Prayers of the Faithful

February 2021
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2021  THE PRESENTATION

(Lec. 524)
1)  Malachi 3:1-4
2)  Hebrews 2:14-18
3)  Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

PRIEST: As God’s children, let us bring our prayers to him this day, with great confidence in his love for us.

1)  For Pope Francis and all pastoral leaders, may the Lord guide and sustain them, let us pray to the Lord.

2)  For civic leaders, may God move their hearts in working to protect the dignity and sanctity of human life from conception through natural death, let us pray to the Lord.

3)  For the sick, may God’s saving power offer profound healing and peace, let us pray to the Lord.

4)  For those gathered here and for all those we love, may God’s mercy be upon all of us this day, let us pray to the Lord.

5)  For the repose of the soul of Sara Pat Shaheen, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: Father, we thank you for sending your Son, who took on our nature to conquer sin and death. We ask that you hear the prayers we offer in his name today.

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Wednesday, February 3, 2021

WEDNESDAY OF

(Lec. 325)

FOURTH WEEK

1) Hebrews 12:4-7, 11-15
2) Mark 6:1-6

IN ORDINARY TIME

(Opt. Mem. Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; Saint Ansgar, Bishop)

PRIEST: Together we lift up our hearts in prayer to God, who blesses us with abundance and who is present to us in all our needs.

1) For all members of the Church, may the Holy Spirit continue to guide us in the ways of the Lord, let us pray to the Lord.

2) For peace in our world, and in our hearts, let us pray to the Lord.

3) For all who struggle with addiction, may the Lord’s kindness and compassion come upon them, let us pray to the Lord.

4) For this faith community, may the Lord sow seeds that bear much fruit in our lives of discipleship, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the repose of the soul of Paul Dronet, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: Heavenly Father, hear our prayers and in your great mercy grant them according to your holy will. We pray this through your Son, Christ our Lord.

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THURSDAY OF
FOURTH WEEK
1) Hebrews 12:18-19, 21-24
2) Mark 6:7-13

IN ORDINARY TIME

PRIEST: As we approach our heavenly Father, we do so in confidence that he will hear our prayers.

1) For all missionaries sent out to preach the Gospel, may God be their leader and their guide, let us pray to the Lord.

2) For world leaders, may God bless their work to bring peace and justice to their nations, let us pray to the Lord.

3) For people who are terminally or chronically ill, may God grant them peace and healing, let us pray to the Lord.

4) For this community of worship, may God bless the efforts of those who teach the faith to others, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the repose of the soul of Collin Cooper, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: Loving God, we approach you with confidence, knowing that you hear our prayers and always desire what is best for us. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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Friday, February 5, 2021

(Lec. 327)

FOURTH WEEK

1) Hebrews 13:1-8
2) Mark 6:14-29

IN ORDINARY TIME

(OBL MEM
Saint Agatha,
Virgin and Martyr)

PRIEST: With trust in God’s loving will, let us make our requests known to him.

1) For all members of the Church, may God bless us in the service of his Kingdom, let us pray to the Lord.

2) For civic leaders, may God grant them fortitude and strength in choosing to promote the dignity of all human life, let us pray to the Lord.

3) For the lonely and despairing among us, may they know God’s love and consolation in the midst of their trials, let us pray to the Lord.

4) For this family of faith, may the Lord develop within us hearts of love and stewardship to draw us ever closer to him, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the repose of the soul of Buddy and Wilfred BERGEAUX, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: Loving and gracious God, hear our prayers and pour out your grace upon us, we ask through Christ our Lord.

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SATURDAY OF
FOURTH WEEK
1) Hebrews 13:15-17, 20-21
2) Mark 6:30-34

IN ORDINARY TIME

(OBL MEM
Saint Paul Miki
and Companions,
Martyrs)

PRIEST: Today, we gather together as one voice and offer our prayers to our loving God.

1) For Church leaders, may the Spirit of Christ sustain them in their lives of service, let us pray to the Lord.

2) For political leaders, may God bless them with integrity and humility, let us pray to the Lord.

3) For those who suffer from anxiety or depression, may the hope of Christ bring peace to their lives, let us pray to the Lord.

4) For those within our faith community who are discerning vocations to the priesthood and religious life, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the repose of the soul of Mary and Gary Bergeaux, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: Heavenly Father, hear and answer these prayers we have brought before you in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2021

(Lec. 74)

FIFTH SUNDAY
(IN ORDINARY TIME)

1) Job 7:1-4, 6-7
2) 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23
3) Mark 1:29-39

PRIEST: We present our needs and petitions to our almighty God, who sustains the lowly and heals the broken-hearted.

1) That the Church, the seed of the Kingdom inaugurated by Christ, may be nourished by his grace to grow in unity and holiness, let us pray to the Lord.

2) That government and public health officials may be granted wisdom and strength in their efforts to manage the pandemic, let us pray to the Lord.

3) That the Good News of God’s kingdom may give hope to all those in misery and despair, let us pray to the Lord.

4) That this faith community may be blessed by the Spirit with love, joy, and peace, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the health and salvation of the people of the parish and all those that live within the parish boundaries, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: Good and gracious God, in your goodness hear and answer the prayers of those who cry out to you. Through Christ our Lord.

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Tuesday, February 9, 2021  TUESDAY OF

(Lec. 330)
FIFTH WEEK
1) Genesis 1:20–2:4a  IN ORDINARY TIME
2) Mark 7:1-13

PRIEST: Together as one voice, let us lift our prayers to our loving and merciful God.

1) For members of the Church throughout the world, may the love of Christ unite our hearts to God in our lives of faith, let us pray to the Lord.

2) For elected officials, may God strengthen them in justice and integrity, let us pray to the Lord.

3) For the homebound and the lonely, may the love of Jesus console and comfort them, let us pray to the Lord.

4) For this faith community, may God’s declaration of the goodness of creation guide our relationship with the earth and its resources, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the repose of the soul of Anton and Emma Baum, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: Loving God, we thank you for hearing our prayers this day and ask for your gracious mercy in granting them. We pray in the name of Jesus, our Lord.

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PRIEST: Trusting in our God who created us, we bring our prayers before him.

1) That the Church may continue to be sanctified and strengthened through the transforming grace of God, let us pray to the Lord.

2) That the Lord may look graciously upon all who desire and strive for purity of heart for the sake of their salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

3) That all who have experienced violence or hatred of any kind may be consoled by the peace and healing of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

4) That the hearts of those of us gathered here may be purified from every evil, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the repose of the soul of Conrad Schatzle, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: God of all Creation, we thank you for the gift of life and everything that sustains us. Hear and answer our prayers this day according to your will, through Christ our Lord.

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THURSDAY OF
Lec. 332
FIFTH WEEK
1) Genesis 2:18-25
2) Mark 7:24-30

IN ORDINARY TIME

(Opt. Mem. Our Lady of Lourdes)

PRIEST: Confident in God’s great love for us, we place our needs before him.

1) For Pope Francis and all Church leaders, may God’s light shine upon them in their work of spreading the Gospel, let us pray to the Lord.

2) For political leaders, may God guide them in faith to lead with responsibility and integrity, let us pray to the Lord.

3) For those who struggle with seemingly insurmountable challenges, may God’s love strengthen their faith, let us pray to the Lord.

4) For all of us gathered here today, may God’s bountiful presence permeate our lives, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the repose of the soul of Harry Henry, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: Almighty and eternal Father, you created us and provided for our every need. Hear our prayers today as we humbly ask for your help. We ask through your Son, Christ our Lord.

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FRIDAY OF FIFTH WEEK

1) Genesis 3:1-8
2) Mark 7:31-37

IN ORDINARY TIME

PRIEST: Trusting in God’s providence, we present him our petitions.

1) That the ears of Christians everywhere may be opened by God’s grace to his saving Word, let us pray to the Lord.

2) That civic leaders may be guided by the Holy Spirit in their efforts to protect life from conception through natural death, let us pray to the Lord.

3) That those who suffer from addiction may find healing in Jesus’ merciful touch, let us pray to the Lord.

4) That members of this faith community may grow in faith, love, and hope through God’s providence in their lives, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the repose of the soul of Jerome Nortman, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: Faithful and merciful God, hear the prayers we offer you today, through Christ our Lord.

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Saturday, February 13, 2021

SATURDAY OF

(Lec. 334)

FIFTH WEEK

1) Genesis 3:9-24
2) Mark 8:1-10

IN ORDINARY TIME

(Saturday in honor of BVM)

PRIEST: Aware of the Lord’s goodness, let us offer him our prayers with trust and humility.

1) For the Church, may the Lord protect her from all evil, let us pray to the Lord.

2) For governing officials, may God inspire them in enacting policies that uplift families, let us pray to the Lord.

3) For all who suffer from the violence to human dignity inherent in racism, let us pray to the Lord.

4) For this faith community, may we grow in holiness through the intercession of God’s Holy Spirit, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the repose of the soul of David McMahon, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: Almighty God, accept the prayers we have brought to you today. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2021                   SIXTH SUNDAY
(Lec. 77)

IN ORDINARY TIME
1) Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46
2) 1 Corinthians 10:31–11:1
3) Mark 1:40-45

PRIEST: Together as one voice, we turn to our merciful, ever-present God with our prayers and petitions.

1) For all members of the Church, may the Holy Spirit draw us ever more deeply into the communion for which we are made, let us pray to the Lord.

2) For world leaders, may God give them fortitude in working to promote peace and unity, let us pray to the Lord.

3) For all who are grieving broken relationships or the loss of a loved one, may God’s presence offer comfort and healing, let us pray to the Lord.

4) For those in this faith community discerning a vocation to the priesthood or religious life, may God grant them strength and wisdom, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the health and salvation of the people of the parish and all those who live within the parish boundaries, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: Loving God, trusting in your saving power, we offer these prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Tuesday, February 16, 2021 TUESDAY OF

(Lec. 336)
SIXTH WEEK
1) Genesis 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10
2) Mark 8:14-21

IN ORDINARY TIME

PRIEST: With trust in our merciful God, let us bring him our prayers today.

1) For all members of the Church, may the Holy Spirit strengthen us in our work of building the kingdom of God on earth, let us pray to the Lord.

2) For legislatures around the world, may God embolden them in enacting policies to protect human life in all stages, let us pray to the Lord.

3) For those who are hungry or food insecure, may the love of God call forth people and resources to meet their needs, let us pray to the Lord.

4) For this faith community, may the Lord’s compassion enable us to see and respond to one another’s suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the repose of the soul of Shelton Fontenot, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: Heavenly Father, we humbly ask you to look kindly on the prayers we bring before you today, in the name of Jesus, your Son.

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2021

(Lec. 219)

1) Joel 2:12-18
2) 2 Corinthians 5:20–6:2
3) Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

PRIEST: Trusting in the Lord’s mercy, let us bring before him our prayers and petitions for ourselves and for the world.

1) For the Church throughout the world, may the Lord lead us into a deeper conversion of heart through the practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, let us pray to the Lord.

2) For those who govern, may the Spirit guide them in their decision-making for the common good, let us pray to the Lord.

3) For children throughout the world, especially those who are in need of food, shelter, and care, may the Lord protect and guard them, let us pray to the Lord.

4) For all members of this faith community, may the Lord help us persevere in our Lenten commitments in the face of distractions and temptations, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the repose of the soul of Justin McMahon, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: Hear these prayers we bring before you, O Lord, and answer them in accordance with your merciful and divine will. We ask through Christ our Lord.

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THURSDAY AFTER
(Lec. 220)
ASH WEDNESDAY
1) Deuteronomy 30:15-20

PRIEST: Gathered as one people, let us ask God to hear the prayers we bring before him.

1) That the Lord may inspire men and women to choose to follow Christ through vocations to the ordained and consecrated life, let us pray to the Lord.

2) That the Holy Spirit may renew the commitment of our nation’s leaders in choosing life, let us pray to the Lord.

3) That God may give strength to those whose crosses seem too burdensome to bear, let us pray to the Lord.

4) That Christ may bless our practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving during this Lenten season, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the repose of the soul of Billy Browning, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: God of Life, hear our prayers and answer them according to your will. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

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ASH WEDNESDAY

1) Isaiah 58:1-9a
2) Matthew 9:14-15

PRIEST: As we begin our Lenten journey, we turn our hearts and minds to our heavenly Father and present our petitions to him.

1) For all members of the Church, may God draw us ever closer to himself during this Lenten season, let us pray to the Lord.

2) For leaders of nations and all those in authority, may God guide them in governing with wisdom and compassion, let us pray to the Lord.

3) For those who struggle with mental illness, may God’s healing grace come upon them, let us pray to the Lord.

4) For this community of faith, may the Holy Spirit enkindle in us a fire for the corporal works of mercy during this Lenten season, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the repose of the soul of Lori Crandle, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: Father of love and mercy, we ask you to graciously hear the prayers we offer today. Through your Son, Christ our Lord.

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ASH WEDNESDAY
1) Isaiah 58:9b-14
2) Luke 5:27-32

PRIEST: As members of the Body of Christ, we humbly bring our prayers and petitions to God.

1) For Pope Francis, may God grant him courage and strength in his mission to spread the Good News, let us pray to the Lord.

2) For national leaders, may God lead them in greater selflessness in their call to serve, let us pray to the Lord.

3) For families who are estranged from one another, may God’s grace bring about healing, forgiveness, and reconciliation, let us pray to the Lord.

4) For members of this faith community, may the Holy Spirit guide our thoughts and actions this day, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the repose of the soul of Mary Margaret Davis, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: Merciful Father, through the death of your Son you have restored humanity to your love. Hear the prayers we now offer through him, he who is Christ our Lord.

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2021

(Lec. 23)

OF LENT

1) Genesis 9:8-15
2) 1 Peter 3:18-22
3) Mark 1:12-15

PRIEST: Approaching the throne of our heavenly Father, let us offer our prayers for the Church and the world.

1) For the Church, may the Lord guide and protect her in proclaiming the kingdom of God to all, let us pray to the Lord.

2) For those who serve in state and local governments, may the Holy Spirit inspire them in working to protect the most vulnerable, especially the unborn, let us pray to the Lord.

3) For those burdened to the point of despair, may God’s grace poured out upon them strengthen and uphold them, let us pray to the Lord.

4) For this faith community, may the Lord’s presence here in Word and sacrament open our hearts more fully to the Gospel message, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the health and salvation of the people of the parish and all those who live within the parish boundaries, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: Hear our prayers, God our Father, as we turn to you, the source of all goodness. We ask this through your Son, Christ our Lord.

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Tuesday, February 23, 2021

(Tue. 225)

FIRST WEEK

1) Isaiah 55:10-11

2) Matthew 6:7-15

(PRIEST:) With humble hearts, we bring our prayers before the Lord.

1) For all members of the Church, may the power of God’s word embolden us in bearing abundant fruit, let us pray to the Lord.

2) For civic leaders, may the word of the Lord be the water that makes their labors fruitful and just, let us pray to the Lord.

3) For those who struggle with their prayer life, may they be comforted in the knowledge that God hears their distress and knows what they need before they ask, let us pray to the Lord.

4) For our community of faith, may God transform our lives into witnesses of his goodness, truth, and beauty, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the repose of the soul of Barbara Brown, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: Good and gracious God, accept these prayers and answer them according to your holy will. We ask through Christ our Lord.

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WEDNESDAY OF
(Lec. 226)
FIRST WEEK

1) Jonah 3:1-10
2) Luke 11:29-32

PRIEST: Confident in God’s merciful love, we bring our needs to him this day.

1) For the Church, may the Spirit give us courage to spread the Good News, let us pray to the Lord.

2) For those in governance and public office, may the Lord strengthen them in leadership and guide their hearts toward charity, let us pray to the Lord.

3) For those who feel they cannot be forgiven, may the compassion of God open their hearts to his abundant mercy, let us pray to the Lord.

4) For those gathered here, may God grant us the grace this Lent to recognize our sins and to turn back to him, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the repose of the soul of Sharon Royer, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: Merciful and loving God, we thank you for the sign of Jonah and the salvation won by your Son. Hear these prayers we offer, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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THURSDAY OF
(Lec. 227)
FIRST WEEK
1) Esther C:12, 14-16, 23-25
2) Matthew 7:7-12

PRIEST: Trusting in God’s mercy and compassion, we offer our prayers and petitions.

1) For missionaries who work to spread the Gospel, may God bless their efforts in drawing others closer to Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

2) For national and local leaders, may the grace of God grant them discerning hearts, let us pray to the Lord.

3) For the chronically ill, may God bring them healing, let us pray to the Lord.

4) For this faith community, may the Holy Spirit unify us in love for Christ and service to others, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the repose of the soul of Paul Dronet, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: Loving God, hear the prayers we have brought before you, in the name of Jesus the Lord.

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FIRST WEEK
1) Ezekiel 18:21-28
2) Matthew 5:20-26

PRIEST: With confidence in our merciful Father, we bring him our prayers and petitions.

1) For Pope Francis and bishops across the world, may the Lord guide them this Lent in shepherding their flocks, let us pray to the Lord.

2) For government leaders, may the Holy Spirit be their guide in treating their people with basic human dignity, let us pray to the Lord.

3) For those who feel marginalized or left behind, may God strengthen them in faith and bring them his peace, let us pray to the Lord.

4) For those who are preparing to join the Church at Easter, may the Lord’s grace be upon them, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the repose of the soul of Collin Cooper, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: Heavenly Father, hear the prayers we offer through your Son, Christ our Lord.

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SATURDAY OF
FIRST WEEK
1) Deuteronomy 26:16-19
2) Matthew 5:43-48

PRIEST: Trusting in God’s promise to be near to those who follow his commandments, we confidently bring him our prayers.

1) For the Church, may God continue to guide and bless her as we enter this holy season of Lent, let us pray to the Lord.

2) For judges and practitioners of the law, may the Holy Spirit bless them with wisdom and honesty, let us pray to the Lord.

3) For the imprisoned, may the love of Christ enter their hearts, bringing hope and mercy, let us pray to the Lord.

4) For the faithful gathered here, may God bless our Lenten practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the repose of the soul of Wilfred & Gary Bergeaux, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: Eternal Father, we thank you for your goodness. We ask you to kindly hear the prayers brought before you today in the name of your Son Jesus, our Lord.

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2021

(Lec. 26)

SECOND SUNDAY

OF LENT

1) Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18
2) Romans 8:31b-34
3) Mark 9:2-10

PRIEST: Gathered as one voice, let us present our petitions to our merciful Father.

1) That all members of the Church may be blessed with the grace to hear God’s voice each day, let us pray to the Lord.

2) That leaders everywhere may be led by the Spirit in protecting life at all its stages, let us pray to the Lord.

3) That all who are suffering physical, financial, or psychological hardships due to the coronavirus may have their burdens lifted by the Lord, and be consoled by his healing hand, let us pray to the Lord.

4) That those among us who may be discerning a call to priesthood or religious life may be led and strengthened by the Holy Spirit, let us pray to the Lord.

5) For the health and salvation of the people of the parish and all those who live within the parish boundaries, let us pray to the Lord.

PRIEST: Heavenly Father, hear the prayers we place before you this day. We ask this through your Son, Christ our Lord.

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