



February 13, 2022
SIXTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

The Blessings in Our Lives

The Beatitudes of Jesus in the Bible, commonly referred as, “**the Sermon on the Mount**” (Matthew 5:3-12), are full of guiding principles and promises of Blessings, given to us to grow in faith. We also come across with somewhat similar text “**Sermon on the Plain**” in Luke (6:20-26), which we read this weekend as the Gospel (6th Sunday of the Ordinary time).

Each phrase of this text has very deep insights. We need to do a thorough Biblical background study in order to grasp the real meaning and the truth, hidden in the text. I am just picking up the highlighting word “**Blessed**” from the text for our reflection. The word **Blessed, Blessing or Bless** is a word that we read very often both in the Old Testament and in the New Testament.

According to Biblical Dictionary, the word "bless" or "blessing" comes from the Old English word **bledsian**, based on the Old English word for blood. It may have originally meant "to consecrate with blood" and it was later used to translate the Latin word **benedicere**, which means "to praise, worship." The word "bless" is also used to translate the Hebrew word “barak”, which means "to praise, congratulate or salute." In the common vernacular, the word is used to indicate a wish of good fortune upon the one receiving the blessing. In the New Testament, however, the emphasis is more on spiritual (joy & happiness) rather than on material blessings.

It is also possible for a person to "bless" God. "Bless the Lord, O my soul” (Psalm 103:2). These occurrences of "bless" are usually translated "praise" or "extol" in modern versions.

How do we experience the blessing in today’s context, As per Rick Warren, There are six truths in the Bible regarding Blessing, They are,

- **God blesses us** even though we don’t deserve it. The Bible tells us, “Out of the fullness of his grace he has blessed us all, giving us one blessing after another” (John 1:16).
- **God blesses us** because he rejoices in doing so. Any parent can understand this. We love to bless our children. So does God. God says in Jeremiah 32:41: “I rejoice doing them good”.
- **God promises** he will bless our lives if we obey him. God’s promises and his blessings are not automatic. They are conditional. You’re not waiting on God to bless you. He is waiting for you to fulfill the conditions necessary for your blessing. (Deut 11:27)
- **God blesses us** as a witness to others. God wants to show off his blessing so that other people can see what a good God he is.
- **God blesses us** to bless others. God doesn’t bless you so you can just store up his blessings and keep them all to yourselves. God blesses you so you can bless others.
- **God’s blessing** can be multigenerational. God does this over and over throughout the Bible. For example, the Bible says in Genesis 25:11, “After Abraham’s death, God blessed his son Isaac”.

Let’s be thankful to God for the enormous Blessings received and let’s be a Blessing to others. May God bless us all!

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturdays ~ 5 PM
Sundays ~ 8 AM & 10 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 5:30 PM
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00 AM
First Saturdays 8:00 AM

DAILY ROSARY

Before 8 AM Mass at 7:25 AM
Thursdays at 2:00 PM

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays ~ 4 PM—4:45 PM
& Following 1st Saturday 8 AM Mass

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

First Fridays following 8 AM Mass
Benediction at 4:00 PM
All other Fridays beginning at 3:00 PM
Benediction at 4:00 PM

Mass Intentions for the week of February 13, 2022

Sat.	Feb. 12	5:00 PM	For All Deceased Members of the Howard G. Rose Family
Sun.	Feb. 13	8:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of Rose & LaVerne Schaller
		10:00 AM	For our Parishioners
Tue.	Feb. 15	5:30 PM	For the repose of the soul of John Sustar
Wed.	Feb. 16	8:00 AM	Special Intention
		2:00 PM	FAIRVIEW NURSING HOME For the Poor Souls in Purgatory
		6:15 PM	For the repose of the soul of Dan Moser
Thu.	Feb. 17	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Mary Lou Arens
Fri.	Feb. 18	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Mary Buttner
Sat.	Feb. 19	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of Larry Bonafacchi
Sun.	Feb. 20	8:00 AM	For our Parishioners
		10:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of James Smart

Pray for the health of Max Teumer, Ben Reynebeau, Julie (Watry) Stoner, Rosemary Lehnen, Vivian G., Russell Fairchild, Deb Beyer, Diana Hunt, Jessie Norton, Tricia Demmin, Bill Chase, Kiley Hackel, Shari Randall, Helen Eucolono, Ethel Passer, Sid Mead, Marie Hersil, Becky Fredrickson, Mary W., Bob W., Therese, Mary Sauer, Pete Ruland, Audrey Gillen, Rita Kueppers, Cindy Mueller, George Gabay, Jim Smith, Sadie Ravenscroft, Anne Nancolas, Rosemary Wier, RM, Payton, Veronica, Kathryn Doughty, Patricia, the Moore Family, JM, Carl Wier, Carole Hayes, Tillie Schumacher, Ralph Hamm, Millie Hovde, Bill Eisch, Marie Boehm, Marsha Hamil, MMB, AAB, EMM, Brenna, Barb Gardner, Patrick Moore, Karen Patton, Marty, Therese Severson, Fran Skalak, Tina Moore, Eric, Tony Berns, Jeanne Allen, Randy Czaplewski, Emma Boehm and Debbie Kastner.

Pray for those in the military serving our country: Jason Witkowiak, Tera Walsh, Casey Chamberlain, Chris Dvorak, Paul Knudtson, Jon Taylor, Jessica Burch, Mandy Gardner, Aaron Hoogland, Janie Asberry, Jessica Tremain, Andrei Klika-Sampe, Zachary Bader, Will Post, Adam Field, Bailey Granger, Alex Ericson and Ethan Jasinski.

SAVE THE DATE: Saint Patrick's will be hosting a Parish Mission from March 28th-March 30th. Brs. Michael and Javier from the Capuchin Order in Chicago will be speaking at this Mission for our Parish. Please plan to attend! More details to follow.

FLOWERS FOR MARY

The Flowers for Mary this week are in remembrance of Matthias James Boppart.

Stewardship Corner ~ February 5th & 6th, 2022
(524 Registered Families)

	**WKLY BUDGETED GIVING	ACTUAL
Adult Envelopes	\$8,384.62	\$ 5,238.00
On-Line Giving		3,088 .00
Children's Envelopes	9.61	13.00
Loose Offering	385.00	536.00
Total Weekly Offering:	\$ 8,779.23	\$ 8,875.00
Year-to-date* budget requirement		\$280,935.33
Year-to-date amount contributed		\$287,939.25

*Fiscal Year July 1, 2021 to current date

**** Budgeted Weekly Giving Amount based on pledges made. We anticipate a total budgeted income deficit of \$ 145,603 for this fiscal year.**

We ask you to join us in praying sincerely for guidance and success in helping to meet the temporal needs of our Church so that we can carry on our spiritual mission.

Weekly Calendar

Tuesday	Feb. 15	3:00 PM	Hour of Mercy in Church
		7:00 PM	KC Meeting—RH
Wednesday	Feb. 16		Religious Ed Classes
		6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal
		8:00 PM	Time of Prayer in Church
Thursday	Feb. 17	12:00 PM	Rosary Makers—RH
		2:00 PM	Rosary in Church
		6:00 PM	Parish Council Mtg.
Friday	Feb. 18	6:30 AM	"That Man is You"

We are looking for help for several positions at our school. Needed are subs for our teachers, hot lunch staff and janitorial staff. If you would like to be on our "sub" list for any of these positions, please contact Mrs. Ross at our school (608-847-5844). These positions can be volunteer or paid positions. Thank you for helping out our school.

Parish Council Elections ~ Interested in serving on our Parish Council? Please put your name on one of the slips of paper in the pews this weekend and put it in the collection basket. We'll be holding elections in the very near future.

Knights of Columbus Meeting—Tuesday, February 15th at 7 PM in Reardon Hall. All men are invited to be a part of the Knights of Columbus.

Gala Raffle Tickets are now available! Stop by the school office or rectory to purchase yours! Gala baskets are on display in the school.

Bishop's Annual Appeal ~ Thank you to all who have returned their pledge cards so far. Our goal for this year is \$41,140. **We currently have 84 families who have pledged \$32,646.** If you did not receive a pledge card, please give the rectory office a call and we will be happy to send one to you.

We are looking for Greeters for the weekend Masses. We especially need greeters for the Saturday 5 PM Masses. We are looking for individuals, couples or families to help out. If you or your family would like to be greeters at any of the weekend Masses, please contact Marge Bailey at marge7287@mwt.net or 608-562-5488.

FORMED

Episode 1: In the Dust of the Rabbi

What does it mean to be a disciple of Christ?

Many of us call ourselves "Catholic." We check off all the expected boxes: weekly Mass attendance, rosary, receiving the sacraments. We understand and believe basic Church teaching and volunteer for religious ed or at the soup kitchen. We think that is enough.

Or is it? In this opening session, we explore the call of Jesus to follow him as we ask the questions "What am I made for?" and "Where am I right now?"

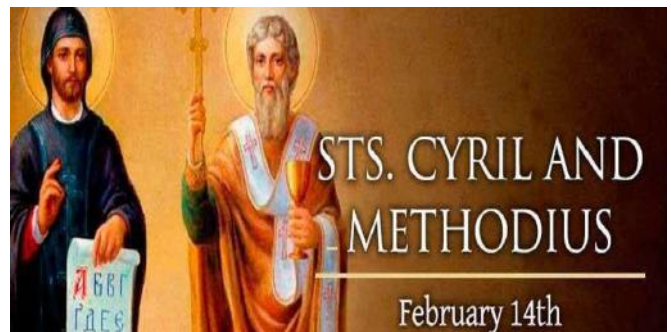
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**We at St. Patrick's are fortunate** to have a place to come to pray in private before our statue of St. Peregrine, the patron of cancer patients. We welcome everyone to stop to say a prayer for someone with a serious illness as well as ask Our Lord through St. Peregrine to find a cure for this dreaded disease that affects so many people. There is literature about St. Peregrine's life and medals that are blessed along with prayer cards available for anyone to pick up. These are located on the shelf under the candle stand at the front of church next to the St. Peregrine statue.

**Just a reminder that when you shop on Amazon, please use AMAZON SMILE.** When families register on smile.amazon.com and name St. Patrick's as their charitable organization, we will receive 0.5% back from your purchases. To Register, use the link:

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### Prayer Opportunities

**Hour of Mercy:** Tuesdays at 3 PM—time of prayer, litany and chaplet on behalf of our Church and the world. For more information, contact Deacon Juan or Jan Mullenberg.

**Wednesday Evening Prayer Time:** The church will be open on Wednesday evenings at 8 PM for a time of prayer. Please feel free to join as / when you are able.

**Praying the Rosary:** Join us on Thursdays at 2 PM in church to pray the rosary. The intention for each week is posted on our parish Facebook page.

**Holy Hour:** Each Friday we have Holy Hour from 3 PM to 4 PM. On First Fridays, we have Exposition and Adoration following morning Mass until benediction at 4 PM.

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of February 12th & 13th

#### Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Steve Hesprich

Eucharistic Minister:

Servers: Nolan Powers, Ryleigh Vinopal, Gracey Kobylski

Musicians: John and Nancy Noga

Greeters:

Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Fran Lunenschloss, Tom Schoettler

#### Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lector: Paul Schaller

Eucharistic Minister:

Servers: Jacob Barnes, William & Eli Schanke

Musicians: Ann Benz, Joe Clary, Cristina Becker

Greeters: Larry & Tina Moore

Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, George Tremel, Jim Bires, Dave Netzer

#### Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lector: Bill Curran

Eucharistic Minister:

Servers: Carter Field, Beau Barreau, Leia Kocyan

Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Terri Walling

Greeters:

Ushers: Jon Field, Clinton Pouillie

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of February 19th & 20th

#### Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Steve Hesprich

Eucharistic Minister: Rita Hamm

Servers: Jack Vinopal, Landynn and Theron Miller

Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Choir

Greeters:

Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Fran Lunenschloss, Tom Schoettler

#### Sunday, 8:00 AM

Lector: Larry Moore

Eucharistic Minister:

Servers: Cody Komiskey

Musicians: Ann Benz, Joe Clary, Cristina Becker

Greeters: Ron & Marge Bailey

Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, George Tremel, Jim Bires, Dave Netzer

#### Sunday, 10:00 AM

Lector: Howard Boppart

Eucharistic Minister: Gina Boppart

Servers: Kaden Cook, Johnny and Eddy Riley

Musicians:

Greeters: Kris Mazur

Ushers: Jon Field, Clinton Pouillie, Eli & Johannes Boppart



**Gala On-Line Auction**—We have 4 amazing items on our Gala On-Line Auction. Go to <https://stpatrickgala2022.ggo.bid/> to view and bid on these items. If you would like to view the items in person or have questions about them, please give the rectory office a call. Bidding ends on Sunday, February 20th at 12 noon. Tell your friends! You can also make donations to the Fr. Reardon Scholarship Fund on the auction site.

**Companions for the Journey** ~ Just as food is required for human life, so are companions. Companions nourish our heart, mind, soul, and body. Friday's Companion for the Journey is: Praying with Hildegard of Bingen. **Join us on Friday, February 25th at 9 am in Reardon Hall.** We open with prayer, read a little on the week's companion, have a reflection, and then end with a faith action task for the next week. Join us when you can and it is open to anyone. The prayer focus will be "Living in the Light". Call Mrs. Thayer at 608-747-2681 with any questions. Hope to see you there!

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