

February 12, 2017

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Sir 15:15-20; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 or
5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37*



“What we utter is God’s wisdom: a mysterious hidden wisdom. God planned it before all ages for our glory. Yet God has revealed this wisdom to us through the Spirit... Jesus said to his disciples: ‘I tell you unless your holiness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees you shall not enter the kingdom of God.’”

The ‘professional’ religious people of Jesus’ time knew the bible, practiced in detail the requirements of their faith, and most were holy people. They knew the word, lived the word and incorporated it into the daily living.

Fast forward: How does the wisdom of God play out in my life? I know many things from the bible. I can speak about the four gospel writers and enjoy the life of the primitive church as I find it in the Acts of the Apostles. Some passages especially from the letters of Saint Paul, as the hymn of charity or the fruits of the Holy Spirit in Corinthians and Galatians move me.

The wisdom found in the scriptures is to direct my life and focus on just one thing, that is my holiness. Knowledge in the head must move down a few inches and become the life giving pump for my heart. Holiness too is a gift of God for me to seek, discover and accept. We call Jesus ‘the holy one of God’ and we are to be as well.

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

FEAST, SCRIPTURE, CITATIONS & SPECIAL INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 11 *Our Lady of Lourdes; BVM / Gn 3:9-24; Mk 8:1-10 (334)*

12:10 p.m. Fr. John McGuire, O.P.

5:30 p.m. Walter Detour

Sunday, February 12

*Sir 15:15-20; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 or
5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37 (76)*

9:00 a.m. James Brennan

11:30 a.m. Joseph Derrough

6:00 p.m. *People Of The Parish*

Monday, February 13

Gn 4:1-15, 25; Mk 8:11-13 (335)

12:10 p.m.

Tuesday, February 14 *Saints Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop*

Gn 6:5-8, 7:1-5, 10; Mk 8:14-21 (336)

12:10 p.m.

Wednesday, February 15

Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Mk 8:22-26 (337)

12:10 p.m.

Thursday, February 16

Gn 9:1-13; Mk 8:27-33 (338)

12:10 p.m.

Friday, February 17 *The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order*

Gn 11:1-9; Mk 8:34—9:1 (339)

12:10 p.m.

Saturday, February 18 *BVM*

Heb 11:1-7; Mk 9:2-13 (340)

12:10 p.m. Judith DelGiudice

5:30 p.m.

OUR COLLECTION

Collection for February 5, 2017

By Mass as follows:

5:30 pm: \$553 9:00 am: \$1,828

11:30 am: \$3,223 6:00 pm: \$748

Sunday Masses Total: \$6,352

Second Collection: \$ 2,251

Faith Street: \$482

Parish Pay: \$3,174

Grand Total: \$12,259

THE CATHOLIC CENTER AT NYU

The 2016-2017

Wisdom of St. Thomas Aquinas Series

February 18, 2017: Freedom for Excellence: Virtue and Moral Character According to Aquinas, by Fr. Thomas Petri, O.P., Dean of the Pontifical Faculty of the Immaculate Conception

12:00 p.m. Mass

12:30 Refreshments

1:00 p.m. First Conference

2:00 p.m. Break with Refreshments

2:30 p.m. Second Conference



CATHOLICISM: *The Pivotal Players*

Bishop Robert Barron's DVD series showcases a handful of saints, artists, mystics, and scholars who not only shaped the life of the Church but changed the course of western civilization.

Join Fr. John Baptist and others as we explore the lasting influence of these Pivotal Players.

The series will be on the following Monday evenings from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the Parish Library. (Ring the bell marked "St. Joseph's Parish House.")

February 20: "St. Francis of Assisi," *the Reformer*, radically and literally lived as Jesus commanded to transform the Church.

February 27: "St. Thomas Aquinas," *the Theologian*, demonstrated that faith and reason are not at odds, as they come from the same source.

March 6: "St. Catherine of Siena," *the Mystic*, gave testimony to the reality of the spiritual dimension here and beyond.

March 13: SPRING BREAK – NO MEETING

March 20: "Blessed John Henry Newman," *the Convert*, left a prestigious career to seek and preach the apostolic faith.

March 27: "G.K. Chesterton," *the Evangelist*, publicly, humbly, and humorously announced the paradoxes and truth of Christianity.

April 3: "Michelangelo," *the Artist*, dramatically demonstrated that beauty and creativity are a primary route of access to God.

