

AUGUST 29, 2021  
**TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY  
 IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Reflection from Fr. Bernard Doré**

We are reminded to observe the laws, and to exercise our authority in a wise and discerning way.

The First Reading in Deuteronomy and the Gospel of Mark elaborate on the laws. These are of social and communitarian dimension, which lead one to attain personal sanctification. Our whole liturgy has two functions. They are the Glorification of God and the Sanctification of Man.

In the Gospel Jesus admonishes the people for being far from being the great nation and special people. They are blinded by the letter of the law. Their observances of all external practices have taken them far from God's vision. They are enslaved by their own created laws. Their obsession to keep the laws of purity has in fact made them spiritually shallow and impure in God's sight.

In the Second Reading, St. James tells us that God's choice of His people to be remembered as a great nation and special people is not for any merit of their own. It's God's gratuitous gift. So it is the duty of the receiver to prove worthy of this unmerited gift. To be doers of the Word is the way. The Word teaches us the spirit of the law, helps us to live an undefiled, a holy and pure religion, and the religion of Love.

Thus the Readings of today show us how we can remain the chosen people of God by caring for the needy and having a proper loving relationship with all. Let us pray for the grace to live our faith with true charity.



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| OFFICE HOURS        | 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM (MON, WED, THU, FRI)   |
| WEEKDAY MASSES      | 9:00 AM (MON, WED, FRI)                  |
| SATURDAY VIGIL MASS | 5:00 PM                                  |
| SUNDAY MASSES       | 8:00 AM      10:00 AM                    |
| HOLY DAY MASSES     | 9:00 AM      7:00 PM                     |
| CONFESSIONS         | 4:00-4:30 PM, SATURDAY OR BY APPOINTMENT |

**ST. PAUL'S UPCOMING SCHEDULE**

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| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>August 28</b>                          |
| 5:00 PM          | Mass: Dorothy & George Brayton, Sr. (RIP) |
| 6:00 PM          | Parish Cookout                            |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>August 29</b>                          |
| 8:00 AM          | Mass: Kathleen M. Jubinville (RIP)        |
| 9:15 AM          | Rosary                                    |
| 10:00 AM         | Mass: Anthony Kachanis (RIP)              |
| 11:00 AM         | Fifth Sunday Rosary                       |
| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>August 30</b>                          |
| 8:35 AM          | Rosary                                    |
| 9:00 AM          | Mass: Fr. Ronald E. Brassard (RIP)        |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>September 1</b>                        |
| 8:35 AM          | Rosary                                    |
| 9:00 AM          | Mass: Margaret J. Forrest (RIP)           |
| <b>Friday</b>    | <b>September 3</b>                        |
| 8:35 AM          | Rosary                                    |
| 9:00 AM          | Mass: Souls in Purgatory                  |
| 9:30—10:30 AM    | Adoration of Blessed Sacrament            |

**NEXT WEEKEND'S MASS INTENTIONS**

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| 5:00 PM  | Open for your Intentions |
| 8:00 AM  | Open for your Intentions |
| 10:00 AM | Open for your Intentions |

PLEASE CONSIDER COMMEMORATING  
 A LOVED ONE AT THE EUCHARIST

## 150th Anniversary of the Diocese

Beginning September 8, 2021 and lasting until June, 26, 2022, the Diocese of Providence will host an ongoing celebration of the sesquicentennial of its founding in February, 1872. The central theme of the celebration - embossed on the anniversary logo beneath the welcoming outstretched arms of Christ - is rooted in the sacred scripture of Psalm 126: "The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy."

Our diocesan celebration will begin on **Wednesday, September 8, 2021, the feast of the Nativity of Our Lady, with "A Night to Honor Mary" at 6 p.m. in the Cathedral of SS. Peter and Paul**, and will continue through Sunday, June 26, 2022, when the commemoration of the 150th anniversary will conclude with a solemn closing Mass at the cathedral at 1 p.m. That Sunday is the closest to the patronal feast day of SS. Peter and Paul.

In the months between the opening and closing celebrations, an extensive, multi-faceted program of dynamic guest speakers, concerts and artistic events is being planned by the diocese's 150th anniversary Cultural and Educational Events Committee. Dates will be added to the calendar below, showcased in the Rhode Island Catholic and shared across our diocesan social media.

## Special Collection- August 28/29

A special collection will be taken up this weekend for the victims of the earthquake in Haiti.

## Commitment to Sunday Offertory

To help the parish meet its financial obligations, we ask that you remain committed to the weekly offertory.

Please consider using the parish envelopes and mailing your weekly/monthly offertory contribution. Or consider the convenient option of setting up an automatic contribution online.

### GIFTS RECEIVED

Offertory Collection - Aug 21/22  
\$ 2,132.00

Thank you for your support!

## Fifth Sunday Rosary for Families

The St. Paul Council, Knights of Columbus invites all families to join us in praying the Rosary after the 10AM Mass this **Sunday, August 29, 2021**. Please join us in asking for Mary's intercession for an end to abortion in our country and the world, for peace in our families and country, for an end to the pandemic and healing of all affected

## Christmas Bazaar Raffle

Thank you to the 30 parishioners who have already donated \$25. Everyone one who donated will get a Free Raffle Ticket in their name.

Main Raffle Items are being finalized and we will begin selling raffle tickets the end of September.

We are looking for:/

**Jewelry**, new or gently used, **NEW** items for **Penny Social Table**. Thanks!

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# ORDER OF MASS

The second main part of the Mass is the **Liturgy of the Eucharist**—from the Greek for "thanksgiving". It's related to the Hebrew word (*todah*) for "thanksgiving sacrifice". At the last supper with his disciples, Jesus forever joined their communion at table with his sacrifice on the cross: "Take this all of you, and eat it, for this is my body which will be given up for you." And with his promise in John 6:51, Jesus forever joins our communion with him to eternal life: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." Those who heard Jesus, found what he said farfetched. But from the beginning, the Church has taken Jesus at his word: "We do not consume the eucharistic bread and wine as if it were ordinary food and drink, for we have been taught that as Jesus Christ our Savior became a man of flesh and blood by the power of the Word of God, so also the food that our flesh and blood assimilates for its nourishment becomes the flesh and blood of the incarnate Jesus by the power of his own words contained in the prayer of thanksgiving" (St. Justin Martyr, c. 150).

## THE MASS PARTS IN OUTLINE

### Introductory Rites

### Liturgy of the Word

### Liturgy of the Eucharist

Presentation of the Gifts and Preparation of the Altar

Prayer over the Offerings

Eucharistic Prayer

Preface

Holy, Holy, Holy

First half of prayer, including Consecration

Mystery of Faith

Second half of prayer, ending with Doxology and Great Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Sign of Peace

Lamb of God

Communion

### Prayer after Communion

### Concluding Rite

The eucharistic bread and wine are not symbols of Jesus' body and blood—nor are they scraps of muscle and dribbles of blood. They are the Body and Blood of Jesus—the Risen Christ himself. In other words, what we behold or hold in Communion is not something, but someone.