

February 7, 2021 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Collection January 31, 2020

Regular Collection \$ N/A

Attendance N/A

February 14, 2021 Ministers

Lector Rebecca Harriman
Commentator Caleb Harriman

<u>Please be respectful and quiet for those praying before Mass</u> as you enter the sanctuary.

Readings for Febrary 14, 2021

Reading 1: Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46
Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 10:31 – 11:1

Gospel: Mark 1:40-45

<u>Information about St. Edward</u>- Daily readings, the bulletin, and other information can be found on our webpage at: https://stedwardpulaski.org

<u>Donations-</u>, please mail your regular donations to St. Edward's Catholic Church, PO Box 1670, Pulaski, VA 24301 if you are not attending Mass.

<u>Mass Live-Stream-</u> Mass is still live-streamed every Sunday morning at 9:00 at http://www.facebook.com/stmaryschurchwytheville

Prayer List- Mike Malloy, Tim Kimbleton, Doug Waldrop, Carol Luttrell, Brenda Lee, Brenda McLawhorn, John Balconi, John McNair, Joan Jennings, Amanda Linkous, Sharon Dalton, Jerry Dalton, Tia Scarpinato, Bill Jennings, Angelo LoMascolo, Lynn Canty, Rick Yost, Eloise Franzyshen, Carrie Lane, Connie Armentrout and Father Bernie. (Please contact Stan Stanley if you have additions or deletions)

Increment Weather - Any time Mass has to be cancelled, an email will be sent out as soon as possible. Also, cancellation will be posted on WSLS 10 and WDBJ 7.

<u>Ash Wednesday Service</u>- Distribution of ashes will be Feb. 17th 3:30pm & at St. Mary's 5:30pm.

<u>Diocese of Richmond</u>- Check out the website for the Richmond Diocese for what's happening and updated information on issues which affects Catholics. https://richmonddiocese.org

Happy February Birthdays!

Cole Trail Feb. 1 Jennie Willett Feb. 5 Feb. 9 Stephanie Tedesco Feb. 9 Nancy Bishop **Melody Riffey** Feb. 11 **Amanda Williams** Feb. 11 Feb. 14 Karen Audas Rebecca Harriman Feb. 15 Hannah Fleenor Feb. 18 Feb. 20 Dan Butler Feb. 27 Emelda Tabar

Happy February Anniversaries

John & Mickey Balconi Feb. 4
Pam & Lee Crowder Feb. 15
Tim & Mariah Taylor Feb. 29

Covid Tip of the Week- Although remarkable strides in the fight against the COVID-19 outbreak have been made, specialists are still urging that everyone remain just as cautious and vigilant in 2021, whether you've been vaccinated or not.

Be Safe!

Daily Prayer This Week

Every week we are trying to find intimacy with our Lord in the midst of our everyday life. We use the stories about Jesus in the readings of the week to help us. Because our days are so busy, those stories make connections among what we are experiencing, God's Word to us and the desires that are coming to the surface in us.

This week we can let various parts of this week's rich scripture readings touch us, depending on what is going on in us. It all begins with our beginning the day, establishing a connection. With the briefest of rising prayers, we can talk with our Lord about what we anticipate needing that day.

One day I might know that, with what I have to face that day, I need to ask that the healing Jesus be with me. I might be able to name what needs healing. "Lord, you know the fear that is developing in me as I face this meeting today." "Lord, take this anger away from my heart." "Most loving Lord, have mercy on me and heal this pattern that plagues me and takes away my happiness, my freedom, my ability to love."

On another day, I may know that I'm right in the middle of the struggle over my disregarding what God really wants me to do, using legalistic excuses to avoid God's will. I might beg, "Lord, I've become such a hypocrite. Purify my heart so I can see as you see, judge as you judge and love as you love. Help me be truly religious, truly compassionate, truly your disciple today."

On other days, I might be in a "foreign" territory, or at least one that seems quite a distance from believing territory. I might ask, "Dear Lord, keep me safe here. Give me courage here. Help me find intimacy with you here. And let me see the faith of so many of your people here."

Some day this week, let's imagine how Jesus has pity on our hunger and feeds us. And every night this week, let's express our gratitude for receiving what we asked for in faith, from the One who is waiting to give us what we need.