

February 15, 2009

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sunday



Did it matter
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SHUTTERSTOCK

The Law of Moses, and particularly the book of Leviticus, pays a great deal of attention to who is clean and who is not. There is more to this than personal habits and hygiene, and more is at stake than catching someone else's germs or disease. The ability to worship, to go into the Temple, is at stake. A person's eligibility to be part of the community is related to being clean or unclean—to being worthy or unworthy.

Did it matter to Jesus whether people fit into the categories around him? He did not avoid the unclean; he touched them. At the same time, he was careful to integrate them into the community when they were healed. After healing the leper in Mark's Gospel, Jesus told him to show himself to the priests as the law prescribed. But before any of that, Jesus touched him—so he could rejoin the group. (And then the guy couldn't keep quiet about it.)

Do we find these old rules odd today?

We have our own ways of avoiding sickness and contagion. We have other ways of deciding who should be included in our group.

So, who is in and who is out?

Imagine having lunch with someone you don't want your friends to see you with. (What is he wearing? Where does she live? How does he talk? What kind of work does she do?) What if your friends saw you together? What if you couldn't explain

that you were just helping that person, maybe giving advice—maybe you were doing some sort of community-service work?

Your friends would just think you were hanging out together. They would think you were friends. They would think you two were the same.

In Jesus' time, you didn't befriend the unclean. You certainly didn't eat with them. But Jesus touched and healed them. Did he eat with them too?

Today's Readings

Lv 13:1–2, 44–46

1 Cor 10:31–11:1

Mk 1:40–45

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MASS SCHEDULE

All Masses are held at the Church on Bethel Road unless otherwise noted

Saturday 6:00 PM ♦ Confessions Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:45 AM (English) ♦ 12:30 PM (Spanish)

Holy Days 7:00 AM & 7:00 PM

Daily Mass 8:45 AM

WELCOME NEW FAMILIES AND VISITORS

Please complete a registration card at the Welcome Table in the church foyer and return it at your earliest convenience. Thank You!

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	February 14	6:00 PM	Helene Dalle	<i>Memorial of St. Cyril, monk, and St. Methodius, bishop</i>
Sunday	February 15	8:00 AM	Our Community	<i>6th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
		10:45 AM	Our Youth	<i>6th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
		12:30 PM	La Comunidad	<i>6º Domingo Ordinario</i>
Monday	February 16	8:45 AM	E.J. Zimmerman, RIP	<i>Weekday</i>
Tuesday	February 17	8:45 AM	Communion Service	<i>Memorial of the Seven Founders of the Order of Servites, religious</i>
Wednesday	February 18	11:00 AM	Nelma Cravens, RIP	<i>Weekday</i>
Thursday	February 19	8:45 AM	Marlene Fronk	<i>Weekday</i>
Friday	February 20	8:45 AM	Aidon Donlon, RIP	<i>Weekday</i>
Saturday	February 21	6:00 PM	Phil Nixon, RIP	<i>Memorial of St. Peter Damian, bishop and doctor of the church</i> <i>Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>
Sunday	February 22	8:00 AM	Our Community	<i>7th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
		10:45 AM	Peace	<i>7th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
		12:30 PM	La Comunidad	<i>7º Domingo Ordinario</i>

Marriage—six months notice required—please see Fr. Casey. **Aviso para el Matrimonio**—seis meses es necesaria
Baptism Instruction—English (1st Thursday of each month); Spanish (1st Monday of each month)
Quinceañera—three month notice required—girl must be attending CCD and Mass *regularly*—please see Fr. Casey
Prayer Chain Coordinators—Ann Allen (817-594-8637) Bette Binzer (817-599-0454) LaVerne Cardwell (817-594-3805)
Weekly Visitation of the Sick & Shut-Ins. Contact the church office to be on the schedule.
Census Information—Please notify the church office if you are new to our Parish, have a change of address or phone number, or move to another Parish.
Bulletin Notices are to be written or typed and in the office at least one week prior to event—notice may be e-mailed—deadline for bulletin is Noon on Tuesday—your cooperation is greatly appreciated—Thank You!

**REGULAR
COLLECTIONS
February 7-8
\$10,877.00**



**WELCOME TO ALL, INCLUDING VISITORS AND
NEW PARISHIONERS.**

Please join us this Sunday between Masses for breakfast
in the Parish Hall, provided by the Hispanic Group.

SECOND COLLECTION FOR FEBRUARY

*February 25 (Ash Wednesday)—
Church in Central & Eastern Europe
February 28-March 1—Black & Indian Mission*

PROPERTY PURCHASE INFORMATION

Cost of New Property—\$1,631,842.00
Monthly Interest Payment—\$9,700.00
Total Contributions to Date—79,936.59
Interest Paid to Date—\$72,333.21

6th Sunday of the Year
God has done great things for you. Spread the good news.
Consider a church vocation.
(Mark 1:40-45)

6º Domingo Ordinario
¡Publica la historia! Dile al mundo lo que Jesús ha hecho por ti.
Considera una vida de predicación, enseñanza y servicio como
sacerdote o diácono, hermana o hermano religioso.
(Marcos 1:40-45)

*Flowers for the Altar this Weekend
Are a Gift from Denise Garrett
In Memory of
Bob & Trudy Lodes' Anniversary*



POSTCARD CAMPAIGN—FOCA, "Freedom of Choice Act"

Please fill out a postcard to each government official. Kay Bailey Hutchison, Senator; John Cornyn, Senator; and Kay Granger, Representative. Return cards to the basket in the Church Foyer for mailing.

FIRST COMMUNION PARENT MEETING will be held Sunday, February 15, during regular RE class time. Mass time and date, banners, dress and more will be discussed. Any questions, please contact Jeanette Houle, doschicas@att.net or 817-613-8008.

REUNION PARA PADRES DE NINOS QUE TOMARAN SU PRIMERA COMUNION. El Domingo, Febrero 15, durante las horas de Educacion Religiosa. Trataremos las fechas y horas de las misas, estandartes, trajes, etc. Cualquier pregunta, por favor contacte a Jeanette Houle, doschicas@att.net or llame al 817-613-8008.

60 + will meet for a Covered Dish Luncheon after 11AM Mass on Wednesday, February 18.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS—Elaine Hall Barclay will once more be sharing her knowledge, love, and enthusiasm for our faith at our meeting on February 18. Her discussion will start at 7 PM in Rooms 1 and 2, and all members of our Parish are most welcome to attend.

CALLED TO PROTECT—KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE will have a training session on Thursday, February 26 at 6:30 PM.

**Retiro Pre-Cuaresmal
y el Lanzamiento de
¿Por Que Ser Catolico?**

**SABADO 21 DE FEBRERO
DE 8:30 AM HASTA LAS 3:00 PM
CATHOLIC CENTER
DIOCESIS OF FORT WORTH
800 West Loop 820 South
Fort Worth TX 76108**

Donación \$10.00 para comidas y materials
Quienes están invitados
Para más información con
Andrés Aranda (817) 560-2452 ext. 258
P. Carmen Mele ext. 262

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**Ash Wednesday Schedule
Wednesday, February 25**

**7:00AM English
6:30 PM English
8:00 PM Spanish**

LENTEN SOUP & SANDWICH SCHEDULE

Come join us for Soup & Sandwiches from 5:30-6:30 PM followed by Stations of the Cross
February 27—Boy Scouts
March 6—Catholic Daughters
March 13—Altar Society
March 20—Knights of Columbus
March 27—Hispanics Group
April 3—Youth Group

ATTENTION TEENS AND YOUNG ADULTS (9th grade and up)

The *Theology of the Body* program is coming to our parish! Using a great mix of stories, real-life examples, activities, prayers, and references to the culture that teens understand, *Theology of the Body for Teens* answers the questions teens have about their own bodies, issues on sexual morality and how they were uniquely created for greatness. Part I classes will begin on Wednesday, February 18, 2009. Please contact Jeanette Houle to register, doschicas@att.net or 817-613-8008. A 40-minute presentation and summary of the *Theology of the Body* for Teens program specifically for parents/adults will be given on Sunday, February 15 at 9:30 during RE class time. Please contact Jeanette Houle to register, doschicas@att.net or 817-613-8008.

ATENCION ADOLESCENTES Y JOVENES ADULTOS (Grado 9no para arriba).

El programa *La Teologia del Cuerpo* se presentara tambien en nuestra parroquia! Usando historias, ejemplos reales de la vida, actividades, oraciones y referencias a la cultura que los adolescentes entienden, *La Teologia del Cuerpo para Adolescentes* responde las preguntas que los adolescentes tienen acerca de sus propios cuerpos, moralidad sexual, y como fueron creados unicamente para engrandecimiento. La Parte I de las clases comenzaran el Miercoles, Febrero 18, 2009. Por favor contacte a Jeanette Houle para registrarse, doschicas@att.net o 817 613-8008. Tambien se presentara un resumen de 40 minutos del programa de *La Teologia del Cuerpo para Adolescentes* especificamente para padres/adultos el Domingo, Febrero 15 a las 9:30 durante las clases de Educacion Religiosa. Por favor contacte a Jeanette Houle para registrarse: doschicas@att.net 817 613-8008.

Registration for Holy Family Catholic School is now in progress for the 2009-2010 school year!

If you have not considered Catholic education for your children, now is the time to visit and tour our campus. Holy Family Catholic School is academically challenging in a safe environment while teaching the way of Jesus Christ. For a tour call the school at 817-737-4201. Enrollment forms and information are also available on our website: www.hfsfw.org.

TEEN CORNER

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27: Youth Fun Night. Keep the date. . . watch the bulletin for more details.

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

(All activities held at Bethel Road)

Sunday February 15

9:15 AM Religious Education Classes (English)
9:15 AM Adult Catechism (Room 19)
9:15 AM Adult Bible Study (Room 3)
11:15 AM Religious Education Classes (Spanish)

Monday, February 16

6:00 PM Parish Pantry
7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop #72
7:00 PM RCIA
7:00 PM Grupo de Oracion

Tuesday, February 17

9:30 AM Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday, February 18

11:00 AM Mass followed by 60+ Covered Dish Luncheon
6:00 PM Youth Group
6:30 PM Choir Practice
6:30 PM *Theology of the Body*
6:45 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet
7:00 PM Catholic Daughters (Rooms 1 & 2)

Thursday, February 19

10:00 AM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
10:00 AM Quilting Group (Pro Shop)
6:30 PM Young Adult Bible Study, Room 4

Saturday, February 21

7:00 PM Cursillistas Ultreya—Spanish

February 15, 2009

dear Padre

What can parishes do for those who have lost a spouse?



My parish celebrates anniversaries for couples, but nothing is done for widows and widowers. How do you think that makes us feel?

Feeling Neglected

Dear Neglected,

I have often said to a widow or widower, "I am happy for all the years you had together and sorry for the end of them." Sometimes it has occurred to me to call a widow or widower on the anniversary of the spouse's death. But only with my brother or sister would I even know to say, "This is the day you got married. Congratulations for all the years."

I am sure we do not know, *really* know and understand, how you feel. When I speak with couples and one of them is dying, I am pierced with the sense that this marriage—what has gone on between this couple and is ending now—is uniquely theirs. No one else truly enters and understands.

So how can we in our parishes honor that? I have only this thought. On or around the feasts of Saint Joseph (March 15) or the Assumption of Mary into heaven (August 15), there might be a Mass or service to honor the spouses who wait for the resurrection and their return to their beloved husbands and wives. This would also provide an occasion to remember that Mary and Joseph were truly husband and wife. Mary loved him and lost him in this life, as you lost your spouse. She now rejoices with him in heaven. You too will know that rejoicing.

John Hamrogue, C.Ss.R.



SHUTTERSTOCK

Monday



February 16

Weekday

Gn 4:1–15, 25
Mk 8:11–13

Tuesday



February 17

Weekday

Gn 6:5–8;
7:1–5, 10
Mk 8:14–21

Wednesday



February 18

Weekday

Gn 8:6–13, 20–22
Mk 8:22–26

Thursday



February 19

Weekday

Gn 9:1–13
Mk 8:27–33

Friday



February 20

Weekday

Gn 11:1–9
Mk 8:34–9:1

Saturday



February 21

Weekday

Heb 11:1–7
Mk 9:2–13

Sunday



February 22

Seventh Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Is 43:18–19,
21–22, 24b–25
2 Cor 1:18–22
Mk 2:1–12

