Friday, February 18  
 9:00 AM Cecilia Nguong, Mary  
 Sat., February 19 ~ 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time/Vigil  
 5:30 PM Mary Mullgraf  
 Sunday, February 20 ~ 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 9:30 AM Hank Bodendorf, Murphy Brosnan,  
 O'Kelly Parents

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD**  
 Sat., February 19 ~ 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time/Vigil  
 5:30 PM Ted Wall  
 Sunday, February 20 ~ 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 9:30 AM John Drumm

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**  
 Sat., February 19 ~ 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time/Vigil  
 5:30 PM Barb Cinque (a), Kim Grzybek (c)  
 Sunday, February 20 ~ 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 9:30 AM Sue Schmaus (a), Lisa Dyer (c)

**PRAY FOR THOSE WHO SERVE**  
 Alexandria Baker-Bonitz (Navy) Dylan Bonitz (Navy)  
 Sarah Bowen (Navy) Juan Gonzalez (Navy)  
 Kaila McGowan (Marines) Anthony Pagano (Navy)  
 Joseph Ruize (Navy) Carissa Tironi (Army)  
 Elliott Weidel (Marines)

**PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL**  
 Joanne Bach, Judy Bennett, Sr. Margaret Ellen Burke,  
 Barbara Ceriale, Brian Cross,  
 Nicole Dawson, Christian DeMott, Agnes Ferrone,  
 Anna Gallo, Joe Gallo, Michael Gallo, Diane Hriniak,  
 Anthony Pagano, Sr., Helen Ryan, Frances Salewski,  
 Sue Schmaus, Chris Strobl, Gary Texter

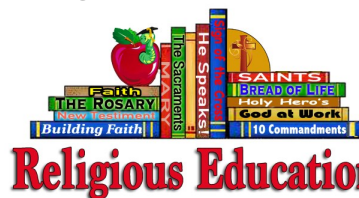
**PRAY FOR THOSE IN NURSING HOMES**  
 Regina Parthesius, Robert Wise, Elissa Zahn

### LOOKING AHEAD

**Helping Hands Food Pantry**  
*Every Saturday by Appointment (9 AM start)*

Monday, February 14  
 Parish Council Meeting ~ 7:00 PM

**Religious Education Classes ~ 6:30-7:30 PM**  
 Tuesday, February 15  
**NO CLASS ~ FEB. 22**  
 Tuesday, March 1  
 Tuesday, March 8  
 Tuesday, March 15



**Religious Education**

**Ash Wednesday, March 2 ~ Lent Begins**  
 Mass at 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM

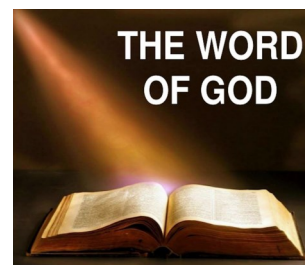
**Friday, March 4, 11, 18, 25**  
 Stations of the Cross ~ 7:00 PM

## Commentary on Today's Scriptures . . .

The Sermon on the Plain as its corresponding passage - the Sermon on the Mount - in Matthew, has been called The Christian Manifesto as it sets out the values and ideals of the Christian Life in the Kingdom. It is a pledge to be detached from all that is not of God and that one's life be guided by what is conducive to the service of God or, to put it another way, by what is conducive to the end for which we were created. They are difficult passages to understand and equally difficult to have as the guiding principles of our lives. The plateau was on the mountain and was large enough for the multitude to gather on. From Luke's perspective, Jesus descended to this level place. From Matthew's angle, Jesus went up on the mountain to teach. It just depends on how you look at the event.

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## Today's Scripture Readings



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Jeremiah 17:5-8  
 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20  
 Luke 6:17, 20-26

*Our ultimate reward will not be found in this world. We live in this world, but we are not of it, for our true homeland is in heaven.*

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There were members of the Corinthian community who denied the resurrection of the dead. They believed that only spiritual realities had any value. They argued that, as Plato states, the body is the prison of the soul. They could not understand why anyone would want to return to one's body after one's death.

Paul reminds them that if they deny the resurrection of the dead, then they are also denying the resurrection of Jesus. This is the core of our faith. To deny this is to deny who we are and what we are to be.

The Gospels often challenge us to be counter-cultural. Our society tells us that we should try to be autonomous. The person who displays rugged individualism is seen as heroic. But the Gospels remind us that we have to realize our limitations. We need God, and we need each other. God did not create us to rely only on our own strength; we were created to be part of a society (e.g., a family, a Church, etc.)

## Mass Attendance/Collection

Attending Mass February 5 & 6 '97  
 Weekend's Collection: **\$1,873.00**

### Commentary on Today's Scriptures, continued . . .

Each of the Beatitudes describes a human condition from which we would want to move along, yet Jesus proclaims them as states of blessing. Can you notice what it is in you that causes you to hurry by poverty, hunger or mourning. We ask Jesus to help us to look again that we may see what grace is present despite appearances.



We pray for all who experience rejection, denunciation or hostility; We pray that we may see in them what Jesus sees and we consider what Jesus wants me to learn from them.

Four contrasts are referred to in these few scripture verses - poverty/riches; hunger/fullness; sorrow/laughter; and defamation/commendation. Jesus upturns the values we would normally consider desirable. He asks us to realise that we are not living simply to be happy in this life but we should ask ourselves the deeper value of our ways of life in the light of what we can bring with us to eternal life.

The Christian view of life is that we should never forget that things cannot be brought with us into eternal life. Rather, we only take with us the things we have given away - even if it's only a cup of water given in the name of Jesus (Matthew 10:42).

The kingdom of God is mysterious, because it is God's project working out silently in human history. But from this text we know some of those who will be in it. The poor and the hungry will be there. So will those who weep, and also the dominated, the persecuted, the outcasts of the earth. What an extraordinary group! Those who are at the bottom of the human pyramid will be rejoicing and leaping for joy at God's goodness to them. When our heart is breaking because of the misery of so many today, we must not think that God has forgotten them. Instead we thank God that for them the best is yet to come, and we ask to be included among them, at least as someone who cares about them. AMEN.

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