

February 5, 2017

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 58:7-10; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16



“Thus says the Lord: Share your bread with the hungry, shelter the oppressed and the homeless; clothe the naked when you see them, and do not turn your back on your own... you are the salt of the earth... you are the light of the world.”

It is hard for us to escape the direct teaching of Jesus and the prophet Isaiah. A familiar biblical question ‘what are we to do?’ finds a ready answer in these two scripture sources.

What Christian cannot be moved when we see images of the millions of refugees fleeing the wars in Iraq and Syria, drowning in the Mediterranean. How few Christians respond with compassion and empathy, afraid to take the risk to care for suffering humanity. Do I forget that they too are made in the image and likeness of God? Even if some have less than noble intentions, do we let all suffer?

How is it I live as salt of the earth? How can I be light of the world? Agencies do incredible work aiding those in need. Our church is at the forefront. Consider Jesuit Refugee Services, Catholic Relief Services, Doctors Without Borders, CNEWA and Aid to the Church in Need and countless others responding generously. Why do I sit back as others need the salt and light that we are?

More than the financial aid you might give is the attitude of grave concern in these moments of crisis.

HIS WORD TODAY by Rev. William J. Reilly

**FEAST, SCRIPTURE, CITATIONS
& SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

Saturday, February 4 BVM

Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Mk 6:30-34 (328)

12:10 p.m.

5:30 p.m.

Sunday, February 5

Is 58:7-10; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Mt 5:13-16 (73)

9:00 a.m. People Of The Parish

11:30 a.m. Rev. Robert Houda

6:00 p.m. Salvante Ante

Monday, February 6 Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

Gn 1:1-19; Mk 6:53-56 (329)

12:10 p.m. Angelo Conetta

Tuesday, February 7

Gn 1:20—2:4a; Mk 7:1-13 (330)

12:10 p.m. Eileen Lynch

Wednesday, February 8 Saint Jerome Emiliani; Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin

Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Mk 7:14-23 (331)

12:10 p.m. Vincent Matera

Thursday, February 9

Gn 2:18-25; Mk 7:24-30 (332)

12:10 p.m.

Friday, February 10 Saint Scholastica, Virgin / Gn 3:1-8; Mk 7:31-37 (333)

12:10 p.m. Joseph Palombo

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.

SECOND COLLECTION

PETER'S PENCE

All Masses– February 4th — February 5th

Thank you for your generosity!

OUR COLLECTION

Collection for January 29, 2017

By Mass as follows:

5:30 pm: \$4,331 9:00 am: \$2,100

11:30 am: \$2,631 6:00 pm: \$1,952

Sunday Masses Total: \$11,014

Faith Street: \$437

Parish Pay: \$780

Grand Total: \$12,231

FAITH STREET

To give effortlessly online,
just clicked the "Give Online" button
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The Catholic Center at NYU

The next lecture from the Catholic Artists Society is:

Keeping Faith in the Philosophy of Stories

Saturday, February 11th / 7:30 p.m.

By Dr. Daniel McNerny

VOLUNTEERS AT MASS

***Interested in getting more involved with the
liturgy at Saint Joseph's?***

We're looking for parishioners to serve as lectors, altar servers, ushers, and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion. Training sessions will take place on the first Sunday of each month after each Mass.

The first of these brief trainings will be held on the
weekend of February 4/5.

For more information, see one of the priests
after any of the Masses.

***Please prayerfully consider if the Lord is
inviting you to serve in any of these important
ministries and thank you for your service!***

Many, many thanks to all of you who gave so generously to support our Dominican brothers studying for the priesthood in Washington, DC. Through your goodness, we were able to send Brother Nicholas home with nearly \$4,100. This represents an increase of a whopping 376% from last year's collection. In the words of Cardinal Dolan, "Way to go!" Below, please find a note that Brother Nicholas asked to be shared with the parish community. Let's keep him and the other student brothers in our prayers.

Dear Friends at St. Joseph's in Greenwich Village,

I am writing to thank you for your very warm welcome and generosity this last weekend. It was a joy and a privilege to meet so many of you and to pray with you. Thank you again for your generous support of the Dominican Student Brothers in Washington, DC and please be assured of our continued prayers for all of you.

Peace always,

Br. Nicholas Schneider, O.P.