

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“DO EVERYTHING FOR THE GLORY OF GOD”

What is your true calling in life? Is it to help other people? Is it to develop the talents that God gave you? Is it to love and support your family? While all of these may be true for us we don't often recognize that our deepest calling, or vocation, is to give glory to the God who creates, saves, and sanctifies us. In the First Letter to the Corinthians Paul exhorts us to “do everything for the glory of God” (1 Corinthians 10:31). The one person who did this better than anyone else was Jesus Christ. So it comes as no surprise that Paul also tells us to “be imitators of Christ.”

How did Jesus give glory to God? He sought not his “own benefit but that of the many, that they might be saved” (1 Corinthians 31:33). Today's Gospel gives us a challenging example from Jesus' life. Jesus saves a leper from the stigma and suffering of leprosy. Afterward the leper joyfully returns to the community and tells everyone the good news about what Jesus did for him. As a result Jesus finds that he now experiences the exclusion that the leper had once known. He can no longer “enter a town openly” and must remain “outside in deserted places.”

IMITATORS OF CHRIST

Most of us will probably never cure anyone from leprosy or any other disease. How, then, are we to imitate the Christ who worked such wonders? We are called to give glory to God by using our own gifts with courage and generosity, as Jesus did. We are called to seek not our “own benefit but that of the many,” risking our own pride, status, time, money, or pleasure for the common good. We are called to tell everyone the good news about what Christ does for us—and through us—every day.

Then everything we do will be for the glory of God.

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

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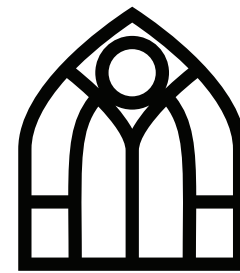
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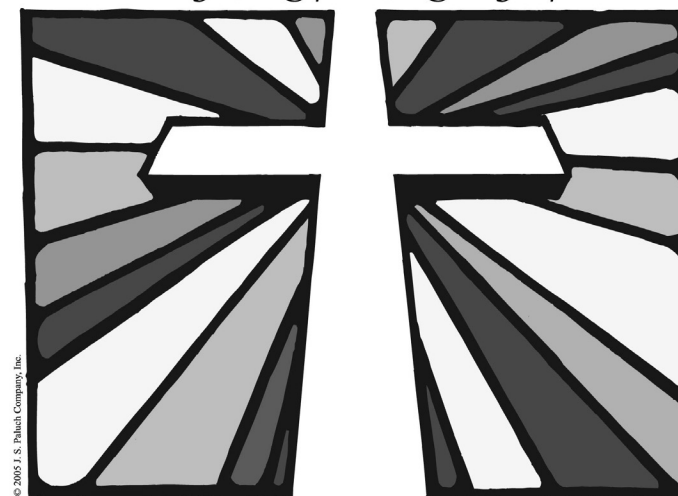
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Sunday, February 11, 2024

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Parish Schedule/ Mass Intentions

Reconciliation/Confession

Sat. at 4:30 p.m. or by appointment

Weekly Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday - 9:00 a.m.

Mon., Thurs., Fri. - 6:00 p.m.

PSR/Eucharistic Revival

Following Mass on Sundays in the parish hall

Rosary

First Sunday of the month at 8:30 a.m. in the quiet room

Mass Intentions

Sat., February 10 - Leonard Westhoff

Sun., February 11 - Gary Hoover

Sat., February 17 - Joe Pace

Sun., February 18 - Claude McDonald

Canon 946 states: “The Christian faithful who make an offering so the Mass may be applied for their intention contribute to the good of the Church and by their offering take part in the concern of the Church for the support of its ministers and works.” We ask for the standard Mass offering of \$10 per Mass; there are envelopes on the table on the east of the entrance for your offering.

Our Home



Parish Established in 1869

Church Dedicated in 1904

News and Announcements



Understanding the Real Presence

Following Mass on Sunday, February 18, we will have a presentation on understanding the signs that prove Jesus is present in the Eucharist. The presentation will be held in the parish hall.

Artwork Donation for Parish Hall

Thank you to Madeline Winter for the beautiful oil painting of the Holy Family which will be displayed in the Parish Hall for the children to enjoy; Ms. Winter is a very talented painter and we are grateful she is one of our parishioners.



Distribution of Ashes will be held at 6 p.m. on February 14.

Diocesan Eucharistic Pilgrimage in March

The Knights of Columbus Council at Southeast Missouri State University will lead a Eucharistic pilgrimage, Anima Christi '24, across the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau, beginning in Joplin and concluding in Cape Girardeau, March 10-17, 2024. The traveling pilgrims, accompanied by their chaplains, Fr. Laurent Okitakatshi and Deacon Tom Schumer, will make 21 stops throughout the diocese. In connection with the National Eucharistic Revival, the purpose of this pilgrimage of faith is to revive within our own diocese greater respect, love, and adoration for our Eucharistic Lord. Local communities are welcomed and encouraged to join the pilgrimage in Holy Adoration, Mass, and walking Eucharistic processions. If you would like to participate or find out more, visit www.semocatholic.org/sanctify-us, or contact Jared Koehler at jaredlogankoeehler@gmail.com.

Me: *Losing at monopoly* What would Jesus do?

Jesus:



Liturgical Assignments

	February 11, 2024	February 18, 2024
Eucharistic Ministers	David Walters Virginia Walters Elva Weber	William Forst Michael Pommier Tom Shaw
Lector	Terry Riegel	Rebecca Boyer
Altar Server	Canyon Dobler Stetson Marti	Landry Morris Jasper Weber
Ushers/Collection	PSR Children	PSR Children

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays	Feb. 17 - Feb. 23	Anniversaries	Feb. 17 - Feb. 23
Don Clements	February 17	Roy and Elva Weber	February 20
Karen Riegel	February 18		
Madeline Winter	February 20		

Collection

February 4, 2024	
29 Envelopes out of 76	\$1,453.00
Loose collections	\$ 215.00
Votive Stand	\$ 4.00
Gift	\$1,650.00
Greenfield Reimbursement	\$ 612.98
Mass Intention Donations	\$ 20.00
Total	\$ 3,954.98

The discipline of tithing is the "Square Knot" by which God blesses the tie which binds us to Him, our church and others.

Parish Membership/ Communications

The parish family of St. Mary Catholic Church welcomes you; we are blessed and honored you are here, and we look forward to your registration as one of our parishioners. Fill out a form located on the table at the east side of the entrance. Place the registration slip in the basket at the offering and we will take care of the rest; you may also visit with Father Teter next door at the rectory, or send us an e-mail: elvadweber@gmail.com

Prayer List

We pray for those who are sick or in the hospital:

- Josh Blanchard
- Kenny Blanchard
- Michael Blankenship
- Patrick Blankenship
- Brett Campbell
- Todd Cholka
- Ryan Davis
- Valeta Grunden
- Donnie Higgins
- Carolyn Isaac
- Sherina Morrison
- Jason Noel
- Donna Oswald
- Jackson Revelle
- Robert Sanders
- Sondra Riegel
- Kenneth Stegman
- Isabel Weber

We pray for our military, especially

- Wyatt Davis
- Derek Forst
- Hunter Forst
- Seth Fullerton