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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME B. JAN. 28TH 2024 *"A NEW TEACHING WITH AUTHORITY" MR. 1,27*

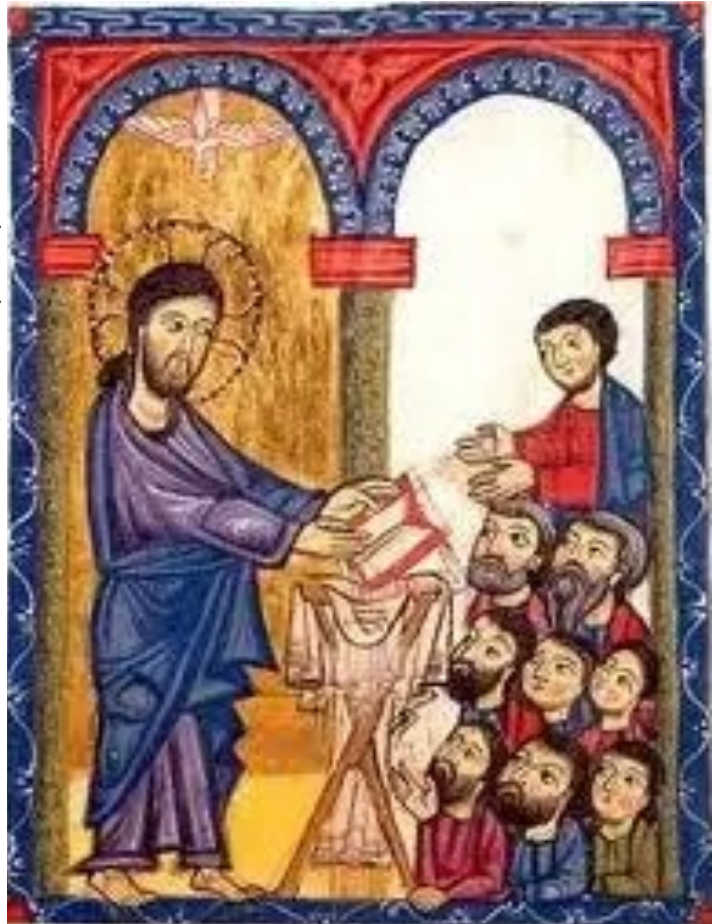
Today's Gospel continues our reading from Mark and describes what some believe was likely to have been a typical day in Jesus' ministry. Jesus and the disciples that chose to follow him in last week's Gospel arrive at Capernaum, a small village on the Sea of Galilee. Jesus teaches in the synagogue on the Sabbath. Mark reports that the people respond to Jesus' teaching with astonishment, noting Jesus' authority and contrasting it with the scribes'. Early in Mark's Gospel we already find evidence of the tension that will manifest itself fully in Jerusalem.

After Jesus' preaching, an even more astonishing thing happens. A man possessed with an unclean spirit calls out to Jesus. As we see in this example and throughout Mark's Gospel, the spirits and demons seem to know Jesus and are often fearful of him. In fact, they seem to understand Jesus' identity better than his disciples. As we will read again and again in Mark's Gospel, Jesus orders the spirit to be quiet and drives the unclean spirit out of the man. Jesus' ability to heal those possessed by demons is an indication of his power over evil.

In the prescientific age of Jesus' time, all illnesses were understood to be manifestations of evil and sinfulness. Our modern understanding of illness is very different. Possession by unclean spirits may have been a way to describe what we might call mental illness today. It may have even been a way of describing certain kinds of physical conditions. There is evidence that there were many kinds of exorcists and healers in first-century Palestine. Jesus appears to be like these healers, but he heals with unique authority and connects his healing activities with the words of his preaching.

We are missing the point that Mark is trying to make in this Gospel, however, if we try to explain away the healing work of Jesus. The crowds see in Jesus' cure of the possessed man further affirmation of his authority. Jesus' power to heal gives greater credence to his teaching. Jesus impresses the crowds through his words, which are manifested with power in his deeds. Mark's Gospel tells us that because of the authority with which he healed, Jesus' fame spread throughout all of Galilee.

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El Evangelio de hoy continúa nuestra lectura de Marcos y describe lo que algunos creen que probablemente haya sido un día típico en el ministerio de Jesús. Jesús y los discípulos que eligieron seguirlo en el Evangelio de la semana pasada llegan a Capernaum, un pequeño pueblo en el Mar de Galilea. Jesús enseña en la sinagoga el sábado. Marcos informa que la gente responde a la enseñanza de Jesús con asombro, notando la autoridad de Jesús y comparándola con la de los escribas. Al principio del evangelio de Marcos ya encontramos evidencia de la tensión que se manifestará plenamente en Jerusalén.

Después de la predicación de Jesús, sucede algo aún más sorprendente. Un hombre poseído por un espíritu inmundo clama a Jesús. Como vemos en este ejemplo y en todo el Evangelio de Marcos, los espíritus y demonios parecen conocer a Jesús y, a menudo, le temen. De hecho, parecen entender la identidad de Jesús mejor que sus discípulos. Como leeremos una y otra vez en el Evangelio de Marcos, Jesús ordena al espíritu que se calme y expulsa el espíritu inmundo del hombre. La capacidad de Jesús para sanar a los poseídos por demonios es una indicación de su poder sobre el mal.

En la era precientífica de la época de Jesús, se entendía que todas las enfermedades eran manifestaciones de maldad y pecaminosidad. Nuestra comprensión moderna de la enfermedad es muy diferente. La posesión por espíritus inmundos puede haber sido una forma de describir lo que hoy podríamos llamar enfermedad mental. Puede que incluso haya sido una forma de describir ciertos tipos de condiciones físicas. Hay evidencia de que hubo muchos tipos de exorcistas y curanderos en la Palestina del siglo I. Jesús parece ser como estos sanadores, pero sana con una autoridad única y conecta sus actividades curativas con las palabras de su predicación.

Sin embargo, si intentamos explicar la obra sanadora de Jesús, nos perdemos el punto que Marcos intenta resaltar en este Evangelio. Las multitudes ven en la curación del poseído por Jesús una mayor afirmación de su autoridad. El poder de Jesús para sanar da mayor credibilidad a su enseñanza. Jesús impresiona a las multitudes a través de sus palabras, que se manifiestan con poder en sus obras. El evangelio de Marcos nos dice que debido a la autoridad con la que sanaba, la fama de Jesús se extendió por toda Galilea.

POPE FRANCIS RECALLS 'THE PRIMARY REASON' FOR THE NEW EDITION OF YOUCAT



"Love is the primary reason for the existence of the Church," Pope Francis begins the letter accompanying the new edition of YouCat, the Catechism of the Catholic Church written for adolescents and young people. The full text was published yesterday by the Italian newspaper La Stampa and is titled "The Password for Joy," which, according to the pope, is found precisely within the catechism.

The pope explains that this "love" of which he speaks is primarily the love that God the Father revealed to the world through Jesus. However, he also points out that there is another love that comes from each person: the love that believers, in turn, profess for Jesus Christ.

The pontiff also noted that it is the duty of "adults in faith" to make Jesus Christ known to those who have not yet had the opportunity. This encounter, the Holy Father said, must be proposed through the catechism, which reveals the love that Catholics feel for the Lord.

Bernhard Meuser, the German founder, main author, and "father of YouCat" will retire at the end of this year, the organization said on its official website. The 70-year-old theologian and philologist has written, supervised, and edited numerous publications that have received international recognition. The most important has been the Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church (YouCat), which has been translated into more than 60 languages and is one of the bestselling Catholic books worldwide.

SCHEDULE

Weekday Mass

Wednesday — Friday, 12 noon

Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil at 4:30 PM

Sunday at 9:00 and 11:15 AM in English,
Spanish Mass: 2nd Sunday of the Month at
5:00 pm in the Church. 4th Saturday of the
month at 7:00pm in Cachagua.

Reconciliation

Saturday at 3:30 PM and by appointment

Office Hours

Wednesday — Friday:
10 AM - 12 PM; 2 - 4 PM

The church is open Wednesday — Sunday
from 10 AM to 4 PM for personal prayer.

PARISH STAFF

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Music Ministry

4:30 pm Sat. Mass: Kim Hartford—Kathy Nathan

9:00 am Sun. Mass: Stefania Ortiz

11:15 am Sun. Mass Parish Choir

Angelica Lozano

Custodian

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions Jan. 27th - Feb. 4th 2024

Saturday Vigil Jan 27th 4:30:

- **Int. of the Waddell Family**

7:00 pm Misa en Cachagua:

+ Floro, + Lucia y + Federico Blanco, &

+ Albino y + Tarcisio Casas

Sunday Jan 28th 9:00: + **Michael Coakley**

11:15: + **Merritt Green**

Wed. Jan 31st 12:00: - **Health of Linda Toby**

Thurs. Feb 1st 12:00: + **Peggy Drury**

Fri. Feb 2nd 12:00: + **Virginia Castillo**

Saturday Vigil Feb 3rd 4:30: **Int. of the Waddell Family**

Sunday Jan 4th 9:00: + **John & Ruth Flynn**

11:15: + **Health of Peter Coakley**

*MAY THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL
DEPARTED, THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD, REST IN
PEACE. AMEN.*

WEEKLY COLLECTION

January 20 & 21, 2024:

\$2,338.95

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- Dede Woodhead (chair), Alondra Klemek (vice chair), Jeff Hawkins (secretary), Daryl Lyon, Sean Devine, Trini Resendiz

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- **First Communion:** Susan Franks (1st year) Jennifer Bodner (2nd year). Supply teacher: Brisa Cabrera (1st year)
- **Confirmation:** Tess Arthur (2nd year). Supply teacher: Alondra Klemek.
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EVENT CALENDAR

Fourth Saturday of the Month Mass. Misa CACHAGUA.
Sat. Jan. 27th at 7:00 pm.
Familia Martinez Blanco.
18800 Cachagua Rd. # 17. Carmel Valley, CA 93924.

2024 LENTEN SEASON

Wed. Feb. 14, Ash Wednesday
12:00 pm Mass w/ ashes
6:30 pm Bilingual Mass w/ ashes


Bilingual Stations of the Cross Fridays during Lent 5:30pm.

2024 LENTEN DINNERS

Friday February 23th at 6:00 pm
Friday March 8th at 6:00 pm
Friday March 22nd at 6:00 pm

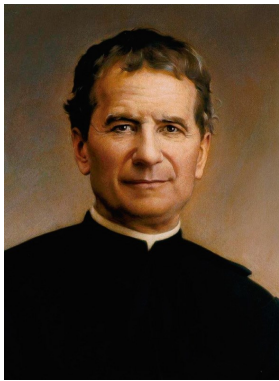
OLMC 2023 TAX STATEMENTS

Statements documenting 2023 contributions to the parish were mailed this week. Please note that these statements do not include AMA contributions whether delivered to the parish or sent directly to the Diocese. AMA contributions are acknowledged by the Diocese. If you do not receive a statement but believe you should have please contact the parish office.



SAINT OF THE WEEK: JAN. 31ST
SAINT JOHN BOSCO

SAINT JOHN BOSCO'S theory of education could well be used in today's schools. It was a preventive system, rejecting corporal punishment and placing students in surroundings removed from the likelihood of committing sin. He advocated frequent reception of the sacraments of Penance and Holy Communion. He combined catechetical training and fatherly guidance, seeking to unite the spiritual life with one's work, study and play.



Encouraged during his youth to become a priest so he could work with young boys, John was ordained in 1841. His service to young people started when he met a poor orphan and instructed him in preparation for receiving Holy Communion. He then gathered young apprentices and taught them catechism. After serving as chaplain in a hospice for working girls, John opened the Oratory of Saint Francis de Sales for boys. Several wealthy and powerful patrons contributed money, enabling him to provide two workshops for the boys, shoemaking and tailoring.

By 1856, the institution had grown to 150 boys and had added a printing press for publication of religious and catechetical pamphlets. His interest in vocational education and publishing justify him as patron of young apprentices and Catholic publishers.

John's preaching fame spread and by 1850 he had trained his own helpers because of difficulties in retaining young priests. In 1854 he and his followers informally banded together under Saint Francis de Sales. With Pope Pius IX's encouragement, John gathered 17 men and founded the Salesians in 1859. Their activity concentrated on education and mission work. Later, he organized a group of Salesian Sisters to assist girls.

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