

Sunday Reflection – 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom's Feast: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Gospel casts Jesus in a prophetic light as one having authority to interpret God's law.

Jesus' quotation from Isaiah today is ironic (see Isaiah 29:13). In observing the law, the Pharisees honor God by ensuring that nothing unclean passes their lips. In this, however, they've turned the law inside out, making it a matter of simply performing certain external actions.

The gift of the law, which we hear God giving to Israel in today's First Reading, is fulfilled in Jesus' Gospel, which shows us the law's true meaning and purpose (see Matthew 5:17).

The law, fulfilled in the Gospel, is meant to form our hearts, to make us pure, able to live in the Lord's presence. The law was given that we might live and enter into the inheritance promised to us—the kingdom of God, eternal life.

Israel, by its observance of the law, was meant to be an example to surrounding nations. As James tells us in today's Epistle, the Gospel was given to us that we might have new birth by the Word of truth. By living the Word we've received, we're to be examples of God's wisdom to those around us, the "first fruits" of a new humanity.

This means we must be "doers" of the Word, not merely hearers of it. As we sing in today's Psalm and hear again in today's Epistle, we must work for justice, taking care of our brothers and sisters and living by the truth God has placed in our hearts.

The Word given to us is a perfect gift. We should not add to it through vain and needless devotions. Nor should we subtract from it by picking and choosing which of His laws to honor.

"Hear me," Jesus says in today's Gospel. Today, we're called to examine our relationship to God's law.

Is the practice of our religion a pure listening to Jesus, a humble welcoming of the Word planted in us and able to save our souls? Or are we only paying lip service?

Upcoming Celebrations ************************************				
Sat	Aug 31	10 Tatagwa 5 PM Mass	John Tuchscherer + Thanksgiving	
Sun	Sep 1	7PM St Mary's 10 AM Mass	Josephine Krowicki + Stella Hoffart 85 th BD	
Mon	Sep 2	No Mass		
Tues	Sep 3	6:30 PM Mass	Joe & Barbara Goski Int.	
Wed	Sep 4	9 AM Mass	David Schuck +	
Thu	Sep 5	9 AM Mass	Ernest Gutzke & Family	
Fri	Sep 6	12:10pm Mass 1pm Adoration 5pm	Reggie Goski + Faith Clinic Benediction	
Sat	Sep 7	10am Tatagwa 5 PM Mass 7PM St Mary's	Wayne Dupuis Int. Lawrence Delaet + Bill Shorthouse +	
Sun	Sep 8	10 AM Mass	Alberto Siscar +	

<u>Mass Intentions</u>: We are running out of Mass requests. Mass intentions in our Care Homes have been removed for this reason. Please, contact the Parish office for Mass requests for your various intentions.

Sacramental Prep. Registration:

Sacramental Preparation classes for grades 2 and up will begin on September 15/16. You may choose which class to attend, Sunday or Monday. Registration forms are available at the church office or at St. Michael's school. Classes will be held at 6:30 in the Youth room of the church. Parents are asked to attend with their children.

If there are candidates who are older than the grade 2 level, a separate class for older children will be offered.

The next Practice for the Youth Choir will be on Thursday, September 5, at 4:30 pm. The Youth Choir will have their practice every Thursday evening at 4:30pm this September.

<u>Are you Tech Savvy</u> and interested in doing volunteer time at church. We are looking for extra volunteers for the laptop. We need volunteers Saturday at 5pm Mass and when we go back to two masses on Sunday, we will need extra help at 11 am Mass. We are happy to give you time for training. Please call the office if you can help.

<u>Communion to Shut-ins and those in Hospitals</u>: In order to make certain our parishioners who cannot get to the Church for Mass receive the Eucharist; we need their church family to let the office know who is needing this service. Call the office at (306) 842-2129.

<u>Readings for the 22ndSunday in</u> Ordinary Time



Deut. 4:1-2,6-8 Ps 15:2-5 James 1:17-18,21-22,27 Mk 7:1-8,14-15,21-23 Jn 6:53,60-69

Heavenly Father, direct your healing toward our loved ones who suffer and who believe that you can and will restore them to full health. We call them by name: **Connie Regier, Betty Van Staveren, Anthony Delanoy, Bonnie Kaip, Amanda Kopec,** and all those facing. illness or any of life's struggles.

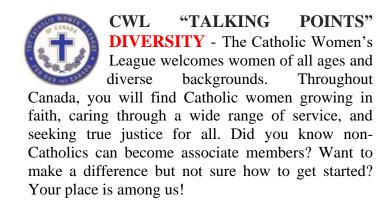
Our condolences to the families and friends of **Eva Maas** and all the dearly departed. The thoughts and prayers of your church family are with you.

Attention Parishioners!! St. Vincent de Paul will be doing a new Picture Directory.

The last directory was compiled in 2018. To be successful it is essential that all parishioners participate. The directory is a great resource for Father, newcomers and fellow parishioners to identify one another. There is no cost to have family pictures taken and no sitting fee for the directory. It is a good chance to get family pictures done for Christmas at a reduced cost.

We will be taking appointments from Tuesday, September 10 to Friday, September 20. Please, see the sign-up sheets at the back of the church for making appointments.

Happy 85th Birthday to Stella Hoffart on September 1st ! Thank you for your many years of service to our parish!



Welcome Visitors and New Parishioners!

Our Parish family warmly welcomes new members. Please fill out a New Parishioner form at your earliest convenience. The forms are located on a table in the foyer!

As well, if any parishioner has changed their address, phone number etc., please inform the office.

Stewardship Bulletin Bit:

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"Be doers of the word and not hearers only..."James 1:22

It's easy to understand the definition of stewardship – living a grateful and generous life. The hard part is doing it! How do your words and actions reflect God's word? Do you share your time in prayer with God daily? Do you use your talent to help those in need without expecting anything in return? Are you generous with your financial resources? If not, what are you waiting for?

James' Pick of the Week

Pagan America: the decline of Christianity and the dark age to come by John Davidson

Evil is coming, worse than we can imagine. Author John Davidson convincingly argues that principles such as democracy, respect for human life, free speech, and morality cannot exist in a nation that rejects Christianity. Instead of free citizens, we are rapidly becoming slaves in a pagan empire. But the Catholic Church was born amidst a pagan empire and, as Catholics, it will be our duty to defend Christianity with courage and faith. It will be up to us faithful Catholics to restore Christian civilization in the terrible dark age to come. Now available in the Parish Library. *Pro Libris!*

Blessed Virgin Mary's Birthday Celebration

Join us for birthday cake following the 10am Mass on September 8 to celebrate the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Holy Mother's Birthday is one of only three birthdays celebrated in the Church calendar, the others being the Nativity of the Lord (Dec 25) and the Nativity of St. John the Baptist (June 24). The birth of Mary falls on the hinge of the Old and New Testaments, bringing to an end the period of expectation and beginning the era of grace and salvation in Jesus Christ. A project of the Spiritual and Adult Faith Formation Committee.

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Are you considering becoming Catholic? Are you a Catholic interested in being confirmed? Are you a Confirmed Catholic

who's ready to explore your faith anew?

Join us in an extraordinary process of learning more about the Catholic faith in an adult learning environment. Join us and discover if you're being called to become part of this Catholic family. Join us and rediscover the rituals and traditions of the faith you learned as a child. Join us for RCIA! Please call the office for more information or to sign up! Ph: (306) 842-2129

Stewardship of Time & Talent - August 31 & September 1, 2024				
	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 10 AM		
Readers	Wendy Sidloski, Ingri Roman	Jerome Sidloski, Karen Sidloski		
Eucharistic Ministers	Rose Loos, Mary Ann Piwarski	Susan Kot, Jean Woodard		
Acolytes	Bruno Tuchscherer, Frankie Ernst, Charlie Ernst	Aime Isabey, Ron Klein		
Power Point				
Hospitality	Bernice Driscoll, Ev Corbin, Heather Fellner, Marilyn Isabey	Ron Wormsbecker, Aime Isabey, Loretta Benning		
Children's Liturgy				
Counters	Joanne Babiarz, Wendy Pitre, Christie McKenzie, Rosanne Mantei			
Choir	11am Choir	9am Choir		
Stewardship of Time & Talent – September 7 & 8, 2024				
	Saturday 5 PM	Sunday 10 AM		
Readers	Merle St. Onge	Peter Broccolo, Jean Woodard		
Eucharistic Ministers	Cecile Sellinger, Betty Van Staveren	Elaine Nielsen, Jeannine Chapman, Yvette Bauche		
Acolytes	Stella Hoffart, Ken Beroy, Kurt Beroy	Stella Hoffart, Mark Cristobal, Gab Reynosa, Haroun Mathews		
Power Point				
Hospitality	Jeff & Mary Ann Flaaten, Bonnie & Frank Kaip	Yvonne Kerr, Omer & Chris Marcotte, Richard & Celine Wawro		
Children's Liturgy				
Counters	Harry Plemel, Nick Coroluick, Terry Biss			
Choir	Youth Choir	5pm Choir		

Parish Council Members: Chair - Marga Cugnet, Wendy Sidloski, Bernice Driscoll, Nhar Pinon, Ron Wormsbecker,
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Sacraments: Baptism and Reconciliation – Contact the parish office Matrimony – Contact the parish office at least 6 months prior.

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