



February 17, 2019 • Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Gospel from Luke is the Sermon on the Plain with the Beatitudes, what we usually think of as the Sermon on the Mount. It seems as though Jesus is congratulating those who would have been considered unfortunate, doesn't it? The Beatitude statements overturn the concept of "fortunate" in Jesus' time, naming those who are poor, hungry, mourning, or marginalized as those who should rejoice.

Jesus continues with prophetic and startling "Woe to you!" statements, directed to those usually thought of as blessed. Heavenly reward is not a privilege of the rich and comfortable but a blessing for all who trust in God, whose reward will be great in heaven.

WHOM DO YOU TRUST?

The first reading and the psalm take a somewhat different focus: trust in God, not people or things of this world. One who trusts in God is fortunate, like a plant that produces good fruit, sustained by living waters and currents of grace. "Not so the wicked," who wither and vanish, blowing away like the illusions of their self-absorption.

Paul, in the second reading, confronts members of the early Christian community of Corinth who were doubting,

or devaluing, belief in Jesus' resurrection and the general resurrection of the dead. Depending on the material world in their spiritual pride, they believed that their righteousness was something they had achieved on their own. They felt self-sufficient, "rich," not in need of the ongoing saving power of Christ's resurrection that completes the sacrifice of Good Friday through Easter, which is our true blessing.

So, congratulations! Acknowledging our need for God, we are rich in the Kingdom love of our Father. Our hunger is satisfied by the sustaining nourishment of the Spirit. Our weeping is "turned into dancing" knowing that Jesus is with us in our sorrows, in fact knew them when he walked upon earth. Reasons enough for us to rejoice, always, even when people treat us badly. God's reward to us is the Kingdom, now and always.

Today's Readings: Jer 17:5–8; Ps 1:1–2, 3, 4 and 6; 1 Cor 15:12, 16–20; Lk 6:17, 20–26

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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.

St. Francis Xavier Parish

7th and JEFFERSON STREETS, MOUNDSVILLE, W. VA. 26041 Rev. That Son Ngoc Nguyen

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS):

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

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

By appointment. Contact the Parish House 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.

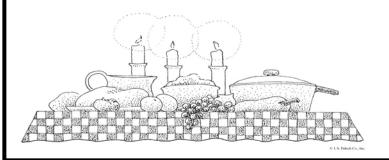
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (C.C.D.):

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





Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 17, 2019

"Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours. Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied."

- Luke 6:20-21a

Mass Intentions For The Wee



FEB. 16 **SATURDAY** 4:00 P.M. Ronnie, Tirra,

Celeste & Trent Keiter

(Danny Prado)

FEB. 17 **SUNDAY** 8:00 A.M. Kinks Klug †

(David & Pam Fox)

Mark Novel † 10:00 A.M.

(Edna Novel)

FEB. 18 **MONDAY**

8:00 A.M. Ruth Ann Harrigan †

(John & Barb Klos)

FEB. 19 **TUESDAY** 8:00 A.M. Harold Ray †

(Joanne Ray)

Marie Louise† Sister of Clo Doyle 4:00 P.M.

(God's Children of Love Prayer Gr.)

FEB. 20 WEDNESDAY

8:00 A.M. Betty L. Lewis †

(Richard L. Lewis)

FEB. 21 **THURSDAY**

8:00 A.M. Lottie & Jerry Durbin

(Whitelatch Family)

FEB. 22 FRIDAY

8:00 A.M. Rodney Kerekes †

(Wayne & Joan Lemasters)

FEB. 23 **SATURDAY**

8:00 A.M. Harold Ray †

(Joanne Ray)

FEB. 24 **SUNDAY**

8:00 A.M. Deceased Members of the

Buzzard Family †

(Bill & Teresa (Lewis) Vermeulen &

Family)

10:00 A.M. Ben Rodriguez II †

(Charlotte Canestraro)

WEEKLY SCHEDULES

Lectors/ Eucharistic Ministers:

2/23 4:00 p.m. Dave Evans/Mark Klug

2/24 8:00 a.m. Latrisha Whitelatch/Sherrie Kent

2/24 10:00 a.m. Candace Kesserling/Mark Helfer

Altar Servers:

2/23 4:00 p.m. Frizzell

2/24 8:00 a.m. Laberdee

2/24 10:00 a.m. Blatt/Swift

Gift Bearers:

2/23 4:00 p.m. Kay Bosworth/ Daunel Gump

2/24 8:00 a.m. Pete & Judy Mysliwiec

2/24 10:00 a.m. Carolyn Gordon

Sacristy Cleaners: Week of February 18, 2019

Sue Church & Cindy Gunto

Greeters:

2/23 4:00 p.m. Daunel Gump

2/24 8:00 a.m. Bridget Scarbin

2/24 10:00 a.m. Susan Board & Veronica DiCola

Bingo February 22, 2019

Raffle: John & Loretta Niemiec

Kitchen: Sue Church

COLLECTION: FEBRUARY 10, 2019

Envelopes - \$ 3, 293.00

Loose Offering - \$760.00

Building Repair - \$ 704.00

Electronic Giving - \$55.00

Xavier Hall - \$ 70.00

Memorial Offerings - \$85.00

Central Europe - \$ 25.00

Pennies for God - \$11.85

Attendance - 291



Family& Friends Fun Afternoon Sunday, February 24, 2019 Starting at 4:00 p.m.

Come join us in Xavier Hall for an afternoon of fun and games. Bring your favorite games to play and you favorite snack to share. The parish will provide pizza and drinks.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS, FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS:

Prayer Request: Robin Targosky, Sam Bee, Doreen Coffield, Ralph Mercer, Brenda Kurko, Joe Church, Don McCormick, Maggie Yeater, Miriam Kulavik, Bobby Kleinedler, Chris Colby, Richard Timko;

Homebound: Semon & Phyllis Prado, Doris Murphy, Bob Tetrick, Rachel Kerekes; Nursing Home: Gary Dobbs, Patricia Schmidt, Helen Remke, Thelma Gitlin, Barbara Meyer, Elizabeth Potts, Marilyn Neidhardt, Helen Cuchta, Ron Jaworski.

The Sanctuary Candle
beside the tabernacle burns this week
for:
Dee Dobbs
Requested by
Whitelatch Family



"The opposite of addiction isn't sobriety. The opposite of addiction is connection."

-Johann Hari

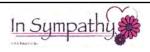
Friend, we want to invite you to be part of the solution in WV.

<u>This conference</u> is designed for the average layperson. It's for people who know about the drug problem, but who have no idea what to do.

Experts have said that we need to reduce stigma so that healing can happen. So that became our goal when planning the 7th Annual Social Ministries conference!

March 9, 2019 St. Joseph Retreat Center | Wheeling

For More Info. Call the parish office-304-845-1593.



Our Parish offers prayers and condolences to the families of:

Mike Dugas, Shad Fromhart, Dolores Dobbs

May they rest in peace.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Feb. 24 - Family Fun Afternoon 4:00 Xavier Hall Mar. 2 - 3 - Gifts From the Holy Land sold after Masses

Mar. 6 - Ash Wednesday SFX/Knights Fish Fry And every Friday in Lent

Mar. 13 - Parish Council Meeting 6:30

Thank you all who support the Kroger Community Rewards Program.

We encourage St. Francis Xavier Parishioners to link their rewards card to Community Rewards. Kroger has recently upgraded their system, and as a result your Non-Profit Organization (NPO) has a new account number.

SFX ORGANIZATION NEW NUMBER IS TN889

The more you shop at Kroger, the more money SFX will earn!

Total Donations: \$260.72 from 11/2018 to 1/2019. 39 Households participated.

Our Organist, Denise Freeland, and our Choir Director, Kathryn Wallington have recommended we purchase a new organ. The one we have now is over 40 years old and broken again. A replacement will cost \$32,000. We will be grateful for any donations.

THANKS ALOT

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To all who helped with the Knights of Columbus / St. Francis Xavier Fish Fry, thank you! We could not do it without cooks, shoppers, donations, bakers, workers and customers!

Masses at Nursing Homes

Father That Son celebrates Mass at Moundview Nursing Home every third Tuesday at 11 a.m. He celebrates Mass at Cameron Nursing Home at 11:00 every first Thursday at 11 a.m. All are welcome to join him.



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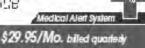
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