

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 19, 2018

Dear Parishioners,

Be filled with the Spirit. (Ephesians 5:18)

Today is exam day. And to make it a little easier, we have reprinted today's second reading:

¹⁵Watch carefully how you live, not as foolish persons but as wise, ¹⁶making the most of the opportunity, because the days are evil. ¹⁷Therefore, do not continue in ignorance, but try to understand what is the will of the Lord. ¹⁸And do not get drunk on wine, in which lies debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and playing to the Lord in your hearts, ²⁰giving thanks always and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God the Father.

Fill in the blank—identify five important transitions in this passage:

1. From foolish to w _ _ _ (verse 15)
2. From ignorant to understanding the w _ _ _ of the Lord (verse 17)
3. From drunk on wine to being f _ _ _ _ with the Spirit (verse 18)
4. Addressing one another in p _ _ _ _ , h _ _ _ _ , and spiritual s _ _ _ _ (verse 19)
5. Giving t _ _ _ _ always for everything (verse 20)

Paul said, "Be filled with the Spirit," and he told us how. So in your prayer today, do three things:

1. Read one psalm and ask the Holy Spirit to fill you with God's grace and wisdom. Try to sense what he is saying to you: perhaps a new insight, perhaps a sense of encouragement, perhaps guidance on how to act at work today.
2. Thank Jesus for all of your blessings.
3. Address every person you meet today with kindness and love, generosity and patience. Make this your spiritual song to them.

"Lord, come and fill me with your love."

Deacon Mark Race, Administrator

Stewardship Thought:

"Watch carefully then how you live, not as foolish persons but as wise..."

(EPHESIANS 5:15)

A wise person recognizes that all we have and all we are comes from God.

A wise person thanks God continually throughout the day for all His many blessings.

A wise person realizes that God has blessed us for a reason and that He wants us to help Him build His kingdom of earth.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

LaVerne Agnew, Cyd Michelle Anderson, Sidney Anderson, Brian Argusta, Rose Ball, Percenia Beasley, Fr. Emile Belletty, Sister Juliet Berber, Glenda Brown, Vivian Burgess, Barbara Butler, Brownie Cain, Sister Cecilia Calva, Alberto Casanova, Christopher Chestnut, Sister Ann Paul Clare, Katherine Clark, Agnes Cooper, Edward Cousin, Juanita Davis, Beverly Colvin-Dorsey, Jayden Dunn, Nigel Dunn, Alton Duhon, Gwen Files, Betty Flowers, Cynthia Fortier, Ferdinand Foye, Teresa Franklin, Judy Felton-Gardner, Avis Gibbs, Barbara Harris, Darren Harris, Jacqueline Holman, Janie Jackson, Nathan Johnson, Aaron Katz, Briana Katz, Barbara Lagarde, Irwin Lagarde, Jeanne LeBlanc, Mercedes LeBlanc, Barbara Lindsey, Connie Louie, Joe McZeal, Vylfred Manor, Sister Marianna, Dorothy Okoye, Aliyah Patterson, Wiley R. Pugh, Vickie Race, Andrea Raggette, Doris Rogers, Dana Semien, Dudley Semien, Chris Simon, Maurice Simon, Joan Spencer, Annie Starks, Leila Thomas, Emma Thornton, Iris Turner, Mabel Walton, Johnnye Washington, and Alice Williams.

Religious Education

For students from Kindergarten to High School will start September 23, 2018. It will include: First Communion, Confirmation, the study of scripture, the study and celebration of Liturgy and the Liturgical seasons. **Registration** is taking place Sunday August 19 and Sunday August 26 from 10AM to 12Noon outside the parish hall. More information will be given at registration.

Did you know?

Everyone has had an anxious moment or two in their lives, but many people — even kids — struggle with daily anxiety. Anxiety can be a contributing factor in depression, and even if it's not that severe, it can make day-to-day activities tough. Kids who suffer from anxiety may exhibit physical symptoms like asthma and stomach aches, or could have trouble eating, sleeping, or going to the bathroom. If your child is showing signs of anxiety, it's important to ask why, and then to help your child address the cause and manage the associated feelings. For a copy of the complete VIRTUS© article, "The Age of Anxiety in Children: Implications for Providing Safe Catholic Schools, Part II, go to www.la-archdiocese.org/org/protecting/Pages/VIRTUS-Current-Online-Articles.



to Felecia Johns on August 20th!

Wishing you a day as sunny as your smile,
as warm as your heart—
a day as wonderful as you are.

Daily Scripture Readings

Sunday	Prv 9:1-6, Ps 34:2-7, Jn 6:51-58
Monday	Ez 24:15-23, Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday	Ez 28:1-10, Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday	Ez 34:1-11, Mt 20:1-16
Thursday	Ez 36:23-28, Mt 22:1-14
Friday	Rv 21:9-14, Jn 1:45-51
Saturday	Ez 43:1-7, Mt 23:1-12
Sunday	Jos 24:1-18, Ps 34:2-21, Jn 6:60-69

Mass Intentions

Saturday August 18

5:15 PM Intention of Felecia Johns

Sunday August 19

8:00 AM Souls of the Sims, Hithe & Patterson Families

10:00 AM Soul of Daisy Pratt

12:15 PM Intention of all Parishioners

Tuesday August 21

8:00 AM Soul of John Fruge II

Saturday August 25

5:15 PM Intention of all Parishioners

Sunday August 26

8:00 AM Intention of Ruby Chapman

10:00 AM Souls of Yvonne, Jackeline, Dilcia, & Wilfred Morgan, Jr.

12:15 PM Souls of Eugene & Beverly Powell

Weekly Offering for August 12, 2018

\$5273.71 Tithe and Offering

472.00 Building Fund

1.00 "We Care"

Thank you

The beautiful flowers on the altar this week were donated in memory of the *Sims, Hithe and Patterson* Families. If you would like to donate flowers, please call the rectory for more details

Virtus Training

To comply with the Archdiocese's Safeguard the Children Program, "All parish and school staff/volunteers who are alone with a child or young person or who have supervisory control over a child or young person" is required to attend a Virtus Training session.

Transfiguration's August VIRTUS

Training Sessions HAVE BEEN RESCHEDULED.

The first VIRTUS Certification training will be on **Saturday, September 8 from 9:00AM-12:00PM**. The session lasts 3 hours. Recertification is required every four years. The Recertification training will be held on **Saturday, September 22 from 9:00AM-10:30AM**. This session lasts 1 hour 30 minutes. Latecomers to the trainings will not be admitted. No one under 18 years old will be admitted; there is no child care. Please call the rectory to reserve a place for either session, 323.291.1136.