

February 12, 2023

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Collection February 5, 2023

Regular Collection \$1043.00 Attendance 44

February 19, 2023

Lector: Rebecca Harriman

Commentator: Caleb Harriman Ushers: Schlottmann family

Readings for February 19, 2023

Reading 1 Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18
Reading 2 1 Corinthians 3:16-23
Gospel Matthew 5:38-48

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

<u>Prayer List</u> - Tim Kimbleton, Carol Luttrell, John Balconi, Brenda Lessard, Jody Riffey, Bill Jennings, Megan Talbert, Rosanna Vallo, Stephen Petrowski, Christine Scarpinato, Michael Linkous, Jim Trowbridge, Orlando LoMascolo, Rommy LoMascolo, Anna LoMascolo, Jerry Stanley, Bill Vest, Caroline Jewell, Jim Hopkins, Joy McComb, Raegan Ray, Alexandria Hayes, Marianne McGriffin, and Danny Coalson

Let the Stanleys know if you have additions or deletions.

Peter's Pause-We will have our next adult discussion group this TUESDAY evening Feb. 14, from 7:00-8:00. You are all welcome to come and join in whenever you can. A different topic will be discussed each week.

Ash Wednesday Service-Ash Wednesday service at St. Edward's will be celebrated on Wednesday, Feb. 22. At 4:00 pm.

SAM Sunday- The chili cook off is rescheduled for March 12th.

February Birthdays

Jennie Willett Feb. 5
Stephanie Tedesco Feb. 9
Melody Riffey Feb.11
Mandy Williams Sutherland
Karen Audas Feb.14
Rebecca Harriman Feb.15
Emelda Tabar Feb.27



February Anniversaries

John & Mickey Balconi Feb. 4 Tim & Mariah Taylor Feb.29



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Daily Prayer This Week

We can feel the tension in this week's readings. Jesus is trying to warn his disciples - and us - about the rebellious style of the Pharisees, about hypocrisy. And, he is trying to heal the blindness of his disciples - and our blindness - about what his mission is all about. He has come to free us from sin and the captivity we have to all kinds of self-centered patterns.

So when we stay reflective this week, we can become more conscious of how we rebel from the path of Jesus, from joining him in becoming less selfish. When we begin our days this week, we can ask, "Lord, help me see the ways I'm too self-centered this week. Help me notice the needs of those you place in my life. Stretch my heart to love more today." It is simple, but it begins to change our focus.

As we go through the week, we can pay closer attention to our resistance, the places we catch ourselves holding back. We can open our eyes to see the patterns in our lives that we might not have paid attention to before. It doesn't have to be serious evil we are choosing. It might just be ways in which we are avoiding losing our lives for him. Once we focus, start paying attention to the daily choices we make, our day becomes a day of prayer. We can be in communion with the Lord throughout the day because it becomes a day of dialogue, in the midst of all the busyness.

"Lord, as I put on this sweater, I'm aware how I just spoke to Helen. I'm sorry. That was all about my fear, wasn't it? I cut her off because I was just afraid of what she was asking of me. I became more aware of the cost to me than anything else. Please help me to continue to see how I respond to people. Please calm my fears." We can get in the habit of doing this kind of prayer every day, right where we are, in very brief moments. Finding intimacy with God in the midst of our daily

lives is the goal of this kind of prayer.

All of this is reinforced by our prayer of gratitude each night. If we can feel the need for this kind of communion with our Lord each day, and thank God for it each night, there is no question that we will be developing a new pattern in our life. We tend to continue to do what we enjoy. And gratitude feeds even more openness and generosity.