#### FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED: Hearing aids for use are in the sacristy—please return them after Mass.

With joy & happiness we welcome all of you who have come to pray and worship with us We hope you will find friendship and fellowship in our community and encouragement to face whatever may come in the week ahead. For our guests & visitors, we pray that your stay in Tahoe is wonderful, that you have a safe journey home – and return to us soon.

#### TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Isaiah is called to be a messenger for the Lord and responds, "Send me!" (Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8)

**Psalm** — In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord (Psalm 138).

Second Reading — Paul reminds us of the gospel he preached through which we are saved, if we believe it (1 Corinthians 15:1-11 [3-8, 11]).

**Gospel** — Jesus directs Simon to take his boat into deep water for a miraculous catch of fish. (Luke 5:1-11).

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c; Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Ps 8:4-9; Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk

7:14-23

Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 7:24-30 Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 7:31-37

Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2-4abc, 5-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10 Sunday: Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17, 20-26

### WEEK AT A GLANCE

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS	Monday, February 11	8am Mass; 10am Funeral Mass for Jose Orozco; 4pm-5:30pm Bread & Broth Meal
Saturday February 9 Blessed Virgin Mary		
<i>5:30 pm</i> Sean Wallace (dec)	Tuesday, February 12	8am Mass; 4:30pm Mass with Children in Faith Formation; 6:30pm RCIA in English
Sunday February 10		
8:00 am St. Theresa parishioners	Wednesday, February 13	8am Mass;12noon Mass; 1:30pm Mass at the Skilled Nursing Facility; 7pm RCIA in Spanish
10:00 am Don Helderle (dec) by Moe Leonard		
12:00 pm Efigenia & Isidoro Padua (dec) by Cherry Oineza		
7:00 pm	Thursday, February 14	8am Mass; 6pm Blessed Is She Program
Monday February 11 Our Lady of Lourdes		
8:00 am Paulette Williams (special int) by her sister Marsha	Friday, February 15	8am Mass; 12noon Mass; 3pm-4:30pm Food Pantry; 4-5pm Bread & Broth, second Serving; 12:30pm-6pm Eucharistic Adoration
Tuesday February 12		
8:00 am Gerald Hurley & Kathleen Carlson (dec) by the Hurley family		
Wednesday February 13	Saturday, February 16	4pm Confessions; 5:30pm Vigil Mass
8:00 am Don Ong & all family members, by Linda		
12:00 pm Jesus Bobadilla (dec) by Mindy Bobadilla & sons	Sunday, February 17	8am, 10am, 12 noon and 7pm (in Spanish); Meet & Greet after the 8am, 10am & 12noon Masses
Thursday February 14 Ss. Cyril and Methodius		
8:00 am Anthony Governale (dec) by his sister Jennifer		

DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP Wednesdays 10:30a.m. in the Church with the Rosary, Divine Mercy chaplet, and novena prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

# Donate Chr.

5:30 pm

Friday February 15

8:00 am Sean Wallace (dec)

12:00 pm Gregory Young (dec) by his wife

Saturday February 16 Blessed Virgin Mary

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Anthony family & Sophie Zimnox (dec) by Bob

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### STEWARDSHIP IN OUR PARISH

02/03 Regular Collection pending

NO SECOND COLLECTION

Second collection TAILS weekends NO SECOND COLLECTION

Second collection THIS weekend: **NO SECOND COLLECTION** 

Second collection NEXT weekend: BUILDING MAINTENANCE

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

#### FOR PARISHIONERS ON ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY

Phillip Gaston | Corbett Martin | Zachary Martin | Erik Townsend

#### FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Concordia Balong | Bill Barboni | Kathleen Brady | Krista Carson |
Romie Enriquez | Gene Estepa | Mamerto Estepa | Steve Frick |
Ophelia Kirvida | Kel Lohmeier | Matthew Morisky | Simon
McQuarrie | Byron Melrose | Jamie O'Malley | Cecilia Ramirez | Tony
Russo | Gloria Walkowiak

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

If you would like to add to the prayer list, please send an email with your loved one's name along with your name and phone number to tahoecatholicbulletin@gmail.com.

## A POWERFUL PRESENTATION ON EL CAMINO DE SANTIAGO/WAY OF SAINT JAMES

Monday | February 18, 2019 | 3pm | School Building El Camino de Santiago, the Way of Saint James, in Spain is a classic pilgrimage following in the footsteps of pilgrims since the Middle Ages. A deep spiritual sense accompanies this walk and, though sometimes an overused sentiment, walking el Camino is a truly life changing experience. If you want to hear more about it, Fred and Elaine Khachi, who had done this pilgrimage, will share their experience with us Monday, February 18, 2019 at 3pm in the School building of Saint Theresa. To RSVP please contact Margaret at (209) 352-0043 or <a href="mailto:mlsmith2008@yahoo.com">mlsmith2008@yahoo.com</a>. You are all cordially invited! I have done part of this pilgrimage! Fr. Mauricio



#### KNIGHT'S CORNER

Still available: St. Theresa commemorative keepsakes. Ask a Knight!. Men of the Parish are you looking for something more in your life? We do men's Catholic Fellowship!

PANCAKE BREAKFAST—Mar. 3 after the 8AM & 10AM Masses. It always tastes right when cooked by a Knight!

MONTHLY MEETING—Feb. 13—Dinner 6pm; meeting 7pm ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER—Mar. 17—5-7pm

Become a better version of yourself. Become a knight!
Call Frank Dixon 530 318 1574

#### CONVERSION~CONVERSATION

"By God's grace I am what I am." —1 Corinthians 15:10 The purpose of life is to be converted to the Lord. For example, "in the year King Uzziah died," Isaiah "saw the Lord" in the temple (Is 6:1). Isaiah was converted. He saw God's glory, became painfully aware of his own sinfulness, was forgiven and purified, and accepted God's call to be a prophet (Is 6:1ff). Saul (Paul) was also converted. He did not see but heard the risen Lord (Acts 9:4). He was struck blind for three days, during which he prayed (Acts 9:8, 12). Then Ananias laid his hands on Saul and healed him of his blindness (Acts 9:17-18). Saul was baptized and filled with the Holy Spirit (Acts 9:17-18). Simon Peter was converted when Jesus helped him have the best day at work that he had ever experienced (Lk 5:6ff). In his fishing business, he had never caught so many fish. Simon Peter knew it was a miracle. He became very aware of his sinfulness (Lk 5:8), "left everything," and became a disciple of Jesus (Lk

Have you been converted to Jesus? If so, are you living accordingly? Be and live converted.

**Prayer:** Abba, "send me" to lead others to conversion (Is 6:8). **Promise:** "...Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures; that He was buried and, in accordance with the Scriptures, rose on the third day; that He was seen by Cephas, then by the Twelve. After that He was seen by five hundred brothers at once." —1 Cor 15:3-6

**Praise:** Alleluia! The stone is rolled away! The tomb is empty! Jesus is risen!

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#### **OVERWHELMED?**

"People were coming and going in great numbers, making it impossible for them to so much as eat." —Mark 6:31 Jesus and His apostles were overwhelmed by the demands made of them. Jesus tried to deal with the problem by going off with His apostles in a boat to a deserted place (Mk 6:32). However, thousands of people met Jesus on the other side of the lake, and Jesus was faced with the humanly impossible task of feeding thousands of people in the desert.

When the demands made on you seem overwhelming and when your attempts to deal with your problems result in greater problems, there is hope because:

The God of peace will "furnish you with all that is good, that you may do His will" (Heb 13:21).

The Lord keeps His promise: "I will never desert you, nor will I forsake you" (Heb 13:5).

Jesus "is always able to save those who approach God through Him" (Heb 7:25).

We can "confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and favor and to find help in time of need" (Heb 4:16).

Life is hard, and it often becomes harder. However, we can come to Jesus if we "are weary and find life burdensome" (Mt 11:28). He alone will give us rest, for His yoke is easy and His burden light (Mt 11:29-30). Peace is Jesus' farewell gift to us (Jn 14:27). Rest in Jesus.

Prayer: Father, I trust in You in the most difficult times.

Promise: "May He carry out in you all that is pleasing to Him. To Christ be glory forever! Amen." —Heb 13:21

Praise: Taking time for frequent Eucharistic adoration keeps Steven from being overwhelmed by the world

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#### PROMOTING LIFE

#### From Sinners to Apostles

Saint John Paul II wrote the following words to all women who have had abortions: "The Father of mercies is ready to give you his forgiveness and his peace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. To the same Father and to his mercy you can with sure hope entrust your child. With the friendly and expert help and advice of other people, and as a result of your own painful experience, you can be among the most eloquent defenders of everyone's right to life. Through your commitment to life, whether by accepting the birth of other children or by welcoming and caring for those most in need of someone to be close to them, you will become promoters of a new way of looking at human life." (The Gospel of Life, n.99)

#### REFLECTIONS

#### WHAT'S THE SMOKE FOR?

Dear Johan,

I am a new Catholic. When I went to Mass today, the priest placed candles around people's throats while he was whispering something I could not understand. I found it strange and decided not to participate. I am still getting used to all this stuff. Gentle Reader,

As your Catholic journey continues, you will undoubtedly happen upon more of these ritual surprises. They make Catholicism interesting.

You must have gone to church on February 3, the feast of St. Blaise, a fourth-century bishop and martyr. On that day we have the traditional blessing of the throats. This is what the priest said while he placed the candles around people's throats: "Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and any other illness. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" (Order for the Blessing of Throats on the Feast of Saint Blaise, chap. 51 in Book of Blessings).

The little we know about St. Blaise comes from descriptions of the lives of saints that were written several centuries after his death. From these writings we learn that Blaise was a celebrated medical doctor when he was elected as bishop of Sebastea, Armenia, today's Sivas, Turkey. He was brutally martyred around 316 during a wave of Christian persecution.

From the sixth century on in the East and the eighth century in the West the intercession of St. Blaise was invoked by people who were ill. By the twelfth century St. Blaise had become one of the most popular saints in Western Europe.

Two stories told about St. Blaise relate to the custom of blessing throats. According to the first story a distraught mother rushed her child to St. Blaise. The child was choking on a fishbone. After St. Blaise said a prayer the fishbone dislodged and the child was saved. Based on this miracle, the intercession of St. Blaise is invoked when suffering from ailments of the throat as well as to prevent such ailments.

According to the second story a poor widow's pig had been saved from a wolf by St. Blaise. Out of gratitude, the widow brought two candles to prison so St. Blaise could have some light in his dark cell. Blaise is often depicted with two candles held together by a red ribbon. The red ribbon refers to the martyrdom suffered by St. Blaise. Two candles tied together with a red ribbon are used during the blessing of the throats.

Even in our postmodern society, which is suspicious of any hint of superstition, this blessing, like many other similar rites, remains popular among Catholics. They are the visible signs of a deep yet invisible reality. The blessing of the throats is a tangible reminder of God's healing and saving presence among us. It is also an acknowledgment that we entrust ourselves to God's providential care. So, here you have it. Are you ready to try it next year?

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#### CONGREGATION FOR THE DOCTRINE OF THE FAITH

In the next few weeks we will be posting excerpts from the *Instruction Ad resurgendum cum Christo*, Regarding the burial of the deceased and the conservation of the ashes in the case of cremation.

2. The resurrection of Jesus is the culminating truth of the Christian faith, preached as an essential part of the Paschal Mystery from the very beginnings of Christianity: "For I handed on to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures; that he was buried; that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures; that he appeared to Cephas, then to the Twelve" (1 Cor 15:3-5).

Through his death and resurrection, Christ freed us from sin and gave us access to a new life, "so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life" (Rm 6:4). Furthermore, the risen Christ is the principle and source of our future resurrection: "Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep [...] For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive" (1 Cor 15:20-22).

It is true that Christ will raise us up on the last day; but it is also true that, in a certain way, we have already risen with Christ. In Baptism, actually, we are immersed in the death and resurrection of Christ and sacramentally assimilated to him: "You were buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead" (Col 2:12). United with Christ by Baptism, we already truly participate in the life of the risen Christ (cf. Eph 2:6).

Because of Christ, *Christian death has a positive meaning*. The Christian vision of death receives privileged expression in the liturgy of the Church: "Indeed for your faithful, Lord, life is changed not ended, and, when this earthly dwelling turns to dust, an eternal dwelling is made ready for them in heaven".[2] By death the soul is separated from the body, but in the resurrection God will give incorruptible life to our body, transformed by reunion with our soul. In our own day also, the Church is called to proclaim her faith in the resurrection: "The confidence of Christians is the resurrection of the dead; believing this we live".[3]

It continues...

http://www.vatican.va/roman curia/congregations/cfaith/documents/rc con cfaith doc 20160815 ad-resurgendum-cumchristo en.html

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS



#### CRAB DINNER

Thank you so much to all of you who volunteered your time, talent and treasure (baskets and gifts certificates) to make possible our Annual Crab Dinner, special thanks to Danette and her family for all their work. Also, thank you to all of you who attended this event and thus support the religious education of our youth. Blessings, Fr. Mauricio

## COMMUNAL ANOINTING OF THE SICK ON THE WORLD DAY OF THE SICK Monday, February 11 at 5pm in the church

The Anointing of the Sick could be administered to anyone that begins to be in danger of death from sickness or old age and also just prior to a serious operation. These, however are not the limits of the sacrament. It can be repeatedly given to someone if his/her condition becomes worse as well as for the elderly whose frailty becomes worse.

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

#### Friday, February 15 from 12:30pm to 6:00pm.

"The Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet him in adoration, in contemplation full of faith, and open to making amends for the serious offenses and crimes of the world. Let our adoration never cease." (CCC, 1380)



#### ASH WEDNESDAY | MARCH 6

Masses: 8am, 12noon, 6:00pm & 7:30pm in Spanish



#### SAINT PATRICK'S DAY DINNER | March 17

5pm-7pm Grace Hall



#### SHIFT YOUR POINT OF GRAVITY

Jesus' response to our worry-filled lives is quite different. He asks us to shift the point of gravity, to relocate the center of our attention, to change our priorities. Jesus wants us to move from the "many things" to the "one necessary thing." It is important for us to realize that Jesus in no way wants us to leave our many-faceted world. Rather, he wants us to live in it, but firmly rooted in the center of all things. Jesus does not speak about a change of activities, a change of contacts, or even a change of pace. He speaks about a change of heart. This change of heart makes everything different, even while everything appears to remain the same. This is the meaning of "Set your hearts on his kingdom first . . . and all these other things will be given you as well." What counts is where our hearts are. When we worry, we have our hearts in the wrong place. Jesus asks us to move our hearts to the center, where all other things fall into place. https://henrinouwen.org/meditation/shift-your-point-of-gravity/

#### **CATHOLIC HUMOR**

The following is a summary of the comments made about the priest in a typical parish:

If his homily is longer than usual, "he send us asleep."

If it's short, "he hasn't bothered."

If he raises his voice, "He is shouting."

If he speaks normally, "you can't hear a thing."

If he is away, "he is always on the road."

If he is at home, "he is a stick-in-the-mud."

If he is out visiting, "he is never at home."

If he is in the presbytery, "he never visits people."

If he talks finances, "he is too fond of money."

If he doesn't, "the parish is dead."

If he takes his time with people, "he wears everybody out."

If he is brief, "he never listens."

If he starts Mass on time, "his watch must be fast."

If he starts a minute late, "he holds everybody up."

If he is young, "he lacks experience."

If he is old, "he ought to retire."

And if he dies, well, of course, "no one could ever take his place."