



A READING FROM THE FIRST LETTER OF ST. PAUL TO THE ROMANS:

Brothers and sisters: Through one man sin entered the world, and through sin, death, and thus death came to all men, inasmuch as all sinned—for up to the time of the law, sin was in the world, though sin is not accounted when there is no law. But death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who did not sin after the pattern of the trespass of Adam, who is the type of the one who was to come.

But the gift is not like the transgression. For if by the transgression of the one the many died, how much more did the grace of God and the gracious gift of the one man Jesus Christ overflow for the many.

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Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, June 21, Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 Bill Coleman from Tom & Oti Perrino
 10:30 Parishioners and Friends of St. Rose
 12:00 Hubert Ahaus from Elaine Ahaus

Monday, June 22, St. Paulinus of Nola & St. John Fisher, Bishops

12:10 Purgatorial Society

Tuesday, June 23

12:10 Dave White from James & Jacquelyn Wetzel

Wednesday, June 24, Nativity of St. John the Baptist

12:10 Georgine Wolohan from Tim & Family

Thursday, June 25

12:10 Johnny Warrington from Paul & Carolyn Gosiger

Friday, June 26

12:10 Mary Heink from Arlene Fritsch

Saturday, June 27, St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

12:10 Charles & Jane Stacey from Bill & Jane Stacey

7:00 Bill Clark from Tom & Fran Eagen

Sunday, June 28, Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 Parishioners and Friends of St. Rose
 10:30 Roger Bertoia from The Geraci Family
 12:00 Bill Earls from The Family

From the Pastor's Desk

PUBLIC MASSES WITH RESTRICTIONS WILL
 BE HELD UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

PLEASE REGISTER FOR SATURDAY EVENING AND SUNDAY
 MASSES at Strosecincinnati.org

ALL INDIVIDUALS MUST WEAR A MASK WHILE INSIDE THE CHURCH. Thank you for your understanding, patience and cooperation.

THE CATHOLIC FAITHFUL WHO RESIDE IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF CINCINNATI CONTINUE TO BE DISPENSED FROM THE OBLIGATION OF ATTENDING SUNDAY MASS.

2020 GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY MASSES CANCELLED . The Archdiocesan Golden Anniversary Masses, honoring couples celebrating 50 years of marriage scheduled for August 1, 2020, are cancelled.

Nicholas John Murray was welcomed into the Catholic Church and Christian Community through the sacrament of Baptism this past weekend here at St. Rose Church.

*In the charity of your prayers please pray for the soul of **Mary Catherine Dady** whose funeral was this past week here at St. Rose Church.*

Dear Friends,

Another week with an open church during a pandemic. So far people have been making their reservations for mass on line on our website. The number of people has been manageable. I appreciate everyone adhering to the rules of sanitizing their hands when they enter church, wearing a mask and sitting in the proper sections. One problem is having a single person in a pew. There may be a time that you are asked to accommodate another person. Our ushers have been doing a fantastic job. I also do not want people standing in the back unless it is necessary and even then it should be at a social distance. We will get through this with our patience, good will towards our neighbors and a strong faith will help us. We are people of Hope and Jesus reminds us to Love. Thank you for your cooperation and be assured of my prayers for you all. Please pray for me.

Fr. Barry

One day with the Lord is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

~2 Pet 3:8

Reflection. *Everything on this earth passes away—all too quickly. But eternity will never pass away.*

~St Aloysius Gonzaga

Prayer. *Ever-living God, let me not get overly caught up in the day-to-day press of earthly affairs. Help me to keep my eyes fixed on Your eternal truths and consider all things in the light of eternity.*

Sunday Funnies

~The casinos are now offering curbside pickup. Call ahead and they come out and take your money right from your car.

~In 2020 we thought we'd have flying cars. Instead we're teaching people how to wash their hands.



Opening Prayer

Grant, O Lord,
that we may always revere and love your holy name,
for you never deprive of your guidance
those you set firm on the foundation of your love.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Reflecting on Living the Gospel

Easter is over; Pentecost and the feasts that follow have concluded. Now we enter the liturgical period wherein we will read primarily from the Gospel of Matthew (Cycle A), accompanying Jesus throughout this story, growing in our knowledge and awareness of him. Matthew has long been known as the “church’s gospel.” We read the Sermon on the Mount, with its standard form of the Lord’s Prayer (as opposed to the shorter version in Luke). Matthew tells us about the giving of the keys of the kingdom to Peter, and he uses the phrase “upon this rock I will build my church.” In fact, the very term “church” appears in this gospel alone among the others. With an infancy narrative, resurrection narrative, and much material unique to Matthew, the gospel is twenty-eight chapters long. Compare that to the sixteen chapters of Mark. So it’s not surprising that the church placed this gospel first in the canon and preferred reading from it at liturgies.

In the reading we hear today, maybe it is fitting that Jesus says to his disciples three times some variation of “fear not.” The disciples (including us) are to be fearless. The basis of this fearlessness is the Father, who knows all—even the most seemingly insignificant things that we do not know (e.g., the hairs on our head). The Father even knows each and every sparrow, and a human being is worth more than two sparrows. So the disciples can rest assured: they can be fearless in facing the world, as they are worth a great deal in the sight of God.

With this assurance, with this fearlessness, the disciples are emboldened to acknowledge Jesus and preach him to the ends of the earth (Matt 28:19-20). The danger is for those who know Jesus but choose not to acknowledge him before others. As far as they are concerned, Jesus will not acknowledge them before the Father.

Closing Prayer

Jesus, you tell your disciples as you tell us to “fear not.” With the gift of the Spirit and the promise of our baptism we go forth into the world boldly, proclaiming you and doing acts of service and love. Inspire us in times of trepidation to live our call with firm conviction, fearing not, but secure in the knowledge that we are yours. In your name we pray. Amen.



For Reflection

• Jesus says to the twelve, “Even all the hairs on your head are counted.” How have you experienced this abundant love of God in your life?

Suggestions for group and individual use:

1. Pray aloud the “Opening Prayer” (in *The Roman Missal* called the “collect”).
2. One person read aloud the gospel.
3. Each read prayerfully “Reflecting on Living the Gospel” and spend some time in personal prayer.
4. Share together responses to “For Reflection.”
5. Pray the “Closing Prayers.”

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Gospel

Matthew 10:26-33

Jesus said to the Twelve:

“Fear no one.
Nothing is concealed that will not be revealed,

nor secret that will not be known.
What I say to you in the darkness, speak in the light;

what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops.

And do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul;
rather, be afraid of the one who can destroy

both soul and body in Gehenna.

Are not two sparrows sold for a small coin?
Yet not one of them falls to the ground without your Father’s knowledge.

Even all the hairs of your head are counted.
So do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.
Everyone who acknowledges me before others
I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father.
But whoever denies me before others,
I will deny before my heavenly Father.”

Readings for the week:

12th Sunday in Ord. Time
Jr 20:10-13
Ps 63:1-10, 14, 17, 33-35
Rom 5:12-15
Matt 10:25-33

Monday
2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18
Ps 62:1, 4-5, 12-13
Matt 7:1-5

Tuesday
2 Kgs 19:50-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36
Ps 42:3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11
Matt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday
Nativity of St. John
Jn 4:1-6
Ps 132:1-3, 13-14, 14-15
Acts 13:22-26
Luke 1:57-66, 80

Thursday
2 Kgs 24:3-17
Ps 78:1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9
Matt 7:21-29

Friday
2 Kgs 25:1-12
Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6
Matt 8:1-4

Saturday
Lam 22, 10-14, 18-19
Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21
Matt 8:5-17

13th Sunday in Ord. Time
2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a
Ps 80:2-3, 16-17, 18-19
Rom 6:3-4, 8-11
Matt 10:37-42