SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 13, 2022

Weekly Mass Schedule

Sunday, February 13, 2022 Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Jer 17:5-8, 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20, Lk 6:17, 20-26

10:00 AM Debbie Strait + 7:00 PM

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Monday, February 14, 2022 Saints Cyril, Monk and Methodius Bishop Jas 1:1-11, Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday, February 15, 2022 Jas 1:12-18, Mk 8: 22-26 6:00 pm **All Souls**

Wednesday, February 16, 2022 Jas 1:19-27, Mk 8:22-26 6:00 pm

Thursday, February 17, 2022 The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order Jas 2:1-9, Mk 8:27-33 6:00 pm

Friday, February 18, 2022 Jas 2:14-24, 26, Mk 8:34-9:1 7:30 am

Saturday, February 19, 2022 Jas 3:1-10, Mk 9:2-13 No Mass

Sunday, February 20, 2022 Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23 Catalina Castillo+ 10:00 AM

Students, Faculty, Staff of UVM 7:00 PM

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My dear family in Christ,

We've made it to another Superbowl Sunday. In many ways this has become the unofficial official holiday of the United States. People, football fans and non-fans alike, all drop everything to get together to enjoy food, entertainment, commercials and a football game. It is even reported that the crime rate goes down on Superbowl Sunday. What to make of this phenomena?

One might take a rather critical view of the commotion which surrounds the Superbowl. For some it is just a glorification of a rampant materialism and commercialism which does little to enrich us as individuals and a society. The emphasis on the commercials which peddle all sorts of things and the focus on how much the average household spends on food, etc. to watch the game makes it clear that some people are far too attached to the things of the world. The game, which is just another 60 minutes of American football, gets overshadowed by the pomp and circumstance of the non-football elements of the day.

While I agree that much of the Superbowl hype is overdone, there is one element of the day that I always find positive, families and friends come together to share meals and fellowship. I find that in many homes, the game and the hoopla surrounding it are often secondary or even completely ignored while the families and friends simply spend time with one another. The Superbowl can be a catalyst for the building up the bonds of friendship and fellowship. Never a bad thing. So, I pray we all get to enjoy this part of the Superbowl experience even if we could care less which teams are playing, who performs in the Half-Time Show, which products had the best commercials and who wins the game.

Just remember, it is a Sunday and we should be giving God the thanks He so richly deserves for the many blessings we enjoy each day, including the Superbowl. Come to Mass, even the 7 PM Mass, will allow you plenty of time to watch some of the game, snack, cheer and enjoy the company of friends and family.

Peace in Christ,

Msgr. John J. McDermott, VG











