

SIXTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME

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*Holy Masses
This Week*



TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

12:05 p.m. +Jim Mies

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

[ASH WEDNESDAY]

12:00 p.m. St. Anthony Parish Family

6:30 p.m. Vietnamese Mass

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15

12:05 p.m. +Yvonne Riedl

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16

12:05 p.m. Intentions of Rachel Walcher

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17

4:00 p.m. +Diana D'Amato

5:30 p.m. VN Mass

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

9:30 a.m. +St. Anthony Parish Family

11:00 a.m. VN Mass

Liturgical Roles for Saturday, February 17, at 4:00 p.m.:

Lector: C. Claycomb

E. Minister: K. Hunter

Ushers: J. & K. Cordell, B. Buhrman

Liturgical Roles for Sunday, February 18, at 9:30 a.m.:

Lector: M. Gittrich

E. Minister: S. Walcher

PARISH PRAYER LINE

Kathy Siewert +Jim Mies Jerry Warrell
Ukraine and its Citizens Kathy Hunter
Intentions of Deb Anton Devin Carpenter
Johnny Michelle Houchin Marian Eggbert
Virginia and John Edwards Steve C.
John Belton

Good News!

February 11, 2024

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46 / 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1 /

Mark 1:40-45

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

As a child, were you teased, bullied, chosen last for a team? Did you feel apart from the in-crowd? If so, in various ways this treatment may have kept you from being fully engaged with the larger community, possibly continuing to scar you in even your grown-up world.

In 2021, the news media reported that a Louisiana cemetery refused burial for Darrell Semien because he was black. Though he had served his community as a deputy sheriff for fifteen years and had helped raise seventy-two foster children, none of that was of any significance. After the news broke, the cemetery quickly lifted its whites-only stipulation, but the damage had been done. In so many ways, we continue to exclude others from the human community, even in death.

Our Sunday Gospel tells of Jesus curing a leper, enabling the man to again become part of the community. Even more startling, by touching him, Jesus himself became "impure," and thus isolated himself from the community, thereby switching roles with the man. Bringing others into community even at a cost to ourselves is divine.

Such compassion is exemplified when people work to reform prisons, seek to integrate immigrants into national life, give voice to the voiceless, improve mental health care, strive to alleviate paralyzing poverty, and more. The world witnessed compassion at its finest during the COVID-19 pandemic when medical personnel worked to heal the sick, even at the cost of isolating themselves from their own families. Compassion toward those in need is holy. ●

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OFFERING

February 4, 2024

English: \$ 1,896.00

VN: \$ 4,534.00

Total: \$ 6,430.00

God Bless You This Lent...

Lent begins on Wednesday, February 14. The English Mass will be at 12:00 (sharp) that day, and ashes will be distributed. The Vietnamese Ash Wednesday Mass will be at 6:30 p.m.

Both Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. Fasting is obligatory for anyone between the ages of 18 and 59. Fasting allows a person to eat one full meal; two smaller meals may be taken, not to equal the one full meal. Snacking between meals is not permitted, but liquids like milk and fruit juices are allowed. Abstinence from meat is obligatory for all who have reached their 14th birthday. The Fridays in Lent are days of complete abstinence from meat.

Lenten fasting, abstinence, and almsgiving are ways to help us focus on prayerfulness and penance during this Holy Season, while deepening our walk with our Savior.

Stations of the Cross (in English) at St. Anthony's will be at 6:30 p.m. on the Fridays of Lent. The only exception to this schedule will be February 23, when Fr. Ben will be out of town.

Our Vietnamese community had another very, very successful New Year Festival celebration last weekend with lots of food, music, fun, laughter, and prizes.

The prize winning numbers were: Prize #1- 6534; #2-4772; #3-2932; #4-5500; #5-5485; #6-1962; #7-0601; #8-3794; Special Prize-1031. Per Fr. Ben, names are not being published for the sake of the winners' privacy.

This weekend is the actual New Year celebration for the Vietnamese community at their 11:00 Mass on Sunday. Everyone is invited to the celebration, which includes the lucky money event for children.

We are exploring the idea of having potluck luncheons for parishioners who attend either the 4:00 Saturday or 9:30 Sunday Masses. This is an opportunity for fellowship and a way of keeping in touch with each other.

We are asking for feedback from parishioners regarding the following:

1. What time would you prefer?
2. What day would you prefer?

You can give your feedback via phone or email to:

Lisa Esbrook, 316-208-5425
esbrookag@gmail.com

Camilla Hartman 316-838-6715
camillawichita@aol.com

The end-of-the year contribution statements for the English community can be picked up in the back of church. Statements are available both for parishioners and non-parishioners.

