



TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME September 2, 2018

Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in
you and is able to save your souls.

— James 1:21b

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Mass Intentions:

September 1st 4:30 PM: Parishioners
of St Andrew & St Regina

September 2nd: John Shannon +
by Mark & Kay Bartel

September 3rd, 5th, & 6th : Peace and
healing for Khuyen Segerson

September 7th: Harold Segerson +
by Khuyen Segerson

September 8th 4:30 PM: Parishioners
of St Andrew & St Regina

September 9th: Ryder Lewis +
by Mark & Key Bartel



September 9, 2018

Lectors — Kathleen Kirkpatrick

Gift Bearers — The Frank Olivio
Family

Eucharistic Ministers — Mary Ann Ma-
ness, Kathleen Kirkpatrick, Elaine Doner
Servers — Jordan Olivio, Zerena Durren-
berger

Sacristans — Mary Alyce Fiechtl

Altar Linens — Sheri Parkinson, Susan
Boothe

Ushers—Men of the Parish

THE HIGHEST LAW

From time to time, newspapers and magazines will offer, as an item of “filler,” various laws that are still on the books but seem silly to us in our day and age. In one California city, it is illegal to have two indoor bathtubs in one house. Clean water, a precious commodity when the law was written, is now readily available, so the law seems silly. But the human value of protecting and preserving precious resources is still around, evident in many conservation laws that seem sensible to us. So it is with the laws of religious tradition. What Jesus scorns today is others’ attitude toward ritual laws, an attitude that becomes nearly idolatrous when laws are observed for their own sake. Jesus teaches that observation of external ritual laws is of value only when they are emblems of our internal disposition toward the will of God. Our whole lives must follow the one ultimate law of God: to love God completely and to love neighbor entirely. Roman Catholicism is a tradition rich with customs, traditions, and even laws. As we continue to listen to the voice of Christ, we must always look into our own hearts and underneath our ritual practices to make sure that love of God and love of neighbor are what we prize above all.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

When an altar is dedicated, the Rite of Dedicaton directs that, if possible, the relics of a martyr be mortared into the church floor under the *mensa*, or “altar table.” Up until this revised rite, the general practice was to include small relics of saints in an altar stone, a slab of marble that was normally set in the altar itself. Today’s rite states a clear preference for “martyr,” and for a substantial part of the body, in accord with our tradition’s desire for substantial symbols. Martyr, of course, means “witness” in Greek, and was the title given early on to the people who by their death imaged the death of Christ.

From the beginning, there has never been a shortage of such people, although it took a while for the Church to develop a process to declare someone a martyr. Saint Augustine tells how it was done in the fifth century. By then, popular opinion didn’t count as much as an official tribunal set up by the bishop of the place where the martyr suffered. After the inquiry established that the person did indeed die for the faith, a metropolitan bishop had to ratify the decision before a shrine could be built or an altar set up over the martyr’s tomb. For the most part, the honor paid to a martyr (called a “cult”) was restricted to that diocese, although the fame of some heroes spread so much that they were celebrated elsewhere. The age of the martyrs is now, and more people died for the faith in the twentieth century than ever before, witnessing to Christ to the end. Their sacrifice remains “the seed of the Church.”

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TODAY’S READINGS FOR CYCLE B

First Reading — For what great nation is there that has gods so close to it as the LORD, our God, is to us? (Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8).

Psalm — The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord (Psalm 15).

Second Reading — Religion that is pure is this: to care for orphans and widows in their affliction (James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27).

Gospel — This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me (Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23).

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Parishioners

Grant Adams, Jody Adams, Mark Green,
Ethel Huffman, Jacob Palomino, Khuyen Segerson,
Ted & Jeanette Thiele, Joe & Stella York

Relatives

Thomas & Kelli Blankenship, Zula Doyle,
Nancy Gambino, Christine Hart and the twin boys
Benjamin and Theodore, Lisa Michelle Kirkpatrick,
Nickolas Kirkpatrick, Asa McCarty, Andrew Morlan,
Emily Ernst Royal

Friends

Susi Bickerstaff, Emma Cupples, Frank DeLuca,
Emily Evans, Eddie Michaels,
The Jeff Melton Family, Joseph Smile,
Fr Robert Ponticello



Mass is at 9:00
AM
The office is
closed.

THE ORIGINAL CURRENCY

Labor was the first price, the original purchase-money that was paid for all things. It was not by gold or by silver, but by labor, that all wealth of the world was originally purchased.

—Adam Smith

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary
Time

Monday: St. Gregory the Great; Labor Day

Friday: First Friday

Saturday: The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin
Mary

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Lk 4:16-30,
or, for Labor Day, any readings from the
Mass “For the Blessings of Human Labor,”
nos. 907-911

Tuesday: 1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11

Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40;
Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6;
Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]

Sunday: Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:7-10; Jas 2:1-5;
Mk 7:31-37

Weekday Mass Schedule



Monday: 9:00 am

Wednesday: 11:30 am

Thursday: 9:00 am

1st Friday: Adoration from
9:00-11:30

Mass at 11:30 am



Deacon Moss will start
his new classes on
Vibrant Paradoxes
by Robert Barron,
on Tuesday,
September 11th, from
1:00-2:30 pm.

Do not have the cost of the book yet.

Bishop’s Annual Appeal

Reverend Dennis Schenkel, Chairmen
of 2018 Bishop’s Appeal extends his
sincere gratitude for reaching our parish
financial goal for 2018.

WEEKLY OFFERING

Aug 26th

Budget \$2300

Actual \$712

Short \$1588