



# 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

"Blessed are you when people hate you,  
and when they exclude and insult you,  
and denounce your name as evil  
on account of the Son of Man." - Lk 6:22

**Parish Stewardship for 2018-2019**

Weekly amount originally budgeted for 2018-19. . . . \$3,529.00

Offertory for the weekend of **February 9-10** .....\$2,530.00

Deficit/Surplus for weekend **February 9-10** ..... \$ -1008.85

Budget from July 1, 2018—June 30, 2019.....\$183,500.00

Deficit/Surplus to Date .....-\$7,141.42

Thank You for Your Support!

**St. Joseph “Prayer Chain” and “Care and Concern”**

If there is someone who could use the prayers of our Parish or who would like to be remembered with a card or note, please call Charlene Warmbrodt at 787-7601.

**Food Bank**

The many items brought for the food bank have been definitely appreciated. You may continue to bring your donations for the Food Bank by dropping them off at the church office or use the box in the church vestibule.

**Baptismal Training Classes:**

Feb. 28 — St. Mark, Emporium -486-0569 —6:30 p.m.

Mar. 12 — St. Boniface—885-8941—6:00 p.m.

Apr. 6 — Sacred Heart—834-7861 —10:00 a.m.

**Adult Faith Formation** class on Catholicism with Fr. Robert Barron will meet in the social hall after Monday morning Mass and in the evening at 6:30 p.m.

**Spaghetti Dinner-Boy Scout Troop #183 Fundraiser.**

Sunday, February 24 at Bennetts Valley Legion 11-2 p.m. (or until sold out). Adults: \$8/Children: 10 & under \$5. Pre-sale tickets can be purchased at the Weedville Hotel.

**The Young People Who Care Weekend or Week Long Service Trip** is for ages 16 to adults, families or Individuals. This is a service program for the participants to give the opportunity to minister to the poor. If interested, contact Sr. Suzanne Thibault, CA youth Director bethanyyouth-center@gmail.com or 814-263-4177.

**Pancake Breakfast - Elk Cameron Cursillo.** Sunday, April 7 from 7a.m.—1p.m. at ECC. This event is open to the public.

**2019-2020 Kindergarten Registration for Central Catholic Elementary** will be held on March 4. The student must be five years of age by July 1. Central Catholic Elementary Preschool is accepting applications for the 2019-2020 school year. Tuition assistance applications are available. For more information and to make an appointment, please call 371-2570.

**Trip to Rome, Fatima & Lourdes** with Fr. Jason Mitchell, Deacon Ray and Deb Sobina from June 22—July 2, 2019. If anyone is interested, see Fr. Mark for a brochure.

**2019 Catholic Service Appeal Commitment Sunday** will be the weekend of March 2-3. The theme for this year’s appeal is *Forward Together, with truth, with hope, with Christ*. The envelopes will be placed in the pews that weekend for you to make your pledge. Thank you in advance for your contribution!

**Signs of Resurrection**

When you think of resurrection, what comes to your mind immediately? You are right if you say that Jesus died for our sins and rose from the dead, so we too will rise with Him someday when we pass from this world to the next. Our personal relationship with Jesus is a friendship with our Lord now in His risen life. Ever since that first Easter morning Jesus has been raised from the dead and lives now for all eternity in Heaven.

Regarding this, St. Paul says in our second reading this past weekend that “if the dead are not raised, neither has Christ been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, your faith is in vain...” (1 Cor. 15:16-17). Then the last sentence of that reading proclaims, “But now Christ has been raised from the dead.” (1 Cor. 15:20)

Now, what are signs of Jesus’ resurrection that are already clear and active within your life? In very ordinary ways and in every day life there can be a great list of gifts, events, and problem solving situations that are signs of Jesus’ resurrection today. Some examples are the following: a new born baby, a person’s life restored after a terminal illness, and having very little basic necessities in life, then receiving a great abundance. Other signs of resurrection can be achieving better grades after a lot of hard work, forgiveness between two people, talents shared with others, a new job opportunity, survivors of war or natural disasters, a prayer that has been answered and the good news of people helping other people. We can all think of many other examples as well.

Finally, it will be necessary to say that we experience Jesus’ resurrection in a most special way as we celebrated all of the Sacraments of the church. When we gather to celebrate Mass daily and every weekend, we celebrate Jesus’ resurrection. In the readings we hear about His life, words and actions. As we offer ourselves in union with Christ’s own sacrifice, we celebrate Jesus’ death for our salvation and as we pray the Eucharistic Prayer and receive Jesus in the Holy Eucharist at Communion time, we celebrate his resurrection. The signs of resurrection that we see in our daily life only has its full meaning when we see them in the light of Jesus’ resurrection.

God Bless,  
Father Mark

# We Celebrate, We Listen, We Pray

Date	Intention	Requested by	Celebration	Scripture
Monday, February 18, 2019 8:30 a.m. Mass	Betty Rezsutek	Dennis and Carolyn Winkler	Weekday	Gn 4:1-15, 25 Mk 8:11-13 (335)
Tuesday, February 19, 2019 8:30 a.m. Mass	Scott Winslow	Mary Corling	Weekday	Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10 Mk 8:14-21 (336)
Wednesday, February 20, 2019 No Mass			Weekday	Gn 8:6-13, 20-22 Mk 8:22-26 (337)
Thursday, February 21, 2019 8:30 a.m.	Jennie Chiappelli	Family	Weekday	Gn 9:1-13 Mk 8:27-33 (3328)
Friday, February 22, 2019 8:30 a.m.	Dena Scott and Don Richard	Helen and Len Lovenduski	The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle	1 Pt 5:1-4 Mt 16:13-19 (535)
Saturday, February 23, 2019			Weekday	Heb 11:1-7 Mk 9:2-13 (340)
Saturday, February 23, 2019 5:30 p.m. Mass	Living and Deceased Parishioners		Vigil of the Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	(see below)
Sunday, February 24, 2019 9:15 a.m.	Virginia Benevich	Family	Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	1 Cor 15:45-49 Lk 6:27-38 (81)

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday - Thursday ..... 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

## LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m.; Sunday: 9:15 a.m.; Holy Days: 9:00 a.m. &amp; 7:00 p.m.; Daily: Mon., Tues., Thur., Fri. 8:30 a.m., No Mass Wednesday

## BULLETIN INFORMATION

Groups or individuals wishing to have information published in the bulletin are asked to submit the information in writing, by email or by phone by Monday at 10:00 a.m.

## SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

**Baptism** – A baptism preparation session is required of all parents wishing to have their child(ren) baptized. Parents must be registered parishioners. Sessions are held periodically at parishes throughout the Deanery. It is always preferred that baptisms be celebrated during a regular Sunday Liturgy. Call the Parish office for more information.

**Eucharist** – Children preparing for Eucharist (Gr. 3) and who are active in the Faith Formation process (including Catholic School children) are eligible to enter the sacramental preparation sessions.

**Confirmation** – High School youth who are entering the 11<sup>th</sup> grade and who are active in the Faith Formation process or attend a Catholic High School since 9<sup>th</sup> grade are eligible to enter the Confirmation preparation sessions.

**R.C.I.A.** – Rite of Christian Initiation for adults are initiated into the Church through this process. Any individual who may be interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church is invited. Please call the Church office.

## SACRAMENTS OF VOCATION

**Priesthood/Permanent Deaconate** – Men who feel that they may be being called to the vocational life of Priesthood or Deaconate can contact the pastor at any time or call the Diocesan Vocation Office at 814-824-1111.

**Matrimony** – There is a required preparation process which normally includes 3 sessions with the pastor and an Engagement Encounter or Nova experience. Please notify the pastor at least 6 months prior to the anticipated date of marriage.

## SACRAMENTS OF HEALING

**Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick** – Is celebrated for all who are seriously ill annually at a parish Liturgy. The Sacrament is also available anytime upon request.

**Reconciliation** – The sacrament is celebrated weekly on Saturday from 4:45 – 5:15 p.m., or anytime by request. Parish Penance services are celebrated during Advent and Lent. Children preparing for Reconciliation (Gr. 2) and who are active in the Faith Formation process (including Catholic School children) are eligible to enter the sacramental preparation sessions.

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