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22nd Sunday, IN ORDINARY TIME

"Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." - Mk 7:15

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9AM Daily in Chapel Holy Hour Wed @ 7PM in Chapel

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OPENING HYMN

Table of Plenty

Refrain

Come to the feast of heaven and earth! Come to the table of plenty! God will provide for all that we need, here at the table of plenty.

- 1. 0 come and sit at my table where saints and sinners are friends. I wait to welcome the lost and lonely to share the cup of my love.
- 2. 0 come and eat without money; come to drink without price. My feast of gladness will feed your spirit with faith and fullness of life.
- 3. My bread will ever sustain you through days of sorrow and woe. My wine will flow like a sea of gladness to flood the depths of your soul.
- 4. Your fields will flower in fullness; your homes will flourish in peace. For I, the giver of home and harvest, will send my rain on the soil.

READING I

Dt 4:1-2, 6-8

Moses said to the people:

"Now, Israel, hear the statutes and decrees which I am teaching you to observe, that you may live, and may enter in and take possession of the land which the LORD, the God of your fathers, is giving you. In your observance of the commandments of the LORD, your God, which I enjoin upon you, you shall not add to what I command you nor subtract from it. Observe them carefully, for thus will you give evidence of your wisdom and intelligence to the nations, who will hear of all these statutes and say, 'This great nation is truly a wise and intelligent people.' For what great nation is there that has gods so close to it as the LORD, our God, is to us whenever we call upon him? Or what great nation has statutes and decrees that are as just as this whole law which I am setting before you today?'

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The one who does justice

will live in the presence of the Lord.

READING II Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27

Dearest brothers and sisters:

All good giving and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no alteration or shadow caused by change. He willed to give us birth by the word of truth that we may be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.

Humbly welcome the word that has been planted in you and is able to save your souls.

Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves.

Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and the Father is this: to care for orphans and widows in their affliction and to keep oneself unstained by the world.

The word of the Lord

Thanks be to God



GOSPEL

Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

When the Pharisees with some scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around Jesus, they observed that some of his disciples ate their meals with unclean, that is, unwashed, hands. -For the Pharisees and, in fact, all Jews, do not eat without carefully washing their hands, keeping the tradition of the elders. And on coming from the marketplace they do not eat without purifying themselves. And there are many other things that they have traditionally observed, the purification of cups and jugs and kettles and heds -

So the Pharisees and scribes questioned him, "Why do your disciples not follow the tradition of the elders but instead eat a meal with unclean hands?"

He responded,

"Well did Isaiah prophesy about you hypocrites, as it is written:

This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me: in vain do they worship me,

teaching as doctrines human precepts. You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition.'

He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile.

From within people, from their hearts, come evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance, folly. All these evils come from within and they defile."

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation (bow) he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. he suffered death and was buried and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. **Amen**







COMMUNION HYMN

Take and Eat

Refrain

Take and eat; take and eat: this is my body given up for you.

Take and drink; take and drink: this is my blood given up for you.

- I am the Word that spoke and light was made;
 I am the seed that died to be reborn;
 I am the bread that comes from heav'n above;
 I am the vine that fills your cup with joy. R
- I am the way that leads the exile home;
 I am the truth that sets the captive free;
 I am the life that raises up the dead;
 I am your peace, true peace my gift to you. R
- 3. I am the Lamb that takes away your sin; I am the gate that guards you night and day; You are my flock: you know the shepherd's voice; You are my own: your ransom is my blood. R
- 4. I am the cornerstone that God has laid; A chosen stone and precious in his eyes; You are God's dwelling place, on me you rest; Like living stones, a temple for God's praise. R

CLOSING HYMN How Great Thou Art

 O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder Consider all the worlds Thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy pow'r thruout the universe displayed!

Refrain

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; How great Thou art, How great Thou art!

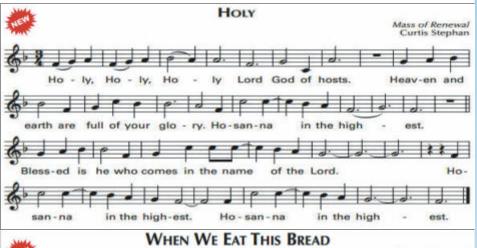
- When thru the woods and forest glades I wander And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees, When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur And hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze. R
- And when I think that God, His Son not sparing, Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin! R

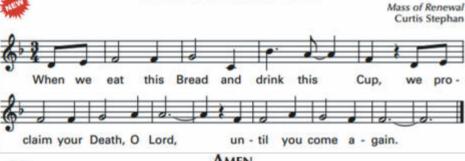


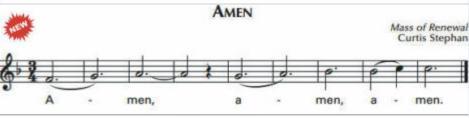


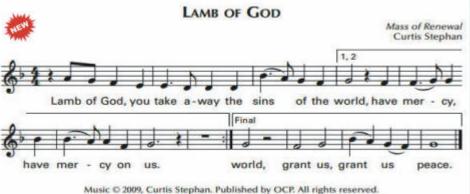


Mass of Renewal (New Mass Music)









TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

In your observance of the commandments of the LORD, your God,

which I enjoin upon you,

you shall not add to what I command you nor subtract from it. (Dt 4:2)

Psalm:

The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord. (Ps 15)

Second Reading:

Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves. (Jas 1:22)

Gospel:

"You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition." (Mk 7:8)

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading:

As Moses prepared the Israelites to settle and live in the Promised Land he urged them to stay close to God's commandments and statutes in order to become a "great nation." Why do you think so many nations stray from this idea?

Second Reading:

In the opening verses of his letter, James urges his readers to be "doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves." Why do you think this is wise advice?

Gospel:

In returning to the Gospel of Mark, we hear today how the religious leaders from Jerusalem questioned Jesus about keeping "the tradition of the elders." Jesus responded with the importance of being clean of heart. Why is this such a challenging spiritual exercise?

WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Question: My friend has never heard of Christ and I want to share the Gospel with her but I'm afraid to. How do I share my faith?

Answer:

There are a lot of ways to bring up the topic of religion, without being judgmental or pushy. Begin by asking what her thoughts are about religion, or what her experience was growing up. Finding common ground is often easier than you think, because the questions and problems we have about God, the presence of evil, our purpose in life, and our relationship with God are universal concerns. Why are you afraid? If you do not want to insult or offend someone, don't be pushy or judgmental. If you are uncertain about how to explain your own faith, do a little reading or practice with a friend. If you measure success only by this person converting, focus your attention more on beginning the conversation, not on bringing it to a perfect close! Faith is a journey of many acts of belief, many discussions about God, and many choices about how we practice what we preach. In some we will have great success; in others we will need forgiveness and perseverance. The most important thing to keep in mind is that the Holy Spirit is always at work and our most humble efforts can bear great fruit. Have faith in God because he has faith in you!

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22nd Sunday: Be Doers of the Word and not Hearers: There is a story about a saint who, while still alive, was granted the privilege of seeing heaven. He was at the entrance, waiting for St. Peter. While waiting, he walked around, and was very surprised to see hundreds of thousands of human ears hanging all over the place. He managed to ask an angel about those ears. And the angel replied: "Those ears belong to people who were good listeners of the Gospel of Jesus. They loved to listen to the Word of God. But they did not practice what they heard. So, it's only their ears that are here." Jesus said: "Not everyone who says 'Lord, Lord' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only those who do the will my heavenly Father." Following Jesus is not a matter of listening, or talking. Rather, it is a matter of doing and obeying God's will. In the second reading, the Apostle Saint James exhorts us: "Be doers of the word and not hearers only, deluding yourselves. For, if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks at his own face in a mirror. He sees himself then goes off and promptly forgets what he looked like. But the one who peers into the perfect law of freedom and perseveres, and is not a hearer who forgets, but a doer who acts, such a one shall be blessed in what he does" (James 1:22-25).

This was precisely the problem with the Pharisees. They were good listeners and preachers of the word of God. In fact, they were the acknowledged spiritual leaders of the Jewish people. But they were not doers. After all, listening and preaching are easier than doing what the word of God tells us. It is often said that you can fool all of the people some of the time and some of the people all of the time, but you cannot fool all the people all the time. But there is one person we can easily fool all the time: our own self. Saint James was very clear on this: "Act on this word. If all you do is listen to it, you are deceiving yourselves."

The Pharisees were quick in criticizing others for not observing the ritual washing of hands, as if unwashed hands are worse than unclean hearts. So Jesus pointed out directly: "Listen to me, all of you, and understand: Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person, but the things that come out from within are what defile" (Mark 7:14-15)

This is what happened to people in the entertainment industry. Since they live in a world of makebelieve, movie actors and actresses could not anymore distinguish fiction from reality. They have convinced themselves that life in the movies is for real. This happened also to the Pharisees whom Jesus called "hypocrites". By the way, this word in Greek means "actor." And unfortunately, this is also happening to so many Christians nowadays.

It is said that, in order to know if the gold ring you bought is genuine, just dip it in vinegar. If the ring does not fade, you've got a genuine gold ring. But if it fades, you've got genuine vinegar!

The readings this Sunday invite us to have sincere and honest examination of conscience. Once and for all, let us set ourselves free from self-deception. Let the word of God, without adding or omitting anything from it, guide us to the truth, no matter how painful it is. For the truth will set us free and lead us to true repentance and conversion of hearts. The time has come to stop being mere



listeners, but doers and followers of the word of God. Then, as St. James said, we will be blessed in all we do.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Albert Einstein said that the "true measure of intelligence is not knowledge but imagination." Being a disciple of Jesus Christ requires a great deal of imagination. It is not enough to simply attend to facts, rules and rituals and consider the job done. Quite contrarily, the Gospels demands creativity, of trying to discern how to put flesh on the Beatitudes and properly serve God's children. Jesus never doled out a top down agenda. Not once did he ever demand conformity over conversion or sacrifice over mercy. The Gospel is always about putting people in touch with their compassionate, forgiving, and unconditionally loving God and meeting them where they are.

For Jesus, it often meant breaking a few rules. Well respected and time-honored traditions had to be set aside in order to attend to what really mattered. God's compassion, mercy and true conversion were always the trump cards. The story of the Good Samaritan, healing on the Sabbath, and bypassing of purification rituals all display this theme. Human beings can get too hung up on protocol and tradition. This is so much so that often preserving all of these things is of greater concern than the beggar knocking on our door or the sinner looking for mercy. It is no wonder, then, that we can easily become hypocritical. Many can see us on our knees in prayer while our true heart and actions, rooted in judgment and self-preservation, are hidden from others. It is a trap into which we can easily fall. Who cares how we live our lives as long as our hands are properly washedl

Here enters the need for imagination and the distinction of truly being a wise and intelligent person. It takes a good measure of creativity and a lot of guts to really be a doer of God's word and not merely a hearer. Being a person who doesn't just tell people about God but shows people God requires courage and ingenuity. That's why people like St. Francis of Assisi and St. Teresa of Calcutta are timeless. Their genuineness speaks volumes generation to generation. It's risky business taking the step to allow God into our hearts. Permitting God to release us from the grip of our evil thoughts, infidelity, greed, malice, sexual improprieties, licentiousness, envy, arrogance, folly, and the like takes courage. That's why we prefer to spend our energy rearranging the future rather





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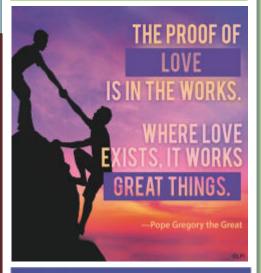
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Join Us for **Confirmation Mass with** Bishop Mark E. Brennan

Tuesday, September 7th @ 6:00pm A Reception will follow in the Parish Hall.

Picture by Clara Mullins "Our Neighbor"



22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Week of August 28/29

Saturday @ 5pm, August 28

† Quentin Gabriel By The Family

Sunday @ 8am, August 29

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Health and Well Being

Sunday @ 10am

† Paula Taylor

By Patsy & Becky Sabatelli

Monday, @ 9am, August 30

† No Daily Mass

Tuesday @ 9am, August 31

† No Daily Mass (Joe LeRoy Funeral)

Wednesday @ 9am, September 1

Helen Fragale

By Jim & Nancy Fletcher

Wednesday @ 7pm

Weekly Holy Hour Hosted by Deacon John in Chapel

Thursday @ 9am, September 2

Paula Taylor

By Phil & Renee Wyatt

Friday @ 9am, September 3

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Church Lamp -For the Soul of Joe LeRoy Chapel Lamp -No Intention

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Week of September 4/5

Saturday @ 5pm, September 4

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Sunday @ 8am, September 5

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Health and Well Being

Sunday @ 10am

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