Curé of Ars
(Saint John Vianney)
Catholic Church

February 9, 2020       Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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HOLY MASS
Saturday  4:30 p.m. (For Sunday)
Sunday   9:30 a.m.
Week Days 8:00 a.m.
Holy Days 8:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

CONFessions
Saturday afternoon 3:45-4:15 p.m.
Monday - Friday 7:45 a.m.-7:55 a.m.

SOLEMN EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
Every Thursday following the 8:00 a.m. Mass

DEVOTIONS
OUR LADY of PERPETUAL HELP
Every Tuesday after 8:00 a.m. Mass

ROSARY
Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m.

SACRED HEART
First Friday of month after 8:00 a.m. Mass

Pastor
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Permanent Deacons
Patrick G. Monahan, Retired
Theodore J. Rodis, Retired

CONTACTS
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       Fri: 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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WORSHIP

MASS INTENTIONS
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10
8:00 A.M. Hattie Kozuszek*
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11
8:00 A.M. George Meyer
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12
8:00 A.M.
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13
8:00 A.M.
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14
8:00 A.M.
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15
4:30 P.M. For the People of the Parish
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16
9:30 a.m.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES SCHEDULES
USHERS (February)
SAT. 4:30 P.M. John Nolan, Betty Mueller, Gary Lottmann
SUN. 9:30 A.M. Mary Struckel, Jim Struckel, Julie Scott, Ed Schermann

LECTORS
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15
4:30 P.M. R. Smith
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16
9:30 A.M. C. Kurka

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15
4:30 P.M. A. Rowland
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16
9:30 A.M. J. Dunkel, T. Steck, K. Richard

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
February 9—February 16, 2020

Sunday: 1s 58:7-10  Ps 112:4-9  1 Cor 2:1-5  Mt 5:13-16
Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13  Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30  Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10  Mk 7:14-23
Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13  Mk 7:24-30
Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19  Mk 7:31-37
Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34  Mk 8:1-10
Sunday: Sir 15:15-20  Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34  1 Cor 2:6-10  Mt 5:17-37

STEWARDSHIP
February 2, 2020 Collection

General.......................................... $3,205.00
Loose Cash.................................. 223.00
Loose Checks................................. 1,925.00
For the Poor.................................. 512.00
St. Louis Review............................. 70.00
First Offering............................... 12.00
Eastern Europe............................. 87.00
TOTAL........................................ $6,034.00

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTIONS
“Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.”
MATTHEW 5:16

The generosity of being a good steward of your gifts has a positive effect on people, and it is contagious! Good works encourage more good works. Let your light shine! Be careful to recognize that God is working through you and don’t put yourself above the people you have been called to help.

GENERAL INFORMATION

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: By appointment with Pastor.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Contact the clergymen of your choice at least six months prior to desired date.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS: Couples from our parish celebrating a significant wedding anniversary, please contact Fr. Byrnes.

NEW PARISHIONERS: The Pastor would like to welcome new families. Please register at the Rectory Office at your earliest convenience or fill out and return form on page 3 of bulletin.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Please submit to the rectory office by Monday at 10 a.m. before the weekend.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

FEBRUARY 9
Donut Sunday

FEBRUARY 19
Pastoral Council, 6:30 p.m.

FEBRUARY 26
Ash Wednesday
Mass: 8 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

MARCH 15
St. Pat’s Day Dinner, 2:00 p.m.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!
Robert & Charlotte Simcox
We Are the Light of the World. Jesus speaks powerful words for us in the Gospel, proclaiming that we are the light of the world and the salt of the earth. This means that we have been blessed in extraordinary ways. God has given all of us gifts that we must use and develop for the sake of evangelization and sharing the joy of the Gospel. We are precious in the eyes of Christ, who has commissioned us to share our gifts with the world not for our own self-interest but for the interest of God and the benefit of our brothers and sisters. Let us not be ashamed of or seek to hide our gifts. By works of mercy and charity, let us bring Christ anew. By works of mercy and charity, let us bring Christ to each soul we meet on this pilgrimage of life.

Today’s readings leave no room for half-heartedness. As beneficiaries of God’s providence, we cannot hold back when serving others. When Isaiah instructs us to share our bread with the hungry, he offers no qualifications. He does not add, “if you think you can,” or “after all of your own needs have been met.” On the contrary, the prophet simply reports that God expects us to care for those in need. In a similar way, the Gospel call is unconditional. Like a city atop a mountain, the Christian life cannot be hidden. Followers of Jesus do not have the option to sit by and wish vaguely for someone else to take care of hunger, homelessness, oppression, and ignorance. God calls us into service. If we have heard the call, we must respond.

PROCEED WITH PRAYER
We all agree that caring for others is important. Absolutely no one wants to see a child waste away from starvation. And yet, we often fear to donate time, talent, or money to charitable causes. What if recipients use the money poorly? What if donations promote helplessness and long-term dependence? What if my own situation isn’t very stable? How can I help others when my daily life is so difficult and the future so uncertain? These are legitimate questions. And God wants us to use our intellect when discerning how best to perform good deeds. But uncertainty must not lead to inaction. If we don’t know exactly how to proceed, we must spend a great deal of time in prayer. In prayer, we consider our options and ask the Lord to show us how to be salt and light in the world. As today’s psalm reminds us, God calls us to be gracious and merciful. Believing firmly that God will always care for us, we trust with steadfast hearts and share with others—not occasionally, guiltily, or provisionally, but “faithfully.”


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