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Mass Intentions:

February 16th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina
February 17th: Father Anthony Onyekwe and St Andrew Parishioners by Jim & Pam McMillon
February 20th: James Michie + by Eleanor Michie
February 23rd: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina
February 24th: In Appreciation of First Responders by Ron Szewczyk



February 24, 2019

Lectors — Lois Freeland
Gift Bearers — The Carmen McDaniel Family
Eucharistic Ministers — Don Carlson, Christine Carlson, Kathleen Kirkpatrick
Servers — Alexa Gonzales, Adriana Limon
Sacristans — Don & Christine Carlson
Altar Linens — Sheri Parkinson, Susan Booth
Ushers — Men of the Parish

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

BLESSED

When we think of the word “Beatitude” we think of today’s discourse from Luke’s Gospel, or the more familiar one from Matthew (which begins “Blessed are the poor in spirit . . .”). Actually, beatitudes occur throughout the prophets and Gospels. Today in Jeremiah (with an echo in the psalm) we hear, “Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord” (Jeremiah 17:7). Following his resurrection in John’s Gospel, Christ proclaims, “Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed” (John 20:29). The evangelists placed these sayings throughout the Gospels as short reminders about the characteristics that one will find in a follower of Christ, characteristics that will help spread the Good News in this life and lead to eternal blessings in the next. In Latin, the saints are called the *Beati*, the “Blessed,” for they are the ones who lived the “blessed” life as described by Jesus throughout the Gospels. How blest are we, when we also strive to make our own days a living beatitude!

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In recent years, there has been remarkable progress in drawing persons with disabilities into full celebration. Now it is generally accepted that worship places need accommodations such as ramps or elevators, large-print materials for those who are sight-impaired, and perhaps even an assisted hearing system or signing in American Sign Language. American Sign Language is not merely English translated into movement, but a distinct language with its own grammar, syntax (word order), and vocabulary. For this reason, the American Catholic bishops have approved American Sign Language (ASL) as an official language of the liturgy.

Celebrating liturgy in our own language (the vernacular) means that liturgy must be accessible to all languages and cultures. The fact that Mass is celebrated this weekend in some places in total silence, but with the full participation of deaf people praising God in the movements of their hands, and sometimes even with a priest who is deaf, is nothing less than the Church being faithful to the image of Jesus, who made the deaf hear and the mute speak. Remember too that deafness is an invisible disability, and that there may well be people in your parish who are quietly yearning for Mass to be signed for them in ASL.

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WEEKLY OFFERING

Feb 10th	
Budget	\$2300
Actual	\$1078
Short	\$1222

TODAY’S READINGS FOR YEAR C

First Reading — The one who trusts in the LORD is like a tree planted beside the waters (Jeremiah 17:5-8).

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

Second Reading — Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep (1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20).

Gospel — Blessed are you who are poor, hungry, weeping. Woe to you who are rich, filled, laughing (Luke 6:17, 20-26).

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Parishioners

Grant Adams,

Relatives

Christine Hart and the twin boys Benjamin and Theodore, Andrew Morlan, Yu Youn Suk

Friends

Emma Cupples, Fr Robert Ponticello

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED

Please volunteer to be on one or both committees that the Parish Council has formed.

1. Committee to look into renting the Sister Janet building to Esther’s Montessori Center.
2. Committee to look into the generous donation of a building in Jackson that can be used as a thrift store.

If you can help, please contact Joe Bobak or Shawn Wall.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	Presidents’ Day
Thursday:	St. Peter Damian
Friday:	Chair of St. Peter the Apostle; Washington’s Birthday
Saturday:	St. Polycarp

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-26; Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday:	Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b, 9c-10; Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday:	Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-15, 18-19; Mk 8:22-26
Thursday:	Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mk 8:27-33
Friday:	1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
Saturday:	Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13
Sunday:	1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38



Mass Schedule

Monday: 9:00 am
Wednesday: 11:30 am
Thursday: 9:00 am
First Friday: 11:30 am
Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am

Coming Events

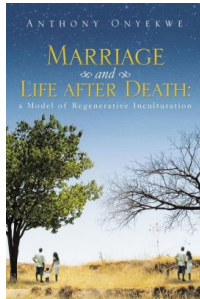
February 18th: The office will be closed for the holiday.

March 2nd: The youth will have a pizza and movie night at 5:30 pm. Please donate 2 liter bottles of soda for the youth of our parish.

NONSENSE

A little nonsense, now and then, is relished by the wisest among us.

—Anonymous



Marriage and Life After Death

Father Anthony Onyekwe's classes are on Thursday, at 10:00 am and 6:00 pm.