

The 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rejoice and be glad;
for your reward will be great in heaven.

MATTHEW 5:12A



PRAYERS ROOM

ST. ROSALIE
CATHOLIC CHURCH

February 13, 2022

The Pastor Jots It Down

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

Peace be with you! This was Jesus greeting to the fearful apostles who were locked away in the upper room after his crucifixion and death on the cross.



us with peace as well as those whom we forgive. Forgiveness allows us to begin to repair damaged relationships, let go of past hurts and move on from the shackles of past negative experience.

To quote Alexander Pope: “To err is human; to forgive is divine”

Getting back to Jesus wishing peace to the apostles in the upper room, he also conferred on them his divine power to forgive sins: “Whose sins you shall forgive, they are forgiven them.” Hence, the Sacrament of Peace – Confession – Reconciliation.

In daily life how many times have we been hurt, have not been able to let go of the hurt, and still allow that hurt to impact our lives and take away the peace that the Lord wants for us.

The hurt can be caused by an individual, groups of people and even institutions we deal with.

For myself, several times, I have felt hurt by the words and actions of some of my Salesian confreres. In one case I was hurt to the core. For days, I was brooding, constantly thinking of how to let that confrere know, how much his response cut me to the quick. It took me a number of days, to realize how this was draining all my energies. As I thought about the toll this was taking on me, I thought of the inexperience of the confrere, and the thought that he possibly was having a bad day, like we all have sometimes, and I decided to let it go. That decision brought me great peace and has helped me realize the power of letting go and the peace that can bring. Today, that confrere and I enjoy a good friendship. Thank you, Lord!

In the centerfold of this bulletin is a great article on the 7 Steps of Forgiveness. It treats of forgiveness and its benefits on a human level. Though, the steps in the process of forgiveness that its outlines can be very beneficial in our spiritual lives. Remember as Catholic Christians Jesus calls us to love and forgive one another as he loves and forgives us.

When we find forgiveness hard, let's remember Jesus on the Cross praying to his Father for his executioners: “Forgive them, they know not what they are doing.”

God loves you!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. Mark". The signature is fluid and cursive, with "Fr." on top, a large "M" in the middle, and "ark" below it.



Our Apostolic Passion

By Fr. Louis Molinelli, SDB, Delegate for Youth Ministry

We have just celebrated the Solemnity of St. John Bosco, our Father and Founder. Each of our ministries celebrates this anniversary with deep and rich traditions. While each place is different, the centerpiece is the gathering of our young people to rejoice, pray, and celebrate! When young people gather, there is an infectious joy that permeates the gathering. Our young people feel the fire of joy and optimism that is the spiritual heritage bequeathed to them by Don Bosco. The Rector Major, Fr. Angel, reminds us in his commentary on the strenna for this year that, "...Don Bosco, in his relationships with the most disadvantaged and poorest young people at Valdocco, learned to follow the way of the heart in accepting them and accompanying them in their education....to enter into this relationship of friendship because in his [the young person's] heart, he felt that he was loved."

The Preventive System has at its heart this apostolic passion to walk with young people along the journey of life. We as Salesians must kindle the fire of passion for the Lord that moved us to answer our call to be signs of bearers of God's love in the Salesian Family for the young. Being in the midst of young people requires us to find that space in their hearts where God is waiting to meet them and then to bring our young people into an encounter with God. Because we have been loved and have responded to God's vocational gift, we can then become that infectious agent of God's plan to bring the young into a relationship with Him.

What fuels your passion? What makes your heart burn with energy and zeal? As Salesians, is it not that call from God, who formed us in our mothers' wombs and gave us life so that we may give life to others? I believe that, when we rekindle this passion, we create the space for God to continue to bring us deeper into the heart of His Son and into communion with one another, especially the young. Let us be conduits of apostolic passion to the young!

Forgive to Move On



7 Steps to True Forgiveness

By Jon Negroni

What are the steps to true forgiveness?

Forgiveness is a process, not a singular action. Of course, that begs the question, “What is the process of forgiveness?”

There are myriad approaches to understanding this process and making sense of it is unique to your situation and context.

Still, consider these steps to true forgiveness a rubric for embarking on a passage to meaningful forgiveness that will help you find resolution.

Step 1: Acknowledge

Acknowledge the hurt. Who hurt you and why did they do it? What is the context of the situation, and how long ago did this happen?

Step 2: Consider

Consider how the hurt and pain has affected you. The word “consider” is key here because it involves thinking before making a decision. Before you decide on whether or not you will forgive this person, consider the negative feelings you’ve acquired since the incident.

How has the pain changed you? How detrimental was the person’s mistake to your life or someone else?

Step 3: Accept

Accept that you cannot change the past. No matter how much you wish this pain could be reversed, it's time to admit to yourself that your anger toward the person won't redeem what they have done. It is during this step that you must thoughtfully consider whether or not you want to forgive.

Step 4: Determine

Determine whether or not you will forgive. This is when the forgiveness process will either begin or end. This decision should not be made lightly, as it will determine the future of your relationship with this person.

Step 5: Repair

Repair the relationship with the person who wronged you. Before any act of forgiveness or reconciliation, rebuild the connection you used to have with this person. In most cases, you will be the instigator of this repairing, but if you have thoughtfully engaged in the previous 4 steps, then there is a higher chance of success.

Note that you are repairing the relationship, not restoring it. It will likely take more time for the relationship to return to normal, whatever that may look like to you. Acts of repairing can include kind words, simple gestures or even gifts.

Step 6: Learn

Learn what forgiveness means to you. Up until now, you've probably thought that forgiveness is more for their benefit, not yours.

But once the relationship is on the path to restoration, and you've given yourself time to accept the reality of the past, it's clear that forgiveness is a way for you to find closure. Closure that means something.

Step 7: Forgive

Forgive the person who wronged you. In some cases, this will be silent. You may be compelled to verbally forgive the person, even if you do not expect a kind response, but if you have followed through on the previous steps, then their reaction won't really matter. What will matter is that you have found a way to let go and move on.

From: <https://thriveworks.com/blog/7-steps-to-true-forgiveness/>

Sacred Scripture Speaks to Us About Forgiveness

Do not bear a grudge (Leviticus 19:18)

Forgive, and you will be forgiven (Luke 6:37)

Forgive them, for they know not what they do (Luke 23:34)

Live at peace with everyone (Romans 12:18–21)

In Him we have forgiveness of sins (Ephesians 1:7)

Be kind and compassionate (Ephesians 4:31–32)

Forgive as the Lord forgave you (Colossians 3:13)

Jesus came to save sinners (1 Timothy 1:15–16)

If we confess our sins, Jesus will forgive us (1 John 1:9)

Announcements

In Our Parish

SANCTUARY LAMP

*will burn in memory of
Angelina & Billy Shrader*

BLESSED MOTHER'S LAMP

*will burn in memory of
Steve Tassin*

ALTAR WINE

*is given in memory of
Artney J. Morvant*

New Lamps

SACRED HEART SHRINE LAMP

*will burn for the healing of
Sylvia & Chester Hanks*

ST. ROSALIE SHRINE LAMP

*will burn for the
Spiritual & Temporal Needs of
the St. Rosalie Parish & School Family*

Young Adult & Youth Mass

Sunday Evening at 8:00pm

Everyone is invited to attend

The latest Mass on the West Bank
with the "West Bank Worship" band



**Musically inclined? New Band Members Welcome!
St. John Bosco Church**

Mass Intentions



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12

8:00a.m. All Parishioners Living & Deceased
 4:00p.m. Vincent Baldassaro, Jr.
 Carmen & Charles Austin
 Alexis & Beverly Vicari
 Donald Comeaux
 Calogero & Loreta D'Amico
 Joreta Bourgeois
 Malcolm LeBlanc
 Avis & R.J. Burmaster
 Bellipanni Family
 Craig LeBlanc
 Craig Pellegal
 Needy Souls
 Gerald J. Celino
 Jerry Melancon
 Hilton Lurette

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13

7:30a.m. James Howley III
 10:30a.m. Yves 'Vessie' Bourgeois, Sr.
 Kevin Fitzhenry
 Byron S. LeJeune
 T-Van Falgout
 Nelson Cantrelle, Jr.
 Carlos Savona
 Doris & Walter Treadaway
 Lorena & Avie Legendre
 Chetta Doming
 Laura Ann D. Walker
 L.J. Doming
 Sam & Laura Ditta
 Margaret Ditta Panepinto
 Joseph Panepinto, Sr.
 David Paul Arceneaux
 LeJeune, Orgeron Rodrigue and
 Angelle Family
 Brenda Zappulla
 Poor Souls in Purgatory
 Rosalie Gaspar

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14

7:00a.m. Brook Small
 Elaine & Joe Palermo
 Donald Comeaux
 Geraldine Landry
 Nevel & Jennie Mayeaux

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 15

7:00a.m. Steve Tassin

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16

7:00a.m. Poor Souls in Purgatory

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17

7:00a.m. Anthony, Lena, Joseph,
 Faye & Frank Muscarello, Jr.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18

7:00a.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 19

8:00a.m. All Parishioners Living & Deceased
 4:00p.m. Vincent Baldassaro, Jr.
 Carmen & Charles Austin
 Alexis & Beverly Vicari
 Donald Comeaux
 Malcolm & Timmy LeBlanc
 Hidalgo, Tassin & Simoneaux family
 Helena & Calvin Oubre
 Malcolm 'Buck' Cortez
 Angelina Guccione
 Raymond LeBlanc
 Avis Burmaster
 Jerry Melancon
 Hilton Lurette
 Arnold Carrese

MASS FOR HEALING:

Brady & Grayson Hernandez, Julie Kirkland,
 O.J. Orgeron, Jackie Morvant Bush,
 Shannon Morvant Olivero, Rosalie Oubre

MASS FOR THE LIVING:

Patrick Lofton, Anne,
 William, Thomas and Marguerite Hart

SPECIAL MASS:

For conversion of sinners.

Do good while you still have time.
 — Saint John Bosco

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