

Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Developing The Strength Of A Prophet

Sts. Peter and Paul Church

February 3, 2019

GOOD NEWS!

The consoling words from the prophet Jeremiah give comfort to all of us. God told him that he, like each of us, was known even in his mother's womb. It was this knowledge of being known and loved that gave Jeremiah the strength to stand before his people and prophesy some very strong and harsh words. He was set as a strong pillar, a wall of brass, a fortified city. He was rooted in love, because he needed to be so as not to be crushed by the anger and resentment stirred up by his prophetic words.

Jesus faces the same ire when visiting his hometown. At first the Nazarenes praise him, but soon, as if they had some entitlement, they presumptuously demand that he perform miracles to satisfy their vanity—not to change their hearts. When Jesus challenges them, their response is to want to throw him off a cliff!

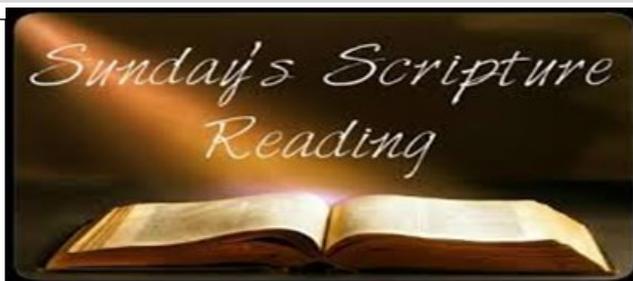
As Christians, we all have a prophetic mission. We're called to preach the truths of the gospel, and at times this isn't popular. In the public square, the Church and Christians are often praised for their charitable work but asked to silence their religious voice when morality is discussed. We need the strength and conviction of prophets as well as the love that drives them.

— Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection:

Do I have the serenity and moral courage to share the gospel truth in love? Do I always show my faith in charitable thoughts and actions, and then in words when appropriate?

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Reading I - Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19

Jeremiah's early call to the work and office of a prophet is stated. He was to be a prophet, not to the Jews only, but to the neighboring nations. He spoke to all people and he is still a prophet to the whole world.

Reading II - 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13

Many people know these verses used at weddings, but Paul was addressing the church in Corinth. Recognizing that the Corinthians are particularly attracted to the spiritual gifts of knowledge, prophecy, and speaking in tongues, Paul argues that any of these without love are worthless.

Reading III - Luke 4:21-30

Jesus' sermon in Nazareth is a prophetic message. Jesus tells the truth about the realities of our world, where the lowly are looked down upon and where the rich live exceedingly full lives, but Jesus announces that God's favor is on us all.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading— Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8

2nd Reading— 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Gospel - Luke 5:1-11



FEBRUARY Prayer Intentions from Pope Francis

Human Trafficking—For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of violence.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Rowena Sadaba	February 2
Joy Bautista	February 12
Marites Fiesta	February 20
Edward Rijhoff	February 21
Sandy Rosario	February 23
Jasmin Bautista	February 27

May God grant you a blessed year, full of His goodness and grace.

TODAY IS THE FEAST OF ST. BLAISE

St. Blaise was a physician and Bishop of Sebaste, Armenia. He lived in a cave on Mount Argeus and was a healer of men and animals. According to legend, sick animals would come to him on their own for help, but would never disturb him at prayer.

Agricola, governor of Cappadocia, came to Sebaste to persecute Christians. His huntsmen went into the forests of Argeus to find wild animals for the arena games, and found many waiting outside Blaise's cave. Discovered in prayer, Blaise was arrested, and Agricola tried to get him to recant his faith. While in prison, Blaise ministered to and healed fellow prisoners, including saving a child who was choking on a fish bone; this led to the blessing of throats on Blaise's feast day.

We will offer blessing of throats at each Mass this Sunday.



PRAYER LIST FOR THE SICK

Please pray for the sick in our Parish

- Loranzo Alota
- Becky Alota,
- Avon Czerwinski
- Regina Czerwinski
- Robert Heisler
- Yuriko Enomoto
- Encornita Esteban
- Elena Jencks
- Richard McCrea Jr.
- Edwin C. Munalem
- Betty Ann Nault
- Judy Orlando
- Ruth Tavares-Toma

We are updating the list of prayer for the sick. Please submit their name so that we might continue to keep them in our prayers. Mahalo for taking the time to fill out the information.

PRAYER LIST FOR THE SICK

Prayers bring our parish community together and this is true especially when we pray for those parishioners who are ill among us.

We would like to update the list this month of **FEBRUARY**. We will keep the names on and add as requested and renew the list in February 2020. If you wish to have your name or the names of your loved ones included on the list, please fill the form below. (Because of privacy laws, only the sick person themselves or immediate family members may submit a request).

Please complete below so that we may remember you in our prayers. You may place your request in the collection basket or return it to the office.

Mahalo for your prayers & concern. Please print clearly.

NAME of the Sick: _____

Name of Person

Requesting : _____

(Relationship): _____

Phone or contact info: _____

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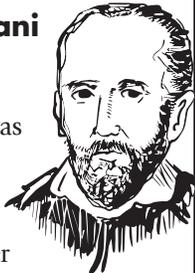
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One Minute Meditations

St. Jerome Emiliani



St. Jerome led a wayward life while a soldier until he was captured in battle and turned back to God. Soon after returning to Venice, he began studying for the priesthood and was ordained in 1518. With the devastation from the war came famine and plague. At his own expense, St. Jerome cared for the victims left behind, especially the children. For this purpose, he and some companions founded the Clerks Regulars of Somascha, in Somascha, Italy.

Make it a good day

A good day is one spent in God's presence. Start the morning by offering your efforts to God. Throughout the day, look for evidence of his nearness to you as you go about your business. Don't let minor irritants affect your mood.

"I don't care to inquire why they cannot believe an earthly body can be in heaven, while the whole earth is suspended on nothing." St. Augustine, *City of God*



Make every Sunday the Lord's Day

"This is the day the Lord has made: let us rejoice and be glad in it" (Psalm 118:24). God wants us to have a day of rest each week. He felt it was so necessary that he made it a **Commandment**.

While it is non-negotiable for God's people, a busy person may find it hard to do Sunday right. Try these tips for making Sunday the Lord's Day:

Attend Mass. Both Jesus' Resurrection and Pentecost occurred on Sunday. There's no better way to celebrate the Lord's Day than to worship him during Mass on Sunday.

Schedule chores. It's not very restful to stand in line at the grocery store or change the oil in your car. Try to

accomplish chores and errands another day so you can spend time relaxing on Sunday.

Alternate entertainment. Instead of turning on the TV or zoning on the smartphone, take a nice long drive, curl up with a good book, or visit friends or family. Do whatever it takes to recharge your spirit.

Create a unique prayer habit. Offer prayers that you only say on Sundays. Read Scripture. Listen to sacred music. Take time to thank God for your blessings.

Protect the day. Make Sunday a priority. Don't let anything interfere with your rest, peace, or worship. Let the Holy Spirit guide your day.



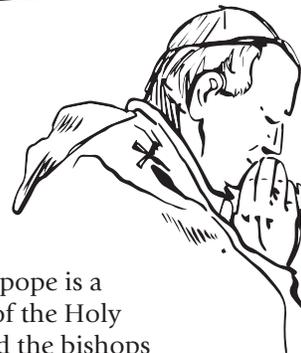
Why Do Catholics Do That?

Why do Catholics believe the pope is infallible?

As visible head of the Church on earth, the pope has the gift of infallibility. This means that by gift of the Holy Spirit, the pope can't err in teaching the faith.

That's not to say that a pope is a perfect person. This gift of the Holy Spirit helps the pope, and the bishops

with him, guide the Church in staying faithful to Christ. The pope is only infallible when he solemnly declares a teaching on faith and morals as St. Peter's successor (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, #890-891).



“Please forgive me!”

Throughout history, there has been only one person who never made mistakes. The rest of us make plenty but few of us are comfortable with asking for forgiveness for them. Yet owning up to our mistakes is a big step toward preventing their recurrence. Try this:

Start by looking at the other person when you apologize. This communicates that you know you have caused harm and are ready to accept the consequences of your behavior.

Name the actions for which you are sorry. Be specific.



Assure the other person that the actions won't happen again and detail the steps you will take to rectify any harm you caused. Remember – true contrition involves making amends for your sin.

Give some visible sign that you are sincerely sorry. Shake hands or give a touch on the shoulder. Such an action will help start the healing of your relationship.

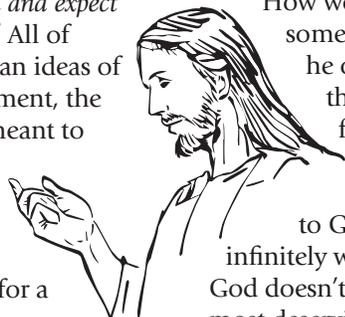
Taking steps to achieve sincere contrition and forgiveness will help you grow in holiness as you work to eliminate an occasion of sin.

from Scripture

Luke 6:27-38; Being merciful as God is merciful

In this Gospel passage, Jesus tells us to *“love your enemies...lend and expect nothing back...and forgive.”* All of these go against our human ideas of fairness. In the Old Testament, the *“eye for an eye”* rule was meant to make sure the punishment wasn't excessive. Likewise, the idea of getting favors was meant to show gratitude for a favor already given.

The problem is that *“an eye for an eye”* can result in a vicious cycle of violence and destroyed relationships. The *“favor for favor”* idea reduces the value of giving gifts out of kindness and



appreciation to simply owing favors. How would you know if the good someone did you was because he or she loved you or because they wanted something from you?

Jesus “updates” the old understanding of justice to God's justice, which is infinitely wiser and more perfect. God doesn't dole out his love to the most deserving, but freely to everyone. His goodness includes mercy as well as justice. His love is generous, selfless, simple, and compassionate. The surest sign of being God's children is if we love others the way he does.

Q & A What is the difference between a basilica, a cathedral, and a shrine?

Different church buildings serve different purposes. Basilicas are traditionally large, rectangular churches that have a historical and spiritual



importance, such as St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. The ancient Romans originally used them to house kings or judges. Later, Christians used the style for places to worship God, the King of Kings.

The pope can raise important church buildings of historical and spiritual significance, for example a cathedral, to the status of *“minor basilica.”* When you visit, you'll know you're in a minor basilica if the conopaeum (a red-and-yellow umbrella), a special bell, and the Vatican seal (papal crown and crossed keys) are on display.

A cathedral is the chief church in a diocese and is where the bishop presides. The name *“cathedral”* comes from the word *cathedra*, which is Latin for *“the chair.”* This refers to the bishop's chair, which represents his authority. A shrine is a sacred place where a saint's relic is preserved, an apparition took place, or a place to encourage a specific belief or devotion.

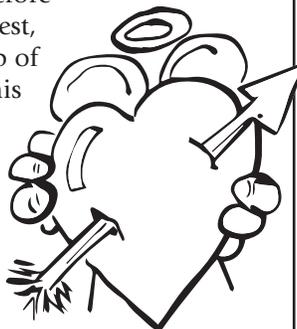
Feasts & Celebrations

Feb. 11 – Our Lady of Lourdes (1858). A heavenly *“lady”* appeared to St. Bernadette Soubirous, a poor and sickly girl from a small village in France. Soon after the first vision, a spring with miraculous, healing waters emerged from a nearby cave. The *“lady”* revealed herself as the *“Immaculate Conception”* – the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Feb. 22 – St. Peter's Chair (1st century). We celebrate the establishment of the Holy See and pray for the preservation of God's Church. The *“Chair of Peter”* refers to the relic of an actual chair of St. Peter and to the

spiritual authority of the Church, symbolized by the chair.

Feb. 26 – St. Porphyry (420). Born to a wealthy Greek family in Macedonia, St. Porphyry lived as a hermit. His quiet life was interrupted when he inherited a fortune, which he quickly gave to the poor. He worked as a shoemaker before becoming a priest, then the Bishop of Gaza (against his will). Despite initial resistance, St. Porphyry successfully evangelized Gaza.



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TIME – TALENT – TREASURE

TREASURE

*Mahalo for your generous contributions
and Faithful Stewardship.*

The Collection for **January 26—27** is as follows:
\$12,710.96

Envelopes & Loose Collections	\$8,356.43
Mass Intentions	170.00
Electric Votive & Candles	641.63
Total:	\$9,168.06

ENVELOPES

IDENTIFIABLE	38%
UNIDENTIFIABLE	62%
Building Fund	\$19.00
Outreach	280.00
Donation	5.00
First Offering	20.00
Solemnity of Mary	10.00
Total:	\$334.00

Special Collections:

Latin American Mission	1,436.90
Black & Indian Mission	1,526.00
Stained Glass	244.00
Catholic Charities	2.00
Total:	\$3,208.90

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

February 9/10

Please take a moment and give the gift of education and make a difference in a student's life. Your gift to our Second Collection goes directly to support tuition scholarships in your parish and/or vicariate for the 2019-2020 School Year.

Last year, more than \$115,00, was generously donated to the Second Collection and distributed back to parishioners in the form of tuition scholarships.

For more information, please call (808) 203-6748 or visit www.augustinefoundation.org



This Week's Events February 3 –February 9, 2019

*M – Main Church, U–Upstairs Parish Conference Room,
R – Reception room, B - Blue room, G - Green Room,
C – Courtyard*

Sunday February 3

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:15 am —Rosary (M)
8:15 am — Youth choir practice (B)
10:15 am—R.C.I.A.

Monday February 4

6:30 pm – Charismatic Prayer Group (M)

Tuesday February 5

St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr

6:10 am – Rosary (M)
11:15 am – Rosary (M)
7:00 pm – Centering Prayer (M)

Wednesday February 6

St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs

6:10 am – Rosary (M)
7:30 am – Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help (M)
11:15 am – Rosary (M)
1:00 pm – Legion of Mary, Queen of Peace (R)
6:00 pm – RCIA (B)
6:30 pm – Scripture Study (R)

Thursday February 7

6:10 am – Rosary (M)
11:15 am – Rosary (M)
5:15 & 6:00 pm – Choir Practice (M)

Friday February 8

St. Jerome Emiliani, St. Josephine Bakhita, International Day of Prayer & Awareness against Human Trafficking

6:10 am – Rosary (M)
7:40 am - Eucharistic Adoration/Sacred Heart Devotion
10:00 – 11:30 am Confession and Spiritual Direction
10:45 am – Divine Mercy Devotion & Chaplet
11:15 am—International Rosary
11:45 am—Benediction
5:45 pm—Stations of the Cross devotion

Saturday February 9

BVM

11:15 am – Rosary
3:30 – 4:30 pm – Confessions (M)

AROUND THE PARISH AND THE DIOCESE

LITTLE BETHLEHEM CARVERS

The Al Sahouri family will be selling their olive wood art this weekend February 2 and 3 after all masses.

The Christians of the middle east live in the land where Jesus walked, taught, suffered, died and rose again. Today their numbers are greatly reduced, and they struggle to make a living. Your assistance helps the church to maintain a presence in the Holy Land.

CENTERING PRAYER WORKSHOP

Enter into the quiet inner experience of God through Centering Prayer. Grounded in 16 centuries of Christian tradition, Centering Prayer helps us bring our whole being to God beyond words, beyond thoughts and images. It emphasizes prayer as a personal relationship with God. The workshop familiarized participants with the method of Centering prayer and offers two opportunities to experience the prayer.

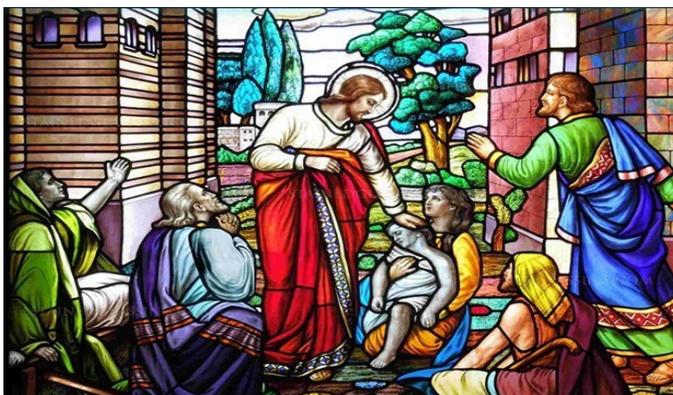
March 2, 2019 9:00-2:30 pm

St. Anthony Retreat Center

register by Feb 18 —call (628) 400-2644

Mahalo!

To those who purchased chicken, sushi and who volunteered their time this past weekend to help send our Seminarians to school.



Mass & Anointing for World Day of Prayer for the Sick with Bishop Larry Silva

- When: Mon, 11 Feb 2019 @ 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM HST
- Where: Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace
1184 Bishop Street Honolulu, HI 96813

50th Anniversary

In preparation for the celebration
Our fundraising committee will be holding a
Bake Sale
February 10th,
after the 7, 9 and 11:00 am masses.

Please see sign up sheet if you would like to help by donating goods or ingredients.

The funds raised will finance the projects to prepare the church for her 50th Anniversary!

We are looking for creative minds who can interview, organize and write for the church 50th Anniversary book and video.

Please contact the office at 941-0675.

Have you considered a Catholic Education for your child?
Sacred Hearts Academy Open House is coming soon.

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Saint Paul Teaches About Love

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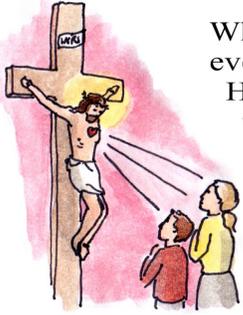


In today's second reading St. Paul tells us what real love is like. It is patient, kind, and forgiving, and it rejoices in the truth. Love never fails! No matter how important you are, or talented, or smart, what really makes you great is loving others.

LET'S PLAY A GAME YOU LIKE!



Who do you love? Can you love someone who bothers you or doesn't like you? Love isn't just a nice feeling about somebody. It means deciding to want what is best for that person. You really can love people that you don't get along with! It's a decision that you can make.



Who was the most loving person ever? Jesus! Think of how much He must have loved us to die on the cross for us even though we hurt Him by our sins! Every day tell Jesus that you love Him, and show it to Him by loving the people around you.

Answers to Love: True or False? 1. false 2. true 3. true 4. false 5. false 6. false 7. true

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The Kids' Bulletin

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Jesus' neighbours got upset with Him when He said that they wouldn't appreciate a prophet from their own town. But when they tried to throw Him off a cliff, He walked right through the crowd and went away.

Can you find Jesus in this crowd?