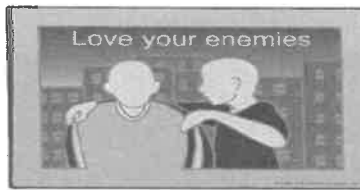


February 24, 2019 • Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Gospel today continues Jesus' Sermon on the Plain, in which we heard Luke's version of the Beatitudes. This week, Jesus gives us new "commandments," telling us how to live and act in the world as his disciples, rooted in the radical love of God for humanity. It reminds us of his later speech about loving one another as he loves us, in other words with a God-like love, the kind we see in

today's psalm about God's mercy. How else could we do as Jesus tells us by loving our enemies, which seems impossible, until we remember that God gave us the example of Jesus, who is like God but also like us? David understands this merciful love when he spares the life of his enemy in the first reading. Finally, Paul tells us that we will become like Jesus if we act as he did, as God does.

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SEVENTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
FEBRUARY 24, 2019

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Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 23, 2019
5:45 pm Parish Family of St. Patrick

Sunday, February 24, 2019
9:00 am †Ed Crossin req. by Steve & Grace Niemiec

Monday, February 25, 2019
9:00 am Intention of the Celebrant

Tuesday, February 26, 2019—NO MASS
6:00 pm NO Adoration

Wednesday, February 27, 2019—NO MASS

Thursday, February 28, 2019
9:00 am †Jerry Ulman req. by Linda Cakora

Friday, March 1, 2019—FIRST FRIDAY
9:00 am Special Intention

Saturday, March 2, 2019—FIRST SATURDAY
9:00 am End to Abortion
5:45 pm †Dorothy Nugent req. by Don & Sue Nugent

Sunday, March 3, 2019
9:00 am †Gloria Consack req. by Steve & Grace Niemiec /
Parish Family of St. Patrick

Altar Servers:

Saturday, March 2 - 5:45 pm
Nick, Ella & Madi Phelps
Sunday, March 3 - 9:00 am
Jimmy & Nikki Quigley

Extraordinary Minister:

Saturday, March 2 - 5:45 pm
Melissa Wilhelmi
Sunday, March 3 - 9:00 am
Tracy Quigley

Cantor / Lector (Reader):

Saturday, March 2 - 5:45 pm
Sue Nugent / Ryan Wilhelmi
Sunday, March 3 - 9:00 am
Sarah Hoehn / Steve Hoehn

Usher:

Saturday, March 2 - 5:45 pm
Eddie Horath, Bill Phelan
Sunday, March 3 - 9:00 am
Bruce Boyle, volunteer

Music: Cathy Engler

Collection Counters : Bell, Mooi, Musson

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

For the new fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, the weekly Sunday collection goal is \$2,584.62
Sunday, February 17\$1,719.00

Thank you for your support of our Parish



Our Two Week
Candle is burning for a
Special Intention
Req. by
Roger & Janet Keigher

If you are unable to come to church because of illness, rehab, or living at a health care center please let the office know. A priest or home bound minister can come to your home. If there is an emergency and you need a priest, Fr. Sebastian can be reached at :
1(815) 476-2037.

Mass intentions can be requested through the office, or dropped in any weekend collection, please mark in a separate envelope. Think about having a Mass for a loved one. Weekday and weekend Masses are available. We are also accepting requests for our 2-week Sacred Heart Candle.

PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE IF YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT FOR 2018.

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**ON SUNDAY MARCH 10
OUR 4TH, 5TH & 6TH GRADERS
WILL BE PARTICIPATING IN THE LITURGY. PLEASE
SUPPORT THEM WITH YOUR PRAYERS AND
ATTENDANCE AT MASS**

POSITION AVAILABLE: PARISH BUSINESS MANAGER

Holy Family currently has an opening for a full-time Parish Business Manager. This professional administrator will report directly to the Pastor, assisting the Pastor with the stewardship of the financial and personal resources of the parish, in accordance with diocesan policies and guidelines. They will also be computer– literate, have experience in accounting, be knowledgeable in communication, have an undergraduate degree in business or related field, and five years of business and/or church related experience. We are looking for a person of faith committed to Gospel values that is a responsible manager of resources and helps the Church fulfill its mission of purpose.

Interested candidates should submit their resume to Fr. Dennis Paul at dpaul@holyfamilyshorewood.org

Please contact the Parish Office with any questions. 815-725-6880

RECIPROCITY

If God loved us as much as we love God, where would we all be?
--Anonymous

Widowed and feeling stuck ? Come and find ways tp move toward inner peace and new hope in life. Joyful Again ! Widowed Ministry presents a Retreat/ Workshop for widowed men & women. All are welcome

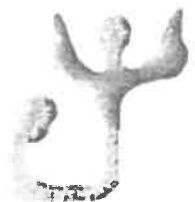
March 9 & 10 – at the Assisi Center, Lemont

March 30 & 31—Holy Family Med. Ctr., Des Plaines

For further information, call : 708-354-7211

Email us at joyfulagain7211@gmail.com

Website: www.joyfulagain.org



DO NO HARM

We listen quite a while before we get to the punch line of the first reading today: even though it would be an easy thing to do, David will not harm the anointed one of the Lord. We, of course, know that Jesus is the Messiah, the anointed one of God, but the Bible uses this term for many different people. It is scripture's way of indicating who has been chosen by God for a special place and mission in salvation history.

In today's Gospel, Jesus presents a greatly enlarged list of those who, as children of God, we should not harm, but love instead: our enemies, those who curse us or do us harm, those who owe us money, the ungrateful, the wicked. The point of Jesus teaching is not to encourage these kinds of behaviors in others, but rather to form us in the image of our heavenly Father by increasing our opportunities to love unconditionally, expecting no return; to be merciful and forgiving, even when it would be easier not to.

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Merciful and gracious is the LORD,
slow to anger and abounding in kindness.
-- Psalm 103:8

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That word radical comes from the Latin word for root (radix)--we hear this truth every year during the season of Advent. One of the names of the Promised One, Jesus, is Root of Jesse--indeed, a radical from before his birth.



*Solemn Exposition of
the Blessed Sacrament*



Eucharistic Adoration

**FRIDAY, MARCH 1
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION WILL BEGIN
AT 9AM UNTIL 4 PM.**

**SATURDAY, MARCH 2 IS THE
FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED AT
9:00 AM IN CHURCH**

**PLEASE SIGN UP TO SPEND 1 HOUR WITH OUR LORD SIGN
UP SHEET IS ON THE TABLE IN THE VESTIBULE PLEASE
MAKE SURE YOUR PHONE NUMBER IS
CORRECT IF WE NEED TO CONTACT YOU.**



The Diocese of Joliet Cemetery Office is seeking to hire Seasonal Cemetery workers (positions available in Wheaton, Romeoville, East Joliet and Kankakee). These positions consist of the performance of seasonal work in the cemetery for the maximum period as outlined in the union contract (March through October). A valid Illinois drivers' license is required. Must be willing and able to perform tasks as outlined in the Cemetery Seasonal job description. To view job description, visit: <http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/hr/listjobs.php>

Normal 40 hour workweek. Ninety-day (90) probationary period. Union membership is required. Conditions and pay-rate (\$13.00 per hour to \$15.00 per hour based on qualifications) as outlined in the current union contract. Seasonal/temporary with no benefits. Interested applicants may email a resume and/or application to: humanresources@dioceseofjoliet.org. To mail resumes and/or applications, mail to: Office of Human Resources Blanchette Catholic Center, 16555 Weber Road, Crest Hill, IL 60403.



**PLEASE REMEMBER IN
YOUR PRAYERS**

Marge Flint; Nancee Long,
Shay Phelan, Jeanne
Kuzmicz, ; Joyce Heffern,
Lisa Bernhard, Judith Wright; Cecelia
Mundt; Lorenzo Rossi; Holly Flint-Jones;
Cathy Engler; Brett Burkhalter; Norma
Boyle; Michelle Schneider

**Anyone wishing to be on the prayer list,
should contact the office.**

**Intention of the Holy Father
MONTH OF FEBRUARY**

- For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of violence.

**BRING IN YOUR
OLD PALMS
BY MARCH 3**

**ASH WEDNESDAY
IS MARCH 6**



*We are collecting old palms
that will be burned and used on
Ash Wednesday. There is a container
in the Narthex for your old palms.*

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK
February 24, 2019**



Monday: Sir 1:1-10; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11; Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40; Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: Sir 4:11-19; Ps 119:165, 168, 171, 172, 174, 175; Mk 9:38-40

Thursday: Sir 5:1-8; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mk 9:41-50

Friday: Sir 6:5-17; Ps 119:12, 16, 18, 27, 34, 35; Mk 10:1-12

Saturday: Sir 17:1-15; Ps 103:13-18; Mk 10:13-16

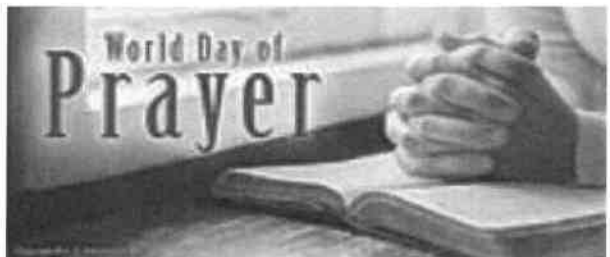
Sunday: Sir:27:4-7; Ps 92:2-3, 13-16; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45

**SAINTS AND SPECIAL
OBSERVANCE**

Sunday: Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Friday: World Day of Prayer;
First Friday

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary;
First Saturday





RADICAL LOVE

Have you ever read or heard anything about Jesus being called a “radical”? What such a statement ignores is that God has been a radical all through salvation history. What kind of superior being forgives the kind of unloving actions human-kind has committed through the centuries? Answer: a God of radical mercy, kindness, love. In today’s Gospel, Jesus teaches that, like himself, like God, we must love with God-like radical compassion, even those who are our “enemies.” Didn’t

Jesus give us an extreme example, forgiving those who put him to death? How difficult it is to be like God, like Jesus, forgiving, even *loving*, the very people who have treated us badly!

The first reading gives another example. David was under a death sentence by King Saul, who had become David’s enemy through jealousy. Given an opportunity to murder Saul in his sleep, David chose to let him live, out of respect for God’s will toward Saul. David recognized that the only way for him to do God’s will was to love Saul, his enemy, enough to refrain from being judge, jury, and executioner.

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Today’s Readings: 1 Sm 26:2, 7–9, 12–13, 22–23; Ps 103:1–2, 3–4, 8, 10, 12–13; 1 Cor 15:45–49; Lk 6:27–38

2/24/2019