

SCRIPTURE READINGS

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Jeremiah 17:5-8

Jeremiah compares a man who seeks strength in flesh but abandons God to a bush in the desert, bereft of nourishment and unable to grow. Yet a man who trusts in God is like a tree beside a river, fed & strengthened by it even during times of drought.



Second Reading: 1 Corinthians

15:12, 16-20

Paul addresses those who believe in Christ's teachings, but are not convinced that he rose from the dead. He calls their faith worthless, because they have not been freed from their sins. Paul then emphatically declares that Jesus did rise up again, as will all those who truly believe in him.

Gospel: Luke 6:17, 20-26

Jesus tells his followers that those who are insulted in this life because of him will be rewarded richly in heaven. Yet those well received by all will despair in heaven, since people had often respected false prophets and mistreated true prophets. Those who hunger, perhaps for spiritual knowledge, shall be filled. Yet those who are full in this life will be hungry.



For the Week of February 17th through
February 24th

Sunday

Jer 17:5-8; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

Monday

Gn 4:1-15, 25; Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday

Gn 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday

Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Mk 8:22-26

Thursday

Gn 9:1-13; Mk 8:27-33

Friday

1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19

Saturday

Heb 11:1-7; Mk 9:2-13

Sunday

1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; 1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

The US Council of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) provides a full listing of the Sunday and Daily Readings, in print and audio format, on its website,
<http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings>.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 16th

4:00 p.m. Henry Kuzminski

Sunday, February 17th

8:00 a.m. Katherine D'Angelo

10:00 a.m. Dorothy Conley Andrews

Monday, February 18th

8:30 a.m.

Tuesday, February 19th

8:30 a.m. Father Paul Campbell

Wednesday February 20th

8:30 a.m.

Thursday, February 21st

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Friday, February 22nd

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Saturday, February 23rd

4:00 p.m. Marie Gruber

Sunday, February 24th

8:00 a.m. Jerry Meehan

10:00 a.m. Mass for Our Parishioners
Living and Deceased



REMEMBERING THE SICK OF THE PARISH:
Remember in your prayers the sick of the parish: *John Troffo, Valerie Lindyberg, Patricia Dana, Angela Wilmer, Faith King, Rosemary Keating, Eugenia Brooks, Alicia Bourne, Elizabeth Glenn*, and all those whose names appear in the PARISH BOOK OF INTENTIONS.

NEW TO THE PARISH: Please be sure to register with the Parish Office and introduce yourself to Father Grasing after Mass. Registration forms are available at the doors of the Church, the Parish Office, or online. For additional information, please call 410-778-3160, or go to sacredparish.org.

CHURCH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH IN OBSERVANCE OF PRESIDENT'S DAY.

PREP

Parish Religious Education Program

Bringing the Gospel Home



**6th Sunday of Ordinary Time –
Luke 6:17,20-26**

Reflection for Parents

Children trust their parents to take good care of them and give them direction. That's a lot of responsibility for a parent. Similarly, we all are challenged by these beatitudes to trust completely in God. When we trust and serve God, we know clearly from this reading that God will take care of us in the Kingdom.

Bringing the Gospel into Your Family

Read the Beatitudes carefully again as a family. Suggest ways that people might be "poor" that don't relate to economic class. What ways can people be hungry and still have enough food to eat? What kind of sorrow would we experience without God in our lives? With a broader understanding of these terms, create a mobile or booklet where family members illustrate what the beatitudes mean for your family today. You might conclude by suggesting ways your family will practice living out the beatitudes you have illustrated.

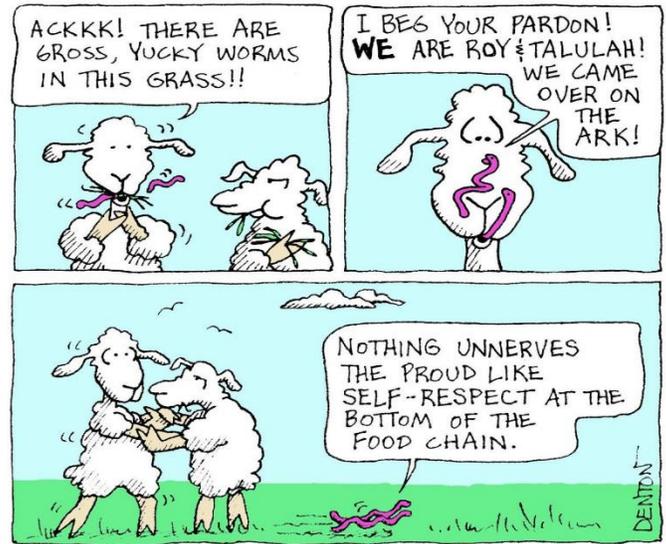
Discussion Starters

1. This reading calls me to simplify my life and change the notion of what society values. Today, I will take one step toward the Kingdom by ...
2. One way in which I am poor is ...
3. I find true happiness in ...

PARENTING POINTERS: "Blessed are you who are poor...hungry...weeping...when people hate you." (Luke 6:20-22) Can you as a family identify with being poor, hungry, crying, or hated? Certainly as a parent you've at least had times when your child complained about you.

Dig deep and ponder how to recognize this as a blessing...in time.

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**"Blessed are you who are poor,
for the kingdom of God is yours."**

Sheepish Questions:

Who have I ignored or disdained lately? What is the root cause of my attitude and how can I change it?

SAINTS OF FEBRUARY

FEBRUARY 6 - FRANCESCO SPINELLI – PRIEST

Francesco Spinelli was born in Milan, Italy, on April 14, 1853. As a child, he would join his mother in visiting and helping the poor and the needy of Milan. He entertained other children by putting on puppet shows.



Francesco studied for the priesthood in Bergamo, Italy, and was ordained a priest in 1875. It was later in 1875 that he had a vision of women perpetually adoring the Blessed Sacrament. He was faithful to the duties of his ministry, teaching in the seminary during the day and running evening classes for the poor by night. In 1882, he helped found a religious order that dedicated itself to the Eucharist and to Eucharistic adoration. But this effort failed, and Father Spinelli left Bergamo greatly saddened by what had happened.

He moved to Cremona, Italy, and in 1892 he founded the Sisters Adorers of the Blessed Sacrament. They were given diocesan approval in 1897. This order continues its ministry of adoring and praying before the Blessed Sacrament throughout the world.

Father Spinelli died on February 6, 1913. On the path to sainthood, he was known for the way he lived the Theological and the Cardinal Virtues. On October 14, 2018, Pope Francis declared him a saint of the Church.

PARISH NEWS

Offertory – Week Ending February 10th - Week 33

Thank you for your offering. It is with your continued support and the sharing of your time and talent that the ministries, programs and activities at Sacred Heart and St. John's are made possible. "Whatever you give to the Lord, He will return to you a hundred fold."

	Received	ACH	Budgeted	Diff.
Offertory 2/10 Wk. 33	\$3,747	\$500	\$6,346	-\$2,099
YTD Wk. 33	\$160,490	\$41,173	\$209,418	-\$7,755



PANCAKE SUPPER: The Father George S. Bradford Council of the Knights of Columbus will hold its annual Pancake Supper on **March 5, 2019 from 4:30 – 7:00 p.m.** in the Sacred Heart Church Hall. Adults are

\$9.00, children 4-12 are \$4.00, and under 4 are free. If you have any questions, please call Bill Taylor at 443-553-0700.

ELECTRONIC GIVING: It is possible to make your weekly financial commitment to the Parish using Electronic Funds Transfer. We are encouraging everyone to consider using this contribution method. Contact Mary Jo Frohlich with any questions at 410-778-3160, or mfrohlich@sacredparish.org. Sign up forms are available at the doors of the Church.

FLOWER DONATIONS:

Parishioners are invited to donate flowers in celebration of weddings, anniversaries, birthdays, and other special events. If you would like to donate flowers or place flowers in memory of a loved one, please inform Becky Davis for Sacred Heart, at 410-778-3160; or Mary Johnson for St. John's at 410-778-2230. Thank you.

BOOK OF INTENTIONS: The Book of Intentions is at the front foyer of the Church. Please feel free to list family members and friends who are sick or deceased, and for whom you wish the Community to offer prayers.



DIOCESAN NEWS

TRIBUTE TO PRIESTS: This weekend's Dialog features a Tribute to our Priests. As part of their ongoing coverage of the Diocese of Wilmington's 150th anniversary, The Dialog has published photos of diocesan and religious order priests active in parish and diocesan ministry. Pick up your copy after Mass.

Archives to hold exhibit in conjunction with Diocesan 150th anniversary celebration.

The Archives of the Catholic Diocese of Wilmington will present a special exhibit in celebration of the 150th anniversary of the founding of the Diocese. The exhibit will take place on **Sunday, February 24, 2019 from 12:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** in the Family Center of Saint Joseph on the Brandywine Church, 10 Old Church Road in Greenville, Delaware. The exhibit will feature dozens of items and documents going back to the 1600s when the first Catholic Europeans arrived in present-day Delaware and the Eastern Shore of Maryland. It is free and open to the public.

Our Sesquicentennial Year is ending! Diocesan 150th anniversary closing Mass on March 3rd.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER— Time is running out to register for the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Let a cozy weekend focused on your marriage keep you warm on these long winter nights! The next Marriage Encounter weekend will be **March 1-3, 2019** in Rehoboth Beach, DE. For information, visit our website at www.me.delmar.org or to register for the weekend, please call Tony and Linda Massino at 3202-220-9833. Don't delay! Your marriage deserves this gift!

You are cordially invited to join Bishop Malooly at the Diocese of Wilmington's Sesquicentennial Closing Mass on **Sunday, March 3, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.** at Saint Elizabeth Church, 809 South Broom Street in Wilmington. Gather with Catholics from across Delaware and Maryland's Eastern Shore to celebrate the conclusion of our year-long anniversary of the founding of the Diocese of Wilmington by Blessed Pope Pius IX on March 3, 1868.

RACHEL'S VINYARD CATHOLIC RETREAT: The next retreat is **May 3-5, 2019** at Malvern Retreat House. The retreat weekend is a beautiful opportunity for emotional and spiritual healing for any woman or man who has struggled with abortion. For more info contact Nan Freeman at 302-333-1904 or visit rachelsvineyard.org.

