

The Serenity Prayer

God, give us grace to accept with serenity the things that cannot be changed.

Courage to change the things which should be changed, and the Wisdom to distinguish the one from the other.

Living one day at a time, enjoying one moment at a time, accepting hardship as a pathway to peace.

Taking, as Jesus did, this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it.

Trusting that You will make all things right, if I surrender to Your will.

So that I may be reasonably happy in this life, and supremely happy with You forever in the next.

Amen.

*Reinhold Niebuhr
(1892 – 1971)*

First Friday in Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus



We will have Mass followed by Holy Hour on **Friday, February 5th** at 8:30am.

Mass Intentions *for the Week*

Saturday, January 30

4:00 PM Pro Populo

Sunday, January 31

8:00 AM Raymond Tanon by Enid Tanon

10:30 AM †Butch Koether by Doris & Joe Madden

12:15 PM †Aderaldo Arteaga Int. de las Familias Arteaga & Velazquez

Tuesday, February 2

8:30 AM †Victor Gaytan Hernandez by Ana Laura Hernandez

Wednesday, February 3

8:30 AM †Marino de Vera Jr. by Cherry Martinez

6:30 PM Intención Especial

Thursday, February 4

8:30 AM †Frida Milone by Lucy Krouskop

Friday, February 5

8:30 AM In Honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Saturday, February 6

4:00 PM Pro Populo

Sunday, February 7

8:00 AM †Joaquin Herrera by Wife & Family

10:30 AM †Jesus B. Torres by Children & Grandchildren

12:15 PM Para todas las Almas del Purgatorio Int. de María Guerrero

Mass Intentions

Sound Catholic practice encourages us to offer the Mass for the departed and for those in any need. To request a Mass to be offered, please return to the office a completed Mass Intention envelope. We have Mass Intentions envelopes in the foyer of the church.

Special Blessing for Expectant Mothers

Next weekend we will have our monthly blessing for expectant mothers of our parish after all the Masses.

Prayer Requests



Joe Wages	Nick Morales, Sr.
Rosann Kinkaid	Barbara Meshell
Maria Landaverde	Wayne Meshell
Becca Elliott	Judy Aloï
Mike Gonzales	Nancy Bardsley
Jessica Harris	Kenneth Elliott
Tillie Trevino	George Lawshe
Frances LaPoint	Maria Carmona
Juan Ramirez	Susie Connolly
Elaine Kasper	Cyndy Vargas
Clarence Gattenby	Ernestina Bueno
Nancy Diaz	Cynthia Leal
Janie Garcia	Bob Rowland
Stephen LaPoint	Bobbie Goelden
Felipe Caballero	Sergio Roman
Dominic Sanchez	Rojelio Garcia
Nelda Torres Leflower	Danny Doak
Salvador Ortega	Salvador Mejia
Jovita De la Garza	Candelaria Rangel

Reporting Abuse:

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Readings for the Week of January 31, 2021

<u>Sunday</u>	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35; Mk 1:21-28
<u>Monday</u>	Heb 11:32-40; Ps 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24; Mk 5:1-20
<u>Tuesday</u>	Feast of the Presentation of the Lord Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
<u>Wednesday</u>	Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; Saint Ansgar, Bishop Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a; Mk 6:1-6
<u>Thursday</u>	Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 9, 10-11; Mk 6:7-13
<u>Friday</u>	Memorial of Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc; Mk 6:14-29
<u>Saturday</u>	Memorial of Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs Heb 13:15-17; 20-21; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mk 6:30-34

Lectors Schedule ~ February 6/7

Saturday:

4:00 PM Cathy Burton

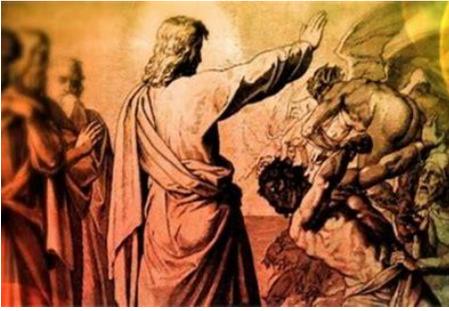
Sunday:

8:00 AM Gerald Garcia
10:30 AM Bill Bedrick

Last Week's Collection

Regular Collection:	4,001.65
Blue Pay (Jan. 15/18):	300.00

Fourth Week of Ordinary Time



On the **Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time** Mark's Gospel brings us the story of Jesus driving out unclean spirits from a man in the synagogue. The people are impressed because he taught with authority in ways the scribes did not and they marveled that even the unclean spirits obey him.

Tuesday is the **Feast of the Presentation of the Lord**, with its own special readings. Friday is the **Memorial of Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr** and Saturday the **Memorial of Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs**.

The first reading this week continues with the **Letter to the Hebrews**. Jesus is priest and we should not be discouraged.

In **Mark's Gospel** this week, Jesus continues to heal and teach. A man in the Gerasenes is healed of unclean spirits and wants to stay with Jesus but he tells the man, "Go home to your family and announce to them all that the Lord in his pity has done for you." The young daughter of a synagogue official is sick and on the way to cure her, as Jesus stood in a crowd, he felt the power go out of him as a woman with a hemorrhage touched his cloak. "Your faith has saved you," he reassures her. To the synagogue official he says, "Do not be afraid; just have faith" and heals his daughter. He teaches in the synagogue in his hometown "and they took offense at him." He was not able to perform miracles there, because of their lack of faith. Jesus sends his apostles, in twos, to share the good news. After publicly promising a dancer anything she wants, Herod reluctantly gives the girl her wish and orders John the Baptist to be beheaded. When Jesus' disciples return from their journeys, he encourages them, "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." But as they tried to get away "and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things."

Daily Prayer This Week

The readings this week seem to be about healing and call. In our ongoing renewal, we can ask our Lord to be continually healed of what is getting in my way and to continually be more and more open to my call.

Even though we are trying to be people who find intimacy with God in the very midst of our everyday lives, there might be moments this week when we plug into a really great connection with our Lord. So often that happens when we find ourselves in need of healing. Perhaps after many years of one part of our life being dominated by an unclean spirit, we discover a readiness to be whole again, pure again. Maybe we encounter a sin that has become "my" sin, my obstacle to growth in my relationship with God. This may be the week to open my heart to pure grace and reconciliation.

This could be the week when we discover what a handicap fear itself is in my life. It may be the reason I don't ask or even reach out to touch Jesus for healing. This may be the week we are being invited to no longer be afraid and to let our Lord love us and heal us. Touching his cloak, without words, may be enough for us.

This week, like so many, can be a time for us to be consciously aware of our being called - placed in a position of being his disciple. In that situation, whatever way the invitation comes to us, we are clearly facing an opportunity to be a source of good news, rather than bad news; to love tenderly, rather than selfishly; to be a gatherer of others, rather than a divider; and to be a source of compassion, rather than a heartless judge. And, when that happens, we can delight in spending a bit more time with Jesus, comforting us for being his disciple there. We can "come away with him" for even a brief moment and give thanks that we had that taste of his ministry, happening through us.

When we rest each night this week, expressing our thanks for this daily prayer is quite in order.



La Oración de la Serenidad

Dios, concédenos la serenidad
para aceptar las cosas que
no puedo cambiar.

El valor para cambiar las cosas
que puedo cambiar
y la sabiduría para conocer
la diferencia.

Viviendo un día a la vez,
disfrutando un momento a la vez;
aceptando las adversidades
como un camino hacia la paz.

Pidiendo, como lo hizo Dios,
en este mundo pecador tal
y como es, y no como
me gustaría que fuera.

Creyendo que Tú harás
que todas las cosas estén bien
si yo me entrego a Tu voluntad.

De modo que pueda ser
razonablemente feliz en esta vida
e increíblemente feliz
Contigo en la siguiente.
Amen.

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“HAGÁMOSLE CASO AL SEÑOR”



Dios nos habla continuamente y de muy diversas maneras, pero muy pocas veces prestamos atención a lo que nos dice.

- ✚ Dios nos habla en infinidad de cosas hermosas de su creación: el sol, la luna, las estrellas, el océano, las flores, el rostro de un bebé, la risa de los niños...
- ✚ Dios nos habla en los profetas, que supieron escucharlo y comunicar a su pueblo aquello que le pedía y que aún le pide...
- ✚ En los apóstoles, en los evangelistas y en todos sus santos, Dios se manifiesta, para que podamos conocerlo, amarlo y tener la confianza suficiente para poner nuestra vida en sus manos...
- ✚ En santa María Virgen Dios nos dejó una Madre formidable y un modelo de escucha y obediencia que se manifiesta en obras...
- ✚ Y, sobre todo, porque en su Hijo amado, que es su Palabra eterna, el Padre del cielo nos revela la grandeza de su amor y nos hace hijos adoptivos suyos...
- ✚ Jesús él es el único y definitivo Maestro que tiene la autoridad “para mandar hasta a los espíritus inmundos y lo obedecen”.

Clases Pre-Bautismales ~ 2021

ANOTEN: Ya no hay cupo para las clases Pre-Bautismales para el 20 de febrero. La siguiente clase Pre-Bautismales es el **20 de marzo** y podrá inscribirse el 22 de febrero.



**Por eso, lo mejor para
nosotros será hacerle caso
al Señor, y no endurecer
nuestro corazón.**

Contribuciones ~ 2020

Favor de llamar a la oficina de la Iglesia [972-563-3643] si quiere que se le mande por correo una copia de sus contribuciones del 2020 para los impuestos.