

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – Cycle A
February 19th, 2017

Offer no resistance to one who persecutes you. Rather, love your neighbor as you love yourself. As the Lord is gracious and merciful, treat others in the same way, humbling yourself before the Lord.

Opportunities to Worship This Week:

Sat. 2/18, 6PM (Vigil-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time)-Jim Holstein+
Sun. 2/19, 8:30AM (Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time)-John Robison+
Thurs. 2/23, 6:30PM (Weekday)-For Special Intentions
Fri. 2/24, 8:00AM (Weekday)-For Blessings Received
Sat. 2/25, 6:00PM (Vigil-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time)-Dennis Milligan+
Sun. 2/26, 8:30AM (Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time)-Patty Brunell+

Sacrament of Penance

Anytime by Appointment/
Fri. mornings after Mass

Mass Attendance

Saturday
Sunday

Anointing of the Sick: Call the rectory any time when anointing of the sick is needed. In the absence of Fr. Martin-Edward, call Peg Garrison, Denise Zurliene or Jim Thompson and they will contact a deacon.

Prayer List:

Way-Fair Nursing Home – Kimberly Buchanan

Garland Keck, Lanora Neavill, Ute Britton, Leon Chamness, Jack Ciesielczyk, Sharon Reyling, Dan Kinsolving, Brenda Belangee, Jim & Jane Mowry, Phyllis Laird, Kurt Wiseman, Nanette Williams, Julie Griffith, Gina Williams, Emilee Stanley, Noreen Reeves, Maddox Oppenheimer, Paula Zdan, Sara Kerchner, Charles Drechsel, Shirley Byars, Dorothy Baylor, Eva Decker, Matthew Rorban, Kathy Bramlet, Virginia Winkeler, Tom Colvin, Jim Lawler, Justin McKnight, Ryan McGehee, Teresa Williams, Andrew Mayo, Zeth Frank, Jan Mrozek, Robyn Meagher, Sheila Zurliene, Sandra Henson, Ali Garrison, Gavin Biggs, Andrew Luna, Elaine Jeffers, and all priests who are sick.

Saturday, February 25, 2017

Lector: Mike Oppenheimer
E. Mins: Sally Conley, Diana Zurliene
Ushers: Dave & PJ Cavanaugh
Gifts: Sue Milligan, Alice Zurliene
Servers: volunteers

Sunday, February 26, 2017

Mike Ferido
Peg Garrison, Ginny Barrett
Scott Merkle, Richard Gomez
The Bunting Family
Will Wright, Garion Sheraden

Our Daily Scripture Readings:

Monday:	Sir 1:1-10	Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday:	Sir 2:1-11	Mk 9:30-37
Wednesday:	1 Pt 5:1-4	Mt 16:13-19
Thursday:	Sir 5:1-8	Mk 9:41-50
Friday:	Sir 6:5-17	Mk 10:1-12
Saturday:	Sir 17:1-15	Mk 10:13-16
Sunday:	Is 49:14-15 1 Cor 4:1-5	Mt 6:24-34

“One Thing I ask of the Lord, and this I long, to dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.” (Ps.27, 4)

That should be our daily prayer

That should be our daily desire

That should be our daily wish.

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – Be perfect lovers.

What a challenge! What an invitation! What a duty! The true identity of those loved by God is to be lovers. The duty is not to waste time and energy on cherishing hatred, vengeance, grudges, and retaliation. Since we belong to Christ (Baptism makes this so), we are already holy (set apart) like God, we are on the way to being perfect (devoted to divine instruction) like God.

~How will I place no limits on love of neighbor – even if he or she does _____ to me?

~How will I imitate God in being perfect?

~How will I choose to trust God this day, this week?

Sing Psalm 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13 all week: “The Lord is kind and merciful.”

Travel with Fr. Martin Ohajunwa, Pastor of St. Stephen Catholic Church, Flora & St. Edward Catholic Church, Fairfield, IL on our Italy Wide & Switzerland trip.

Where: Sorrento, Capri, Amalfi Coast, Pompeii, Rome Assisi, Tuscany, Florence, Venice, Milan, Lake Como, Switzerland.

Trip Dates: May 11-23, 2017

Cost: \$4,600.00 Airfaire and ALL – included

To Register, please contact (855) 842-8001 or (508) 340-9370. You can also register online at www.proximotravel.com. Proximo Travel, LLC PO Box 3479, Worcester, MA 01613

NEW FURNACES: St. Edward Parish Council approved the purchase and installation of 2 new furnaces for our church. They were installed in December 2016. The cost was \$8,825.00. Any parishioner that would like to give a donation to help offset this cost to St. Edward please place in collection basket earmarked “Furnace donation”. Thank-you so much for all the gifts you give to keep St. Edward Church alive and functioning.

ALTAR SODALITY MEETING: Monday, February 19th, the ladies will be meeting at 6pm in the hall to finalize the plans for the Salad Luncheon. All women of the parish are encouraged to attend.

ALTAR SODALITY SALAD LUNCHEON: On Thursday, March 16th, 2017, the Ladies Altar Sodality will be holding their annual Salad Luncheon from 11am-1pm. Cost is \$9.00 dollars a person. As in the past you will be receiving a call to bring your delicious salads. Thank-you from the Altar Sodality.

ST. PATRICK’S DINNER: On March 18th, 2017- following 6pm mass, St. Edward will be having our St. Patrick’s Dinner. The meal will consist of corned beef, cabbage, beef brisket, butter potatoes, soda bread, vegetables & onions. We ask you please bring a dessert. **There are sign-up sheets on the bulletin board for attendance and workers needed that day.** Everyone of all ages welcome. Good food & good fellowship. Don’t forget to wear your green!!!! We will also have a 50/50 drawing. Any questions please contact Scott Merkle.

OLD PALMS: Lent begins on Wednesday, March 1st, 2017. As in the past we are in need of your old palms. There will be a basket in the hall to put them in. Thank-you.

BIBLE STUDY: Next Bible Study is Sunday, February 26th at 5:00pm. Coming in March, Bible Study will be holding a 2-part series called “Priest, Profit, and King”. It is a CD series by Bishop Robert Barron on “The Church Today”. This will be held March 12th, 5pm and March 26th, 5pm. If you are interested or have any questions contact Ken & Theresa Nordmann.

THE MESSENGER: WE HAVE 5 SEATS LEFT FOR OUR PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND.

Don’t miss out on this fabulous trip! Join Fr. Mark Stec and Liz Quirin May 16-26, 2017, For More information, please call The Messenger, 618-233-8670.

QUILT AND CASH BINGO: Sunday, March 19th, 2017, St Joseph Church in Freeburg, IL will be holding Quilt and Cash Bingo starting at 11:00am. For more information flyer on bulletin board in the hall.

ST. PHILIP ALUMNI & FRIENDS “WINDOWS TO THE FUTURE” PHASE 2 FUNDRAISER: Benefiting Sr. Thea Bowman Catholic School “Casino Night” Saturday, March 25th, 2017 at St. Luke’s Parish Center. Doors open @6:00pm, \$20 pp, Bring your own food. Call Patti O’Sullivan Bond for info 363-4816.

MARCH IS GOING TO BE BUSY; DON’T FORGET TO TAKE TIME TO PRAY! AMEN