



Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 16, 2024

GOD'S TIME

We either pay attention to or ignore “clock time” as we play in the summer sun and note the earth’s tilt and the lengthening days. We live by time. We reckon time in seconds and minutes and hours, or we use broader chunks like supertime and summertime.

God keeps another sort of time. God speaks to us of “saving time,” that is, the time of salvation. This sense of time is called *kairos*, and this time is always now, always present and available, always revealing, often surprising.

This Sunday’s readings alert us to the reality and the import of God’s time. Ezekiel and the Gospel of Mark remind us that our labor and our plotting and our planning rest in God. For God takes our smallest efforts and makes of them great works. Paul points us to the “harvest” time, urges us to be watchful for its coming, and calls us to recognize that we must spend our time pleasing God.

FEAST OF FAITH

The Preparation of the Altar

The altar is the focal point of our churches. It is a sign of Christ in our midst; indeed, it has been said that “the altar is Christ” (*Dedication of an Altar*, 4). The altar is a table “on which the sacrifice of the cross is perpetuated in mystery throughout the ages until Christ comes”; but it is also the place for a festive meal: “a table at which the Church’s children assemble to give thanks to God and receive the body and blood of Christ” (*Dedication of an Altar*, 4).

Both these functions of the altar are clear in the rites for the preparation of the altar that follow the general intercessions, which remind us of the preparations we make at home for a festive meal. The deacon or altar servers come forward and, bowing, place a cloth known as a corporal (from the Latin for “body”) over the altar cloth. They place the chalice, the cup to be used in the celebration of the Eucharist, and the *Sacramentary* or *Roman Missal*, which contains the prayers of the Mass, on the altar. These reverent preparations help us to focus on what is about to happen: the sharing of a holy meal, a solemn sacrifice.

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THE CHURCH AND THE SPIRIT

Where the Church is, there is the Spirit of God; and where the Spirit of God is, there is the Church and all grace, and the Spirit is truth.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — I have lifted high the lowly tree (Ezekiel 17:22-24).

Psalm — Lord, it is good to give thanks to you (Psalm 92).

Second Reading — Whether we are at home or away, we aspire to please the Lord (2 Corinthians 5:6-10).

Gospel — It is the smallest of all seeds, and becomes the largest of plants (Mark 4:26-34)

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| Monday: | 1 Kg 21:1-16; Ps 98:1, 2b, 3-4; Mt 5:38-42 |
| Tuesday: | 1 Kg 21:17-29; Ps 146:2, 5-9a; Mt 5:43-48 |
| Wednesday: | 2 Kg 2:1, 6-14; Ps 112:1bc-4, 9; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18 |
| Thursday: | Sirach 48:1-14; Ps 111:1b-4, 7-8; Mt 6:7-15 |
| Friday: | 2 Kg 11:1-4, 9-18, 20; Ps 34:2-7; Mt 6:19-23 |
| Saturday: | 2 Chron 24:17-25; Ps 34:8-13; Mt 6:24-34 |
| Sunday: | Jb 38:1, 8-11; Ps 107:23-26, 28-31; 2 Cor 5:14-17; Mk 4:35-41 |

a godly Father is:



Faithful, to God and family.
Able, to discern God's will in trying times and good times.
Thankful, for all the joys and trials of life.
Happy, no matter what the life brings.
Enthusiastic, about a life lived with purpose.
Righteous, rock-solid in heart and mind, from a growing relationship with Jesus.

For these things and so many more we praise God for our Fathers, this Father's Day and always.

JUNE 2ND

LECTOR PEGGY

SERVERS JESUS

COUNTER TOM & BEVERLY

JUNE 9TH

LECTOR MARY

SERVER CARLOS & MAX

COUNTER MARY & ANN F

JUNE 16TH

LECTOR MARK

SERVERS JESUS

COUNTER TOM & BEVERLY

JUNE 23RD

LECTOR BEVERLY

SERVER CARLOS & MAX

COUNTER MARY & ANN

JUNE 30TH

LECTOR JANET & MARINA

SERVER JESUS

COUNTER TOM & BEVERLY

Special Collection

Peter's Pence

June 30th

Coming Events

On Wednesday, June 19th, the office will be closed for Juneteenth Day.

Council meeting will be after mass on Wednesday

SUNDAY COLLECTION

6-9-2024

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