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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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February 21 & 22

## The Annual Emmanuel Parish Festival

Help us sell all those raffle tickets that every registered parishioner should already have received. **PAGE 6,7**



# PARISH INFORMATION

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## OUR MISSION

**Emmanuel Catholic Church** **which means, God is with us**, is a faithful community of believers dedicated to proclaiming the gospel of Jesus Christ as taught by the Roman Catholic Church through word, sacrament, and service. As a parish family of God, we live by faith, truth, and love as we value the sanctity of life in all its stages and make the Holy Eucharist the center of our lives. Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the consultation with our parish ministries, we desire to be witnesses of God's presence as we share our gifts of time, talent, and treasure with God's Family.

## CLERGY

### Pastor

**Rev. Fr. Gaudioso Zamora**

### Parish Vicar

Rev. Fr. Theodore Ihedoro

### In Residence

Rev. Fr. Joseph Papes

### Weekday/Weekend Associates

Rev. Fr. Timothy Canaan

Rev. Fr. David Carr

Deacon Anthony Cuseo

## PARISH MINISTRIES

### OCIA & Sacramental Preparation

Deacon Anthony Cuseo

### Religious Education

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### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Fr. Theo Ihedoro | Ext. 1004

### Lectors

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### Hospitality / Ushers

Bob Bonney & Chuck Dolce

### Music

Linda Coz, Ree Joy Baldonado, Men's Choir

### Altar Flowers

Bella Simbajon & Filipino Community

### Altar & Clergy Vestments

Carol Chapman, Nancy McDonald,

### Homebound / Hospital Ministry

Fr. Theo Ihedoro | Ext. 1004

## PARISH STAFF

### Director of Finance

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### Gift Shop

Josephine Joan | Ext. 1009

### Blood Drive

Patti Gomez | 561-293-9761

### Finance Council

### Parish Council

## PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

### Ladies Guild

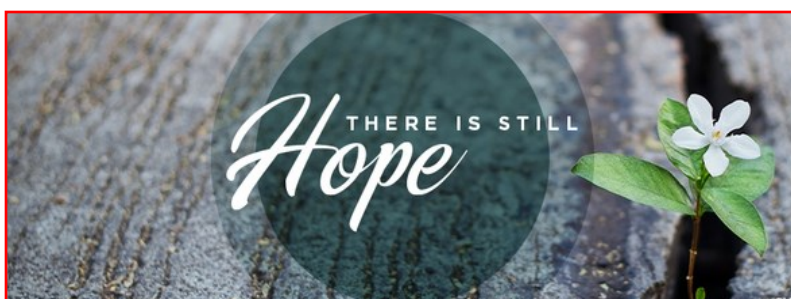
President Nancy McDonald

### Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight Bob Budd

### Legion of Mary

President Maude Cassagnol





## PARISH REGULAR SCHEDULE

### TAIZÉ PRAYER

Every Friday at 6:30pm–7:30pm  
(after 6:00pm Mass) except for First Fridays.

### SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Every Thursday after the 8:30am mass  
or call the parish office

### BAPTISMS

Sundays at 1:00pm. Schedule one month in advance.  
Contact Parish Office.

### WEDDINGS

Contact Deacon Tony at least 6 months in advance

### HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

5:00pm Vigil Mass  
7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm

### GIFT SHOP

Monday & Wednesday **8am–1:00pm**

**Tuesday Closed**

Thursday & Friday **8am–1pm**

**Saturday Closed**

4th Sunday of the Month **10:00AM– 1:30PM**

**NOTE:** Gift shop will be closed when the parish office is closed

### ROSARY GROUP

Monday–Friday after the 7:30am Daily Mass

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday after the 8:30am Mass

## SCHEDULE CHANGES?

Do you want to make sure there have been no sudden time changes to any event or activity you want to join this week? Call the parish office during business hours.

**561.496.2480**

## PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

### Sunday, Feb. 16

1:00P..... OCIA Class

### Monday, Feb. 17

**(President's Day)**

**Office & Gift Shop closed**

6:30A..... Adoration

6:00P..... Legion of Mary Meeting

### Tuesday, Feb. 18

6:30A..... Adoration

10:00A..... Faith Sharing

### Wednesday, Feb. 19

6:30A..... Adoration

4:00P..... SoulCore

### Thursday, Feb. 20

6:30A..... Adoration

9:00A..... Anointing of the Sick

3:00P..... Holy Hour

6:30P..... AA Meeting

### Friday, Feb. 21

**(Parish Festival)**

6:30A..... Adoration

6:30P..... Taize

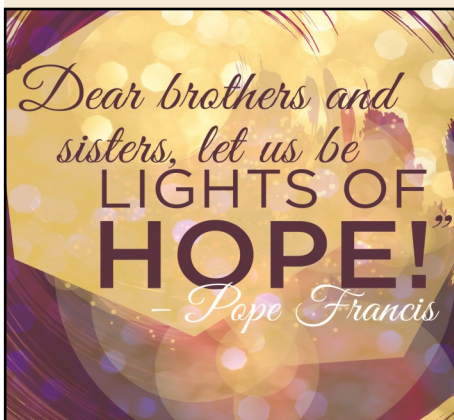
### Saturday, Feb. 22

**(Parish Festival)**

9:00A..... Confession

### Sunday, Feb. 23

1:00P..... OCIA Class



# WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

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## SCHEDULED INTENTION

### Monday, Feb. 17

7:30am \*Anna Marie Messenger by Pezzullo Family †Julie Toeniskoetter by KoC Council 13338  
8:30am †Phyllis Caso by Husband, Ronald \*Jason Coz by Mom and Dad

### Tuesday, Feb. 18

7:30am †Angela & Carlos Henriod by Cannon Family †Percy Cannon Sr. by Cannon Family  
8:30am †Eleonora Pace by Mario Pace †Irma Toscano Parker by Mr. & Mrs. Toscano

### Wednesday, Feb. 19

7:30am †Soledad Hoyos by Carvajal Family Living/deceased Tomeski Family by Aca & Aurea  
8:30am †Michael Magi by Susan Magi †Josephine Grasser by Ellen

### Thursday, Feb. 20

7:30am †Howard Getz by Josephine Cocoaro †Domenico Sementilli by Josephine Cocoaro  
†Judith Everts by Son Ramon Palmero  
8:30am †Brian McShane by Natalie McShane †Joseph Eduardo by Frank & Margaret Petricone

### Friday, Feb. 21

7:30am †Isabella Pezzo by Ron & Stella Mandolfi †All Souls in Purgatory by Soledad Robinson  
8:30am †Mary & Bill Walsh by Children †Tom Hickey by Rosemary Parnigoni  
6:00pm **FOR PRIESTS** **FOR PRIESTS**

### Saturday, Feb. 22

8:30am \*Rosalie Adams by ----- †Richard O'Neill by Margaret Petricone  
4:00pm BOOK OF THE DEAD BOOK OF THE DEAD  
5:30pm †Jose Cardona by Daughter & Grandkids †Martin Trahan by Family  
†Jelly Galanti by Family

### Sunday, Feb. 23

7:30am †Katie Grasser by Ellen †Helen Cruz by Scott & Melane Curtis  
9:00am \*Carol Schwab by Margie Prendergast †Bob Kosineski by Wife  
10:30am PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS PARISHIONERS & BENEFACTORS  
12:00pm †Rosario Parrino by Mrs. Caterina Parrino †Joseph Baldino by Granddaughter  
6:00pm †Mino Galeandro by Lisa Santoro \*Elena Salas by -----

## UNSCHEDULED

†Eva & Olivia Strano by Price Family \*Eva & Olivia Strano by Price Family \*Eva & Olivia Strano by Price Family  
\*/† Hreso Family by Price Family \*/† Price Family by Price Family \*/†Tardugno Family by Price Family  
\*/†Strano Family by Price Family \*Loren & Dana Price by Price Family

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

**VIGIL LIGHTS**

**SHRINE FLOWERS**

†Muriel Meszaros by Family

**Please take some time this week to remember the following in your prayers: For all in our parish family who are suffering serious or terminal illness:**

**For men and women in the Armed Forces, and their families: AND FOR ALL LISTED BELOW**

David & John	Cynthia Martin	Roshan
Lenore Curatolo	Francis Martin	Karen Jensen
Marilyn Boyle	Hermoine D'Cruz	Cynthis Martin
Andrea Anastasi	Brigitte Knops	Garry Solomon
Shelly Fiorini	Toni Kreamer	Ilda Sosa Botero
Ed Bush	Gerry Gerhard	Carlos Tobon
Bob Oberholzer	Euclides Cerutti	Jill Forshey
John Wilkens	Samuel Gonzales	Gerry Santilli
Scott Ellison	Victorio	Gail Hill
<i>Evangeline</i>	Ray Wolff	Chrissie Budrick
<i>Ezeilo</i>	<i>Patricia Tripi</i>	Frank Dazzo
Michael Gehres	<i>Giraldo</i>	Dina Quelch Stewart
Karen Sullivan	Ida Giannettina	Librizzi Thomas
Sean Zahul	Tom Hickey	Land Agatha Saccio
Darren Guzman	Josette Weber	Robert Albertson
Mary Lou	Vincent Rizzo	Rafael Botero
<i>Connie</i>	Louis Perticone	Albert Fernandes
<i>Panepinto</i>	Ann Cavaseno	Doreen Romano
Amalia Mazzolin	Charles C. Tufano	Britney Closson
Leon Martin	Angela Discepolo	Jeanette Gallegos
Joe Delagami	Anna Halford	Adriana Elejalde
<i>Rose Marie</i>	Sal Yanello	<i>Oswaldo Cesar</i>
<i>Regner</i>	Victor Rivera	<i>Monasterio</i>
Michael Manuele	William Lindner	Michael Cecere
Carla Ruiz	Lisa Della	Jahaziel Roldan
Benjamin Robelo	Femina	Abigail Chin
Karen McCarty	<i>Maria E. Quiñones</i>	<i>-Lenn Gertrudis</i>
T.J. Genzale	-	<i>Rivera Martinez</i>
Dave Ruiz	<i>Mercado</i>	Merrill Tucker
Victoria Robelo	Diane Daniels	Debra Tucker
Ms. S.	Carmen Jones	Maggie Dazzo
Rose Borsella	Bill Hamilton	Martha Gutzman
Lexie Helgersen	Ralph Senese	Noah Altherios
David Smeraldo	Ramona	Debra Serritella
Janette Cole	Ash Gaballah	Joseph Reategui
<i>Steven Martin</i>	Karen Ramey	Anthony Spirito
<i>Sikes</i>	Tom Tripi	Rhea
Gianna Pagan	Mary Ann	Raecher
Suzanne Puleo	Lisa Payne	Doug Rodgers
<i>Sr. Frances Vass</i>	Marilyn Green	Doris Vourinen
<i>OSC</i>	<i>Joseph</i>	<i>Sister Veronique</i>
Mary Loveland	<i>Salamone</i>	<i>DCSO</i>
Sam Falcone	Phyllis Lomitola	Danny Berciles
Patricia Golstein	Maria Amaro	<i>Elizabeth Lanza-</i>
Taylor Dosh	Aniela Ignaczak	<i>Hajko</i>
Marilyn Martino	Lillian Campayno	Eleanor Hemmer
Gulshan Modena	Terry Schwinge	Joseph Lauria
Maggie Dolan	Tom D'Amico	Judy Lew
<i>Amelita Coz-</i>	Gabriel Zamora	Ernie Skelton
<i>Zarraga</i>	Vincent Blum	Carlotta
Heather Martin	Ricardo Blum	<i>Josefa &amp; Dolores</i>
Taiilor McGee	<i>Gina Marie B.</i>	<i>Echavarria</i>
Ronald Griffiths	<i>Cohen</i>	Amparo Longalong
Margie Giaquinto	David Strompf	Annie Lee
Maria Fernandez	Sal Hanono	Eugene Langel
Raphael Roman	Chris Angotti	Telma Langel
James Ezeilo	Heather Smith	William Ward
Brenda Ezeilo	Jason Smith	Cindy Free
	Ronald Merhige	

**PRAYER BEFORE HOLY COMMUNION .** Lord, I believe and profess that You are truly Christ, Son of the Living God, who came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the first. Accept me this day as I partake of your mystical supper, O Son of God. May the partaking of your holy mysteries, O Lord be not for judgment or condemnation, but for the healing of body and soul. I also believe and profess that this, which I am about to receive, is truly your most precious Body and Blood, which, I pray, make me worthy to receive for the remission of all my sins and life everlasting. Amen.

**PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL** St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense 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. Amen.

**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS.** Lord Jesus, as You once called the first disciples to make them fishers of men, let your sweet invitation continue to resound: Come follow Me! Give young men and women the grace of responding quickly to your voice. Support our bishops, priests and consecrated people in their apostolic labor. Grant perseverance to our seminarians and to all those who are carrying out the ideal of a life totally consecrated to your service. Awaken in our community a missionary eagerness. Lord, send your workers to your harvest and do not allow humanity to be lost for the lack of pastors, missionaries and people dedicated to the cause of the Gospel. Mary, Mother of the Church, the model of every vocation, help us to say "yes" to the Lord who calls us to cooperate in the divine plan of salvation. Amen.

**PRAYER FOR OUR MILITARY.** Almighty God We stand before you in supplication, Asking Your Divine mercy and protection, To envelop with Your invincible armor, Our loved ones in all branches of the service. Give them courage and strength Against all enemies, Both spiritual and physical, And hasten their safe journey, Back to their homes and families. If it be Your Holy Will That they be gathered to Your bosom, With the eternal vanguard of the saints, Let their journey to Your everlasting arms Be swift and painless, Where they may stand in honor and glory, Praising You for all eternity. Amen

**JUBILEE PRAYER.** Father in heaven, may the faith you have gifted us in your son Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity kindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us, the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into diligent cultivators of the evangelical seeds that make humanity and the cosmos rise unto the confident expectation of the new heavens and the new earth, when with the powers of Evil overcome, your glory shall be manifested eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, the yearning for heavenly treasures and pour over all the earth the joy and peace of our Redeemer. To you God blessed in eternity, be praise and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

# PRACTICING CHRISTIAN

The dates for the 2025 Annual Parish Festival are  
**Friday, February 21<sup>st</sup> from 4:00pm to 8:00pm &**  
**Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> from 8:00am-7:00pm.**

We will be having a Flea Market in Columbus Hall, food, bake sale and coffee, car show, and children's activities along with a children's basket raffle. Details can be found in our bulletin and on our parish website as well.

Our Festival and Raffle is the **single biggest fundraising effort** we make each year. I am writing to ask you for your continued support and participation in the upcoming raffle. We hope each of your families will purchase or sell at least one book of raffle tickets. Please feel free to sell to neighbors, friends, other family members, and/or co-workers! **The cost of each ticket is**

**Please return the tickets with your donation. Additional tickets are available at the parish office. The drawing will take place on Saturday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00pm.**

The Emmanuel Parish Family thank every one of you for your continued support to our Parish and I look forward to sharing the good times with you at the Festival! We would also like to thank Lorne and Sons who generously covered the cost of printing the raffle tickets.



### FOOD MENU:

#### American:

Hamburgers and Hotdogs, Pulled Pork, Ice Cream and Smoothies.

#### Italian:

Baked Ziti, Eggplant Parmesan, Sausage and Peppers

#### Filipino:

Combo Meal (Pancit, rice, chicken adobo and egg rolls), Pork Barbecue Skewers.

#### Indian:

Butter Chicken, Rice, Yogurt Raita, Spicy Pickles

### ENTERTAINMENT:

#### Friday 4:00 - 8:00 pm

Tom Rowlet, Mens Choir, Line Dancing.

#### Saturday 6:10- 7:00 pm

Dinggin Chorale, Dance presentation. BIG RAFFLE.

**BECOME A  
SPONSOR NOW**

PRIZE	AMOUNT	BULLETIN	COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS
First Prize	\$ 5,000		96
Second Price	\$ 2,500	ANONYMOUS	48
Third Prize	\$ 1,500		24
Consolation Prize	\$ 200		6
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Consolation Prize	\$ 200	ANONYMOUS	6
Consolation Prize	\$ 200	LAUREN & LOURDES	6
Consolation Prize	\$ 200	PA SNOW ANGEL	6
Consolation Prize	\$ 200	ANONYMOUS	6



# JOIN US AT THE Emmanuel Parish Festival

February 21st - 22nd

## FEATURING

### KIDS CORNER

Saturday February 22nd  
from 1-5pm

**Skee Ball**

**Flipping Rings**

**Fish Bowl Toss**



**Axe Throwing**



**Other Games**

Giant Jenga  
Cornhole  
Tetherball  
Foosball

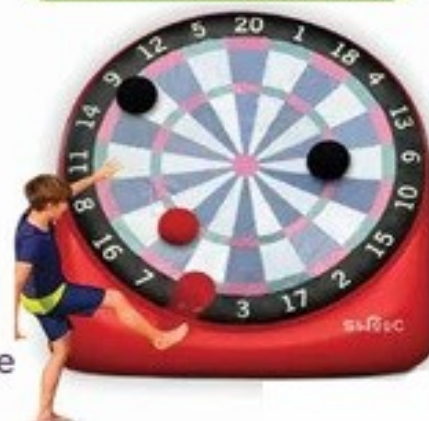
**Face Painting**

1-4pm

**Basket Raffles**

Drawing for the raffle will take  
place at 5pm on Saturday

**Giant Kick Darts**



## CLERGY & MASS SCHEDULE

### Sunday, Feb. 16

7:30A Fr. Carr    9:00A Fr. Timothy  
10:00A Fr. Timothy    10:30A Fr. Leone  
12:00P Fr. Carr    6:00P Fr. Zamora

### Monday, Feb. 17

7:30A Fr. Zamora    8:30A Fr. Carr

### Tuesday, Feb. 18

7:30A Fr. Theo    8:30A Fr. Timothy

### Wednesday, Feb. 19

7:30A Fr. Carr    8:30A Fr. Leone

### Thursday, Feb. 20

7:30A Fr. Theo    8:30A Fr. Timothy

### Friday, Feb. 21

7:30A Fr. Carr    8:30A Fr. Timothy  
6:00P Fr. Theo

### Saturday, Feb. 22

8:30A Fr. Theo  
4:00P Fr. Carr    5:30P Fr. Carr

### Sunday, Feb. 23

7:30A Fr. Theo    9:00A Fr. Leone  
10:00A N/A    10:30A Fr. Timothy  
12:00P Fr. Timothy    6:00P Fr. Zamora



## OUR GIFTS TO GOD

### February 02, 2025

First Collection	\$ 18,456.00
Second Collection	\$ 3,162.00
Kids' Mass	\$ 426.00
Online (02/01)	\$ 928.49
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 22,972.49</b>

### February 09, 2025

First Collection	\$ 14,140.00
Second Collection	\$ 3,040.00
Kids Mass	\$ 482.00
Online (02/08)	\$ 2,296.52
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 19,958.52</b>



Goal Amount for Emmanuel	\$185,000.00
Current	\$ 16,965.08
Remaining Balance	\$ 168,034.92

**Thank you all for your continued support and generosity!**





## HOPE IN THE LORD

When we talk about poverty, about being poor, the first thing that might quickly come to mind is **material poverty**. However, there is a worse form of poverty than that.

It is to be lonely, empty and unloved.

In the sermon on the mount, Christ proclaims the beatitudes of the kingdom which are diametrically opposed to the worldly standards.

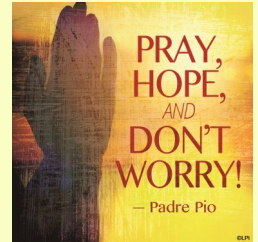
"Blest are you poor and blest are you who hunger," declares Jesus in our gospel. On the other hand, Jesus says, "But woe to you rich for your consolation is now..."

Christ undeniably presents as a sign of contradiction, because what he is proclaiming is different from earthly wisdom.

As St. Paul tells us, "The wisdom of this world is foolishness in the eyes of God" (1 Cor 3:19). The one thing which shuttles a

person away from God is self-sufficiency.

Love's greatest glory is to be needed. But a person who puts his trust and security on his possessions will not feel a need for God. He is self-satisfied. He is not open to the love of God, to the need of forgiveness, to the necessity of obeying God's will and to the life beyond this world. But no matter how wealthy he is, his heart remains empty because the core of every human heart is the need for God.



In the poverty of our hearts, let us pray that God may give us the courage to place all our trust and hope in him, that we may follow him completely in our lives and attain with him the happiness that lasts forever. Happy are we who hope in the Lord! -Fr Zamora

## The Story of the Chair of Saint Peter



This feast commemorates Christ's choosing Peter to sit in his place as the servant-authority of the whole Church.

After the "lost weekend" of pain, doubt, and self-torment, Peter hears the Good News. Angels at the tomb say to Magdalene, "The Lord has risen! Go, tell his disciples and Peter."

John relates that when he

and Peter ran to the tomb, the younger outraced the older, then waited for him. Peter entered, saw the wrappings on the ground, the headpiece rolled up in a place by itself. John saw and believed. But he adds a reminder: "...[T]hey did not yet understand the scripture that he had to rise from the dead" (John 20:9). They went home. There the slowly exploding, impossible idea became reality. Jesus appeared to them as they waited fearfully behind locked doors. "Peace be with you," he said (John 20:21b), and they rejoiced.

The Pentecost event completed Peter's experience of the risen Christ. "...[T]hey were all filled with the holy Spirit" (Acts 2:4a) and began to express themselves in foreign tongues and make bold proclamation as the Spirit prompted them.

Only then can Peter fulfill the task Jesus had given him: "...[O]nce you have turned back, you must strengthen your brothers" (Luke 22:32). He at once becomes the spokesman for the Twelve about their experience of the Holy Spirit—before the civil authorities who wished to quash their preaching, before the Council of Jerusalem, for the community in the problem of Ananias and Sapphira. He is the first to preach the Good News

to the Gentiles. The healing power of Jesus in him is well attested: the raising of Tabitha from the dead, the cure of the crippled beggar. People carry the sick into the streets so that when Peter passed his shadow might fall on them.

Even a saint experiences difficulty in Christian living. When Peter stopped eating with Gentile converts because he did not want to wound the sensibilities of Jewish Christians, Paul says, "...I opposed him to his face because he clearly was wrong.... [T]hey were not on the right road in line with the truth of the gospel..." (Galatians 2:11b, 14a).

At the end of John's Gospel, Jesus says to Peter, "Amen, amen, I say to you, when you were younger, you used to dress yourself and go where you wanted; but when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will dress you and lead you where you do not want to go" (John 21:18). What Jesus said indicated the sort of death by which Peter was to glorify God. On Vatican Hill, in Rome, during the reign of Nero, Peter did glorify his Lord with a martyr's death, probably in the company of many Christians.

Second-century Christians built a small memorial over his burial spot. In the fourth century, the Emperor Constantine built a basilica, which was replaced in the 16th century.

## Reflection

Like the committee chair, this chair refers to the occupant, not the furniture. Its first occupant stumbled a bit, denying Jesus three times and hesitating to welcome gentiles into the new Church. Some of its later occupants have also stumbled a bit, sometimes even failed scandalously. As individuals, we may sometimes think a particular pope has let us down. Still, the office endures as a sign of the long tradition we cherish and as a focus for the universal Church.

# Liturgical Life

## (PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

**Mini Reflection:** Jesus was radical in his teaching that the “stuff” in life wasn’t all that important. It was radical for him to say that the worldly signs of success did not amount to a whole lot in the grand scheme of things and that suffering could sanctify us. Are we ready to be radical, too?

### In the End, Does it Matter?

I love today’s Gospel passage, and not just because I love a When I was a teenager, the priest I would go to for confession used to tell me, over and over: “In the end, we all get the same dirty hole in the ground.”

What he meant was, it doesn’t matter how rich or smart or well-liked we are. We’re all heading to the same place. This life comes to an end for every man. All the money he earns, all the stuff, all the worldly esteem, will at some point be of no further use. We all get the same dirty hole in the ground.

It was an important message for me to hear, because at the time, it all seemed so important: my after-school job and my FAFSA application and my grades. The admiration of my friends and teachers. I was so consumed with what I was going to become that I wasn’t spending a lot of time thinking about who I was going to become. But the who is the only thing that lasts until the next life.

And to be honest, it’s all still too important to me. Avoiding sadness and disappointment. Saving money and being liked. Focusing on “the five-year plan” when it comes to career, house plans, and a whole bunch of other things I can’t take to my dirty hole in the ground.

Jesus was radical in his teaching that the “stuff” in life wasn’t all that important. It was radical for him to say that the worldly signs of success — wealth, popularity, pleasure — did not amount to a whole lot in the grand scheme of things and that suffering could sanctify us. It was radical in the ancient world, and it’s radical today.

Are we ready to be radical, too?

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

## Catholic Life Explained Question:

Carnivale and Mardi Gras celebrations are linked to Ash Wednesday, Lent, fast and abstinence. Can you tell us more about the connections between these events?

### Answer:

Ash Wednesday is the beginning of the forty days known as Lent. Every year, Christians highlight this penitential season as a time of self-examination, reformation of one’s life, and continued development of a deeper spiritual life. The recommended practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving become the focus of Lenten activity and ritual. Each of these spiritual practices is aimed at personal discipline as well as continued concern for the other, especially the poor or alienated.

Forty days is a symbolic biblical period of time, during which personal transformation occurs and out of which people surface as more spiritual, ready to carry out God’s mission. Relying on God’s providence and care, no matter how difficult life becomes, is crucial to Lenten spirituality. Fasting was initially stricter, permitting only one simple meal a day without meat, fish, or other delicacies. Such things were not even allowed in the house.

In order to prepare for this in an age of no refrigeration, people gathered to consume whatever was not allowed during Lent. This led to parties or celebrations originally referred to as Carnivale, literally meaning “goodbye to meat,” or Mardi Gras, literally meaning “Fat Tuesday.” The eating and celebrating ended on the Tuesday just before Ash Wednesday. Today we focus more on moderation in all things, as well as a strong concern for the poor. What are you doing for the poor this Lent?



## Worship & Meditation

### Readings for the week of February 16, 2025

#### Sunday:

Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6, (40:5a)/  
1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26

#### Monday:

Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17,  
20-21/Mk 8:11-13

#### Tuesday:

Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4,  
3b and 9c-10/Mk 8:14-21

#### Wednesday:

Gn 8:6-13, 20-22/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/  
Mk 8:22-26

#### Thursday:

Gn 9:1-13/Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29  
and 22-23/Mk 8:27-33

#### Friday:

Gn 11:1-9/Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15/  
Mk 8:34—9:1

#### Saturday:

1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6/Mt 16:13-19

#### Next Sunday:

1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/  
1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38



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### Gospel Meditation

#### Seek a deeper understanding of Scripture

I craved four things as a teenager: success in sports, food, fun and the attention of popular people. However, I noticed that as I acquired them, I was more unsatisfied than before. So, I'd strive even more energetically, achieve more, and the sense of emptiness was greater still. These four things started to feel like burdens or even curses. Soon after, I encountered Christ in my high school youth group. Experiencing his love was totally different than anything those four things previously produced. It produced a lasting happiness.

Jesus utters a kind of four-fold curse in this week's Gospel of Saint Luke's "woes": **"Woe to you who are rich...who are filled now...who laugh now...who are well-spoken of"** (cf. Luke 6:24-26). How marvelous that these correspond perfectly to the four things that obsessed my teenage soul: riches, food, laughter and good reputation. The "woes" the Lord speaks are warnings: when those things are the purpose of your life, you'll be miserable. He is saying, "You'll be happy, or blessed, in the measure that these things do not determine the shape of our lives, and the kingdom of God does."

To some degree, we're all spiritual teenagers, addicted to one or more of those four "woes." How splendid that the Lord wants his to bless us — that is, to satisfy us, make us laugh with joy, and in the kingdom of God, offer us what will truly satisfy us. But first let's admit what is causing our "woes."

— Father John Muir



# Weekly Prayer

## Sunday's Readings

### First Reading:

Blessed is the one who trusts in the LORD,  
whose hope is the LORD. (Jer 17:7)

### Psalm:

Blessed are they who hope in the Lord. (Ps 1)

### Second Reading:

If the dead are not raised, neither has Christ been raised,  
and if Christ has not been raised, your faith is vain.  
(1 Cor 15:16-17)

### Gospel:

"Blessed are you who are poor,  
for the kingdom of God is yours." (Lk 6:20)

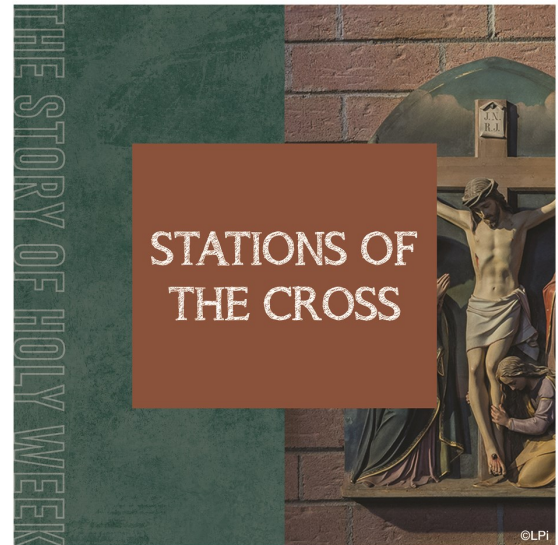
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## Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Too many of us make the mistake of expecting prosperity here on Earth as a reward for following Christ. But Jesus is very clear: sorrow and hardship are a part of life. But when we offer these sufferings to Christ, they become transformed. They become blessed. And so do we.

## Observances for the week of February 16, 2025

- Sunday:** 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
**Monday:** The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order;  
Presidents' Day  
**Friday:** St. Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
**Saturday:** The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle  
**Next Sunday:** 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## Devotions, *Explained!*

Since the earliest days of the Church, Christians have meditated upon Christ's passion and death. Over the centuries, the Stations of the Cross was popularized as a devotional means to experience the places and moments central to the story of Holy Week.

## Prayer of God's Blessing

Bless me, Lord, mold my heart  
in imitation of Yours.  
Bless me, Lord, help me to see  
people as You do, and to hear  
their needs.  
Bless me, Lord, replace my  
understanding with Yours.

Amen.



Dinner! Music! Raffles! Fun!

The Knights of Columbus'

Spring  Fling

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## MEMO

To: Pastors/Priests

Date: January 21, 2025

Re: Jubilee 2025

Rev. Monsignors/Fathers:

Bishop Barbarito asked that I send out the Jubilee information (previously sent in September 2024) as many of the priests mentioned to him that they did not have any information about it.

You can also go to the diocesan website, [www.diocesepb.org](http://www.diocesepb.org), as all the information has been online for several months.

Only the Cathedral of Saint Ignatius Loyola has pilgrim status, and the holy doors were opened on the Feast of the Holy Family (December 28, 2024). If the parish would like to organize a pilgrimage to the Cathedral, please contact Miss Ashlie O'Brien at the Cathedral of Saint Ignatius and she will be happy to assist you with the details.

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