

PARISH CALENDAR

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 19, 2017

Blessed are those who hope in the Lord.

Saturday, February 18	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Sunday, February 19	..... 7:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 9:00 a.m.	Mass
	..... 10:45 a. m.	Religious Education Classes (Gr. 1-8)
		Confirmation & Youth Ministry
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass
Monday, February 20	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a. m.	Mass
		PARISH OFFICE CLOSED - PRESIDENT'S DAY HOLIDAY
		Food Pantry Closed
Tuesday, February 21	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 7:45 a.m.	Communion Service
	..... 8:00 a. m.	Communion Service
Wednesday, February 25	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Thursday, February 23	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	..... 5:30 p.m.	<i>Feeding Menu - Chili with Hot Dog</i>
Friday, February 24	..... 7:45 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	..... 8:00 a.m.	Communion Service
	..... 9:00-11:00 a.m.	Food Pantry Open
Saturday, February 25	..... 4:00-4:45 pm	Confession
	..... 5:00 p.m.	Mass

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS:

Isaiah:49:14-15: "I will never forget you."
1 Corinthians: 4:1-5: Only God can judge us.
Matt:6:24-34: "Do not worry about tomorrow."

Living Catholic in the 808! Sharing Your Faith Story in Three Easy Steps

Bishop Robert Barron, in his book "Vibrant Paradoxes: The Both/And of Catholicism" highlights evangelical lessons, as found in Luke 24:13-35.

Two disciples were going to a 7 - mile journey to Emmaus, from Jerusalem. Jerusalem is the locale of the Last Supper and the Crucifixion. They were walking away, looking downcast. Thee story ended with the two disciples going back in haste to Jerusalem, their hearts burning within themselves. What caused their transformation?

Here are three lessons offered us by Bishop Barron:

1. The successful evangelists do not stand aloof from the experience of people, praying for them from a distance. On the contrary, the evangelists join them and deign to walk in their shoes and feel the texture of their experience.
2. The successful evangelists use the Scripture in order to disclose the Divine patter.
3. The successful evangelists are persons of the Eucharist. They are immersed in the Mass; practice Eucharistic Adoration; draw the evangelized to a participation in the Body and Blood of Jesus. They know that bringing people to Jesus Christ is primarily a matter of seeing the broken heart of God through the broken bread of the Eucharist.

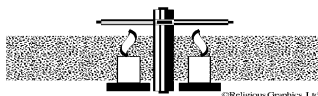
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

AUGUSTINE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION: MAHALO FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE AUGUSTINE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION SPECIAL COLLECTION. Gifts from the Heart - Give the Gift of Education campaign. Mahal nui loa to our parish and parishioners from the Augustine Educational Foundation for your support of the **Gifts from the Heart - Give the Gift of Education** 2017 Second Collection. You have made a difference!

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: Valentine's Day may have passed this year but it's not too late to demonstrate your love and make your marriage a No. 1 priority. Clergy are encouraged to participate to help minister to their married parishioners

- **July 21-23**, St. Theresa Church, Kihei, Maui (nonresidential)
 - **Nov. 3-5**, St. Anthony Retreat Center, Kalihi Valley, Oahu
- For more information contact Lee & Tanya Barbero, (808) 268-1578 on Maui, or Jose & Mary Elizabeth Alviar, (808) 391-2045 on Oahu; or visit our website at www.hawaiiwwme.org. Get your spot reserved now.

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT: Rachel's Vineyard is for anyone who has experienced emotional/spiritual pain after an abortion...women and men of all faiths are invited to begin the healing process. The next weekend will be May 5-7, 2017. Contact Lisa @ (808) 349-5071 or email: rvinhawaii@gmail.com More info at www.rachelsvineyard.org. Suggested donation for the weekend \$150/person (covers room/meals/materials). Confidential/safe place to connect with others and process your experience. Space is limited. Need-based scholarships are available. A Ministry of the Respect Life Office of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Hawaii.

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WEEKLY READINGS

Feb 19 Sun: 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Lev:19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103; 1 Cor:3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

Feb 20 Mon: Ordinary Weekday
Sir: 1:1-10; Ps:93: 1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Mk 9:14-29

Feb 21 Tue: Ordinary Weekday
Sir:2:1-11; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mk 9:30-37

Feb 22 Wed: Chair of Peter, apostle
1 Pt:5:1-4; Ps: 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6; Mk:16:13-19

Feb 23 Thur: Polycarp, bishop and martyr
Sir:5:1-8; Ps: 1: 1-2, 3, 4, & 6; Mk 9:41-50

Feb 24 Fri: Ordinary Weekday
Sir:6:5-17; Ps:119: 12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35; Mk 10:1-12

Feb 25 Sat: Ordinary Weekday
Sir:17:1-15; Ps 103:13-14, 15-16, 17-18; Mk 10:13-16

NOTES ON STEWARDSHIP

In another passage from his Sermon on the Mount, Jesus continues to turn his disciples' way of thinking upside down. One of the lessons for the Christian steward in today's Gospel is that if we have a chance to help someone in need, we should be generous and give more than is expected of us. Jesus went "the extra mile" for us. Can we be more like Jesus and "go the extra mile" for others? (*International Catholic Stewardship Council e-Bulletin*)

WISDOM OR FOOLISHNESS?

Sometimes the idea of "repentance" can seem old-fashioned, naïve, even foolish. But if you're looking for real foolishness, you'll find it in today's readings.

We begin with Leviticus and the admonition "Take no revenge and cherish no grudge" (19:18). We've heard that message before, of course, so we might forget how far it is from the so-called practical realities of life. St. Paul warns us about being practical, though. Whoever considers himself wise had better become a fool, because "the wisdom of this world is foolishness in the eyes of God" (1 Corinthians 3:19).

This "foolishness" continues in today's Gospel: "Offer no resistance to one who is evil" (Matthew 5:39). In fact, turn the other cheek when you've been slapped. Hand over your coat as well as your shirt. Be like God, who sends sunshine and rain on the bad as well as the good. "Be perfect," Jesus says, "just as your heavenly Father is perfect" (Matthew 5:48).

THE "FOOLISHNESS" OF THE GOSPEL

The so-called "wisdom" of this world tells us that it is foolish to keep working for peace, to keep up the struggle for life against the many and various merchants of death. It is foolish to keep siding with the poor and downtrodden against the economic forces of the marketplace. It is foolish, also, to "give to the one who asks of you" (Matthew 5:42). Or so goes the wisdom of this world.

It is foolish to "love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you" (Matthew 5:44). It is foolish to let someone get away with striking you in the face, to give in when someone sues you for the very clothes off your back, to let someone make you work without pay. Yet that is what Jesus encourages us to do.

Why? Maybe only the poets, the prophets, and the so-called "fools" can answer, because "the wisdom of this world is foolishness in the eyes of God" (1 Corinthians 3:19). It does seem, however, that if we want to follow the path of Jesus, we must eventually come down firmly on the side of what the world deems "foolishness."



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