



Church of NOTRE DAME



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**SUNDAY
FEBRUARY 14
2021**

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

PUBLIC ENTRY BY
APPOINTMENT ONLY
**MASS SCHEDULE
(TEMPORARY)**

Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4 pm & 6 pm

Sunday: 8 am, 10 am & Noon

Weekday Masses

Monday: 7:30 am

Tuesday: 9:00 am

Wednesday: 7:30 am

Thursday: 9:00 am

Friday: 9:00 am

Saturday: 9:00 am

PARISH STAFF

Pastor

Fr. Richard Allen

Director of Religious Education

Mr. Joseph Ranelli

Director of Adult Education

Mrs. Kathy Higgins

Liturgy/Music Coordinator

Mrs. Gretchen Wagner

Secretary

Mrs. Carrie Hannah

Religious Education Secretary

Mrs. Mary Lou Hornyak

Business Manager

Mrs. Ann Miller

6th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME



A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean." - Mk 1:40-41

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 14, 2021

SUN 2/14	Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [7]/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45
MON 2/15	Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21 [14a]/Mk 8:11-13
TUE 2/16	Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10 [11b]/Mk 8:14-21
WED 2/17	Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17 [cf. 3a]/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
THR 2/18	Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5a]/Lk 9:22-25
FRI 2/19	Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 [19b]/Mt 9:14-15
SAT 2/20	Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [11ab]/Lk 5:27-32
SUN 2/21	Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 10]/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 14, 2021

Sunday:	6th Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Marriage Day; Valentine's Day
Monday:	Presidents' Day
Wednesday:	Ash Wednesday
Next Sunday:	1st Sunday of Lent

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

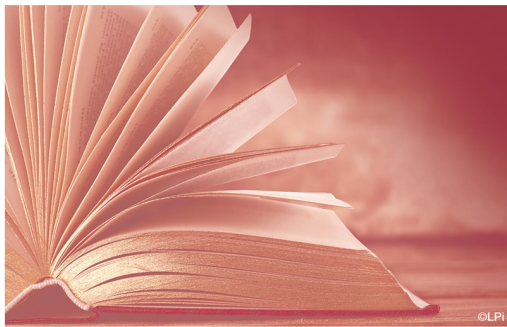
Everybody has a place at the table, and nobody deserves to feel inferior, unworthy, unwanted, or marginalized. It is not part of God's vision. Jesus came to heal, make things whole, set things right, and restore relationships. No one is to feel unwelcome or alienated from the community. Whether we like it or not, this message is at the core of the Gospel. It makes a lot of sense when you think about it. Perhaps this is why people kept coming from everywhere to listen to Jesus speak and to be in his presence. He made perfect sense. Most of us have no issue buying into this vision. We run into trouble, however, when we fall into the trap of privilege and power. We diverge from God's vision when the powerful begin to control who is entitled to wholeness and inclusion, and greed becomes a driving force. Prejudice and entitlement have no place in the kingdom of God, and even the most needy and hurting among us are worthy of the compassion Jesus desires to offer. There are no easy solutions to the world's dilemmas. But one thing is for certain, no one can be singled out, excluded or mistreated. Everyone matters.



*"God is
waiting
for you."*

—POPE FRANCIS

WORSHIP & MEDITATION



FIRST READING

He shall dwell apart, making his abode
outside the camp. (Lv 13:46)



PSALM

I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble,
and you fill me with the joy of salvation. (Ps 32)



SECOND READING

Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do,
do everything for the glory of God. (1 Cor 10:31)



GOSPEL

The leprosy left him immediately,
and he was made clean. (Mk 1:42)

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

The Church, as a voice of the Gospel, proclaims the sacredness of all human life. Everyone created by God is fashioned in God's image and has Divine DNA at the center of their soul. God never leaves what God creates but always remains intimately bound to what he has given form. Everyone has a place and because they have received the gift of Divine Blessing, nobody deserves to feel inferior, unworthy, unwanted, unclean or marginalized. Even the most broken of souls has a place. We, the Body of Christ, have the privilege and responsibility to give voice to the voiceless. The cries of the little one in his or her mother's womb are just as sacred as the cries of one who is homeless and hungry. The migrant deserves our attention as much as the forgotten elderly and even the prisoner, with a heart hardened by anger and resentment, deserves respect and dignity.

The Gospel of Life is often hard to swallow, and we would rather keep those we consider unclean, different or unfixable in a place by themselves. It is hard to see them with us, but they deserve to be. There is far too much violence in this world and the result of that violence is the assault on human life. Many are forced to leave the place they call home in search of safer ground, finding few if any along the way who will help them. How different today's Gospel story would be if Jesus gave in to what was politically correct at that time. The leper would have been turned away and a soul, already beaten down by disease and fear, would have experienced an even deeper wound. Jesus wouldn't have captured much attention from anyone, nor would he have mirrored the Father's compassion and love.

Where do we stand with all of this? Do we at least understand that God's vision is often in conflict with the vision put forth in our world and even the one we advance ourselves? There is no doubt that it is incredibly challenging to find a place for everyone at the table. This challenge is compounded when the systems of operation and structure that are so ingrained in us affirm power and privilege rather than inclusivity and justice. Everything really goes askew when the powerful begin to control who is entitled to wholeness and inclusion, and greed becomes a driving force. Prejudice and entitlement raise their ugly heads and we find ourselves with quite a mess. It's time to admit that things have been a mess for a very long time. The mess needs to be healed, not by erasing it but by allowing God to touch it and make it whole. We need to bring God back to the center of life where God belongs. There are no easy solutions to the world's dilemmas. But, knowing that wholeness, healing, and dignity are worthy pursuits, we can more confidently labor to achieve God's vision.

MASS INTENTIONS

MON 2/15 7 ³⁰ AM	John Slywczak [Renee Kocis]
TUES 2/16 9 AM	Mary Rose Szugye [Renee Kocis]
ASH WEDNESDAY:	
WED 2/17 7 ³⁰ AM	Mary Jane Black [Renee Kocis]
WED 2/17 9 AM	Dick Stigliano [Derise & Ted Niemi]
WED 2/17 7 PM	Richard Trindle
THU 2/18 9 AM	Roxanne Pagliaroli [Marjorie Patrizi]
FRI 2/19 9 AM	Emory Beal [Kathleen Hudson]
SAT 2/20 9 AM	Mary Guether
SAT 2/20 4 PM	Eleanore Addison [Jim & Ann Sheasley]
SAT 2/20 6 PM	Kevin Kavanagh [Mike & Pat Butala]
SUN 2/21 8 AM	George Christoff
SUN 2/21 10 AM	Ralph & Fern Saternow [Family]
SUN 2/21 12 PM	Mass for the People

PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY

We extend our sympathy to the families and friends of those who have lost a loved one. Please keep in prayer those who have entered into eternal life:

*Viola J. Sferra
Mary Jane Black*

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

ASH WEDNESDAY	Lector	Eucharistic Min.
WED 2/17 9 AM	TBD	TBD
WED 2/17 7 PM	Lector M. Bradac	Eucharistic Min. M. Ballish or K. Davenport
SAT 2/20 4 PM	Lector K. Wagner	Eucharistic Min. P. Polesnak or P. Polesnak
SAT 2/20 6 PM	Lector NOT FILLED	Eucharistic Min. NOT FILLED
SUN 2/21 8 AM	Lector B. Lackey	Eucharistic Min. B. Rossi or J. Wolinsky
SUN 2/21 10 AM	Lector K. Higgins	Eucharistic Min. M. Goncz or A. Orndorff
SUN 2/21 12 PM	Lector NOT FILLED	Eucharistic Min. NOT FILLED

***ATTN VOLUNTEERS!** PLEASE CHECK-IN WITH FR. ALLEN PRIOR TO MASS



*Altar flowers
are donated in thanksgiving to God
and in Memory of
Barbara Oleskey*

On Behalf of: Louis & Janylyn Saloon

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AT OUR PARISH



Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday
9:00 AM—11:00 PM

For more information call:
Jo Feeney 724-699-3340
Rosalee Beal 724-981-2645

**PARISH OFFICE WILL
BE CLOSED MONDAY,
FEBRUARY 15TH
IN OBSERVANCE OF
PRESIDENT'S DAY**

PARISH REGISTRATION

If you would like to join our parish and become part of the Notre Dame Church family, please complete this form and return by mail or drop in the collection basket.

REQUEST FOR PARISH MEMBERSHIP FORM

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____ City/State _____ Zip _____

MID-WEEK EVENING PRAYER

Join us for this New Virtual Prayer Opportunity!
Looking for a mid-week pick-me-up? Consider joining other Catholic Christians in community prayer.

Please join Frank Hannah and others each Wednesday from 7:00 PM – 7:30 PM for virtual evening prayer.

Virtual prayer via Zoom. Use the following link to join: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88954943015>

Who do I contact if I have trouble connecting?

Frank Hannah | 724-977-8655 | gatorsnpa@gmail.com

**WED. EVENING PRAYER CANCELED ON THE FOLLOWING DATES
FEB. 17TH, FEB. 24TH & MAR. 3RD**

PARISH WEBMASTER ENJOYED MAINTAINING THE CHURCH OF NOTRE DAME WEBSITE



Notre Dame Parish is blessed with many parishioners who give of their time and talent to spread the good news of Jesus Christ.

One such person is Blase Cindric, who was the volunteer webmaster for the Church of Notre Dame website for 11 years. He recently relinquished those duties because of work commitments and other factors.

The parish has since contracted with a national firm to redesign and maintain the website, which can be found at notredame-pa.org.

"I was always glad to do it as a service or donation to the parish," said Blase, who is a professor of computer science at Mount Union College in Alliance, Ohio.

Blase recalls getting involved with the website in 2009. He had been helping then Notre Dame School librarian Kathy Puleo with the library's computer lab.

He learned that the parish website needed updated and maintained, so he agreed to take on those duties.

That included taking the weekly church bulletin and adding that content to the website along with such items as meeting notices, photos and registration forms for religious education classes.

Over the years, Blase has done three redesigns of the website including a major update a couple years ago called a Responsive Design to allow cell phone users to better view the parish website.

"I had come to learn that some people did depend on the website so I felt like this was something I could do to help. It was fun," he said.

Blase and his wife Pat, a Hermitage School District teacher, have three children, Blase, Brandon and Fiona.

ST. ANTHONY FISH FRY

4:00—7:00 PM Every Friday during Lent

804 Idaho St

Sharon PA 16146

TAKE OUT ONLY

Fried Fish Dinner or
Baked Cod Fish Dinner
\$10



**MASKS REQUIRED
SOCIAL DISTANCING MAINTAINED**

PRAYER Line

Keeping those in need in our prayers. If you, a family member or a friend are in need of prayer please call the prayer line with your request.

**Prayer Line,
Kathy Higgins #724-342-7858**

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE

Family life is about decisions. The leper in today's gospel knew this when he said to Jesus. "If you will, you can make me clean." Jesus knew this when he said, "I do will it." Love is not an emotion. It is a decision to be with and for another person in "good times and bad," even when we don't feel like it.

