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FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME B. FEB. 4TH 2024 *"PRAISE THE LORD, WHO HEALS THE BROKENHEARTED" PS. 147*

Today we continue to read from Mark's Gospel, learning more about the ministry of Jesus. Jesus cured Simon's mother-in-law, and she immediately began to serve Jesus and his disciples. Jesus also cured many others who were brought to him, healing their illnesses and driving out demons. As we will see throughout Mark's Gospel, Jesus did not permit the demons to speak because they knew his identity and would have revealed it to those who were present.

On the morning after this busy day, Jesus retreated in prayer, but was pursued by Simon and others who brought news that many people were looking for him. At this point in Mark's Gospel, we begin to see a distinct role for the inner circle of Jesus' disciples—they act as intermediaries between Jesus and the people. Jesus reports to his disciples that they need to leave Capernaum to preach in other places. Today's Gospel completes a picture of Jesus' ministry: preaching, curing the sick, driving out demons, and then moving on to continue this work in another place. Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus did this throughout Galilee.

Jesus' compassion and healing of the sick is a sign of the Kingdom of God. The Church continues to extend Christ's healing presence to others in its ministry to the sick. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, the Church prays for spiritual and physical healing, forgiveness of sins, and comfort for those who are suffering from illness.

In today's Gospel we also notice the importance of prayer in Jesus' daily life. Jesus rose early in the morning, removed himself from the crowds, and went to a deserted place to pray. When the disciples found him, he told them that it was time to move on. We believe that in his prayers Jesus found guidance and direction from God. We also bring our decision-making to God in prayer, asking for his guidance and direction in our lives.

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V DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO B

"ALABADO SEA EL SEÑOR, QUE SANA A LOS DE CORAZÓN QUEBRANTADO"

Hoy continuamos leyendo el Evangelio de Marcos, aprendiendo más sobre el ministerio de Jesús. Jesús curó a la suegra de Simón, y ella inmediatamente comenzó a servir a Jesús y a sus discípulos. Jesús también curó a muchos otros que fueron llevados a él, sanando sus enfermedades y expulsando demonios. Como veremos a lo largo del Evangelio de Marcos, Jesús no permitió que los demonios hablaran porque conocían su identidad y la habrían revelado a los presentes.

A la mañana siguiente de este día ajetreado, Jesús se retiró en oración, pero fue perseguido por Simón y otros que le trajeron noticias de que mucha gente lo estaba buscando. En este punto del Evangelio de Marcos, comenzamos a ver un papel distinto para el círculo interno de los discípulos de Jesús: actúan como intermediarios entre Jesús y el pueblo. Jesús informa a sus discípulos que necesitan dejar Cafarnaum para predicar en otros lugares. El evangelio de hoy completa el cuadro del ministerio de Jesús: predicar, curar a los enfermos, expulsar demonios y luego continuar esta obra en otro lugar. El Evangelio de Marcos nos dice que Jesús hizo esto por toda Galilea.

La compasión de Jesús y la curación de los enfermos es un signo del Reino de Dios. La Iglesia continúa extendiendo la presencia sanadora de Cristo a otros en su ministerio a los enfermos. En el Sacramento de la Unción de los Enfermos, la Iglesia ora por la curación física y espiritual, el perdón de los pecados y el consuelo de quienes sufren enfermedades.

En el Evangelio de hoy también notamos la importancia de la oración en la vida diaria de Jesús. Jesús se levantó temprano en la mañana, se alejó de la multitud y fue a un lugar desierto a orar. Cuando los discípulos lo encontraron, les dijo que era hora de seguir adelante. Creemos que en sus oraciones Jesús encontró guía y dirección de Dios. También llevamos nuestra toma de decisiones a Dios en oración, pidiéndole su guía y dirección en nuestras vidas.

THE WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

It is an awareness day, or observance, in the Catholic Church intended for "prayer and sharing, of offering one's suffering for the good of the Church and of reminding everyone to see in his sick brother or sister the face of Christ". The day was instituted on 13 May 1992 by Pope John Paul II and is celebrated on 11 February, also the memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes. The Day is not a liturgical celebration.

Pope John Paul II had been diagnosed with Parkinson's disease as early as 1991, an illness which was only confirmed in 2001, and it is significant that he decided to create the World Day of the Sick only one year after his diagnosis. The pope had written a great deal on the topic of suffering and believed that it was very much a salvific and redeeming process through Christ, as he indicated in his apostolic letter *Salvifici Doloris*.

He chose the memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes for the date of the observance because many pilgrims and visitors to Lourdes, France, have been reported to have been healed at the Marian Sanctuary there through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin. The pope also venerated the sanctuary of Harissa in Lebanon.

In 2005, the World Day of the Sick had a special significance since the ailing pope later died on 2 April of that year. Many people had gathered in St. Peter's Square in Rome to pray for him as he lay dying. In 2013, Pope Benedict XVI announced his resignation on this day, and he gave his declining health as his reason for retiring.

There is an insert a form for a homebound person. If you would like to bring communion to the sick, please call the office if you are interested.



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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions - February. 3rd—11th 2024

Saturday Vigil Feb 3rd 4:30: Int. of the Waddell Family
Sunday Jan 4th 9:00: +John & Ruth Flynn
11:15: - + Peter Coakley

Wed. Feb 7th 12:00: - + Merritt Green

Thurs. Feb 8th 12:00: - Int. of the Waddell Family
Fri. Feb 9th 12:00: - Health of Kelly Martin & her Baby

Saturday Vigil Feb 10th 4:30: + Brian McConnell

Sunday Feb 11th 9:00: - Health of Alecia Selis
11:15: + Peter Coakley
5:00 pm Misa en Espanol:
+ Maurilio Salinas + Adam & + Consuelo Solano

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

WEEKLY COLLECTION

January 27 & 28, 2024:
\$2,791.45

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TO OUR PARISH COMMUNITY*

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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

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PARISH VOLUNTEER MINISTRIES

Pastoral Council

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

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- Alex Gray (chair), Jim Rice (secretary), A.B. Introcaso, Jack McAleer, Ed Quinnan

Faith Formation

- **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.
- **RCIA / Adult Faith Formation:** John Condon—Derwin Borling

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EVENT CALENDAR

2nd Sunday of the month **Spanish Mass.** Sun. Feb. 11th at 5:00pm

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.

Lenten Talks: at St. Joseph's Spreckles. Mon. March 11th—Wed. March 13th. By. Albert Haase OFM www.albertofm.org. More inf. to follow.

2024 LENTEN DINNERS

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

**SAINT OF THE WEEK: FEB. 3RD
SAINT BLAISE, BISHOP & MARTYR**



If you are already familiar with St. Blaise, it is probably because of the blessing of throats—a Catholic custom on his feast.

According to tradition, Blaise had been a doctor before he was ordained a priest. He became the bishop of Sebaste (now in central Turkey). During a period of persecution, he fled to a cave where he lived as a hermit. It is said that he cured and tamed the wild animals there. One day hunters discovered him and took him to the governor, who sentenced him to be tortured and killed.

About four hundred years after his death, many stories began to be told about Blaise, and he became a popular saint, especially in France and Germany. One legend says that while Blaise was in prison, a mother brought him her small boy, who was choking on a fishbone stuck in his throat. Blaise prayed over the child, and he was healed. Every year on St. Blaise's feast, two candles tied with ribbon in the shape of an X are used to bless throats. In the prayer the Church prays that those blessed may be delivered from diseases of the throat and from every other illness. Candles are used because of another story: It is said that while Blaise was kept in a dark prison, a woman secretly brought him some candles and food.

Blaise is one of the Fourteen Holy Helpers, saints who were patrons for almost every aspect of life. People in the Middle Ages showed devotion to these saints as a group.



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*Glorify the Lord by your life
Glorifica al Señor con tu vida*

Speaker Line Up

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