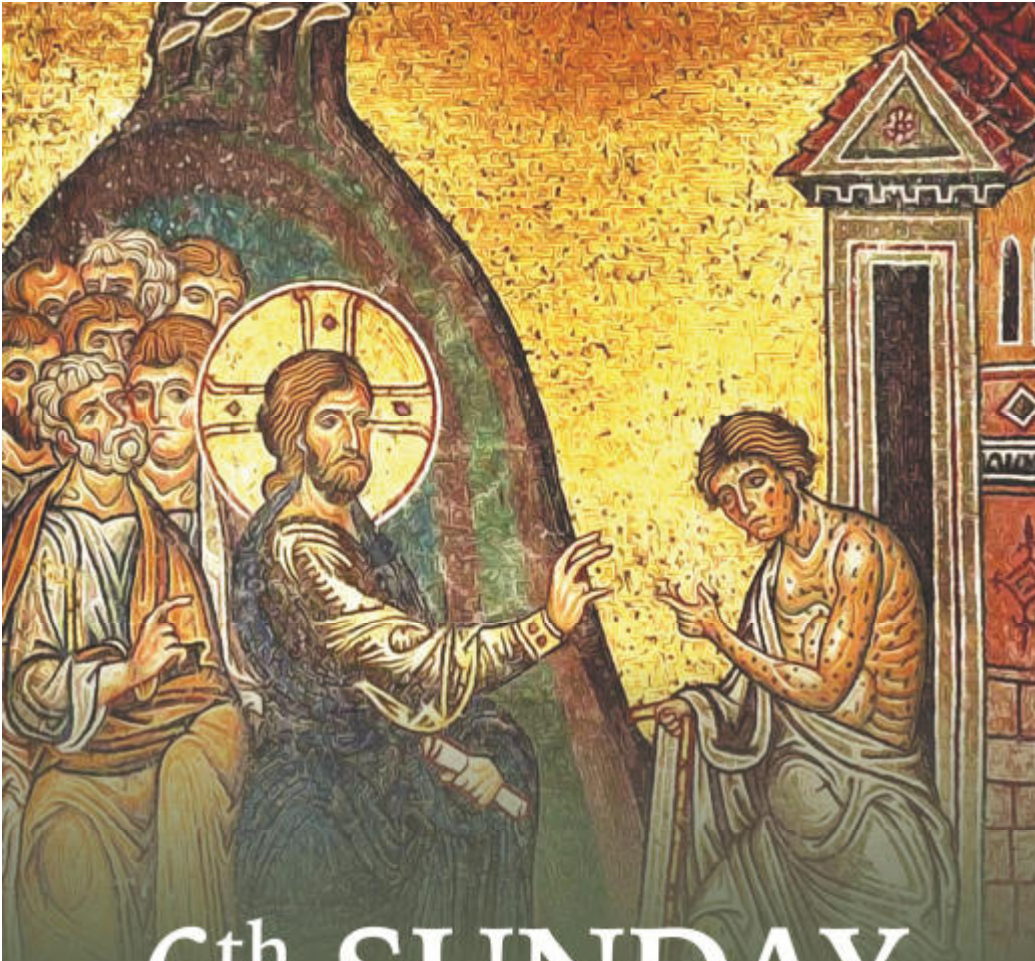


Sacred Heart

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6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean." - Mk 1:40-41

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Office Hours:

Mon. - Thurs. 8:30am - 4:30pm

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Sacraments & Liturgies

Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm

Sunday: 8:00am (Spanish), 10:30am

Holy Days of Obligation:

9:00am & 7:00pm

Daily Mass:

Tues, Wed & Fri.: 9:00am

Thurs.: 5:30pm

First Friday Mass: 12:00 p.m. at

St. John's Chapel

Confession:

Saturday: 4:30-5:15pm & by appt.

Baptism: By appointment, contact Parish Office.

Weddings: Six months notice required. Please contact the pastor to begin the preparation process.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Tuesday 9:30-10:30am & Friday

6:00-7:00pm.

February 14, 2021 • 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

GOSPEL MEDITATION

The Church, as a voice of the Gospel, proclaims the sacredness of all human life. Everyone created by God is fashioned in God's image and has Divine DNA at the center of their soul. God never leaves what God creates but always remains intimately bound to what he has given form. Everyone has a place and because they have received the gift of Divine Blessing, nobody deserves to feel inferior, unworthy, unwanted, unclean or marginalized. Even the most broken of souls has a place. We, the Body of Christ, have the privilege and responsibility to give voice to the voiceless. The cries of the little one in his or her mother's womb are just as sacred as the cries of one who is homeless and hungry. The migrant deserves our attention as much as the forgotten elderly and even the prisoner, with a heart hardened by anger and resentment, deserves respect and dignity.

The Gospel of Life is often hard to swallow, and we would rather keep those we consider unclean, different or unfixable in a place by themselves. It is hard to see them with us, but they deserve to be. There is far too much violence in this world and the result of that violence is the assault on human life. Many are forced to leave the place they call home in search of safer ground, finding few if any along the way who will help them. How different today's Gospel story would be if Jesus gave in to what was politically correct at that time. The leper would have been turned away and a soul, already beaten down by disease and fear, would have experienced an even deeper wound. Jesus wouldn't have captured much attention from anyone, nor would he have mirrored the Father's compassion and love.

Where do we stand with all of this? Do we at least understand that God's vision is often in conflict with the vision put forth in our world and even the one we advance ourselves? There is no doubt that it is incredibly challenging to find a place for everyone at the table. This challenge is compounded when the systems of operation and structure that are so ingrained in us affirm power and privilege rather than inclusivity and justice. Everything really goes askew when the powerful begin to control who is entitled to wholeness and inclusion, and greed becomes a driving force. Prejudice and entitlement raise their ugly heads and we find ourselves with quite a mess. It's time to admit that things have been a mess for a very long time. The mess needs to be healed, not by erasing it but by allowing God to touch it and make it whole. We need to bring God back to the center of life where God belongs. There are no easy solutions to the world's dilemmas. But, knowing that wholeness, healing, and dignity are worthy pursuits, we can more confidently labor to achieve God's vision.

Catechetical Corner

Religious Education Classes

Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

First Communion & 5th - 8th Grade

Prayers for the Sick:

Please pray for:

Juan Franco, Jean Beesley, Don & Mary Louise Boyne, Don Perno, Marty Neises, Judy Diskin, Dianne Perno, Lindsey Roberts, Richard Contu, Evangelina Harly, Donna Esko.

Happy Birthday to:

Karl Barnett (15); Daniel Garcia (16); Wallace Haney, Madia Sontag (17); Jackson Bilby (19).

Did we miss your birthday or anniversary? Please contact the office so we can update our information.

Mass Intentions: February 13th - 19th, 2021

Saturday Erik Fischer t / Cynthia Patterson
Sunday 8:00 Garcia Family / Bill & Sue Johnston
Sunday 10:30 Shauna Chalfant / Jackie Chalfant
Tuesday Fischer Family / Cynthia Patterson
Wednesday Special Intentions
Thursday Special Intentions
Friday Our Country / Jennifer Rumsey

Readings for the week of February 14th, 2021



Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/
Mk 1:40-45

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50/Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29/Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1/Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday: Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Lectors: Saturday 1st & Second Readings

February 13th - Karen Sontag
February 20th - Mike Tanner
February 27th - Jeff Everard
March 6th - Karen Sontag

Lectors: Sunday 1st & Second Readings

February 14th - Sue Ausmus
February 21st - Charles Gebetsberger
February 28th - Josette Haskell
March 7th - Sara Beuchat

Ushers - volunteer basis

Sacred Heart Church Collections



February 7, 2021 Collection

Envelope\$ 2,569.00
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Total Weekend Collection\$ 3,682.05

January 31, 2020 Collection \$ 2,112.00

Honor the Lord with generosity Ecc.35:7

“Jesus, help me embrace the everyday, ordinary practices of Lent so that I can grow closer to you.”

February 17th



LENTEN INFORMATION

Fasting and Abstinence: Catholic adults in good health between the ages of 18-59 are required to fast on specific days. Pregnant women and people in ill health are exempt from fasting. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and abstinence. Canon Law requires that all Catholics abstain from meat on all Fridays of Lent. In addition to abstaining from meat, the Church recommends fasting on Fridays of Lent as a form of penance.

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Parish Organizations

Knights of Columbus: The Sacred Heart Council meets at 7:00 pm on the 1st Tuesday of the month.

Contact Grand Knight Robert Mulvihill 918-906-7170.

Prayer Network: For prayer requests, contact Sheila Ford at (918) 695-8796 or email at skfgma14x@gmail.com or contact the office.

Women's Bible Study Group: Meets Tuesday mornings 10:30-11:45am. Contact Julie Pittman 918-519-2029.

Fatima Ladies: Every 3rd Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:45 a.m. Contact Sue Johnston 918-227-1431.

Grief Support Group: 2nd, 3rd & 4th Tuesdays/8 wk sessions Contact Connie Anderson by text at 319-470-2800.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



February 17th - Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. with the distribution of ashes. There will be a collection to support the charitable works of Sacred Heart Parish.

Friday, February 19th - Please join us for Holy Hour at 6:00 p.m. followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m. There will be no Lenten Dinners due to COVID restrictions.

3rd Annual 40 Cans for Lent Food Drive. The Knights of Columbus Council 9333 is asking each member of the Parish to join them in celebrating Lent in the spirit of almsgiving by donating one non-perishable food item or toiletry item each day during Lent.

Our Faith & Works Annual Appeal is this weekend, February 13th/14th. Whether you have given in the past, or you would be a first time giver please give prayerful consideration to donating this year. It is up to all of us to help provide the 77 parishes and 2 missions in Eastern Oklahoma with the services and ministry resources no single parish could provide for itself. There are many services our parish benefits from throughout the year. Please help our faith go further by making a pledge to the Faith & Works Annual Appeal.

You may return your envelope to the church or mail it directly to the diocese.



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