

## Daily Readings

### Week of February 6, 2022

Sunday, 2/6: Is 6: 1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138: 1-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 7c-8/

1 Cor 15: 1-11/Lk 5: 1-11

Monday, 2/7: 1 Kgs 8: 1-7, 9-13/Ps 132: 6-7, 8-10/

Mk 6: 53-56

Tuesday, 2/8: 1 Kgs 8: 22-23, 27-30/Ps 84: 3, 4, 5 & 10, 11/Mk 7: 1-13

Wednesday, 2/9: 1 Kgs 10: 1-10/Ps 37: 5-6, 30-31, 39-40/Mk 7: 14-23

Thursday, 2/10: 1 Kgs 11: 4-13/Ps 106: 3-4, 35-36, 37 & 40/Mk 7: 24-30

Friday, 2/11: 1 Kgs 11: 29-32; 12: 19/Ps 81: 10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15/Mk 7: 31-37

Saturday, 2/12: 1 Kgs 12: 26-32; 13: 33-34/Ps 106: 6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22/Mk 8: 1-10



# SACRED HEART

**"RETURN TO ME &**

**RENEW YOUR SPIRIT"**



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Mass Schedule: 11:00am Sunday

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**February 6, 2022 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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### Schedule for February 13, 2022

Lector: Sarah

Greeters/Gifts: Rissler Family

Servers: Tyler/Kevin

Money Counters: Monte/Jon

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist: Volunteers

### Today's Mass Intention:

**Deloris Eganhouse**

### Prayer Corner

- Betty Anderson, Rich Kleineck, Leonard Lasack, Marilyn Stevenson, Derek Denniston, Julie Ahrendsen
- Archbishop Jackels, Fr. Andrew



# TO OUR PARISHIONERS & FRIENDS

**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**— *Following in reverence, humility, and service.*

The images of reverence, humility, and service expressed in the readings for this weekend come as compelling reminders to us of our “*calling*” to live for God as Christian disciples. All three readings share this common thread of God being visible to ordinary folks like you and me, not only in extraordinary times but also in our simple experiences.

In the first reading, Isaiah experiences a vision in what would mark the beginning of his *calling* as a prophet. Paul, in the second reading, describes his road-to-Damascus experience as revelation of Jesus to him, just as Peter and the other disciples have experienced him. Then the gospel repeats for us the unparalleled, swift response the first four disciples gave to Jesus after their experience with him; “they left everything and followed him,” (Luke 5:11).

Now let’s not be caught up in the stories’ details; instead, let’s gather some of the lessons that are essential for our learning as disciples.

**Reverence:** In what looks like a worship scene in the temple, we notice how these spiritual beings were glowing with fervid love in their reverence to God. They stand in their stations and cry out, “Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts! All the earth is filled with His glory!” Isaiah tells us how he hid his face and exclaimed at the sight of God, “Woe is me; I am doomed! For I am a man of unclean lips, living among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

So, we learn that we should not be cold in our religion. Today, there is a temptation to weaken the sense of God’s holiness around us through lack of reverence in our worship and actions. We all fall into the temptation of carelessness and shallowness of worship that divest the majesty and splendor of God and His holy place unless we take a constant cue from the first reading.

**Humility:** The virtue of humility stands right before our eyes in the readings. The words and actions of Isaiah, Paul, and the four disciples not only express emptiness before God. It also strongly suggests how we become aware of our own unworthiness the nearer we get to God. God is a Father who opens His arms to all. Yet, the closer we get to Him, the awareness of his awesomeness helps us to sincerely notice our limitations and unworthiness so that we can be rid of any conceit and humble ourselves in gratitude, always and everywhere. As one bible commentary concludes, “Get God into your lives ... and you will cry, ‘Lord! not my feet only, but my hands and my head!’”

**Service:** When Jesus indicated to the disciples that they would be catching men, they understood it as a call to service. Isaiah did the same when he heard the voice of God, “Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?” And he responded, “Here I am,” I said, “send me!” All of us are called to serve, and the service we render should suggest that we are glowing with fervor. As Christians, we have an even a loftier motive for serving, for Christ has served and redeemed us by His own blood, and He asks us to love and serve not only the Trinity, but also others as He has done.

- It is CRITICAL for the FUTURE of our Sacred Heart Parish to fill out the survey that we have talked about for a couple of weeks. Please fill out with the hard copy you received in the mail or fill out, on the Archdiocesan website (below) or the QR code below.
- The next CCD class is Sunday, February 20th at 9:45am.
- ATTENTION! Year end statements are in your mailbox in the church hallway. Please be sure to pick yours up.
- We are in need of some more of our church family to consider participating in all of our ministries, especially over-18 members who could help by being Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist. It is a ministry that needs a bit of training. We also would like to have some more altar servers, and those need to be a certain age and trained a bit. All of us could be greeters/gift bearers & some of us could be readers or sing in the choir. We will be working on this project for the next few months--please consider volunteering for one or more of these ministries.



## **\*Complete the Synod Survey on Parish Viability\***

This is your chance to have your voice heard on parish planning in the Archdiocese of Dubuque. The Archdiocese has created a survey about parish vitality and viability that will provide input from all about this important information. You are encouraged to access the survey in English, Spanish or French at [www.dbqarch.org/survey](http://www.dbqarch.org/survey) or by scanning this QR code with your smart phone camera and click on the link that pops up on your phone. Or complete the survey you received at home and mail it to: Survey Archdiocese of Dubuque, 1229 Mt. Loretta Ave, Dubuque, IA 52003.



Please have all bulletin submissions to Colleen Coon by Wednesday PM

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