



Sunday

February 24, 2019

Mass Intentions

Monday, 2/25

7:00 a.m. Henry Janssen by Gail & Jeff Woerner

Tuesday, 2/26

7:00 a.m. Mary W. Duhamel by Bill, Pat & Will Hughes

Wednesday, 2/27

7:00 a.m. Esolda Scudiero by Maria Lopez

Thursday, 2/28

7:00 a.m. Roberto Lopez by the Szulczewski family

Friday, 3/1

7:00 a.m. Anna Fitzgerald by Joanne & Marilynn Fabiano

Saturday, 3/2

5:00 p.m. Richard Bartilotti by Barbara Carlisle

Sunday, 3/3

8:30 a.m. Catherine DiSpirito by Jacques-Carella family

10:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. John's & Sadie Moses Barkovitz by Tolomeo family

This week our Sanctuary lamp is lit in memory of **Veronico Iglesias** by **Iglesias family**.

This week our Chapel candle is lit in memory of **Kathryn Kelly** by **Kelly family**.

GOD IS KIND



AND MERCIFUL

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

Saul wanted to harm David and went into the desert to locate him. David and his companion Abishai visited Saul and his troops while they slept. Abishai wanted to kill Saul, but David would not allow it, as he refused to kill the Lord's anointed.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Paul portrays Adam as the first physical man and Jesus as the first man to give us our spirituality. One man was formed from dust, the other sent down from heaven. Just as we resemble the first being physically, we should model ourselves after Jesus spiritually.

Gospel: Luke 6:27-38

Jesus explains that loving only people who love us is no great achievement. He also reminds us that doing a favor for someone while expecting something in return is not what he asks of us. Instead, we should emulate God by being compassionate and non-judgmental, even towards individuals who hate and mistreat us.

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1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23;
1 Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38

Monday

Sir 1:1-10; Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday

Sir 2:1-11; Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday

Sir 4:11-19; Mk 9:38-40

Thursday

Sir 5:1-8; Mk 9:41-50

First Friday

Sir 6:5-17; Mk 10:1-12

First Saturday

Sir 17:1-15; Mk 10:13-16

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“But love your enemies and do good to them, and lend expecting nothing back; then your reward will be great and you will be children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful...Stop judging...stop condemning, forgive and you will be forgiven.”

If we wished to choose one word to describe the ministry of Pope Francis, it would be ‘mercy.’ His writings reflect this teaching of Jesus in the beatitudes. He proclaimed a holy year of mercy. He constantly is extending the compassionate hand of Jesus to the poor and marginalized.

Luke’s teaching asks us to consider what seems so difficult. Love enemies, give without expecting a return, be concerned for ungrateful and those so distant from the gospel.

When driving and someone cuts you off, pray for him. If you are offended by someone’s remark, chalk it up to a bad day and don’t brood over it. Don’t live the expression ‘I don’t get mad, I just get even.’ Spend a moment discerning who might be an ‘enemy’ and seek a way to open the door to friendship, by prayer, a smile, or another sign of peace.

Didn’t Jesus tell us to forgive so we may be forgiven?

peace
&
love
jesus

HIS WORD TODAY

BY REV. WILLIAM J. REILLY

A FRESH PERSPECTIVE ON
THE SUNDAY READINGS