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FEBRUARY 5, 2023
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary

Masses

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm

Sunday: 8am, 10:30am

Weekday Mass: 8:00am (Chapel)
(Monday-Friday, Rosary after)

First Tuesday
(of the Month) **Anointing of the Sick & Novena of Our Lady of Perpetual Help**
(after 8am Mass)

First Friday: **8:00am(Chapel)**
(of the month) **Mass & Devotion To Sacred Heart**

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00-3:45 pm

Sunday: 7:15 - 7:45am

9:45-10:15am

(Other times by Appointment)

Adoration

Tuesday: 8:00am-6:00pm

Friday: 8:30am-9:30am

Office Hours

Mon-Friday 8:30am-12:30pm

Wednesday 8:30am-12:00pm

Secretary Linda Bellocq

You are the salt of the earth.

But if the salt has become tasteless,
with what shall it be salted?

It is no longer good for anything
except to be cast out
and trampled underfoot by men.

Matthew 5:13

Today's Readings

First Reading (Isaiah 58:7-10)

Thus says the LORD: Share your bread with the hungry, shelter the oppressed and the homeless; clothe the naked when you see them, and do not turn your back on your own. Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your wound shall quickly be healed; your vindication shall go before you, and the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer, you shall cry for help, and he will say: Here I am! If you remove from your midst oppression, false accusation and malicious speech; if you bestow your bread on the hungry and satisfy the afflicted; then light shall rise for you in the darkness, and the gloom shall become for you like midday.

Psalm (112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9)

R. **The just man is a light in darkness to the upright.**

Light shines through the darkness for the upright; he is gracious and merciful and just. Well for the man who is gracious and lends, who conducts his affairs with justice.

R. **The just man is a light in darkness to the upright.**

He shall never be moved; the just one shall be in everlasting remembrance. An evil report he shall not fear; his heart is firm, trusting in the LORD.

R. **The just man is a light in darkness to the upright.**

His heart is steadfast; he shall not fear. Lavishly he gives to the poor; His justice shall endure forever; his horn shall be exalted in glory.

R. **The just man is a light in darkness to the upright.**

Second Reading (1 Corinthians 2:1-5)

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, proclaiming the mystery of God, I did not come with sublimity of words or of wisdom. For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. I came to you in weakness and fear and much trembling, and my message and my proclamation were not with persuasive words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of Spirit and power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

Gospel (Matthew 5:13-16)

Jesus said to his disciples: "You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned? It is no longer good for anything but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot. You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel basket; it is set on a lampstand, where it gives light to all in the house. Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father."

Gospel Reflection

In today's Gospel, Jesus uses different images to define the disciples and their mission. He presents them as the salt of the earth and the light of the world. The Israelites used to compare 'Torah' (The Law) with the salt and the world cannot live without it. Taking up this image Jesus apply to his followers.

Salt has many functions and Jesus might have intended to refer them all. Salt gives flavor to food and it also stands for wisdom. "Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you know how you should respond to each one" (Col 4:6). Understood as such, the image indicates that the disciples must bring to the world a wisdom capable of giving flavor and meaning to life. It is also used to preserve food to prevent it from rotting. It means that the Christians are called upon to prevent moral corruption, not to allow society to be guided by wicked principles or rot and decay. Salt is for others. It never gives flavor to itself. Therefore, we must give flavor to the lives of others with the message of the Gospel.

St. John in his letter says "God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin" (1 Jn 1:5-7). The darkness is our sin. If we have received Jesus as our Lord and God, there will not be any more darkness in us.

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." (Jn 8:12) and again he says "You are the light of the world" (Mt 5:14). A light is something which is meant to be seen. Christian faith should be visible in our activities and it should be a guide for others to the truth. Light does not illuminate for itself but for others. Therefore, Jesus says, "your light must shine before others, so that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father".

No Mass and Adoration

Monday—Wednesday
February 6 through 8

Baby Bottle Fundraiser

Knights of Columbus are collecting baby bottles filled with loose money/coins. Empty Bottles are available in the Vestibule. Please return by Easter Sunday. The proceeds collected will go to the Pregnancy Center to Support Life. Thank you for your generosity.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 1:1-19; Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c; Mk 6:53-56
 Tuesday: Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Ps 8:4-9; Mk 7:1-13
 Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30; Mk 7:14-23
 Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 7:24-30
 Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 7:31-37
 Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2-6, 12-13; Mk 8:1-10
 Sunday: Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 [20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37]



COFFEE SHOP

Come by and have some
Coffee, Breakfast &
Fellowship after 8am Mass
Donations are accepted

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday February 4
4pm- Timothy Steen †
 Sunday February 5
8:00am Parishioners
10:30am- Charles & Vernon Haast†
 Monday February 6
8:00am- NO MASS
 Tuesday, February 7
8:00am- NO MASS
 Wednesday February 8
8:00am- NO MASS
 Thursday February 9
8:00am- Karen Koenenn †
 Friday February 10
8:00am- Peggy Ladner†

In Memorium



Virgie Lewis
Nov. 20, 1930~Jan. 20, 2023

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Tu B'Shvat (the Jewish new year of trees) begins at sunset
 Monday: St. Paul Miki and Companions
 Wednesday: St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita;
 International Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking
 Friday: St. Scholastica
 Saturday: Our Lady of Lourdes; Blessed Virgin Mary; World Day of the Sick



If you are unable to come inside the Church, sit in your automobile and listen to our Broadcasting on 91.1 Fm. You can also listen to a Portable radio in Church if you have trouble hearing.

Claiborne Hill Receipts

We appreciate dropping off your Claiborne Hill receipts!
Thank you for your support.
YTD \$56.61

Financial News

Insurance	\$50,596.75
Diocesan Support	\$16,244.79
School Supplement	\$29,225.07
Salaries, Utilities, & Other Expenses	\$189,488.23
Total Yearly Financial Obligations	\$285,554.84
Amount needed each Week	\$5,491.43
Last Sunday Collection	\$2,863.54
Shortfall	-\$2,627.89



Church Cleaning
Team 1 this week

Prayer Request

Jennifer Albrittin	Jean Lee
Judith Amm	Walter Lonbourg
Emilee Battaglia	James Lovett
John Battaglia	Layla Mallett
Stacey Battaglia	Jim McDaniel
Bill Blaisdell	Charles Meador
Stephen Blaisdell	Kathleen Micell
Earline Blanchard	Shannon & Carol Moragas
Gene Breazeale	Barbara Moran
Wilson Breux	Cleopatra Moran
Ernest Brown	Sonny Moran
Ida Brown	Warren Moran
Claude & Linda Burke	Belinda & Kenny Morgan
John Byrnes	Patrick Murphy
Barbara Cameron	Bernadine Necaize
Robert L. Cassell	Bernell Necaize
Kay Cerisier	Janet Necaize
Rosalind & Cynthia Dauzat	Tyrone & Faye Necaize
Cheryl Deschamp	Wilmah Necaize
Jean Dohm	Christopher Nugent
Jessica Duffour	Louis Nunez
Eugene, James, Jerry, Gretchen, Tessa, JoAnn, Jude, Shirley Cucurullo	Timothy Odum
Howard Edwards	Joy Patin
Lois Forest	Jameson Gerard Patin
Ivan Garza	Trudy Pecoul
Peggy Glynn	Larry Phillips
Robert Gould	Judy Richieu
Christine Green-Wood	Abby Rolison
Alexa Hardie	Brooke Rolison
Amanda Jones	Tina Roundtree
Jim & Mary Kenney	Carla Santiago
Donald Koenenn	Karrie Schultz
Linda Koenenn	Jason Schable
Nell Koenenn	Caleb Schwartz
Shelly Koenenn	Sonny Schwartz
Andy Ladner	Jerry Shavers
Barbara Ladner	Mike Shubert
Janice Ladner	Maura Strong
Shelia Ladner	Rose Tebo
Willard & Cecile Ladner	Josie Thomas
Patsy Ladner	Judy Thornton
	Shaylynn Whitfield
	Adrian Wilson

Pray for our Troops

Amir Darwis _____ US Army National Guard
 Darrell Little _____ US Army
 Devin Nelson _____ US Army
 Brandan Witt _____ USAF
 Evan Cameron _____ USAF
 David Arceneaux _____ USAF
 Lance Cuevas.....USAF
 Christopher Abney.....US Navy

Lord, hold our troops in Your Loving Hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need, and bring them home safely. May their sacrifices bring about a lasting and just peace in those lands. We ask this in the Name of Jesus Our Lord and Savior. Amen.

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