

Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

February 11, 2018



First Reading: Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46; Psalm 32:1-2, 5, 11;
Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1; Gospel: Mark 1:40-45

“If you wish, you can make me clean.”

No one likes to be left out or excluded. Maybe you have felt like that at one time or another. The readings for this Sunday, as we prepare to begin our Lenten Season this week on Ash Wednesday, speak to us about a man suffering from the terrible skin disease of leprosy. He was considered unclean and had to live away from his family and friends. He not only felt the exclusion of others but also felt that God had caused his terrible affliction because of his sinfulness. We can only imagine his pain. To whom could he turn for help?

It took a great deal of courage for the leper to approach Jesus: “If you wish, you can make me clean.” Jesus, with compassion for this suffering brother stretched out his hand, touched the man and said to him, **“I do will it. Be made clean.”** The leprosy left him and the outsider was made to feel as though he belonged. Jesus touched the most untouchable of people. And he has touched our lives, too. He will continue to do so this Lent. But for this to happen we must recognize that we are all God’s people in need of healing.

Weekday Readings February 12-16, 2018

Mon: James 1:1-11;
Mark 8:11-13

Tues: James 1:12-18;
Mark 8:14-21

Ash Wed: Joel 2:12-18;
2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2
Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Thurs: Deut. 30:15-20;
Luke 9:22-25

Fri: Isaiah 58:1-9a;
Matthew 9:14-15

Ash Wednesday and the Beginning of Lent

Wednesday, February 14, 2018

7:00 am-Mass with Ashes-**English**

12 Noon-Liturgy of the Word with Ashes-**Bilingual**

5:30 pm-Mass with Ashes-**English**

7:00 pm-Misa con Ceniza-**Spanish**

“Lent is a new beginning, a path leading to the certain goal of Easter, Christ’s victory over death. This season urgently calls us to conversion. Christians are asked to return to God “with all their hearts” (Joel 2:12), to refuse to settle for mediocrity and to grow in friendship with the Lord.” —Pope Francis

Fasting and Abstinence: Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59, or those in good health, are to enter the penitential dimension of Lent, as well as the suffering of Christ on Good Friday, by participating in fasting and abstinence from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. Abstinence from meat should take place on all Fridays of Lent.



Annual Ministry Appeal 2018

FAITH, FAMILY, FUTURE

Follow-up Sunday for the 2018 Appeal takes place this weekend. Our responsibility to assist with the diverse ministries of the Diocese this year is \$10,500. Our Parish Financial Goal is \$50,000, with the Participation Goal of at least 110 individuals or families. If we meet our goal, **\$39,500** will then be added to our Building Fund.

We thank all of you who have already made a donation or pledge to the Appeal. As of this date we have received \$13,548 or 27% of our parish goal, with 28 parishioner or 25% of our goal for families or individuals participating.

You are invited to make a donation or pledge commitment this weekend. A pledge can be fulfilled during the coming months, or it can be a one-time donation by cash, check or credit card. Envelopes continue to be available at the entrance of the church and can be placed in the basket at the foot of the altar, placed in the collection basket or dropped off in the parish office. Thank you in advance for your support of the various ministries of the Diocese as well as our own Parish Building Fund.

Lenten Way of the Cross

We hope you join will us for prayer each Friday of Lent beginning at 5:00 pm, as we share in the very meaningful tradition of the Way of the Cross.

Lenten Dinners

Our first Lenten Dinner will take place this Friday, February 16, at 6 pm. The donation is \$15/plate. All proceeds will support our Parish Building Fund. Please join us for a delicious meal and fellowship as we journey in faith as followers of Christ during the very blessed Lenten Season.

Our menu on Friday, February 16:

Penne Pasta with Red Pesto Sauce, Grilled Prawns, Mixed Green Salad and Ciabatta bread.

Eucharistic Adoration during Lent



On Wednesdays during Lent, beginning Wednesday, February 21, we will have the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for prayerful adoration. A schedule to sign up for an hour of prayerful meditation with our Lord is available on a clipboard at the entrance of the church. You are also welcome to stop by for prayer anytime after our 7 am Mass until the 5:30 pm final blessing.

Hot Meals for the homeless and others in need

This new social outreach ministry will begin Wednesday, February 21, at 11:30 am. Please inform others who might like to attend.

Flu Awareness

Due to the flu and the vulnerability of many of our parishioners, we are going to follow the example of several of our neighboring parishes and will not be offering the cup during Communion until the virus is under control.

During the sign of peace, please feel free to use some other form than a handshake if you prefer.

2nd Collection Next Sunday 2/18/18

Hope's Pantry and Parish Outreach Ministries

Offertory Report 1/28/2018

Plate \$2,341; Building Fund \$375; Hope's Pantry/Social Outreach \$20; Other \$147; Total: \$2,883.

Mass Intentions Feb. 10-16, 2018

Sat	4:30 pm	+Andy Case +Helen Nissen
Sun	9:00 am	+Dan Callinan
Sun	11:15 am	+Eileen Jakubowski
Sun	5:00 pm	Ninos y jovenes de la comunidad
Wed	7:00 am	+Robert Schruben
	5:30 pm	Families of the Parish
	7:00 pm	Familias de la Parroquia
Thu	7:00 am	Int. of Schmiethues Family
Fri	7:00 am	+Penny Newton

ANUNCIOS ESPECIALES

Misa en Español: Cada domingo a las 5:00 pm

Bautismos, Bodas, Quinceañeras:

Favor de hablar con Padre Dennis

Confesiones: Los sábados a las 3:30 pm y por cita.

Coro: Ensayos los domingos a las 4:15 pm

“Conviértanse y crean en el Evangelio.”

MIÉRCOLES DE CENIZA

14 de febrero del 2018

7 am—Misa en Ingles con ceniza

12 mediodía —Liturgia de la Palabra bilingüe con ceniza

5:30 pm—Misa en Ingles con ceniza

7 pm—Misa en Español con ceniza

Acompañenos durante la Cuaresma:

Viacrucis bilingüe—Cada viernes a las 5:00 pm.

Cena Cuaresmal—Cada viernes a las 6:00 pm.

Adoración del Santísimo—cada miércoles de 7:30am a 5:30 pm con la bendición final.

Confesiones—Cada miércoles a las 4:00 pm y sábados a las 3:30 pm.

Ayuno y abstinencia de carne—El Miércoles de ceniza y Viernes Santo. Respetamos también la abstinencia de carne cada viernes de la cuaresma.

Favor de seguir nuestro calendario cuaresmal para mas información y eventos especiales.

Anuncio Especial: Por la causa del virus de la influenza, no estamos sirviendo la Preciosa Sangre de Cristo del cáliz hasta que el virus este controlado.

Youth Corner (Mark 1:40-45)

Jesus brings healing and new life to the man suffering from leprosy. When we express our faith and confidence in Jesus, his compassionate heart brings healing to our hearts, too. His love has no limits!

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parishioner

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 9 am, 11:15 am, 5 pm (Spanish)

Weekday Masses:
Wednesday through Friday 7 am

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30 pm and by appointment

Office Hours

Wednesday through Friday
9 am – 12 pm; 2 – 4 pm

Pastoral Council:

Jeff Hawkins, *Chair*, Patrick Dowd, *Vice Chair*, Lori Jakubowski, *Secretary*, Tess Arthur, Concepción Jara, Alondra Klemek, Adele Margolis, Dede Woodhead

Faith Formation:

First Communion Year 1:
Lorena Cabrera, Esther Valdez
First Communion Year 2:
Christian Haun, Patricia Merrifield
RCIA / Adult Faith Formation: John Condon

Hope's Pantry: Lydia Newton • Wed 10 am–12 pm
Hope's Boutique: Deborah Kimes • Wed 10 am–12 pm
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Music Ministry:

Larry Carolan (4:30 pm & 9 am Mass)
Louis Lebherz, *Director*, Barney Hulse, *Piano* (11:15 am Mass)

Lectors: Dede Woodhead

Ministers of the Eucharist: Lorraine Ring

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