## 5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ..Felicity, Perpetua, Agatha, Lucy, Agnes, Cecilia, and Anastasia... St. Perpetua was a noblewoman with St. Felicity, an expectant mother, serving as her maidservant. Both were arrested for the Faith under the Emperor Severus, they were beheaded together in an amphitheater in A.D. 203. St. Agatha was a young woman who dedicated her virginity to God. A Roman official, sought her out, but she rejected him due to her dedication. He had her tortured and she died in prison from her wounds in A.D. 250. St. Lucy, following in the example of St. Agatha, dedicated herself to God. She rejected a pagan suitor and sought to give her dowry to the poor. The rejected suitor denounced Lucy for her Faith and she was eventually tortured and executed in A.D. 304. St. Agnes was a young girl who dedicated herself to God and, when sought, would say: "Jesus Christ is my only Spouse." Those she rejected denounced her for her Faith and, refusing to renounce Jesus, she was executed in A.D. 304 at the age of thirteen. Though St. Cecelia dedicated her virginity to God, she was still given in marriage to Valerian. Recognizing her dedication, Valerian was converted to the Faith and was martyred. After his martyrdom, Cecelia was arrested and martyred in A.D. 230. St. Anastasia was secretly taught the Faith by St. Chrysogonus. Married to a pagan, her husband would beat her for visiting the prisons and caring for the sick. After his death, she continued her ministry and was martyred in A.D. 304. Office #: (260) 824-1380 | Emergency #: (260) 296-0511 | www.StJosephChurchBluffton.org Pastor: Fr. David Violi | Administrative Assistant/DRE: Michelle Paxton | Director of Sacred Music: Teresa Smith Phone: Address: State: City: Zip: e-mail address:

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[] We've Moved, here is our new information

MASS INTENTIONS Saturday, February 11

8:00 a.m. Special Intention 4:00-4:45 p.m. *Confession* 

4:35 p.m. *Rosary* 

5:00 p.m. Ruth Helmer +

Sunday, February 12 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:10 a.m. Rosary 7:30 a.m. Parish Family

9:40 a.m. *Rosary* 

10:00 a.m. Jackie Cerna + **Monday, February 13** 

No Public Mass

Tuesday, February 14

7:00-8:00 a.m. *Adoration* 8:00 a.m. Janet & John Smith +

8:30 a.m. Confession

Wednesday, February 15

6:00-7:00 p.m. *Adoration* 6:00-6:45 p.m. *Confession* 

7:00 p.m. Gene Chaney + & Chris Kobryn +

Thursday, February 16 8:00 a.m. Daniel Braun +

Friday, February 17

8:30 a.m. Logan Riley Lautzenheiser + Saturday, February 18

8:00 a.m. Special Intention 4:00-4:45 p.m. *Confession* 

4:35 p.m. *Rosary* 

5:00 p.m. Parish Family

Sunday, February 19 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:10 a.m. Rosary

7:30 a.m. Albie Porrata +

9:40 a.m. Rosary

10:00 a.m. Cory Colwell +



MASS READINGS FOR THE WEEK Monday, February 13 - Sixth Week in Ordinary Time - Gn 4:1-15,25/ Mk 8:11-13 Tuesday, February 14 - Sts. Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop - Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5,10/ Mk 8:14-21

**Wednesday, February 15 -** Gn 8:6-13,20-22/ Mk 8:22-26

**Thursday, February 16** - Gn 9:1-13/ Mk 8:27 -33

Friday, February 17 - The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order - Gn 11:1-9/ Mk 8:34—9:1

**Saturday, February 18 -** Heb 11:1-7/ Mk 2:2-13

**Sunday, February 19 - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time -** Lv 19:1-2,17-18/ 1 Cor 3:16-23/ Mt 5:38-48

### SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - FEBRUARY 12, 2023

We welcome and thank Fr. Bill Sullivan for being the celebrant at all of our liturgies this weekend. While my initial plans of being away changed, I have appreciated having this weekend to focus on thesis writing.

This weekend (February 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup>), the Church celebrates the **Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**. Continuing from last weekend, this weekend was formerly known as *Sexagesima Sunday* as it marks two Sundays until **Ash Wednesday** and eight Sundays until **Easter**. In our full Gospel reading (Matthew 5:17-37), our Lord offers us a subtle reminder of the purpose of this brief liturgical time with this phrase: "...until heaven and earth pass away..."

This world and our present life is fleeting. Truly, it is "passing away." We are pilgrims on this journey. Or, in the words of St. Paul: "Although we know that while we are at home in the body, we are away from the Lord" (2 Corinthians 5:6) and "Our true citizenship is in heaven" (Philippians 3:20). We are reminded at this time by the Church that we are living for something greater; We are living for Heaven. We are to be in the world, but not of it. Or, in the estimable words of St. Teresa of Avila: "The world is your ship and not your home."

With the great season of Lent quickly approaching, may we ask ourselves this basic question: *Do we still love this present life too much to let it pass away*? If our answer, in the truth of our hearts, is "Yes," in what ways can we begin to let go? **Lent** is the season for change. What disciplines will we adopt for these coming forty days to help ourselves let go of the world so that we might live for the heavenly? May we discern this wisely and make this our best **Lent** yet.

### THE ROMAN CANON

This weekend brings to a close our review of the Saints listed in the *Roman Canon*, or *Eucharistic Prayer I*. These last seven Saints listed are female Martyrs who endured great suffering and torture for the name of Jesus Christ. Due to the accounts of their martyrdoms, each gained a strong devotion, held even to this day, throughout Rome.

The various accounts of their martyrdoms each share a great commonality: Each of the martyrs are said to have approached their death with great joy. In the same way, their witness and example helped to spread the Faith as people desired to share in this joy that can overcome even death itself (John 16:33). As stated in the 2nd Century by Tertullian of Carthage: *The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church*.

### ORDER OF PENANCE—UPDATED TRANSLATIONS

Starting on **Ash Wednesday** (February 22<sup>nd</sup>), you will notice a slight change in the **Prayer of Absolution** as prayed by the Priest during the **Sacrament of Confession**. As a continuation of the changes in the Roman Missal in 2011, our nation's Bishop Conference has slowly been updating the translations of each of the ritual books used with the Sacraments. (*Ritual books offer the approved guidelines and translations permitted for the administration of the Sacraments*.)

This year, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops is releasing the *Order of Penance*, the latest ritual book to receive updated translations to keep the text as faithful as possible to the original Latin texts issued by the Church. Thankfully, the changes to the **Prayer of Absolution** are minimal, effect only the priest, and do not alter the basic "form" of the Sacrament, which are the words that bestow absolution upon the penitent ("...I absolve you from your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit").

The translation changes that will be heard are in the prayer prior to the basic "form" of the Sacrament. The word "sent," in reference to the Holy Spirit, will now be "poured out" and the word "give" will be "grant." As you can see, this is truly a very slight alteration of the prayer to keep it more faithful a translation to the original text. While not a major alteration, the update to the text nonetheless offers "a wonderful opportunity to reiterate and teach the importance of the sacrament of penance as a staple for living the Christian life." Fr. David





### Catechism Chat Wednesday, Feb. 15th at 7:30 p.m. Parish Social Hall

Bring your questions and insights from your journey through the *Catechism* 



Feb. 22, 2023 7:00 PM Mass 12Noon Mass 7:00 PM Mass

7:45 PM Discussion: Praying the Liturgy of the Hours (Parish Social Hall)

5:30-6:30 PM Soup Supper (Parish Social Hall) 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross (Church) Feb. 24, 2023

If you would like to volunteer to make soup for the Lenten Soup Suppers, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.

### **PARISH CALENDAR**

- Sat., Feb. 11 Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sun., Feb. 12 Mass 7:30 a.m. / Mass 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., Feb. 12 Religious Ed. Classes 8:30-9:45 a.m.
- Tues., Feb. 14 Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30 a.m.
- Tues., Feb. 14 Children's Choir Practice 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the Parish Conference Room
- Wed., Feb. 15 Adoration 6-7 p.m. / Confession 6-6:45 p.m. / Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., Feb. 15 Adult Choir Practice 7:45 p.m.
- Wed., Feb. 15 *Catechism Chat* 7:45 p.m. in the Parish Social Hall.
- Thurs., Feb. 16 Catholicism Explained (RCIA Program) 5:30 p.m. in the Parish Social Hall.
- Sat., Feb. 18 Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30-9:00 a.m.
- Sat., Feb. 18 Theology of the Body for 7th Graders 9:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. in the Parish Social Hall and the Youth Den.
- Sat., Feb. 18 Confession 4-4:45 p.m. / Mass 5:00 p.m.
- Sat., Feb. 18 Mardi Gras Celebration 6-9:30 p.m. in the Parish Social Hall.
- Sun., Feb. 19 Mass 7:30 a.m. / Mass 10:00 a.m.
- Sun., Feb. 19 Religious Ed. Classes 8:30-9:45 a.m.
- Tues., Feb. 21 Adoration 7-8:00 a.m. / Mass 8:00 a.m. / Confessions 8:30 a.m.
- Tues., Feb. 21 Children's Choir Practice 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the Parish Conference Room
- Wed., Feb. 22 Ash Wednesday Masses 7:00 a.m. / 12 Noon / 7:00 p.m.
- Wed., Feb. 22 Discussion: Praying the Liturgy of the Hours - 7:45 p.m. in the Parish Social Hall.

#### Weekend of February 18/19, 2023



5:00 Nick Boratenski7:30 Mike Morrissey

OR § 10:00 Jay Crisp



5:00 Stacey Coulardot7:30 Barb Ault

10:00 Marita Crawfis



5:00 Volunteers 7:30 Volunteers

10:00 Volunteers



5:00 Alex/Audrey Mechling, Melanie Bedwell
7:30 Spencer McCorkle, Jacquline/Phillip Mayer
10:00 Charlie Andrews, Sam Smith, Luke Miller

## St. Joseph Parish Finance Report for the Weekend of February 4/5

Adult Envelopes- \$3,993.00 Loose- \$277.00

Repair/Rainy Day Fund- \$1,714.07 Votive Candles- \$43.00 Life Adventures Donation- \$200.00

Total- \$6,227.07

Your gifts to St. Joseph Parish are greatly appreciated. Thank you!

### Our weekly budget is \$5,116.40

We are \$1,110.67 ahead of our budget for the month of February.

Online Giving for the month of January- \$7,015.00. We ended \$10,241.84 ahead of our budget for the month of January

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