

FOURTH SUNDAY IN O.T.

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February 3, 2019

Faith, hope, and love remain,
these three;
but the greatest of these is
love.
— 1 Corinthians 13:13

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Our Lady of Fatima
Pleaded that we pray the Holy Rosary
before Sunday Mass and
privately from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm daily.

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Rector Office Hours:

Monday – Friday 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Parish Office: 814-942-0371



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Our Lady of Fatima Mass Schedule

Sunday: 10:30 AM - Holy Days: 6:00PM
Rosary: 10:05 AM - Rosary: 5:40 PM

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Our Lady of Fatima Parish Administrator
Reverend Monsignor Robert C. Mazur

Parish Secretary
Carol Z. Smith

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Eucharist for the home bound - weekly:
Patty Flanagan 942-0371 for arrangements.

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Monday through Friday: 9AM - 5PM Winter
9AM - 6PM Summer

for visits before the Blessed Sacrament.

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Sunday: 5:00 PM (Vigil) Holy Days: 5:30 PM (Vigil) Weekdays: 6:45 AM

8:00 AM	8:00 AM	8:00 AM
10:00 AM	12:00 Noon	12:00 Noon
12:00 Noon	5:30 PM	Saturday : 8:00 AM
5:00 PM		12:00 Noon

AN ONGOING MISSION

In his hometown synagogue, Jesus' neighbors are amazed by his words. Nevertheless, they remind each other, "Is this not Joseph's son?"

Surely the people know who he is. The carpenter's son. The young man who had learned in this very synagogue. The boy down the street.

Conflict arises as Jesus begins to define himself in a new way. When he compares himself to the ancient prophets Elijah and Elisha the tensions grow. The tensions multiply when Jesus begins to tell of a new mission for God's people: the good news of the scriptures is intended for all.

In his famous passage from the First Letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul reminds us of the eternal nature of love. Love does not come to an end. In today's readings, we are reminded that, like love, Jesus' mission cannot be contained. Jesus slips through the crowd of persecutors and moves on to new challenges. We are called to this same perseverance in the name of love.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The song of the angels, "Holy, Holy, Holy," resounds from our lips at every Mass. There was a widespread belief in the first religions of the world that God stirred creation into being by a word, a song, a musical note. Music and a sense of God's presence have always been inseparable. In the liturgy, your voice is invited into this song as the priest names the reasons for our praise. "Heaven and earth are full of your glory," and we are not passive onlookers, but participants in this glory. Catholic prayer no longer assigns this angelic hymn to a choir, but gives it to you to sing. Even if your voice is thought to be suitable only for a well-insulated shower stall, you are called into this song.

We are born to sing—just listen to a baby testing the full range of newly-discovered vocal abilities. Soon we get shushed and hushed into quiet, and given lots of messages that our voices are unwanted, and that we need to raise our hands in order to be heard. All of that is overturned in liturgy, the place where God waits to hear us come alive in the song of all creation. In heaven, everyone's in the choir; why not start practicing now?

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PLANNING

If you are planning for a year,
sow rice.

If you are planning for a decade,
plant trees.

If you are planning for a lifetime,
educate a person.

—Chinese Proverb

<p style="text-align: center;">FEBRUARY 3, 2019 FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 10:30 AM</p> <p>OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS INTENTIONS Readings: Jer 1:4-5,17-19; 1 Cor 12:31-13:13; Lk 4:21-30 Today's Intention-Ronald Geis Readings: Is 6:1-2, 3-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 5:1-11 Sun., February 10, FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Fr. Dennis Kudziel, Cont'd Good Health, Carol Riggleman</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Cathedral Mass Intentions</p> <p>February 4, Monday: Weekday Readings: Heb 11:32-40; Mk 5:1-20 6:45 AM Prayer and Thanksgiving (Grove Family) 8:00 AM Billie Baker (Bob and Judy Baker) 12:00 PM John Bauer (Wife)</p> <p>February 5, Tuesday: Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr Readings: Heb 12:1-4; Mk 5:21-43 6:45 AM Janet Tomlinson (Daniel) 8:00 AM Msgr. Paul Panza (Marge Dennis) 12:00 PM Madeline Vogel (Cathedral Christian Mothers)</p> <p>February 6, Wednesday: St. Paul Miki and Comp, Martyrs Readings: Heb 12:4-7,11-15; Mk 6:1-6 6:45 AM Maureen Wood (Cathedral Parish) 8:00 AM Julianne Seidel (Michael Austin and Family) 12:00 PM Wanda Watkins (Elizabeth and Neil Heverly)</p> <p>February 7, Thursday: Weekday Readings: Heb 12:18-19,21-24; Mk 6:7-13 6:45 AM In Thanksgiving & Remem. (Kling & Weaver Fam.) 8:00 AM Cynthia Corbo (Janet and Michele Belsey) 12:00 PM Tim Nagle (McNelis Teachers)</p> <p>February 8, Friday: St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita Readings: Heb 13:1-8; Mk 6:14-29 6:45 AM Barbara Byers (Mark and Sue Thur) 8:00 AM Angela Cronin Chadwick (Skip Cowan) 12:00 PM Alice Winkler (Mary Gene & Maureen Vogel)</p> <p>February 9, Saturday: Weekday Readings: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Mk 6:30-34 8:00 AM Audrey Kenny, Birthday (Karen Querry) 12:00 PM Msgr. Roy Kline (Cathedral Parish)</p> <p>Vigil: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Readings: Is 6:1-2, 3-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 5:1-11 5:00 PM Michael Dionis, Anniversary (Mom and Dad)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Jesus, Son of the Living Father, Have Mercy on Me a Sinner.</i></p> <p><i>Please pray for all of our parishioners, especially for those who have illnesses great and small and our seniors who are lonely and need comfort and care.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">FEBRUARY 3, 2019 Scripture Reflection</p> <p><i>It is not explicit in Luke's account why the residents of Nazareth turned on Jesus, but it certainly had something to do with his bold speech. Mark's version of these events makes that plain, "Where did this man get all this? Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary? . . And they took offense at him" (Mk 6:2-3). Luke compresses this controversy into the subtle phrase that the Lectionary renders, "They also asked 'Isn't this the son of Joseph?'" The surprise they experienced at his gracious words quickly turned sour when they considered the man they thought they knew. Jesus was not allowed to speak about himself or about God with boldness.</i></p> <p><i>This is the nature of Jesus' prophet message in Luke's Gospel. Jesus' words had power. Those who encountered Jesus for the first time, like the residents of Capernaum, found his message fresh, even exhilarating. Those who thought they knew him, like his childhood neighbors at Nazareth, found his message impossible to take seriously. No one with Jesus' background, they thought, could preach authentically the words they heard from his mouth. Similarly, those who did not know Jesus but studied prophecies of the coming messiah also found him preposterous. Leaders of the community, like the scribes and Pharisees, heard the power of his words and saw his mighty deeds but could not accept that he was the one Israel had awaited for centuries.</i></p> <p><i>Luke wrote this passage in part as a warning to disciples of every age. We can come to think that we all know all we need to know about Christ's message, the extent of his power and the effects of his love. When divine grace draws us into a deeper understanding of the Gospel, that invitation can be disruptive. We can reject what we only think we understand, as did the citizens of Nazareth, or we can accept the mystery, as did the citizens of Capernaum, several of whom became apostles and followed Jesus for the rest of his days.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Have you ever found Jesus' message a challenge to believe and to follow?</i> <p>AMERICA MAGAZINE, "The fresh, exhilarating message of Jesus's ministry." Michael R. Simone, S.J., January 11, 2019.</p>
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Thursday, January 31, 2019

Relic Pilgrimage of Saint John Vianney's Incorrupt Heart

Being in the same Cathedral as the relic of St. John Vianney was very mesmerizing for me. I never had an opportunity to see first hand the incorrupt heart of a Saint. It was overwhelming. I felt peaceful and very calm after receiving the Plenary Indulgence and being able to pray to St. John Vianney while observing his relic.

His heart was so large in death, can you imagine what it was like while he was living.

It felt like a miracle in the making seeing so many people making their confessions and the Cathedral being almost filled to capacity; and that was just at the noon Mass. The silence was uplifting.

Thank you to Bishop Mark, Monsignor Mazur, Father Kurdziel all the priests attending the Mass and helping with confessions and other volunteers, for a day I will not forget soon.. czs

February 3 Luke 4:21-30

Mary and Joseph must have been proud when their village "all spoke well of Jesus and were amazed at his words." But they probably felt shame when the same people drove him out of town. Like Mary and Joseph, the highs and lows of parenting are our path to being a Holy Family.

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time (February 3)

Only when you share your time, abilities and finances with an attitude of gratitude founded in the love of Jesus, can that sharing be seen as Christian stewardship.

Monsignor Roy F. Kline

Monsignor Kline died this past Tuesday, January 29th at Garvey Manor. Msgr. Kline was in residence here at the Cathedral as a senior priest. Viewing will be at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Sunday, February 3rd, 6:30 PM until 8:30 PM. The Vigil for the Deceased will be prayed at 8:00 PM. The Funeral Mass will be on Monday, February 4th at 10:00 AM with Bishop Mark presiding.

Blessing of Throats

Blessing of throats will take place after the 10:30 Mass today.

Liturgical Reflection...

Eucharistic

The primary and original reason for reservation of the Eucharist outside Mass is the administration of viaticum. The secondary ends are the giving of communion to the sick and the adoration of our Lord Jesus Christ present in the Sacrament. The reservation of the Sacrament for the sick lead to the praiseworthy practice of adoring the heavenly Food that is reserved in churches. This cult of adoration has a sound and firm foundation, especially since faith in the real presence of the Lord has as its natural consequence the outward, public manifestation of belief in the real presence of the Lord found in the consecrated elements.

Adoration

Holy Communion and Worship of the Eucharist Outside Mass, 1975, Number 5.

February 3, 2019

Your Niche

By Charles Swindoll

In a series of cartoons some years ago Linus, one of Charles Schultz's "Peanuts" tribe, was taking heat from his sister Lucy and friends for his newly found "calling"—patting little birds on the head. The distressed birds would approach Linus, lower their feathered heads to be patted, sigh deeply, and walk away satisfied. It brought Linus no end of fulfillment—in spite of Lucy's embarrassment and chagrin.

Now I'll grant you, bird patting is a little unusual as a calling...At least we could agree that it is not one of the great spiritual gifts listed in 1 Corinthians 12. Or is it? Let's look again.

How about that niche called "showing mercy." Romans 12 mentions "encouraging" and a little later "contributing to the needs of other" Who's to say that a person's niche in life couldn't be giving pats on the head, offering a helping hand, or embracing another's sorrow or joy with a deep hug.

In one of the cartoon scenes, Charlie Brown and Linus dialogue about all this head patting. Linus wants to know, "What's wrong with patting birds on the head?" He repeats that he simply wants to know what's wrong with it. It makes the birds feel better, it makes him feel happy all over. Charlie stares thoughtfully, then declares rather frankly, "No one else does it! That's it. No one else does it!"

Some niches in life must struggle to exist, to say nothing of being appreciated, or even accepted.

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"Apple Seeds", Fr. Brian Cavanaugh, T.O.R.

Give Me Love to Love Others

Dear Lord,

Your love for us is perfect. Help us to learn to love like you. Sometimes we find ourselves in situations when it is hard to love others. Help us, Lord, to always remember that you have commanded us to love others as ourselves. Thank you for loving us so perfectly. May we truly learn to love like you. Amen.

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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Taking Care of Yourself

What constitutes good health? A strong, healthy body? A positive outlook? A balanced life? Keeping healthy requires attention to body, mind and soul. Taking care of the whole you also means recognizing and respecting your innate worth as God's unique creation.

Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God, and that you are not your own?

1 Corinthians 6:19

Start with the Soul

For many people, caring for one's soul is the springboard to overall good health. Writer Guy Macpherson says, "I believe there is a direct link between the spiritual and physical states of our being. How can it be any other way?"

Prayer can enrich the spirit and contribute to a healthier and happier life. "Prayer is what gets me through life; it is my mainstay and brings me strength," says one woman. "If I didn't have prayer and faith to rely on, I can't imagine enduring and overcoming the ordeals of modern life."

Dr. Harold Koenig of Duke University says, "Prayer seems to reassure patients that they are not alone in their struggle." He believes that a patient's spirituality is critical to wellness.

Hope Dispigno says that prayer played a vital role in her recovery from a serious illness. "I prayed to God for healing, and He answered my prayers. His presence was always with me and enabled me to endure the 'low point' of the illness... when you feel the weakest and most vulnerable," she said.

Many simple moments of life can contribute to spiritual well-being. In taking a walk in a park or watching the sunset, we're reminded of the beauty of nature—and that in turn reminds us of God's tender care as well as His majesty and power.

Here are some suggestions to refresh your soul:

- + Pray every day.
- + Count your blessings.
- + Spend time with nature.
- + Attend a Bible study class or prayer group.
- + Read about and discuss ethics, morality and God.
- + Serve in a ministry that helps others.
- + Keep a journal focused on your spiritual life.
- + Honor the temple that is your body.

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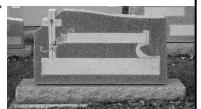
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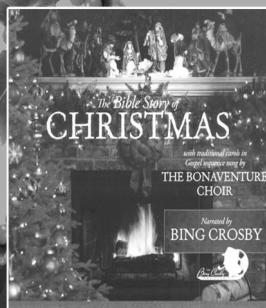
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