

February 14, 2021 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Stewardship is a Way of Life. Tithing is God's Plan for Giving:

Tithing income for the week of January 31, 2021:
Regular: \$1,268.00
Tithing income for the week of February 7, 2021:
Not available.

Mass Attendance for February 6, 2021 25
Mass Attendance for February 7, 2021 35
Mass Attendance for February 7, 2021 26
(Spanish Mass)

Parousia: The Bible and the Mass coming Lent 2021

Why return to Mass? Our very lives depend on it! It's the summit of God's plan for our salvation. In our latest **Journey Through Scripture** study, get ready to join host Scott Hahn to uncover how and why all of God's action, in creation and redemption, is ordered to the Mass. Sign up and register to watch all 10 episodes of The Bible and the Mass for **FREE** by going to mail@stpaulcenter.com and click on the *Parousia: The Bible and the Mass* picture.

Year-End Tax Statements

Please contact the Parish Office at 717-242-2781 if you are in need of a year-end tax statement. In addition, the Office of Stewardship and Development at the Diocese will be happy to send, via email, a donor's record of giving if it is requested. The Diocese will no longer automatically send statements and their preference is to send statements electronically via email if requested. If you need a statement, please call the Office of Stewardship and Development at (717) 657-4804 ext. 245.

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON THE SUNDAY READINGS
HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 14, 2021

"A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said: 'If you wish you can make me clean.' Moved with pity he stretched out his hand, touched him and said to him, 'I do will it. Be made clean...' The leprosy left him immediately, and he was made clean... The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter. He spread the report abroad so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly."

This week we will begin the Season of Lent. To prepare myself well, may I find that I too am a leper, needing cleansing, healing and new spiritual strength.

Consider for a moment the pandemic, now one-year-old, affecting millions, taking countless lives. The search for a cure, vaccines, the use of masks, distancing and hand washing became a new practice for all. Yet the scars remain.

Our spiritual lives are suffering too. Have I looked at the health of my soul and see the need for cleansing and renewal? Am I ready to tell the Lord today: 'Here I am; how do you find me?' This is my opportunity to be honest with myself and the Lord, to act, ask for forgiveness, to begin a time of prayer, to say thanks to the Lord for a good confession, to admit to my need to learn the mercy of Jesus

The miracle for the leper, 'If you wish', is mine today, and Jesus, with the same pity as He looks at our corona virus affected world, wishes to help us.

First Reading: Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46

The Lord tells Moses and Aaron that anyone bearing the sore of leprosy must first be seen by Aaron or one of the other priests, and that as long as the sore is upon him, "He shall dwell apart, making his abode outside the camp."

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:31—11:1

Paul instructs the Corinthians to do everything for the glory of God, to avoid offending others, and to be imitators of Christ.

Gospel: Mark 1:40-45

Jesus takes pity on a leper and cures him of his disease with a warning not to say but to show himself to the priest and make an offering. Instead of remaining silent, the leper greatly publicized the healing, making it impossible for Jesus to enter the town openly.

LITURGICAL NOTES

Mass & Intentions for the Week
And Weekly Readings



Saturday, February 13: Weekday

Genesis 3:9-24; Psalm 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13; Mark 8:1-10
5:30 PM Leo Curdo from Francis and Mary O'Day

Sunday, February 14: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46; Psalm 32:1-2, 5, 11; 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1; Mark 1:40-45

9:15 AM Michael R. Palumbo from Trudy Ober

Monday, February 15: Weekday

Genesis 4:1-15, 25; Psalm 50:1 & 8, 16bc-17, 20-21; Mark 8:11-13

9:00 AM People of the Parish

Tuesday, February 16: Weekday

Genesis 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Psalm 29:1a & 2, 3ac-4, 3b & 9c-10; Mark 8:14-21

Wednesday, February 17: Ash Wednesday

Joel 2:12-18; Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 & 17; 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

9:00 AM People of the Parish

Thursday, February 18: Thursday after Ash Wednesday

Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6; Luke 9:22-25

Friday, February 19: Friday after Ash Wednesday

Isaiah 58:1-9a; Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19; Matthew 9:14-15

Saturday, February 20: Saturday after Ash Wednesday

Isaiah 58:9b-14; Psalm 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Luke 5:27-32

5:30 PM Jill Tweedie (Intention)

Sunday, February 21: First Sunday of Lent

Genesis 9:8-15; Psalm 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:12-15

9:00 AM Julia Kivlin from Karen Thome

LITURGICAL WORSHIP AIDS

Entrance Antiphon

Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore, I ask blessed Mary Ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

Responsorial Psalm

I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

Profession of Faith (Nicene Creed)

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (bow) *and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.* For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and life of the world to come. Amen

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is

he who come in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

(For those who are watching from home)

A Prayer of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

Communion Antiphon

They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the Power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

The Parish Office and Sacred Heart School will be closed Monday, February 15th in observance of President's Day.

Ash Wednesday, Feb. 17th, and Good Friday, April 2nd, are days of fast and abstinence, meaning only 1 full meal for those days, and no meat eaten at all. All the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. Lenten resolutions are optional but highly recommended as sacrifices, promoting spiritual health and generosity. One should ask God in prayer as to what God wants the resolution to be. Lenten resolutions are personal, in consultation with God. Christians fasting and sacrificing should strive to maintain charity and cheerfulness toward all during Lenten resolutions.



LENTEN SCHEDULE:

Ash Wednesday: February 17, 2021 9:00 AM Mass

Stations of the Cross: Friday, February 19, 2021
at 7:00 PM

Lenten Confessions: Sunday March 7, 2021
at 7:00 PM

Holy Thursday: April 1, 2021 7:00 PM Mass

Good Friday: April 2, 2021 7:00 PM Mass

Holy Saturday: April 3, 2021 8:00 PM Mass

Easter Sunday: April 4, 2021 9:15 AM Mass

CCD Teachers and Substitutes:

CCD Teachers and substitutes are needed. Please speak with Father Bill or Ginger Best.



Announcements for the Bulletin:

Please have your announcements for the bulletin to the church office by Wednesday afternoon no later than 1:00 p.m.

Saint Jude Office Hours:

The office will be closed Wednesday, February 17th.

The office will be open Thursday, February 18th from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.

Fish for Sale! Knights of Columbus:

Canned Crab	\$10.00 Can
Haddock	\$20.00 Box
Clam strips	\$15.00 Box
Shrimp	\$15.00 Bag \$60.00 Box
Fries	\$ 5.00 Bag \$30.00 Box
Haddock Tail	\$ 5.00 Bag \$40.00 Box
Elbow Macaroni	\$ 5.00 Bag

Please write your name and phone number on the sheet in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please call Joe Zarnowski at 908-892-0271.

Walking with Jesus to Calvary



A Virtual Lenten Retreat for Youth, hosted by the Diocesan Youth Council and the Office for Youth and Young Adult Ministry, will be held on **February 20, 2021**. Chris Wood, Youth Minister at St. John the Baptist Parish, New Freedom, PA will be the speaker. Join youth (grades 7 through 12) from the Diocese of Harrisburg from 1:00 – 2:00 PM as Chris Wood hosts an hour of reflection on Jesus' final steps to Calvary, exploring His fear, pain and suffering and how you can grow closer to Him. Register at https://hbgdiocese.formstack.com/forms/virtual_lenten_retreat by **Thursday, Feb. 18**. Registration is free by donations are appreciated. A Zoom link will be provided with confirmation of registration.

Year of St. Joseph – Seven Sundays Devotion

Pope Francis recently announced **2021 as the Year of Saint Joseph**. During this unique year of grace, meditation on the Sorrows and Joys on Seven Sundays is a wonderful way to foster a closeness of the faithful to the Spouse of Mary. **We prepare for the feast of St. Joseph by dedicating the seven Sundays before March 19 to St. Joseph**, in memory of his seven sorrow and joys. We encourage you to meditate upon these sets of Sorrow and Joys, and conclude by praying the Litany of St. Joseph.

Week 3

Joseph's Seven Sorrows

The Circumcision (Luke 2:21)

Joseph's Seven Joys

The Holy Name of Jesus (Matt. 1:25)

Week 4

Joseph's Seven Sorrows

The prophecy of Simeon (Luke 2:34)

Joseph's Seven Joys

The effects of the Redemption (Luke 2:38)

Week 5

Joseph's Seven Sorrows

The flight into Egypt (Matt. 2:14)

Joseph's Seven Joys

The overthrow of the idols of Egypt (Is. 19:1)

Week 6

Joseph's Seven Sorrows

The return from Egypt (Matt. 2:22)

Joseph's Seven Joys

Life with Jesus and Mary at Nazareth (Luke 2:39)

Week 7

Joseph's Seven Sorrows

The loss of the Child Jesus (Luke 2:45)

Joseph's Seven Joys

The finding of the Child Jesus in the Temple (Luke 2:46)

Litany of St. Joseph

Lord, have mercy - Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy - Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy - Lord, have mercy.
Christ, hear us - Christ, hear us.
Christ, graciously hear us - Christ, graciously hear us.
God the Father of Heaven - Have mercy on us.
God the Son, Redeemer of the world - Have mercy on us.
God the Holy Spirit - Have mercy on us.
Holy Trinity, One God - Have mercy on us.
Holy Mary - pray for us.
Saint Joseph - pray for us.
Illustrious son of David - pray for us.
Light of the patriarchs - pray for us.
Spouse of the Mother of God - pray for us.
Chaste guardian of the Virgin - pray for us.
Foster-father of the Son of God - pray for us.
Watchful defender of Christ - pray for us.
Head of the Holy Family - pray for us.
Joseph most just - pray for us.
Joseph most chaste - pray for us.
Joseph most prudent - pray for us.
Joseph most valiant - pray for us.
Joseph most obedient - pray for us.
Joseph most faithful - pray for us.
Mirror of patience - pray for us.
Lover of poverty - pray for us.
Model of workmen - pray for us.
Glory of domestic life - pray for us.
Guardian of virgins - pray for us.
Pillar of families - pray for us.
Solace of the afflicted - pray for us.
Hope of the sick - pray for us.



Patron of the dying - pray for us.
Terror of demons - pray for us.
Protector of Holy Church - pray for us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world -
Spare us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world-
Graciously hear us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world -
Have mercy on us.

V. He made him the lord of His household,
R. And prince over all His possessions.

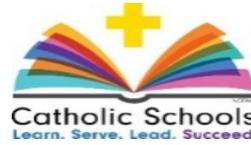
Let Us Pray. O God, who in Your ineffable providence were pleased to choose Blessed Joseph to be the spouse of Your Most Holy Mother, grant that as we venerate him as our protector on earth, we may be worthy to have him as our intercessor in Heaven, You Who live and reign forever and ever. Amen

Guidelines For Mass

- ❖ Masks **must** be worn at all times.
- ❖ Remain 6 ft. apart.
- ❖ Ushers will seat you at the beginning of Mass and dismiss you at the end of Mass.
- ❖ Confessions are heard in the rectory garage on Wed., 6:30-6:45 PM & Sat., 3:00-3:45 PM
- ❖ Only permitted to fill the church to approx. 1/3 capacity. Space is limited; please come early. Sunday Mass obligation is still suspended. You may want to consider attending a weekly Mass in place of Sunday.
- ❖ Doors are locked during Mass for your safety.
- ❖ The restroom is available but **must be sanitized after each use**. Please clean the restroom after use according to the directions posted inside. Children must be accompanied by an adult & the adult must clean the restroom after the child is finished
- ❖ Crying room is closed.
- ❖ Collection basket will not be passed. Place your collection in 1 of the 2 locked collection boxes provided. Collection boxes are located in the Vestibule area or at the front of the church by the handicap door.
- ❖ Votive candles are not accessible at this time. If you would like a candle lit, call the parish office and they will have a sacristan light a candle for you. Your donation may be put in the collection box.
- ❖ Father will distribute Communion at the **end** of Mass from the altar area.
- ❖ Take all belongings with you and go single file up to the altar area. Right before receiving Communion drop one side of your mask and immediately put it back on after the Eucharist is in your mouth. Put one hand on top of the other palm side up. Father will try not to touch your hand. After receiving Communion proceed out the handicap door. If you are not receiving

Communion just follow the flow of people as they proceed out the door.

These guidelines are an act of charity and out of concern for your safety and not an infringement upon your personal rights. Thank you for your continued cooperation. Your diligence in adhering to these guidelines helps to prevent further safety concerns for our parishioners. **These guidelines are not optional.**



SCHOOL NEWS



The 23rd Annual SHS Benefit Auction is now scheduled to be held May 22 & 23, 2021. The auction committee is looking for

handmade, new, or like new donated items to be auctioned off. As you continue to practice social distancing now is the time to find a unique item or put your talent to work creating a handmade item. All items are to be submitted by **Friday, April 16, 2021.**

Register NOW for the 2021-22 School Year!

Registrations are now being taken for any student interested in attending Sacred Heart School next academic year. Kindergarten students need to be age 5 by Sept. 1, 2021. We also have openings in grades 1 – 5. **Scholarships and Financial Aid are available, and applications are currently being accepted until March 1, 2021.** For additional information call the school at 717-28-5351. Additionally, there is plenty of information about the school, the application process, and financial aid on our website at www.sacredheartschool.com. **All faiths are welcome!**

