



SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 19, 2020

I will make you a light to the nations, that my
salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.

— Isaiah 46:6b

CALLED TO BE HOLY

With this Sunday we begin Ordinary Time. The readings tell us about God's relationship with Israel and John the Baptist's relationship with Jesus. Israel's relationship with God is so close, so intimate, that it is through Israel that God's "salvation [will] reach to the ends of the earth" (Isaiah 49:6). But we know from John the Baptist that for Israel to accomplish God's will, it must also recognize that Jesus is the Son of God. During these weeks we also get to know Jesus. We begin to understand more deeply our relationship to Jesus and what that relationship means for us, who are "called to be holy" (1 Corinthians 1:2).

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

By Candlemas, forty days after Christmas, February 2, the season of Christ's coming has depleted our candle supply. Soon, the parish will order a new paschal candle from a catalogue or candle-maker, or in some communities, wax will be collected to be melted and molded. Last year's paschal candle shows the wear and tear of summer heat, or many funerals or baptisms.

Paschal candles have been around since at least the fourth century, when Constantine's biographer Eusebius reported that the night of the sacred vigil was "transformed into the brilliancy of day, by lighting throughout the city pillars of wax, while burning lamps in every place so that the splendor of this night was brighter than the brightest daylight."

Light was a precious commodity in the ancient world, and this lavish use of precious beeswax was a sign of the Christian's call to bear Christ's light into the world's darkness. In a pre-electric age, a whole city aglow from the paschal flame must have been a glorious sight, and a reminder to every baptized Christian of our vocation to "be the light of the world."

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WEEKLY OFFERING

January 12th	
Budget	\$2100
Actual	\$970
Bldg	\$228
Short	\$930

Church Staff

Pastor: Fr. Anthony Onyekwe

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Mass Intentions

Jan 19th: Parishioners of St Andrew
and St Regina

Jan 26th: Parishioners of St Andrew
and St Regina

Liturgical Ministers

January 26, 2020

Lectors — Lois Freeland

Gift Bearers — Mr & Mrs Jim Freeland

Eucharistic Ministers — Carmen McDaniel,
Sheri Parkinson

Servers — Brenda Placencia, Myriann
Placencia

Sacristans — Carmen McDaniel

Altar Linens — Rose Huff, Patty Wall

Ushers — Men of the Parish

TODAY'S READINGS FOR YEAR A

First Reading — The glory of the LORD shows through Israel, a light to all nations, that salvation may reach to the ends of the earth (Isaiah 49:3, 5-6).

Psalms — Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will (Psalm 40).

Second Reading — All those who call upon the name of the Lord are called to be holy (1 Corinthians 1:1-3).

Gospel — John the Baptist testifies: The one who comes after me, on whom the Spirit comes down and remains, is the Son of God (John 1:29-34).

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Parishioners

Grant Adams, Joe Bobak, Joyce Franckowiak,
Ethel Huffman, Jean Stevens, Bob Storms

Relatives

Michel Amrhein, Kelli Blankenship, Thomas
Blankenship, Austin Ernst, Emily Ernst, Jackie
Donnett, Christine Hart and the twin boys Benjamin
and Theodore, Nicholas Kirkpatrick, Jenny Moore,
Andrew Morlan, Yu Youn Suk

Friends

Emma Cupples, Fr Robert Ponticello

Help Feed the Kids

The PRE students would like the whole parish to join them in bringing non-perishable food and placing it in the basket in the Narthex. It will then be distributed to our local schools to feed those kids who need a meal on the weekend. This is an ongoing project for the school year.

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday in Ordinary
Time;

Julian Calendar Theophany (Epiphany)

Monday: St. Fabian; St. Sebastian;

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Tuesday: St. Agnes

Wednesday: Day of Prayer for the Legal
Protection of Unborn Children

Thursday: St. Vincent; St. Marianne Cope

Friday: St. Francis de Sales

Saturday: The Conversion of St. Paul;

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity ends;
Chinese New Year 4718

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21,
23; Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28;
Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-
10; Mk 3:1-6, or any of a number of
readings for the Day of Prayer

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-13;
Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc,
2; Mk 16:15-18

Sunday: Is 8:23 — 9:3; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14;
1 Cor 1:10-13, 17; Mt 4:12-23 [12-17]

Mass Schedule



Friday: Communion Service at
11:30 am

Vigil on Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am

Coming Events

The office will be closed on Monday, January 20th, in observance of the Martin Luther King Holiday.

The Sunday Scripture study group will meet on Friday, January 24th, at 10:00 am.

Father Anthony is on vacation. In case of an emergency, and you are needing a priest, please contact St Mary's at 731-668-2596

Special Collection

Church in Latin America
January 26th