

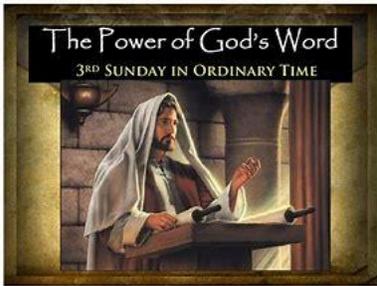
January 27, 2019

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading. Neh 8: 2-4. 5-6. 8-10

Second Reading. 1 Co 12: 12-30

Gospel. Lk 1: 1-4;4:14-21



The first Sermon of Jesus

In today's gospel Jesus inaugurates his ministry through the symbolic enactment of reading and preaching in the synagogue of his hometown of Nazareth.

What is intriguing is the brevity of Jesus' sermon. After reading a passage from the prophet Isaiah he simply says, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." But what a punch is packed into that micro homily!

The Old Testament background is important here. The promise of God found in the Old Testament is now being fulfilled in Jesus. But how this salvation is being fulfilled is important. The passage that Jesus selects to read is a blueprint for a program of social justice and hospitality. 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor'.

In today's Gospel, Jesus proclaims 'the Lord's year of favor.' This year is the great fiftieth year of jubilee liberation, when slaves are to be released, when debts are to be written off and people are allowed to return home. Jesus says, 'God keeps Jubilee. Your debts to God are written off, do not let guilt and fear enslave you, come home to a welcoming God.'

February 2: World Day for Consecrated Life

Pope Francis said: "What would happen if there were no sisters?" Sisters in the hospitals, sisters in the missions, sisters in the schools. One can't imagine it! They are the leaven that carry the people of God forward! The Church and the world have need of this testimony of the love and mercy of God".

The Church and the world have need of this testimony of the love and mercy of God. Those who live a religious life in imitation of Christ's own poverty, chastity and obedience, offer a special witness to the gospel of the Kingdom of God.

Every consecrated person is a gift for the People of God on a journey. There is much need of their presence, that strengthens and renews the commitment to spread the gospel, to Christian education, to charity for the neediest, to contemplative prayer; the commitment to a human and spiritual formation of young people, of families; the commitment to justice and peace in the human family", Pope Francis declared.

Consecrated persons are signs of God in diverse environments of life, they are leaven for the growth of a more just and fraternal society, prophecy of sharing with the little and the poor. As such understanding and experience, the consecrated life appears to us just as it really is: a gift of God!

Totally consecrated to God, they are totally given over to their brethren, to carry the light of Christ there where the darkness is thickest and to spread his hope to hearts who are discouraged.

It is necessary to value with gratitude the experience of consecrated life and deepen the knowledge of different charisms and spiritualities. We must pray, so that many young people respond 'yes' to the Lord who calls them to consecrate themselves wholly to Him for disinterested service to their brethren.

Masses for the Week

January 26, 2019- February 2, 2019

Saturday, January 26

6:00 p.m. (English)

People of the Parish

Sunday, January 27

9:30 a.m. (English/Spanish)

People of the Parish

11:00 a.m. (Italian)

+Alessio & Cristina Capra by Natalina & Michelle Capra

+Teresa Corella by Nic & Maria D'Egidio

For the deceased members of **Padre Pio Society**

For the deceased members of **ICF Br 67**

6:00 p.m.(English)

+Ernesto Rodriguez by Rodriguez Family

+Marlene Garcia

Monday, January 28

6:00 p.m. No Mass

Tuesday, January 29

6:00 p.m. People of the Parish

Wednesday, January 30

6:00 p.m. People of the Parish

Thursday, January 31

6:00 p.m. People of the Parish

Friday, February 1

6:00 p.m. +Vincent Longo by Janie Costantini

Saturday, February 2

6:00 p.m. Giovanni Capra

Did you know we have **Vespers** at 5:45 p.m. Tuesday-Friday.

Adoration: Thursdays 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Last week's offerings

Offerte Della Settimana Scorsa

Last week's Offering: \$1,889.50

**Offerta settimanale necessaria per far fronte alle spese ordinarie
Weekly offering needed to meet ordinary expenses

- \$2,950.00-

DID YOU KNOW?

Learn how to help children suffering from trauma

With mass shootings, natural disasters, and the social climate today, our children are living in a world that can be very scary at times. Children who have suffered from trauma, through abuse, loss, or another tragedy, may have different ways of viewing the world through the distorted lens of their fears and worries, and often need the help of trusted adults to guide them through their emotions. Many children use denial as their first coping method, so getting them to talk about what's happened and explore how they're feeling and what scares them now is important. Consider consulting someone with expertise in child development – a psychologist, counselor or experienced teacher might have suggestions as to how best to support a child in the aftermath of a frightening experience. For a copy of the full VIRTUS® article "A Parent Handout for Helping Children Heal," go to <http://www.la-archdiocese.org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.aspx>

Dates to Remember

February 4, Scalabrini House Meeting

Social 6:00 p.m. Dinner and meeting 7:00 p.m.

February 10, Sacred Heart of Jesus meeting

after 11:00 am mass

February 11, Pugliese Meeting

At 6:00 pm contact Maria Bruno (818)241-4672

February 13, St Anthony Meeting

At 6:00 p, contact Bob Masters (818)521-9224

February 15, Santa Lucia Meeting

At 6:00 pm Contact Luigi Arrighi

February 19, St. Josephs Table Volunteer Meeting

At 6:00 pm Contact the office at (323)225-8119

Make your reservations



Valentine's day fundraiser and crowning of the Parish Queen.

Saturday February 16

Mass: 5:00 p.m. Followed by Crowning of the parish queen and dinner dance at Casa Italiana. Contact the parish office for Reservations 323-225-8119.

TOGETHER IN MISSION 2019

Parish Goal \$8,600

The Together in Mission campaign is an opportunity for people across the Archdiocese to join together - as one united voice. Thousands of men and women just like you make a sustainable monthly commitment because they believe in the hope that will be given through classrooms, from pulpits, on the streets, and through the sacraments February 10 is Together in Mission "Commitment Sunday." Archbishop Gomez invites us to make our annual commitment to help those parishes and schools that need our help. If you have made a gift in the past, a letter should arrive in your home this week asking you to renew your support. You can return that pledge card via mail or make your pledge at ourmissionla.org/give.

<https://giving.la-archdiocese.org/TIM/>

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