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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

If you trust in God, you too shall live;
God has set before you fire and water;
to whichever you choose,
stretch forth your hand.

SIRACH 15:15-16

FEBRUARY
16 2020



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Saint Paul speaks of both the “wisdom of this age” and the “rulers of this age.” He refers specifically to the so-called wise people and institutions responsible for unjustly condemning Jesus to death. As we mourn the human sin that killed Jesus two thousand years ago, we also consider contemporary errors and evils that wound the Body of Christ in our own age. We easily recognize the crimes of our leaders. Religious, corporate, and government institutions have inflicted suffering on countless innocent souls. The depth of our modern-day failures threatens us with despair. But Jesus calls us to renewed faithfulness and hope. Jesus tells us to “surpass” our leaders in righteousness. He instructs us to simplify our own lives: “Let your ‘Yes’ mean ‘Yes,’ and your ‘No’ mean ‘No.’ Anything more is from the evil one.” We are right to work against the sins of our leaders, but we must also scrutinize our own lives and make peace with our families, neighbors, and coworkers.

in this age is passing away. Jesus’ call is timely and radical, pleading with us to drop other business and make reconciliation a priority. The Lord actually says to “leave your gift at the altar” and return to worship after making peace with the adversaries in our lives. Jesus is deadly serious about the need for reconciliation and righteousness, insisting that nothing—not even our eyes and arms—are worth more than love. All of today’s readings reflect on the deep connection between God’s law and healthy, peaceful love. As Saint Paul says in Romans 13:10, “love is the fulfillment of the law.” Here in the twenty-first century, we modern disciples of Christ can cultivate that mystery deep in our hearts, nurturing the tremendous twin gifts of God’s love and God’s law, offered to us freely to help us sustain a healthy and holy Body of Christ.

Today’s Readings: Sir 15:15–20; Ps 119:1–2, 4–5, 17–18, 33–34; 1 Cor 2:6–10; Mt 5:17–37 [20–22a, 27–28, 33–34a, 37]

PASSING AWAY

There is some urgency in Christ’s call to holiness. Everything

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MASSES FOR THE WEEK

FEB. 15 4:00 P.M.	SATURDAY Shad Fromhart† <i>(Joyce Fromhart, Josh, Jacob & Stacey)</i>
FEB. 16 8:00 A.M.	SUNDAY Laura Ferrell† <i>(Bob & Margaret Shutler)</i>
10:00 A.M.	Patty Kleinedler† <i>(Pam Ryan)</i>
FEB. 17 8:00 A.M.	MONDAY James & Agnes Gardill† <i>(Tex & Theresa Reynolds)</i>
FEB. 18 8:00 A.M.	TUESDAY Deceased members of the Skrzypek Family† <i>(Carolyn Gordon)</i> Sandina Leonard (90th Birthday) <i>(Libby, Mary, Cathy, Carolyn, Christine & Terry)</i>
FEB. 19 8:00 A.M.	WEDNESDAY Harold Ray† <i>(Joanne Ray)</i>
FEB. 20 8:00 A.M.	THURSDAY Phil Remke <i>(Loretta Remke)</i>
FEB. 21 8:00 A.M.	FRIDAY Don McCormick† <i>(McCormick Family)</i>
FEB. 22 4:00 P.M.	SATURDAY Pat Kleinedler† <i>(Tex & Theresa Reynolds)</i>
FEB. 23 8:00 A.M.	SUNDAY Ray Yocum† <i>(Yocum Family)</i>
10:00 A.M.	John D. & Debbie Curia† <i>(Curia Family)</i>

The Sanctuary Candle
beside the tabernacle burns this week
for:
Don McCormick
Requested by *Ellen McCormick*

WEEKLY SCHEDULES

Lectors/ Eucharistic Ministers:

2/22 4:00 p.m. Dave Evans/ M. Taskalines
2/23 8:00 a.m. R. Hess/ J. Hess
2/23 10:00 a.m. L. Freeland/ J. Kuskey

Altar Servers:

2/22 4:00 p.m. Frizzell
2/23 8:00 a.m. Laberdee
2/22 10:00 a.m. King/Menendez

Gift Bearers:

2/22 4:00 p.m. John & Loretta Niemiec
2/23 8:00 a.m. Mark Hitt
2/23 10:00 a.m. Georgia Pettit

Sacristy Cleaners: Week of February 17, 2020

Sue Church & Cindy Gunto

Greeters:

2/22 4:00 p.m. Bridget Scarbin & Cork Potts
2/23 8:00 a.m. Roger Frame
2/23 10:00 a.m. Susan Board & Rosemary Patrone

Bingo: February 21, 2020

Raffle: Loretta Niemiec

Kitchen: Ellen McCormick

COLLECTION: February 2, 2020

Envelopes	\$ 2843.00
Loose Offering	\$ 970.00
Building Repairs	\$ 24.00
Xavier Hall	\$ 605.00
Latin America	\$ 60.00
Memorial Offerings	\$ 225.00
Pennies for God	\$ 30.00

Attendance - 275

INFANT OF PRAGUE NOVENA

Mondays at 7:00pm
Our Lady of Peace Parish
Guest Homilists:
February 17: Rev. John S. Ledford
February 24: Msgr. Eugene Ostrowski
March 2: Rev. Carlos Melocoton
March 9: Msgr. Joseph Peterson
March 16: Rev. Mr. Douglas Breiding
March 23: Rev. Joseph Wiley
March 30: Rev. Joseph M. Augustine

Rev. That Son Ngoc Nguyen, pastor

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS):

Sat. 3:30 p.m., or any other time upon request.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

By appointment. Contact the parish office at least six months before the date of the marriage.

Pre-Cana is required.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

By appointment. The Diocese requires instructions beforehand for the parents.

Contact the parish office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (P.S.R.):

Sundays during the school term at 9:00 a.m. to 9:50 a.m. for Grades 1-12.

REGISTRATION AND CHURCH SUPPORT:

Parishioners should be properly registered at the Parish Office

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MASS SCHEDULE:

Weekends: Saturday - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday - 8:00 a.m./10:00 a.m.

Weekdays: Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m.

Holy Day Mass Schedule:

8:00 am, 7:00 p.m.

PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS & FRIENDS

Prayer Request: Connie Howard, Ronnie Hill, Eleanor Smith, Katherine Peligrin, Christine McDonald, Mary Coffield, Jim Conner, Thomas Sullivan, Sara Walters, Diane Young, Joanne Potts, Tex Reynolds, Bobby Kleinedler. **Homebound:** Semon & Phyllis Prado, Doris Murphy, Rachel Kerekes. **Nursing Home:** Bill Tennant, Gary Dobbs, Patricia Schmidt, Helen Remke, Barbara Meyer, Elizabeth Potts, Ron Jaworski.



Our Parish offers prayers and condolences to the families of:

Norma Jean Holmes
Mother of Sue (Joe) Church

Mary Ruth "Mickey" Rotriga
Sister of Joe (Cindy) Weithe

David Roy "D.R." Durbin
Brother of Jerry (Lottie) Durbin

May they rest in peace.

SHINING A LIGHT ON HOPE

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Saturday, March 7, 2020

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Sunday, February 23, 2020

12 - 5 p.m. at Generations

\$10 person, kids 5 and under are free

For tickets or take out order: 304-559-1549

DATES TO REMEMBER

Feb. 18 - Mass at Moundview Nursing Home

Feb. 19 - Sister Act Cooking Class 11am

Feb. 26 - Ash Wednesday

Feb. 26 - Fish Fry (Ash Wednesday)

Feb. 28 - Fish Fry (Lenten Friday)

Feb. 29 & Mar. 1 - Gifts from the Holy Land sale

Mar. 4 - Community Taco Fiesta Cooking Class

Mar. 6 - Fish Fry

LIGHT IN DARKNESS: Christian Reasons For Hope

Christians frequently experience darkness and difficulty, but we have grounds for hope in the prayer of our tradition. The session includes a talk exploring one of these reasons for hope in light of scripture and provides time for discussion.

Rev. Bonnie Thurston, Ph.D., facilitator

Date: Tuesday, February 18

Time: 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Location: Mount St. Joseph Chapel

Cost: \$10.00

Repairing Harm and Rebuilding Trust:

A Conference on Restorative Justice and the Abuse Crisis in the Church

Wednesday, February 26, 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Thursday, February 27, 9am to 3pm

Recital Hall, CET Building, Wheeling University

Contact Jamey Brogan

(jbrogan@wju.edu, 304-243-2168)

SAINT MARON LEBANESE DINNER

Our Lady of Lebanon Church, Wheeling

Sunday March 8 from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Advance tickets: \$15.00 adult/ \$7.00 children

At the door: \$17.00 adult/ \$8.00 children

Baked Kibbee, Stuffed Grape Leaves, Humus,
Chicken & Rice, Salad, Pita Bread, Yogurt, Dessert
& Beverage

A NOTE OF THANKS



We would like to thank all who came for the Rosary and all the prayers & get-well wishes for Tex. They are much appreciated. Please keep him in your prayers as he does chemo.
~~~Tex & Theresa Reynolds

## Office of Safe Environment

To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, contact local law enforcement, or contact WV Child Protective Services: 800-352-6513. To report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese, contact this diocesan number: 888-434-6237.



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