



**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 9, 2020**

Light shines through the darkness
for the upright.

— Psalm 112:4

GOD'S CALL

The person who has been "saved," who has "heard the good news of salvation," still lives in an unsaved world, a world sadly oblivious to the presence of God. Today's readings outline how the disciple is present in the world.

The outline begins with Isaiah: "Share your bread . . . shelter the oppressed . . . clothe the naked" (Isaiah 58:7). Those who hear the word of salvation are not insensitive to the urgent needs of others. Then Paul reminds his flock that he brought Christ to them not in eloquence or wisdom, but by being with them in the "weakness and fear" of their daily lives (1 Corinthians 2:3). Finally, Jesus tells his disciples to go out into the gloom and darkness of the streets of the world and let God's light shine through their good deeds.

We disciples don't save the world. To the extent, however, that we have heard the word of God and been awakened to God's presence, we may spread that word and bring that presence to others.

--J. S. Paluch Co.

**SAINT JOSEPHINE BAKHITA (c. 1869-1947)
February 8**

"Save Darfur!" That cry echoes around the world and in the heart of the Church, where a child of Darfur is one of our newest saints: Josephine (her baptismal name) Bakhita ("Lucky One," the slave-traders' nickname). Kidnapped at nine, sold in Sudan's slave-markets, flogged daily till covered with scars, Bakhita was finally bought by Italians and taken to Italy. There Bakhita discovered a "Master" who had himself been flogged to redeem her from slavery! "I am truly loved," she thought, "and awaited by this Love." Baptized, she often kissed the baptismal font, exclaiming, "Here I became a daughter of God!" For fifty years as a Daughter of Charity, Bakhita provided cheerful hospitality to all who knocked at the convent door. In her final illness, she relived slavery's horror: "Please, loosen these chains," she begged the nurse. "They are so heavy!" Her last words were: "Our Lady! Our Lady!" John Paul II canonized her in the Jubilee Year 2000, praising God for leading her "from abject slavery to the dignity of being your daughter and the Bride of Christ."

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Mon: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10; Mk 6:53-56
- Tues: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11; Mk 7:1-13
- Wed: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23
- Thurs: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40; Mk 7:24-30
- Fri: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-15; Mk 7:31-37
- Sat: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-22; Mk 8:1-10
- Sun: Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-5, 17-18, 33-34; Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37

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I asked you and you did not listen. So I asked my God and he did listen.

St. Scholastica
6th-century foundress of the first Benedictine convent; twin sister of St. Benedict and the patron saint of nuns.

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Finance Corner:



Your generosity is greatly needed and appreciated!

For the month of **February** offerings:

- 2/2: 1st Collection: \$1831. Operating Expenses: \$1311.
- 2/9: No 2nd collection. 2/16: Capital Expenditures.

Mark your Calendar for Future Events & Meetings:

- Joint PC & FC meeting:** Tues., 2/11/20, at 2PM in Hall
- Parish Council [PC]:** Tues., 2/18/20, at 10AM in Hall
- Finance Council [FC]:** Tues., 4/7/20, at 3PM in Hall

Liturgy Committee: Thurs., 3/5/20, at 9:45AM in Hall

- St. Teresa Ladies Guild:** Contact Diane, 823-6044
- St. Philip Ladies Guild:** Contact Penny, 559-367-7403

Every Friday, Centering Prayer: 9:30AM at St Philip
Coffee & Goodies: Following 8AM Sunday Mass and Wednesday/Friday after 9AM Mass, at St Philip Hall



Mondays & Wednesdays-Seniors Lunch at 12noon:

All seniors welcome! (No lunch Monday before 2nd Tues. of month)

Our Parish website: www.stphilipstteresa.org

✠ ♥ ✠ Mass Intentions ✠ ♥ ✠ Schedule

- Sat., Feb. 8, 5pm Mass ✠ Brendan Smith
- Sun., Feb. 9, 8am Mass for the People
- Sun., Feb. 9, 9:30am Mass ✠ Fr. Gary Logan
- Sun., Feb. 9, 11:15am Mass ✠ Emily & Joe Palmer
- Mon., Feb. 10, 9am Prayer Service
- Tues., Feb. 11, 9am Mass Papke grandchildren special intention
- Wed., Feb. 12, 9am Mass ✠ Tina Bartolo
- Thurs., Feb. 13, 9am Mass
- Fri., Feb. 14, 9am Mass
- Sat., Feb. 15, 5pm Mass ✠ Brendan Smith
- Sun., Feb. 16, 8am Mass for the People
- Sun., Feb. 16, 9:30am Mass ✠ Janet Young
- Sun., Feb. 16, 11:15am Mass ✠ Emily & Joe Palmer

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Marriage Day
- Monday: St. Scholastica
- Tuesday: Our Lady of Lourdes; World Day of the Sick
- Friday: Ss. Cyril and Methodius; Valentine's Day
- Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

Prayer Requests: Teresa K., Pat K., Thomas T., Susan B., Lorri McC., Sarah, Clifford J., Terri A., Fred P., Theresa S., Sara, Mary Anne P., Barbara, Dave C., Jim P., William, Parson P., Dave, Mary O., Bill Z., Daniel, Sally T., Mary K., Michael D., Richard M., Kathleen., Peter, Rosa S., Susan B., Joyce D., Anita C., George H., Mimi H., Steve, Barry, Lorrin K., Hugh P., Robert S., Britney N., Jacque W., Rebecca A., April K., Jacinta G., Leo [Ed] Arnold, Castellini family, Anne Favre, Kathy R., Donna W., and for all persons suffering from mental and physical illness, we pray

LATER . . .

One who waits to do a great deal of good at once,
will never do anything.

—Samuel Johnson

RURAL FOOD PROGRAM UPDATE for JANUARY 2020

On January 14 we welcomed 94 families representing 129 adults, 42 children and 39 seniors for a total of 210 people receiving nutritional support. This program is funded through the Rural Food Collection on the last Sunday of each month as well as through private donations and the generous support of our volunteers.

In January and February, Rural Food clients are invited to participate in a survey regarding our service and the groceries and produce that we provide each month. This will enable us to continue to make improvements in this vital ministry as our parish enters a fourth decade of service in the Rural Food Program. This program is made possible though the generous donation of time by our tireless volunteers. We are so thankful to have their support each month to help transport over 4000 pounds of food products from the Redwood Empire Food Bank for distribution to our clients. Please continue to collect paper and reusable grocery bags especially with handles, and egg cartons. We are looking into biodegradable produce bags for our clients.

RURAL FOOD VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Sat., February 8, from 9–10:00am repackaging -- Parish Hall

Mon., February 10, from 10:00am–12:00pm to set up the Parish Hall

Tues., February 11, from 8:30 – 11:00am to distribute the food and to assist clients.

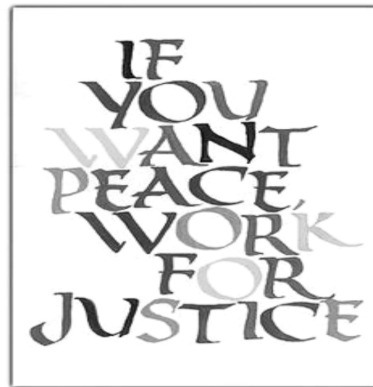


Please be mindful of others during the virus / flu season. If you are sick, please refrain from hugs or holding hands during the Our Father / kiss of peace. You are welcome to receive the host communion. You appreciate your thoughtfulness. Get well soon!



"And on Juanita's quinceañera, Lord, please help her parents as they head deeper into her teenage years."

Exclusive Limited Print of Ansel Adam's original picture of St. Teresa Church from 1953: All proceeds support needed restoration of St. Teresa of Avila Mission. A limited number of prints have been printed from Ansel's original negative. Each reprint is individually numbered. Prints are available for a donation of \$175. Please contact Peg Duffy for a limited print by calling 707-867-6073.



The seven themes of Catholic Social Teaching:*

- Life and Dignity of the Human Person
- Call to Family, Community and Participation
- Rights and Responsibilities
- Option for the Poor and Vulnerable
- The Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers
- Solidarity
- Care for God's Creation

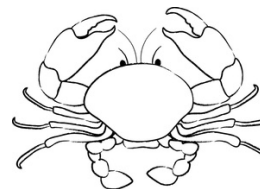
(Some additional important themes that offer guidance: Subsidiarity, common good, limitations of markets, responsibilities and limitations of government, the role of volunteer organizations.)

***NOTE:** As we approach Lent, check this bulletin column for details and/or links on the above themes. Information is always quoted from USCCB and other Catholic sources.

Pope Francis Quote

"Loneliness is not overcome by closing in on ourselves, but by crying out to the Lord, for the Lord hears the cry of those who find themselves alone."

SAVE THE



DATE!

Deluxe Crab Dinner

Feb. 22, at 6pm, in St. Philip Church Hall, Occidental.

Live music! Beer/wine included! Tickets on sale after Sat/Sun Masses or call 874-3812.