

## Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 10, 2019

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying,

“Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?”

“Here I am, “I said, “send me!”

— *Isaiah 6:8*

### GOD’S SUMMONS

Confronted with God’s power and majesty, the first response of the prophet Isaiah was to acknowledge his sinfulness. “Woe is me, I am doomed! For I am a man of unclean lips,” he said aloud. Likewise, with his empty fishing nets dramatically filled at Jesus’ instruction, Peter fell to his knees and cried out, “Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man.”

Next, Peter got up. He docked his boats then left to follow Jesus. Isaiah also had a dramatic change of heart. When he heard the Lord say, “Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?” Isaiah answered, “Here I am, send me.”

We are summoned daily by the Risen Lord. We are reminded of the saving power of the gospel and know in our heart of hearts that, as St. Paul wrote, believing in anything else won’t lead to anything.

What will it take for you to move past your sinfulness? What will it take for you to get off your knees? What will it take for you to bring to dock what is unimportant and to accept your call to be God’s messenger?

### Mass Intentions



Sat., Feb., 09, 4:30 p.m. Henry McNamara, Dennis McCloskey, Thomas Pitre, Karge Family, Nick Sita, Louis Perschall Sr., Mehaffey Family (L), R.J. Rogers (L), Patty Johnson (L)Huval Family, Thomas Pitre

Sun., Feb., 10, 7:30 a.m. Parishioners

Sun., Feb., 10, 9:15 a.m. Carol Pieri

Sun., Feb., 10, 11:00 a.m. Bob Pecunia, Raymond Cuccio Jr., Fr. Vincent Phan (L). Joseph Legnon

Mon., Feb., 11, 8:00 a.m. Margaret Mary Mule’

Tues., Feb., 12 NO MASS

Wed., Feb., 13, 8:00 a.m. David Tucker

Thurs., Feb., 14, 8:00 a.m. Leonard Wilfert

Fri., Feb. 15, 8:00 a.m. Henry Lambert (L)

Sat., Feb., 16, 4:30 p.m. Henry McNamara, Dennis McCloskey, Thomas Pitre, Karge Family, Nick Sita, Louis Perschall Sr., Mehaffey Family (L), R.J. Rogers (L), Amy Goff, Benita and Jerry DePratt (L), Donna Polencheck (L), Lynn Johnson (L)

Sun., Feb., 17, 7:30 a.m. Margaret Mary Mule’, Carol Pieri, David Tucker, Jon Craig (L), Alvin Satches, Guy and Lillian Addotto, Ruth Christie (L), Gloria Fabre, Larry Kass, Dr. Frank Minyard (L), Julia Kass (L), Evelyn Kinchen, Olga Mathes (L), Joey Cherry, Ruppert Dubuisson

Sun., Feb., 17, 9:15 a.m. Parishioners

Sun., Feb., 17, 11:00 a.m. Joseph Legnon

We welcome all newcomers to St. John's Church and invite you to register as members of our parish family. Please complete a “Parishioner Form” located in back of church and drop it in the collection basket. A member of St. John's Church will contact you to assist you with registration.

### PRAYER LIST

Helen Lafleur	Rosalind Baham
Ruth Christie	Louise Cashmere
Alicia Pertuit	Ethel Istre
Carolyn Pierre	Rhonda Taylor
Josie Leathem	Rolland Golden
Pam Addotto	Ruthi Olson
Freddie Addotto	Roy Kellum

Please remember these parishioners and friends in your prayers. May they be touched by the healing hand of the Lord and restored soon to the full active life of our community and their families.

### Weekly Collections

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Envelopes	\$ 3,575.00
Loose	\$ 2,367.90
2 <sup>ND</sup> Coll. Churches in Latin America	\$ 502.00
Bldg. and Preservation Fund	\$ 1,247.96
Super Bowl Fundraiser Donation	\$ 1,500.00

Would like to give someone special a thoughtful gift? Consider a seven day devotional candle. The candles burn from Friday and are changed out the following Friday. We will be happy to send a special card to the person with personalized message that you would like it to say with the date and the candle will burn for them. For more information please call the office.

#### THE CANDLES BURN IN HONOR OF:

<i>Sanctuary:</i>	Lynn Johnson (L)
<i>Blessed Mother</i>	Denise Stansbury (L)
<i>St. Joseph</i>	Jon Craig & Jon Holmes (L)
<i>St. Ann</i>	Patty Johnson (L)

If you would like to honor your intention by burning a 7 day candle please call 796-3806.

#### SANCTUARY FLORALS

The flowers at the Altar  
in memory of

*Beverly and Paul Foret*

## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The Reign of God comes about because people commit to reversing their lives completely, to embracing new vision, new values. Many popular television shows exploit an unattractive side of human nature by pitting contestants against one another, even to the point of performing dangerous stunts or devious schemes, to gain money or favor.

At the liturgy, we counter that impulse by committing ourselves to live generously. In response to Christ's total gift, we offer bread and wine as the emblems of our lives, our hopes, our joys and sorrows. The bread and wine carried to the altar contain our lives, and by offering our lives to God, we prepare to receive the gift of God's own life. We are to become what we receive: the body of Christ.

On Sundays, this self-giving is often accompanied by a collection and procession of gifts for the poor and money for the upkeep of the parish. There are certainly other methods of collecting money, some perhaps more efficient. Yet the act of giving from our abundance, and attending to the needs of the poor, opens us up to participation in the changes the Reign of God requires.

The Archdiocesan Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebration will take place Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 3:00 p.m. at St. Philip Neri Church in Metairie. The celebration will be a Prayer Service. All married couples celebrating 50 or more years of marriage this year are invited to participate. *All participants must register. Forms are available at the Parish Office and must be returned to the Parish Office by Friday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>.* For more information, please call the parish office at 985-796-3806.

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion is needed for NORTSHORE Hospitals, Nursing Homes & Assisted Living Centers. For questions, please contact the Office of Healthcare Chaplaincy 504-227-3606.**

### FOOD DRIVE COLLECTION

For Lent our parish will be participating in a food drive that will benefit our neighbors who are living in poverty. The non-perishable food items we collect will be sent to the Covington Food Bank which serves families in St. Tammany, Washington and Tangipahoa Parishes. To help with the process we will distribute brown bags on March 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> at Church at all Masses. **We ask that you fill the bags during lent and return the filled bags during Lent and the Food Bank truck will come and pick up the bags.**

***The Prayer Blanket Ministry has blankets available to parishioners only to bring to loved ones who are ill.*** Blankets are available in two sizes, babies and adults. Completed blankets are blessed, and packaged with a prayer card. This is usually done at the meetings. Blankets are free, but any donations received will be used to purchase material and supplies. For more information, call Kathy Mauthe at 985-796-9245.

### LITURGICAL MINISTRY WORKSHOP

Basic workshops for new Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and basic workshops for Readers will be presented in March on the Northshore. Attendance at the workshop for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion is required before a person can be delegated by the Archbishop to serve in this ministry. Attendance at the workshop for readers is strongly recommended for new readers and all readers who have not previously attended a workshop. If you are interested in this rewarding ministry please call the office at 796-3806.

**Our Catch Fire Youth Group has pre-registered for the upcoming Abbey Youth Fest scheduled for March 23, 2019. For more information about the Abbey Fest or our Youth Group please call 789-7239.**

The Knights of Columbus are holding their Lenten Fish Fries every Friday during Lent beginning Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. in Jonathan Hall. The cost is \$9.00 per plate. They will be serving your choice of fried or baked fish, cole slaw, potatoes and hush puppies. Eat in or take out. Everyone is invited to attend.



A Second Collection for Catholic Charities-Archdiocese of New Orleans The second collection at all Masses, February 16-17, 2019, will be taken up for Catholic Charities Archdiocese of New Orleans. Your parish's support in this second collection provides crucial funds that enable Catholic Charities to bring hope and support to those in need in our archdiocese.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETINGS ARE THE SECOND THURSDAY OF MONTH AT 7:30 P.M. IN ODILO HALL

FIRST SATURDAY MASS AT 8:00 A.M. EVERY MONTH

CATCH FIRE YOUTH GROUP MEETS THE FIRST AND THIRD SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH FROM 6 – 7:30 P.M. IN ODILO HALL.

PSALMS ADULT BIBLE STUDY, THURS. OR FRI. IN LIBRARY AT 9 A.M.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES EVERY SUNDAY, NOON UNTIL 1:15 IN LIBRARY

MONDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY, REVELATION, 7:30 PM IN LIBRARY

PSR CLASSES ARE EVERY WEDNESDAY FOR 6:15 – 7:30 P.M.

EVERY THURSDAY MEN'S GROUP MEETS AT 7:30 PM IN LIBRARY

### **CHOOSING SIDES**

My great concern is not whether God is on our side; my great concern is to be on God's side.