

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



*The Leprosy  
Left Him*

Mark 1:40-45

**ST. ROSALIE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**February 14, 2021**

## *The Pastor Jots It Down*

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Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Rosalie  
and St. John Bosco Parishes and School,

I greet you today with St. Paul's greeting to the Galatians: "Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for our sins that He might rescue us from the present evil age in accord with the will of our God and Father, to whom be glory forever and ever."

All glory to God for His Goodness and Love. All glory to God for Creation. All Glory to God for the Gift of Life. All Glory to God for the Gift of Conscience. All Glory to God for the Gift of Free Will. All Glory to God for the Joys and Sorrows of Life. All glory to God for His Ability to bring Good from a Bad Situation.

Especially in these times, its important to remember that even the bad things that happen in one's life and in the life of our country are ultimately for our good. St. Paul writes to the Romans: "We know that all things work together for good for those who love God." Rom 8:28 NRSV

Lent is fast approaching with Ash Wednesday this coming Wednesday. Its not too early to think about what we want to do for Lent both personally and as a family.

Lent is a special time to prepare for the Easter celebration of Jesus' Passion, Death and Resurrection and to deepen our personal and family relationship with the Lord. How do we do this: through works of prayer, fasting and almsgiving which not only benefit one personally, but also one's family, and one's parish family as well as the poor who benefit from our works of fasting.

These days, we have been having time for our school children to approach the Sacrament of Reconciliation. I have been asking them to be missionary disciples to their families. I have been asking them to propose a couple of practices for their families to adopt for the Lenten Season:

1. To invite their families to approach the Sacrament of Reconciliation as a family once during

the Lenten Season. Wednesday evenings from 7-8pm during Adoration would be an ideal time for this.

2. To commit to attending Sunday Mass as a family during the Lenten Season.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation together with the Sunday Eucharist are the building blocks of our spiritual life.

Thus at St. Rosalie School every First Friday each class has some time in Eucharist Adoration and then the rest of the Fridays, Mass is celebrated for the children.

In the recent past, confessions were only held for the school children twice a year in Advent and Lent to prepare for Christmas and Easter. This year the students will have four opportunities for this sacrament: the beginning of the school year, Advent, Lent, and the end of the school year. Why -- to better show that the sacrament is not just to prepare for Christmas and Easter but a sacrament to be received throughout the year.

Dear parents and grandparents, this is what we teach and model for your children at school. Though sometimes what we teach your children in school is not modeled in the home. This creates confusion in our students. They learn one thing in school but that is not their lived experience at home.

It breaks my heart, when talking with a school student about Sunday Mass and the student says I want to go but my family doesn't go, and nobody will take me.

It also saddens me, when registered parishioners -- parents of our school children, come in the month of December to make their minimum Church donation to be eligible for parishioner tuition status and I can't recognize them as being worshipping members of our parish family.

I have great hope that this Lenten Season will be a great time of blessing for our parishioners, our parish families and especially for our children.

God bless you all!

*F. Mark*



# What is Lent?

Lent is the annual period of Christian observance that precedes Easter. The dates of Lent are defined by the date of Easter, which is a moveable feast, meaning that it falls on a different date each year. Lent starts on Ash Wednesday and its observance (although not its liturgical period, as Sundays are not fast days and are therefore not counted – see below) lasts for 40 days, mirroring the 40 days that Jesus spent fasting in the wilderness before starting his ministry. It can also be seen to mirror the 40 hours that Jesus spent in the tomb prior to his resurrection.

Lent is a penitential period, involving the dual disciplines of abstinence and fasting. During Lent many Christians commit to fasting or giving up certain foods, habits or luxuries - for example meat, cakes and sweets, alcohol, smoking - for its duration (the money saved is often then donated to charity). This is done both as a form of penitence and as a spiritual tool to tame the body and ‘sharpen the spirit’ for prayer, reflection and contemplation in preparation for the celebration of Easter.

Lent lasts for 40 days and the first day is always Ash Wednesday (the day after Shrove Tuesday/ Mardi Gras). Nevertheless, there is often confusion as to when Lent ends! This is partly due to the fact that there are in fact always 46 days between Ash Wednesday and Easter Sunday, and partly due to confusion between the period of the Lenten fast and the liturgical ‘season’ or period of Lent.

The Lenten Fast (which is the period that most people consider to be ‘Lent’) starts on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Saturday. This is a period of 46 days. However, the six Sundays within the period are not fast days (Sundays are always fast days in the Christian calendar) and therefore not counted in the 40 days of Lent.

The liturgical period of Lent also begins on Ash Wednesday, however it ends on the evening of Holy Thursday (Maundy Thursday). In addition, Palm Sunday (or alternatively the day before Palm Sunday) is sometimes considered to be the last day of Lent. This is incorrect and based on a misunderstanding about the liturgical periods of Lent and Holy Week. They are not exclusive of each other, and Lent in fact continues into Holy Week (see above), meaning that the liturgical season of Lent ends on Holy Thursday.

Purple is the color most associated with Lent - during this period purple church vestments (altar cloths and the priests’ liturgical garments) are used. The purple is symbolic in two ways: it is the traditional color of mourning (recalling Jesus’ death) and symbolic of royalty (celebrating Christ’s coming as King)

**Lent 2021 starts on  
Wednesday, February 17, 2021**

**and ends on  
Saturday, April 3rd 2021.**



## *The Angelus*

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The Angelus takes its name from the Latin word for angel from the prayer's first verse "Angelus Domini nuntiavit Mariae" [The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary].

The Angelus is a short devotional prayer which today is recited three times a day at morning, noon and evening and is often accompanied by the ringing of a bell. Even our modern-day Divine Office apps such as Universalis and other phone and tablet apps have alerts in the form of chiming bells that remind us to pray the Angelus at 6am, 12 mid-day and 6pm.

### **THREE HAIL MARYS**

The prayer recites Hail Mary three times wrapped around four verses and a final prayer. The Angelus honors four aspects of Mary. The Annunciation when Gabriel appeared to Mary, her importance in God's plan of the Incarnation, her self-giving and Mary's intercessory role for us. The Angelus also reminds us of the Passion of Christ and his resurrection.

*V/. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary,  
R/. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.*

*Hail Mary...*

*V/. Behold the handmaid of the Lord,  
R/. Be it done unto me according to your Word.*

*Hail Mary...*

*V/. And the Word was made flesh,  
R/. And dwelt among us.*

*Hail Mary...*

*V/. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God,  
R/. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.*

*Let us pray. Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts: that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son was made known by the message of an Angel, may by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his Resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.*

# What to Give Up for Lent

## **\*\*\*GIVE UP grumbling!**

Instead, “In everything give thanks.” Constructive criticism is OK, but “moaning, groaning, and complaining” are not Christian disciplines.

## **\*\*\*GIVE UP 10 to 15 minutes in bed!**

Instead, use that time in prayer, Bible study and personal devotion.

## **\*\*\*GIVE UP looking at other people’s worst points.**

Instead concentrate on their best points. We all have faults. It is a lot easier to have people overlook our shortcomings when we overlook theirs first.

## **\*\*\*GIVE UP speaking unkindly. (Gossip)**

Instead, let your speech be generous and understanding. It costs so little to say something kind and uplifting. Why not check that sharp tongue at the door?

## **\*\*\*GIVE UP your hatred of anyone or anything!**

Instead, learn the discipline of love. “Love covers a multitude of sins.”

## **GIVE UP your worries and anxieties!**

Instead, trust God with them. Anxiety is spending emotional energy on something we can do nothing about, like tomorrow! Live today and let God’s grace be enough.

## **GIVE UP TV one evening a week!**

Instead, visit some lonely or sick person. There are those who are isolated by illness or age. Why isolate yourself in front of the “tube?” Give someone a precious gift: your time!

## **GIVE UP buying anything but essentials for yourself!**

Instead, give the money to God. The money you would spend on the luxuries could help someone meet basic needs. We are called to be stewards of God’s riches, not consumers.

## **GIVE UP judging by appearances and by the standard of the world!**

Instead, learn to give up yourself to God. There is only one who has the right to judge, Jesus Christ.

*(Craig Gates, Jackson, MS, “What to Give up for Lent”)*

## Announcements



### GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Archdiocesan Golden Anniversary celebration will take place on Sunday, June 27, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. in St. Philip Neri Church in Metairie.

**Please Note:** This celebration will not be a Mass, but a prayer service. Attendance of Mass for Sunday obligation will have to be met within one's respective parish.

To register, please contact the Parish Office  
340-1962 before March 12, 2021.

### Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for the Month of February



We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

### St. Rosalie Catholic Church

600 Second Avenue – Harvey, LA

Fr. Mark Hyde, SDB, *Pastor*

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Mrs. Caren Creppel, *Principal*

### YOUTH MINISTRY

Colleen Arbour & Matthew LaGrange, *Coordinators*

## ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE

### ST. ROSALIE

7:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.

### ST. JOHN BOSCO

7:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon & 6:00 p.m.

There are no Vigil Masses for Ash Wednesday.  
Ash Wednesday is not a Holy Day of Obligation;  
it is a day of Fasting & Abstinence

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7:00 p.m. every Friday during Lent  
beginning February 19th



The Parish Office will be closed  
Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday  
Activities this year will certainly be different.  
We encourage everyone to be mindful of the  
seriousness of the pandemic and remain safe.  
**Remember Social Distancing and Mask Up!**



## Friday Night Fish Fry

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**The Knights of Columbus**

Fr. Jonathan D. Parks, SDB Council #15982

**Every Friday during Lent  
4:30 - 8:00 p.m.**



**Drive Thru Only!**

(Drive through the youth center yard. Enter the double parking lot gates.)

## St. Rosalie Catholic Church

Parish Center across from the church. 600 2nd Avenue - Harvey

## Mass Intentions



### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13

8:00a.m. All Parishioners Living & Deceased

4:00p.m. Charles & Carmen Austin

Wayne Oubre

Calvin & Helena Oubre

Troy Dean Williams II

Steve Tassin

Vincent Baldassaro, Jr.

Craig LeBlanc

Hunter & Guastella families

Anthony Savona

Al & Diane Bourg

Hilton Lirette

Sam & Helen Territo

Alexis & Beverly Vicari

Calogero & Loretta D'Amico

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14

8:00a.m. Fr. Ron Braud

10:30a.m. Yves 'Vessie' Bourgeois, Sr.

Walter & Doris Treadaway

Avie & Lorena Legendre

Hepting & Mauro Families deceased

T-Van Falgout

Nevel & Jennie Mayeaux

Sandy & Garin Hernandez

Kevin Fitzhenry

Byron S. LeJeune

Agnes & Sidney Rotolo

Gary Pratt

Suzette Richoux Daniell

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15

7:00a.m. Rob Cambias

## We ask for your prayers



February 12-18

please pray

for

**Br. John Castonguay**

who is in

Post-Novitiate and

studying in

Orange, N.J.

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16

7:00a.m. Rob Cambias

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

7:00a.m. Fred Gerstner, Sr.

6:00p.m. Angie Guccione

Anthony & Lena Muscarello

Fr. Ron Braud

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18

7:00a.m. Josie Palermo

12:10p.m. Ray Fleming, Sr.

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19

7:00a.m. Kathleen & Karen van Meerveld

12:10p.m. Fred Gerstner, Jr.

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20

8:00a.m. All Parishioners Living & Deceased

4:00p.m. Charles & Carmen Austin

Fred Gerstner, Jr.

Wayne Oubre

Vincent Baldassaro, Jr.

Bert & Josephine LeBlanc

Anthony Guccione

Claude & Verine Zeringue

Henry & Ethel Kraus

Hidalgo, Tassin & Simoneaux Families

Estanislao & Maria Ana Gongora

Juan B. & Marcela Rodriguez

Hilton Lirette

Celino & Saragusa Families

LeBoeuf & Richoux Families

Diane Bourg

**MASS FOR HEALING:** Brady & Grayson Hernandez

Jackie Morvant Bush, Marlene Babin,

Lionel J. Caulfield, Brandon Caulfield,

Yves Louis Bourgeois II, Colleen Martin,

Kim Riley, Tess Boden, Julie Kirkland

**MASS FOR THE LIVING:** Special Intention

## In Our Parish

### SANCTUARY LAMP

*will burn in memory of*

**Fred Gerstner, Jr.**

### BLESSED MOTHER'S LAMP

*will burn in memory of*

**Sam & Helen Territo**

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