

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FEBRUARY 6, 2011

Light shines through the darkness for the upright.— Psalm 112:4

Liturgy Intentions for the Week

February 7th - February 13th

Monday

7:00 PM Edward Fontain by the Knights of Columbus

Tuesday

9:00 AM Edna Bower by Dan & Rose Ann O'Mara

Wednesday

10:00 AM Nancy Bomba by her family

Thursday

No Liturgy

Friday

9:00 AM Tony Dattilio by Bob & Joan Knobel

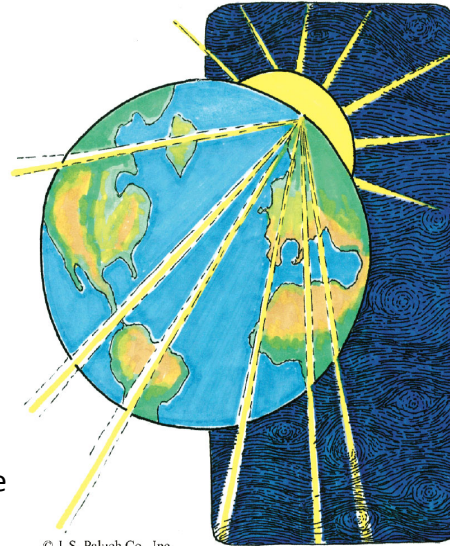
Saturday

5:30 AM 53rd Wedding Anniversary of Ceal & Pat Voyce

Sunday

8:00 AM Peter Mazzella by Dorothy Bernard

11:00 AM John W. Shaughnessy, Sr. Debbie & Dale Watts



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**Your
light
must
shine
before
others**

Today's Readings

First Reading — If you share your food with the hungry, provide housing for the homeless, then light shall break forth upon you (Isaiah 58:7-10).

Psalm — The just man is a light in the darkness to the upright (Psalm 112).

Second Reading — My message to you, says Paul, was not clever words of wisdom but the proclamation of Christ crucified (1 Corinthians 2:1-5).

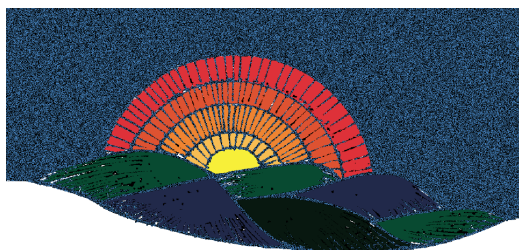
Gospel — You are the salt of the earth, the light of the world. In your good deeds your light shines before others, leading them to glorify God (Matthew 5:13-16).

Readings for the Week

Monday	Gn 1:1-19; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday	Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday	Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday	Gn 2:18-25; Mk 7:24-30
Friday	Gn 3:1-8; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday	Gn 3:9-24; Mk 8:1-10
Sunday	Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 [20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37]

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time World Day for Consecrated Life Boy Scout Sunday
Tuesday	St. Jerome Emiliani St. Josephine Bakhita
Thursday	St. Scholastica
Friday	Our Lady of Lourdes World Day of the Sick
Saturday	Blessed Virgin Mary Lincoln's Birthday



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St. Blaise

The **Blessing of the Throats** will take place after all the Masses on February 5th & 6th.

POPULARITY

2 Avoid popularity if you would have peace.—Abraham Lincoln

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Happenings for the Week

Monday—February 7

- 6:30 PM Respect Human Life Rosary
- 7:30 PM Knights of Columbus business meeting

Tuesday—February 8

- 8:30 AM Rosary for Life
- 9:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration commences

Wednesday—February 9

- 8:30 AM Rosary Prayer Group
- 8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration concludes
- 10:00 AM Women's Guild meeting and luncheon

Thursday—February 10

- 7:00 PM Choir Practice—6th to Adult

Friday—February 11

- 8:30 AM Pro Life Rosary

Saturday—February 12

- 5:00 PM Pro Life Rosary

Sunday—February 13

- 7:30 AM Rosary for Lost Souls
- 9:15 AM Faith Formation K-5th grades
- 10:30 AM Rosary for the Military & their families
- 12:00 PM Faith Formation 6th grade—Confirmation
- 1:00 PM Middle School Ministry Meeting

Stewardship

January 23rd **:

Offertory: \$ 1,422.00

Latin America Missions: \$ 429.00

Building Fund: \$ 195.00

****Important Note**** The collection report figures represent only one Mass as the other Masses for the weekend were cancelled due to inclement weather.

Special thanks to James & JoAnne Flexer and Maryann & Paul Molnar for their contribution of time and talent.

A sincere **THANK YOU** to all our parishioners and visitors for your tremendous generosity and continuous contributions to the support of St. Mildred.



Any parishioner needing a Contribution Statement for the Income Tax year 2010 can request one through

the St. Mildred website or you may pick up a request form in the hall of the Parish Center. Requests for statements will be available January through May.

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Upcoming Meetings

The Knights of Columbus will have their business meeting on February 7th at 7:30 PM, **after** attending the 7:00PM Liturgy.

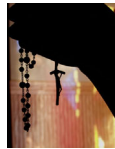
The next meeting for the **Women's Guild** will be on February 9th beginning with Mass at 10:00 AM. The meeting, will follow Mass along with a Share a Sandwich Luncheon. All women of the parish are invited and please bring a friend along!

Our **Parish Council** will hold their next meeting on February 14th at 7:30 PM. All parishioners are encouraged and welcomed to attend. See you there!

The next **Homeschool** Mass will be February 16th, 2011 at 9:00 AM. All are welcome!

The **4th Degree Assembly** of the Knights of Columbus will have their next business meeting at 7:30PM on February 21st **after** the 7:00 PM Mass.

Music Ministry News - Anyone 6th grade to adult is invited to join in on Thursdays from 7:00 to 8:00 PM. No experience necessary, just join in!!



The Rosary is a prayer about life - all life. Please join our crusade for life at 5:00PM Saturdays before Mass to pray the Rosary for Life. The Rosary for Life also offered on Tuesdays and Fridays before Mass.

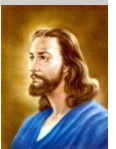
PLEASE SAY YES!



Will you say yes to Our Lady and spend one hour with Her Son from 1:30 AM to 2:30 AM every Wednesday early morning (Tuesday night) in an hour of Adoration. She needs someone to take that hour on a regular basis. Please call Don Keating at 252-393-6106 and say "yes ". You will not regret it!

Eucharistic Adoration

...takes place weekly starting at 9:30am on Tuesday and continuing until 8:30am on Wednesday. All are welcome. Come & spend some quiet time in the Lord's presence. If you are interested in serving as a volunteer or substitute for maintaining the vigil during Adoration, please call Don Keating at 252.393.6106.



The 2011 Bishop's Annual Appeal (BAA) has begun and will continue through until March 6, 2011. We again ask the support of all parishioners for the 30 ministries which the BAA funds. Volunteers will be at all Masses to take your pledges and/or answer any questions. For further info you may call John Nastasi at 252-393-2135.



The Parish is invited to attend the Marriage Vow Renewal Ceremony and Pot Luck Dinner on Friday, February 11th, 6:30 PM here at the Parish Center and officiated by Deacon Jerry Fatica. This is a great opportunity to reaffirm your vows and enjoy a Pot Luck Dinner on Valentine's weekend. Please call Wayne Crump at (910) 326-2657 and provide your name and phone number so we will know how many are attending.



Next week we will celebrate Boy Scout Sunday. We offer the following prayer for all boys, past and present, who are Scouts.

Almighty God, creator of us all; grant us the patience to wait and listen to your voice. Help us not to seek the answers in the silence of prayer, but rather let your thoughts, God, travel to us and through us as we dare to ascend your mountain of law, your holy hill of truth.

O God, how thankful we are that you have come into our lives through the Holy Spirit. You know, Lord, that we're not perfect, that we want to improve. Show us where we can.

We pray today for God's children—all the children of the world. May they find peace and love in their families and schools and learn the love of Jesus Christ for each and every one of them through our lives as we interact with them on a daily basis. We also pray for our young people, who are seeking a cause which is worthy of their life's commitment and a leader who is deserving of their devotion. We know that our youth must deal with a host of options. So, we pray that they may choose Jesus Christ. We pray you will be with our Scouts as they continue to follow the Scout law and work toward being trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent.

A **special thanks** goes to all adult volunteers who work with Scouts. Your hard work and dedication is appreciated!



Please remember our Confirmation Students in your prayers as they attend their Confirmation Retreat on February 13th.

Our young Confirmandi will learn about the Gifts and Fruits of the Holy Spirit and how these wonderful gifts can prepare them for their life of service to God.

open the book, build the foundation, grow your faith.



CATECHETICAL INSTITUTE

Catechetical Institute Session

facilitated by Wojciech

The next session of Diocesan Catechetical Institute has begun! We meet at 6:30pm in the Parish Center. Come join us for six Wednesday sessions, consisting of presentation and discussion. There is no registration and no fee. Please, invite a friend, neighbor or relative to attend.

The theme of this Catechetical Institute Session is: Sacraments.



A huge thank you is sent out to the entire St Mildred Parish Family for your continued generosity! This year's Giving Tree was able to help bring joy to the faces of 160 kids from the 8 surrounding schools! 225 presents were distributed, totaling an estimated dollar value of \$11,250!! 100 volunteer hours were put in to make this wonderful event happen. Fr. Don would like to especially thank April Clark for taking the lead on this project and the help of all her merry elves - Sarah, Joe and Casey Wiltgen, Lisa, Kelly and Michael Sparr, Grace Heath, Emily Scarborough, Joanne Lister, Francine and Roni Sabisch, Chinky and Baldy Bolduc for providing the refreshments and Jim and Lorna Cummings for helping deliver baby items.

A special thanks is also extended to Sarah & Joe (& Casey) Wiltgen, who previously managed the Giving Tree for several years and their assistance this year in the transition. Your dedication and hard work is greatly appreciated!

Thank you



Get Ignited! 9th Annual IGNITED BY TRUTH

A Catholic Conference supported by the Diocese of Raleigh, February 25-26, 2011 at the NC State Fairgrounds. FREE Friday workshop "Discover the Catholic Church" 7-9:30pm. Full program Saturday 8:30am-6:30pm featuring Matthew Kelly, Dr. Brant Pitre, & more! Lunch is included! Early registration discounts through February 6th.

Gift Certificates are available! Visit

4 **www.IgnitedByTruth.com** for complete details.

The changes to the Roman Missal will take place the First Sunday of Advent, November 11, 2011. To help us understand them a little better, we will be running several articles from the Diocese, each week, explaining some of the changes. Here is the first part of:



Ministries and Roles Within the Liturgical Assembly at Mass

When the Church comes together in the liturgical assembly to celebrate the Mass, or any other sacrament, her members do not gather simply as a crowd, as an amorphous, undifferentiated group of people. They gather in a variety of ministries and roles. If we are to understand the significance of these ministries and roles, we must begin with Baptism, for only one who through Baptism has been given a share in the priesthood of Christ is capable of participating in the public worship which is the liturgy of the Church. In fact, the *Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy* of the Second Vatican Council tells us that participation in the liturgy is the **right** and **duty** of all the baptized.

The first qualification, then, for any participant in the celebration of the Eucharist is that he or she has been baptized into the Body of Christ, the Church. Each time the members of the Church gather to worship, they do so because their baptism demands this of them. While all share in the priesthood of Christ which delegates them to worship, some members of the Church are called by God to serve in the ministerial priesthood as bishops and priests. Bishops and priests are privileged to act in the liturgy in the very person of Christ, on behalf of his people, pronouncing the most sacred prayers of our faith, presiding over the celebration of the sacred mysteries, explaining God's Word and feeding God's people on the body and blood of Christ. A bishop has the added responsibility of being the chief shepherd, the principal liturgist of his diocese and in that role is the successor of the Apostles. Others by God's grace are ordained to the ministry of deacon. In the celebration of the Mass deacons proclaim the Gospel and assist the bishop and priest in exercising their sacred duties.

Next week: Ministries and Roles Within the Liturgical Assembly at Mass - Part 2

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Youth Convention 2011

Convention is a diocesan-wide gathering for grades 9-12 in a weekend celebration. The weekend will offer workshops, live skits, prayer experiences, awards & the election of the next youth board. Come take part in this amazing event, it is sure to change your life!

The Convention this year will be May 13th—15th. If you would like more information on this life enhancing event please contact our Youth Director, Vicky Stump or email her at youthgroup@centurylink.net.

A meeting to discuss this event will be held very soon and will be announced right here in the bulletin!! You do **NOT** have to be in Youth Group to attend!!



Do you have extra rosaries around that you are not using and can't find anyone to give them to? Your solution - bring them to church and place them in the basket in the vestibule, by the glass windows. They will be blessed and placed in a protective bag to be distributed to others that are in need of a rosary. Are you in need of a rosary? Please, feel free to take one! Have questions?? Call Pat Boni at 910.326.7931. Thank You!!



All St. Mildred's parish members are invited to the Coastal Pregnancy Care Center's Annual Banquet, "Journey To Redemption" to be held March 10, 2011, 6:00 p.m. at the Crystal Coast Civic Center in Morehead City. The guest speaker, will be Bruce Wilkinson, author of *The Prayer of Jabez*. **Reservations are required.** There is no cost to attend.

Their goal is to garner support for the center in the form of prayers, volunteers, treasure, and talent. Please contact Janet Oehl to reserve your seats and for more information at 252-764-2797 or send an email to: oehlmi@gmail.com

Please pray for those of our parish and the community who are ill or may be in distress as well as those deceased who may be in need of our prayers. If you would like to submit a name for special prayers, please contact the Prayer Chain **via Terri Speciale at 252.393.6678**. You may also email her at terispeci@yahoo.com. If you would like to be a part of the Parish Prayer Chain, call Terri and she will add your name and phone number to the list.

Parish Social Ministry

What can St. Mildred do for its Parishioners? Info is available in the pamphlet rack located next to the Religious Education bulletin board. If you need more info please call the church office at 326-5589.

The Mission of St. Mildred Parish Social Ministry is to assist the parish community in exercising charity to others. The Church acts in the parish community to heighten awareness of our parishioners to the issues of the needy & provides services to fulfill unmet needs. The parish social outreach ministry services people through advocating for social & economic justice as well as addressing immediate needs with emergency resources or direct services.



Helping Hands, which is part of the Parish

Social Ministry, has a dedicated group of volunteers who are ready, willing & able to assist in numerous ways. Perhaps you need a ride to the doctor's, or maybe you know of someone who would benefit from a friendly chat. If you have recently had a setback in your health or been hospitalized please call & let us see if we can help make things a little easier.



The **first Sunday of each month** we will be doing a food drive for Infant of Prague Catholic Church for their food pantry, which is in dire need. IOP averages about 100 bags of groceries each month & help all surrounding areas. Please consider putting this necessary cause on your shopping list.

GIVING

When you give, see that you give that which multiplies in giving. —Raymond Lull



Project Rachel Support Group Abortion is one of the most common procedures in the US, experienced by millions of women, many of whom are Catholic. Abortion creates a wound in post -abortive woman, (and men) resulting in spiritual and emotional problems. The Project Rachel ministry assists women and men who have been wounded by abortion to find truth and healing. There is a support group beginning in the Triangle area in late January. If you have experienced an abortion and would like more info about the support group, contact Project Rachel at (919) 852-1021 or email projectrachel@nc.rr.com. For more info go to projectrachelnc.org (website) Calls and appointments are kept strictly confidential.

FEAST OF FAITH

The Gloria (1)

The Gloria, or Glory to God, follows the penitential rite. Both are acts of praise. In the penitential rite, we sing of the mercy of Christ. In the Gloria we praise God's saving action in the universe.

The Gloria is a relatively late addition to the Mass. It first appeared in the Roman liturgy in the sixth century, and then it was sung only by the pope—and only on Christmas! With time, the hymn came to be sung by bishops on major feasts, and then by priests; finally, it became the song of the entire assembly. With the advent of more elaborate musical settings, the people gradually stopped singing the Gloria, until this song of the people became the exclusive domain of the priest and the choir. But the liturgical reforms have restored it to its place as primarily the song of the assembly.

The language of the Gloria echoes the New Testament canticles. It may be begun by the priest, the cantor, and the entire assembly in varied combinations. The Gloria is sometimes called the “greater doxology,” and in some ways it is like an extended, ecstatic version of the familiar doxology (“Glory be to the Father”) prayed in the Divine Office and the rosary. —Corinna Laughlin, © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

GOD'S CALL

The person who has been “saved,” who has “heard the good news of salvation,” still lives in an unsaved world, a world sadly oblivious to the presence of God. Today's readings outline how the disciple is present in the world.

The outline begins with Isaiah: “Share your bread . . . shelter the oppressed . . . clothe the naked” (Isaiah 58:7). Those who hear the word of salvation are not insensitive to the urgent needs of others. Then Paul reminds his flock that he brought Christ to them not in eloquence or wisdom, but by being with them in the “weakness and fear” of their daily lives (1 Corinthians 2:3). Finally, Jesus tells his disciples to go out into the gloom and darkness of the streets of the world and let God's light shine through their good deeds.

We disciples don't save the world. To the extent, however, that we have heard the word of God and been awakened to God's presence, we may spread that word and bring that presence to others.

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