

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 17, 2016



SURPRISES

Life is full of surprises, some pleasant, some not. The scriptures are filled with

stories of God's surprises cropping up when they are least expected: younger children obtaining the inheritance; the lowliest being seated highest up; an itinerant preacher, killed like a criminal, exalted to eternal, heavenly glory.

Anybody who has planned a wedding or similar event knows that they are filled with opportunities for surprises. For the bridegroom in today's Gospel story, who has no direct contact with Jesus, the pleasant surprise came because somebody else paid attention and had faith in Jesus.

We may think that the point of today's familiar story of the wedding at Cana is that when we have faith in Jesus, our lives will be pleasantly changed. A Christian, however, needs to have a broader perspective and realize that to have faith in Christ means that somebody's life—not necessarily our own—will be surprised for the better.

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Our altar flowers this weekend have been provided by Eleanor Manuel in loving memory of her husband, Wiley Manuel.

Social Justice Committee

Pasta & Games

Friday, February 12 @ 6:30PM Hall

St. Mary's Center for the homeless

We are still collecting toiletries, small sizes would be best. In addition, socks would be welcome.

The Catholic Worker

We also are still collecting rice, beans, canned and boxed goods, toilet paper, and paper towels.

Thank you for your support.

Save the Date

World Day of the Sick Mass
Saturday, February 6, 11:00am – Noon
The Cathedral of Christ the Light
2121 Harrison St., Oakland

The annual World Day of the Sick Mass will be held on Saturday, February 6 at 11:00 am at The Cathedral of Christ the Light.



Those who are sick or ill and their families, caregivers, and healthcare providers are invited to observe this day with the religious and lay people from the Diocese of Oakland.



Ash Wednesday, February 10

8:30 AM & 7:00 PM in the church

Ash Wednesday, February 10, marks the beginning of Lent, which is "a powerful season, a turning point that can foster change and conversion in each of us. We all need to improve, to change for the better. Lent helps us and thus we leave behind old habits and the lazy addiction to the evil that deceives and ensnares us. During the season of Lent, the Church issues two important invitations: to have a greater awareness of the redemptive work of Christ; and to live out one's Baptism with deeper commitment." (Pope Francis, General Audience. March 5, 2014)

"PSoup & Psalms"

6:30pm in the Church

Wednesdays during Lent & Holy Week
February 17 – March 23

During the Wednesday Evenings of Lent, we gather in prayer and share a simple meal. Our "PSoup & Psalms" is Evening Prayer, or Vespers, and consists of the singing of the Psalms, the Proclamation of the Word of God, time for silent meditation, the singing of the Magnificat (Mary's Song of Praise), intercessions, and praise. During "PSoup & Psalms," we share soup and bread prepared by various parishioners.

Please contact Norma Perry

(leenorma@sbcglobal.net) if you would like to provide soup or bread.

Parishioner Update

Betty Organ, a long-time parishioner, who moved to Texas to be with her family, passed away on December 31, 2015.

STEWARDSHIP

January 10 Collection	\$ 1,933.00
Bishop's Appeal	
Our 2016 Goal	\$
Received as of 1/5/2016	\$ 120.00
Capital Improvement Campaign	
Our 2016 Goal	\$ 20,000.00
Received as of 1/5/2016	\$ 508.00
<i>Reclaiming Christ's Mission Together:</i>	
Our Goal	\$ 163,740.00
Pledged as of 11/2/2015	\$ 135,525.00
Remaining Balance	\$ 28,215.17
25% received as of 11/18/2015	\$ 11,512.00

Thank you for your continued generosity!

SPECIAL INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, January 17
10:00AM – Wiley Manuel

MASS INTENTIONS

When we celebrate the Eucharist, heaven and earth unite. We are one with our loved ones who have gone before us. We would like to encourage you to consider remembering by name your loved ones at a mass on the weekdays or on the weekend.

THIS WEEK AT ST. PASCHAL BAYLON

Sunday, January 17

First Communion Class, 9AM, Rectory Conf. Rm
Choir Practice, 9:15AM, Church

Monday, January 18

OFFICE CLOSED – Martin Luther King Day

Thursday, January 21

Choir Practice, 5:30PM, Church

Sunday, January 24

Choir Practice, 9:15AM, Church

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday:	1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday:	1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6
Thursday:	1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-13; Mk 3:7-12
Friday:	1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19, <i>or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer</i>
Saturday:	2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21
Sunday:	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8-10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday:	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day; Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins
Tuesday:	Julian Calendar Theophany (Epiphany)
Wednesday:	St. Fabian; St. Sebastian
Thursday:	St. Agnes
Friday:	Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
Saturday:	St. Vincent; St. Marianne Cope; Blessed Virgin Mary

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember in your prayers those who are ill, especially:

Anna Alberti	Shirley & Ed Mannette
Stephen Alberti	Gary Manuel
Jocelyn Alcantara	Rosie Martin
Claudia Blancher	Sandra Meekins
Lani Borges	Sam Meo
Andrew Brown	Grady Miles
Benigno Cusortelli	Dakota Neal-Soublet
Peter Cuddyre	Bob Norris
Jerry DeMaria	Angela Paz
Alex & Dorothy Donaville	James Pearson
Sue Ann Dunford	Norma Perry
Gerri Escobar	Sonja Phillips
Juanita Estrella	Carol Reinero
Jess Felis	Bea Scott
James Ferguson	Rich Selby
Jane Framsted	Bill Slon
Libia George	Bruce Soublet
Ernie Gonsalves	Margaret Soublet
Chanel Marie Gordon	Rosetta Souza
Sue Holmes	Jared Springer
Meghan Johnson	Nancy Stoeber
Lisa Johnston	Sandra Tanhuanpaa
Heidi Kauzlarich	Leila Tassano
Sarah Leech	Elizabeth Vallerga
	Barbara Wickhorst



And for those who have died.

YOUR BEST

Give to the world the best you have and the best will come back to you.

—Anonymous

2016 Mass Schedule

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday – 8:30AM Saturday
Vigil Mass @5:00PM
2016 Mass Schedule
Sunday Mass @ 10:00AM