

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sept. 25/26, 2021 – 5pm/9:00am

5pm Celebrant Fr. Jim Deacon- Calvin Bailey	Lectors Lyndon Berry Gwen Cherry (<i>Valerie Lewis</i>)	9am: Celebrant Fr. Jim Deacon- C. Bailey	E.M. S. King R. Brinkley E. Ward T.A. Anderson	Sacristan D. Lamb
Musician - Sammie Logan IE	Ushers: M. Lawson, A. Drew, J. Robertson, D. Livingston	Musician - S. Logan Cantor/Choir YAE	Ushers: V. Ward, M. Pines, LL LaGuerre, Pam Malry	Sexton L. Adams
Cantor(s) Ashley/Sarah	E.M./	Altar Server Meriah Cannon	Health Min. Dr. Davis	Worship Oretha
Altar Ser. Mary Berberich	Audio Juicy Video No	Lectors Karen Womack Jeff Charity (<i>Alycia Dickens</i>)	Video Derek Howell Audio	

Good Morning/Afternoon/Evening.
Welcome to the Basilica on this 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Please include in your prayers those who are ill, especially **Gloria and Collin Coleman**
2. We pray in a special way for those who have died recently especially **Fabiola Sutton**, the mother of Diana Johnson
3. Our **Religious Education Program** will begin on Sun., Oct. 2nd after the 9am Mass in the Academy classrooms. Registration is onsite and Free.
4. Our Dedication of a Church and Altar will take place on tomorrow/today at the 12Noon . You are invited to join us via live streamed. During the week following the Dedication: there will be a Rosary/Adoration @11am on Monday; on Tues., there will be aa Tour at 11am and an Elders' Mass at 12N followed by a luncheon; A Bible Study/Faith Formation @ 6:30 pm on Wed.; a Tour on Thursday at 11am and Friday at 7pm, the Women's Ministry will led a Prayer Service.
5. The Church Office will be closed on Monday and Tuesday.

We encourage everyone present in the sanctuary to continue wear a mask. If you do not have one with you, there are masks available from the Ushers.

Take a moment now to silence cell phones and then in an appropriate manner, greet the person nearest you.

COMMENTARY:

What does it mean to be a follower of Christ? It means doing good works “in his name.” It means receiving all others who do good “in his name.” It means cutting off from ourselves any behaviors that keep us or others from living “in [his] name.” It means, then, taking on both Jesus' single-minded focus (his willingness to pay any price for the sake of the kingdom) and his open-minded acceptance of all the good works and all the good people who are bringing this kingdom about.

Please Stand

Order of the Liturgy

ENTRANCE PROCESSION: Cross – Lectors –E.M. – Altar Server - Dea. Bailey - Fr. Jim
GREETING
PENITENTIAL RITE
GLORIA
OPENING PRAYER

~ LITURGY OF THE WORD ~

1st READING: Numbers 11:25-29

A reading from the first Book of Numbers

The LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to Moses. Taking some of the spirit that was on Moses, the LORD bestowed it on the seventy elders; and as the spirit came to rest on them, they prophesied. Now two men, one named Eldad and the other Medad, were not in the gathering but had been left in the camp. They too had been on the list, but had not gone out to the tent; yet the spirit came to rest on them also, and they prophesied in the camp. So, when a young man quickly

told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp," Joshua, son of Nun, who from his youth had been Moses' aide, said, "Moses, my lord, stop them." But Moses answered him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets! Would that the LORD might bestow his spirit on them all!"

The word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 19

R. "The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart."

The law of the LORD is perfect,
refreshing the soul;
the decree of the LORD is trustworthy,
giving wisdom to the simple. **R.**
The fear of the LORD is pure,
enduring forever;
the ordinances of the LORD are true,
all of them just. **R.**

Though your servant is careful of them,
very diligent in keeping them,
Yet who can detect failings?
Cleanse me from my unknown faults! **R.**
From wanton sin especially, restrain your servant;
let it not rule over me.
Then shall I be blameless and innocent
of serious sin. **R.**

2nd READING: James 5:1-6

A reading from the Letter of Saint James

Come now, you rich, weep and wail over your impending miseries. Your wealth has rotted away, your clothes have become moth-eaten, your gold and silver have corroded, and that corrosion will be a testimony against you; it will devour your flesh like a fire. You have stored up treasure for the last days. Behold, the wages you withheld from the workers

who harvested your fields are crying aloud; and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. You have lived on earth in luxury and pleasure; you have fattened your hearts for the day of slaughter. You have condemned; you have murdered the righteous one; he offers you no resistance.

The word of the Lord

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (*Sung*): Alleluia

Verse before the Gospel: Your word, O Lord, is truth; consecrate us in the truth.

GOSPEL: Mark 9: 38-43, 45, 47-48

+ *A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark*

At that time, John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us." Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. For whoever is not against us is for us. Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward. "Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were put around his neck

and he were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life maimed than with two hands to go into Gehenna, into the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life crippled than with two feet to be thrown into Gehenna. And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out. Better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into Gehenna, where 'their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched.'"

The Gospel of the Lord

HOMILY – Fr. Jim

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
[At the words that follow up to and including "and
became man," all bow.]
and by the Holy Spirit
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,

and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and
glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy,
catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

INTERCESSIONS

Fr. Jim: Led by the Spirit, let us bring our needs and the needs of others to our loving and merciful God.

Our Response is: "Lord, hear our prayer"

For the shepherds of the Church- the pope, bishops, priests and deacons: that their faith-filled teaching and preaching will lead all God's people into one sheep-fold of grace – **We pray to the Lord**

For followers of Christ throughout the world: that they be inspired and united in faithfulness to His Word and be living examples of his message of love and forgiveness – **We pray to the Lord**

For those in positions of authority: that they place the dignity of human life at the center of their policies, programs and decisions – **We pray to the Lord**

On this United Nations' annual International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons: for the Holy See's 2017 ratification of the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons and that nations seriously pursue a world free of nuclear weapons– **We pray to the Lord**

For the people of God in this faith community on the occasion our Dedication of the Church and Altar: that the Holy Spirit be with us in our efforts to reflect the light of Christ's love to the world – **We pray to the Lord**

For the sick: that God will renew the gift of life within them, especially Gloria and Collin Coleman, Danielle Rivers, Mareiji (Marija) Bibbs, Marie Adams, and James Wright, - **We pray to the Lord!**

For our deceased loved ones: that they may be welcomed into the eternal joy of the heavenly kingdom, especially Fabiola Sutton _____ - **We pray to the Lord!**

Fr. Jim: Lord, we ask that you hear our prayers and grant us new life and hope though faith in your infinite love and generosity. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Virtual Usher

~ LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST ~

GIFTS OF BREAD AND WINE

PRAYER OVER GIFTS

PREFACE

PRIEST: The Lord be with you. **PEOPLE:** And with your spirit.

PRIEST: Lift up your hearts. **PEOPLE:** We lift them up to the Lord.

PRIEST: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **PEOPLE:** It is right and just.

SANCTUS:

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts,
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory!*

*Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord,
Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna,
Hosanna in the highest!*

ACCLAMATION (sung)

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

Or *Save us Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.*

Or *When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.*

GREAT AMEN (sung)

Communion Rite

LORD'S PRAYER (recited)

GESTURE OF PEACE

LAMB OF GOD

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.*

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

MEDITATION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Please Be Seated

SOLEMN/FINAL BLESSING

DISMISSAL

RECESSIONAL