

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

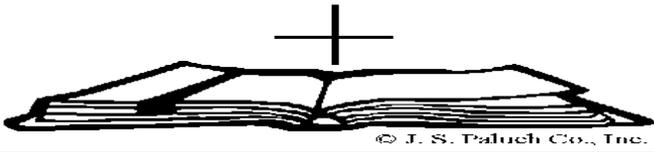
FEBRUARY 13, 2022

"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?

Mass Intentions



Sat., Feb. 12, 4:30 p.m. Huval Family, Dennis McCloskey, Louis Perschall Sr., Louie Barbazon, Chuckie Hebert, Nick Sita **and for the living:** Karge Family, and Special Intention

Sun., Feb. 13, 7:30 a.m. Gloria Fabre, Margaret Mary Mule', Yolanda Bourgeois, Louie Barbazon, Carol Pieri and Rudy Perez

Sun., Feb. 13, 9:15 a.m. Kayla Aubry, Don Huber, Nick Barrea **and for the living:** Angelius Sullivan

Sun., Feb. 13, 11:00 a.m. Lee W Pierre Sr, Robert Ettle **and for the living:** Caleb Callais, Lloyd Callais and Andrew Danenhower

Mon., Feb. 14, 8:00 a.m. Connie Battistella Baas

Tues., Feb. 15, 04 NO MASS

Wed., Feb. 16, 8:00 a.m. Jerry Ducote

Thurs., Feb. 17, 8:00 a.m. Christo Gavin (L)

Fri., Feb. 18, 8:00 a.m. Shannon Armstrong (L)

PRAYER LIST

Chuck Armstrong	Jasay Ketchum
Sandy Fanguy	Terry Saux
Jim Fanguy	Robert Till
Crissy Early	Brandon Shoalmire
John Bordes	Donald Bourgeois
Rachelle Triay	Rhett Schwing
Noel Baham	Ruth Pellegrin
Alicia Hanson	Lester Dell

Weekly Collections

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Envelopes	\$ 2,584.00
Loose	\$ 1,628.00
E-giving	\$ 605.00
Building and Preservation Fund	\$ 1,506.00

Thank you to all for the continued contributions. If you wish to give online, please go to:

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stjohnfolsom>.

THE CANDLES BURN IN HONOR OF:

Sanctuary	Wayne Verrett
Blessed Mother	Peggy Holland
St. Joseph	Connie Battistella Baas
St. Anne	Debbie Rigggenbach

If you would like to honor your intention by burning a 7-day candle, please call 796-3806.

Sanctuary flowers are in memory of

Paul Bosworth

POPE FRANCIS FEBRUARY PRAYER INTENTION

Religious Sisters and Consecrated Women
We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

INSTANT CHURCH DIRECTORY ONLINE

We are so excited to announce the launching of St. John's Parish Directory Online. It is in the beginning stages, however, with the help of all our parishioners, it will be a huge success. Our goal is to print a new updated pictorial directory. In the coming weeks we will share more information and instructions on how you can access the directory and apps. We have made available the QR CODE for you to scan to access the website. If you have any questions, please call John Tennyson at 985-630-7087 or email yallsplace@gmail.com



WORKSHOPS FOR NEW EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION AND READERS

Basic workshops for new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers are being presented this Spring by the Office of Worship. Attendance at a workshop for EMHCs is required before a person can be delegated by the Archbishop Aymond to serve in this ministry. Readers are strongly encouraged to attend the workshop for readers. The complete schedules and more information can be found on the Office of Worship website at <https://nolacatholic.org/lay-liturgical-ministry-formation>. Participants are to be pre-registered by their parish at 796-3806 before attending. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Worship at 504-861-6300 or worship@arch-no.org.

KC FISH FRY DINNERS

Yes, Fish Fry Season starts March 4th! Things to know:

We'll be serving domestic catfish fried to perfection, with our traditional delicious sides of baked cheese potatoes, coleslaw, and hush puppies. Sorry, no baked fish.

We are continuing the drive-through service, with an option after ordering to come into Jonathan Hall to dine with friends and family. Walk-ins from church after the Way of the Cross will also be accommodated.

The price will be \$11 per dinner.

We are so grateful for your support!

Students who need service hours are welcome. Please first call David Cooper at 985-796-3992.

ORGANIST NEEDED

St. John's is looking for an organist to play for Masses. If you are interested or know someone, please call 985-474-9898.

CHURCH HISTORY

We live in turbulent and challenging times. The Catholic Church stands in the midst of these challenges proclaiming the love of Christ. Turbulence and challenges are not new to the Body of Christ. They have existed throughout the 2000-year history of the Church. Knowing this history offers reassurance that the Church has been here before, and we have nothing to fear. Please join us as we begin our study of Church history from Pentecost through the papacy of Pope Francis. We will meet in the library of Jonathan Hall every Monday at 9:00 a.m. beginning on February 14th.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

It's still months away, but parish ministers, especially if they are involved in the catechumenate, have their eyes on Lent and the Easter Triduum. Until fairly recent times, the last few days before Easter were shaped by an awareness of the Passion, but the faithful were left to their own devices about how to engage with these mysteries. A thousand years ago, the Easter Vigil as a solemn and central moment of initiation had vanished. By the early 1950s it was a minor moment in parish life, celebrated on Holy Saturday morning, usually with only the priests and a handful of invited guests. Most people understood it as necessary only for blessing the paschal candle and preparing the Easter water. People who were children during World War II sometimes remember that the weekly noontime test of the air-raid sirens on Holy Saturday signaled the end of Lent.

REMINDERS

First Saturday Mass at 8:00 a.m.

PSR 1st-8th grade, Mondays, 6:15 - 7:30 p.m.

Weekly Wednesday Adoration, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

First Friday Adoration & Benediction, 8:30 – 9:30 a.m.

Men's Study Group in Odilo Hall, Mondays, 6:30 p.m.

Knights of Columbus meeting, Thurs., Mar. 10th at 7 p.m.

Weekly Wednesday Evening Adoration, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Our Church History class will meet on Monday, February 14th at 9:00 a.m. in Jonathan Hall. We will begin our study of early Church history by viewing and discussing Steve Weidenkopf's first session of the Epic Church history series which is titled "The Mustard Seed."

Our Bible study group will meet on Tuesday, February 15th at 7:00 a.m. in Jonathan Hall. We will conclude our study on the Psalms by viewing and discussing Session Ten.