

# SAINT PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

## SEPTEMBER 2, 2018



He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." Mark 7:14-15

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**Mass Schedule:**

Saturday: 5:00 pm  
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am  
Monday & Friday 5:30 pm  
Tuesday - Thursday 7:00 am

**Spanish Mass:**

*Resurrection Parish, Lexington*

Sunday: 6:00 pm

**Parish Office Hours:**

Monday - Friday: 7:30 am - 7:30 pm  
Saturday: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm  
Sunday 8:30 am - 12:30 pm

**Pastoral Care Contacts:**

Ms. Kristi Reindl 419.524.2572  
*Hospital & Follow-up  
Nursing Homes/Assisted Living &  
Prayer Pipeline*

Deacon John Reef 419.529.3694  
*Shut-ins/Homebound*

**Sacrament of Baptism:**

Please contact the Parish Center to begin plans for the baptism of your baby or child.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Saturday: 3:00 - 4:30 pm  
Other times by appointment.

**Sacrament of Marriage:**

Arrangements should be made at the Parish Center at least six months in advance of the ceremony. A wedding date is confirmed after the initial meeting with a priest.

**Sunday Nursery:**

Sunday Nursery is temporarily unavailable until further notice.

**Bulletin Deadline:**

Friday, 12:00 noon. All requests must be submitted in writing or email and must receive prior approval.

**Parish Administrative Assistant:**

Ms. Kristi Reindl 419.524.2572 ext.2122

**Pastoral Staff:**

Fr. Gregory R. Hite, *Pastor*  
Fr. Austin Ammanniti, *Parochial Vicar*  
Mr. Bill Johnson,  
*Director of Music & Liturgy*  
Ms. Lynne Lukach, *Pastoral Associate*  
Mrs. Elizabeth Wurm, *Director of  
Religious Ed. & Youth Minister*

**Deacon:**

Mr. John Reef

**St. Peter's School:**

Ms. Tammy Haus  
*High School, Jr. High School*  
Mrs. Madalyn Bauer  
*Elementary School*  
Mrs. Ashley Rastorfer  
*Montessori*

**Parish Business Manager:**

Mr. Evan Mumea

**Director of Development:**

Mr. Jason Crundwell

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday, September 3, *St. Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church***

9:00 am Robert Keller

**Tuesday, September 4, *Weekday***

7:00 am Theresa (Terri) Bartlett

**Wednesday, September 5, *Weekday***

7:00 am Fr. J. Michael Ricker

**Thursday, September 6, *Weekday***

7:00 am Ralph W. Ruhl

9:30 am All School Mass—Robert Frye Auditorium

**Friday, September 7, *Weekday***

5:00 pm Rosary

5:30 pm John Taddeo

**Saturday, September 8, *The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary***

5:00 pm Robert Koehler

**Sunday, September 9, *Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time***

7:30 am Parish

9:30 am Richard & Mary Bohland

11:30 am Sandra Strauser

**LECTOR/COMMUNION MINISTER**

**Monday, September 3**

9:00 am **L** M Santoro

**D** F Leitenberger, B Connolly, A Holloway,  
A Seiss, R Sliney

**Saturday, September 8**

5:00 pm **L** B Rader, B Linkenbach

**D** D Falquette, C Sgambellone,  
C Campbell, D Campbell.

**Sunday, September 9**

7:30 am **L** B Danuloff, M Santoro

**D** M Collet, D Givens, K Randall, K Reindl,  
K Reindl

9:30 am **L** T Studer, C Henrich

**D** D Dreskler, A Seiss, T Etwiler,  
L Steggall, B Genter, D Forster,  
M Riggleman, J Kastelic

11:30 am **L** F Leitenberger, C Mears

**D** K Yockey, S Elliott, S Rizzo, K Schreck,  
J Laskey, H Deel, C Mears, K Bird

**MASS SERVERS**

**Saturday, September 8**

5:00 pm D Delano, K Delano, E Cavanaugh

**Sunday, September 9**

7:30 am A Lorenz, C Lorenz, A Gasper

9:30 am I Annis, S Henrich, R Henrich

11:30 am J Rizzo, E Rizzo, S Rizzo

Among the many contradictions we find in the Scriptures, one of the best examples of Jesus as an iconoclast and breaker of rules and traditions is found in this weekend's readings. In the first reading from Deuteronomy, Moses admonishes the people of Israel to hear, to learn and to live by the statutes and decrees which God has given them. He warns them that they should neither add to the laws nor subtract from them in any way. Moses calls upon the people to observe the law carefully and to follow it closely. They will, he says, thereby give testimony to the greatness of God and to the greatness and wisdom of the nation of Israel as they adhere to the law.

Of course, we know that for many of the Israelites, following the law nearly became a religion in itself. As Mark notes in the Gospel reading, "...For the Pharisees and, in fact, all Jews, do not eat without carefully washing their hands, keeping the tradition of the elders. And on coming from the marketplace they do not eat without purifying themselves. And there are many other things that they have traditionally observed, the purification of cups and jugs and kettles and beds." (Mark 7: 3, 4)

I have always considered it one of the great hypocrisies in the Passion Narrative that the Priests and members of the Sanhedrin would not enter the Praetorium when Jesus was to be judged by Pilate for fear of being made ritually impure just before the Passover and the Sabbath. In other words, it was important enough to have Jesus killed but not important enough that they would make themselves unclean to see their dirty work done for themselves.

In today's Gospel, Jesus takes the Pharisees and the scribes to task for their hypocrisy in clinging to legalistic ways of religion. "Well did Isaiah prophesy," he says, "about you hypocrites." (Mark 7). Jesus makes plain that to worship God only with one's lips and without one's heart is no worship at all. He goes further to say that disregarding the meaning of God's commandments and clinging to human tradition does not make one pure.

The things that defile us are the things we bring out of ourselves: "...evil thoughts, unchastity, theft, murder, adultery, greed, malice, deceit, licentiousness, envy, blasphemy, arrogance, folly. All these evils come from within and they defile." (Mark 7) To those we might add things like anger, impatience, hatred, unforgiveness, lack of compassion, mercilessness, and the love of power.

Put in such a way, this passage spotlights our own failings and impurity. Who among us hasn't been guilty of some of these sins? We realize, then, that the law is meant to point out the myriad ways in which we all fall short. We're all in this boat together and it seems to me that we have to begin to realize that we're all in need of God's mercy and forgiveness. We're all in need of God's cleansing and healing touch. Certainly the times in which we live point that out in a lot of different ways. As a people of faith, let us turn away from mindless adherence to rules and regulations. Let us instead beseech God's compassionate mercy and realize that we all owe the God of the universe the real worship of our whole hearts. Let us realize that it is not enough to follow rules if our hearts aren't in it. What conversion and victory awaits us if we can accept this!

*Bill Johnson*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH**



Rose Mary Lang-Martin, Gwen Yockey, John Henney, Debbie Ashley, Mike Payton, Bill Ruhl, Jeannie Burkhalter, Ken Kayden, Krista Marshall, Aaron Blank, Don Blank, Marilyn Williamson, Theresa Prendergast, Cindy Lassen, Dina Riley, Eliana Nelson, Mary Ann Switzer, MaKaya Butler, Thomas Julian, Mildred Corbin, Julie Krouse, Marilou Marshall, Theresa Schmidt, Paige Divelbiss, Sidney Foltz, Maria Loschinkohl, Sharon Valdry, Carol Pittenger, Sherry Studer, John Zeigler, Marlene Zeigler, Jess Allred, Judi Yankovich, Dorothy Trinter, Louise Stegall Ted Selby, Marti Selby, JoAnn Marbaugh, Tammy Dudley.

**Names will only be listed for 4 weeks. If you wish to have additional time, contact the Parish Center at 419.524.2572.**

**IN GOD'S ARMS....**

Robert Hively, Donna Demyan, James Bogner

*Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord.*



**2018 WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**

The 2018 World Mission Sunday is scheduled for the weekend of October 20-21, 2018.

"The Church on earth is by its very nature missionary since, according to the plan of God the Father, it has its origin in the mission of the Son and the Holy Spirit." Vatican Ecumenical Council II, *Decree Ad Gentes*, 2 (Decree on the Missionary Activity of the Church)

**PRISON MINISTRY CORNER**



Our seminarian brother, Michael Bialorucki, shared these thoughts as he reflected on his experiences at St. Peter's this summer:

"I came into Mansfield telling Fr. Hite I wanted to be involved with prison ministry because the idea of doing prison ministry terrified me; yet I know it is one of the things Jesus expressly commands us to do in Matthew 25. As I walked in for the Mass the first time I visited, I was pretty terrified. I had grown up with Hollywood telling me what it was like inside the prison and who prisoners are. Needless to say, as I found out quickly, Hollywood missed the mark on this one, too. I was blown away with the welcome and hospitality I received at my first visit to RiCI and, I am not too proud to say, I was moved to tears as I prayed with you all in the first Mass, hearing and seeing the dedication and energy you brought to the active engagement of the Holy Eucharist. As Fr. Weibl says, it must take being in prison to truly understand how to worship because the community does it so well."

**EXPOSITION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT**

All are kindly invited to spend time in prayer before our Lord in the Most Blessed Sacrament imploring him to heal all abuse victims, to reform the hierarchy and clergy, and to cleanse the Church of all evil. The Most Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on Friday, September 14, the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, beginning at 10:00 am and concluding with Benediction at 4:45 pm.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB**

The next luncheon will be Wednesday September 12, 2018. Mass will be at 11:00 am at Resurrection Parish in Lexington. The luncheon will be in Fellowship Hall at 12:30 pm. All members of the St. Juan Diego Deanery parishes are invited. If you are new, we encourage you to join us and get to know the Catholic women in the area.

Please call Kathy Wukela at 419.522.5321 or Joan Schonhardt at 419.524.9983. Reservations must be made by September 7, 2018 before 12 noon. We are looking forward to meeting new members.

**2018 DIOCESAN CELEBRATION OF WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

Couples who are celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60, and 60-plus years of marriage are invited to an Order of Blessing Married Couples within Holy Mass on Sunday, October 28, 2018, at 3:00 pm at Our Lady Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Cathedral in Toledo with Bishop Daniel Thomas. Please register by October 8 at [toledoanniversarymass.org](http://toledoanniversarymass.org). Please contact Marsha Rivas at 419.214.4938 or [mrivas@toledodiocese.org](mailto:mrivas@toledodiocese.org) with any questions.

**SUNDAY OFFERING**

*Year to date through*



Total Sunday Collection To Date:	\$111,793
Total Budgeted Sunday Collection To Date:	\$113,750
<b>Sunday Collection Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$1,957)</b>

**School Collection**

Total School Collection To Date:	\$21,446
Total Budgeted School Collection To Date:	\$22,400
<b>School Collection Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$954)</b>

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FINANCIAL UPDATE**



<b>Total Pledged:</b>	<b>\$2,704,277</b>
Amount needed to reach challenge goal:	\$295,723.49
Payments to Date:	\$2,083,830.47

As of July 31, 2018



**SCHOOL NEWS**



**VISIT OUR SCHOOL ANY DAY WITH APPOINTMENT**

Parents, if you are considering St. Peter's School for your child's education, you are invited to spend part of a school day here at St. Peter's with your child to experience all the activities and classroom instruction that take place.

Please call the school administrators to arrange a visit that is convenient for you and your child.

- Mrs. Ashley Rastorfer – Montessori Director  
419.524.2572 ext. 4113
- Mrs. Madalyn Bauer – Elementary Principal  
419.524.2572 ext. 4101
- Ms. Tammy Haus – High School & Junior High Principal  
419.524.2572 ext. 3100

*St. Peter School admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all rights, privileges, programs and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs and athletic and other school-administered programs.*

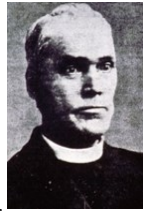
**PART-TIME CAFETERIA JANITOR**



Saint Peter's in Mansfield is seeking a part-time janitor for our cafeteria. Interested candidates must enjoy being around students of all ages, be able to lift heavy objects and be able to clean up after spills and accidents in a cafeteria setting. The successful applicant must pass the customary background checks from the Ohio BCI and FBI prior to being employed. Interested candidates should contact Evan Mumea at [mumea.evan@myspartans.org](mailto:mumea.evan@myspartans.org) or call 419.524.2572 ext. 2104

**175TH ANNIVERSARY NOTES**

We continue our look into the lives of the early Pastors of St. Peter's Parish. We last read about Father Gallagher, who was our first resident Pastor. This week we will read a bit about the lives of our second and third resident Pastors, Father James P. Molony and Father Jacob Kuhn.



Not much is known about Father James Molony. He was born in Ireland on June 19, 1830 and was ordained to the priesthood on June 26, 1859. He was appointed Pastor of St. Peter's in Mansfield in September 1865, three and a half years after the departure of Father Gallagher. During his very brief tenure here, Father Molony purchased the land on which the Elementary School now stands. He built a rectory on that newly purchased property. As noted, Father Molony's tenure here was very brief. He left Mansfield for a new assignment in November of 1865 after serving barely three months here. Father Molony's next assignment was as Pastor of St. Malachy Parish in Cleveland, where he remained until his death on June 15, 1903.

Following immediately after Father Molony's departure, our third resident Pastor arrived. Father Jacob A. Kuhn was born near Saar-Brücken in Rhenish Prussia in Germany on April 20, 1836. After immigrating to the United States, he studied at a seminary in Davenport, Iowa, and at St. Mary's Seminary in Cleveland. Father Kuhn was ordained to the priesthood for service in the Diocese of Cleveland on June 28, 1863. He was assigned to Mansfield St. Peter's in November of 1865. During his time in Mansfield he established St. Peter's School in 1868. A year later, in September of 1869, he was transferred from St. Peter's. Father Kuhn also served as Pastor at Newburg (which had many mission stations), Niles and its missions, Cleveland St.



Peter's, Norwalk St. Peter's, Cleveland Holy Family (later to become St. Edward's), and, finally, Massillon St. Mary's, where he served from April of 1879 until his death on November 30, 1898.

**Next week we will examine the very eventful and formative pastorate of Father Andrew Magenmann, fourth Pastor of St. Peter's**

**HEARTS AND MINDS**



Our next meeting is Tuesday, September 4, 5:30-7 pm in the St. Andrew conference room on the Parish Office floor of the High School building. Our discussion and prayer this year focus on mental health issues. For further information contact Sue at [vmalaska@neo.rr.com](mailto:vmalaska@neo.rr.com) or call 419.756.0962.

**LOST AND...**

**FOUND**



If you have lost your rosary in church please check the Priests Sacristy as many have been found.



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**RCIA - RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS**

Our parish RCIA process will begin soon. Please contact Lynne at [lukach.lynne@myspartans.org](mailto:lukach.lynne@myspartans.org) or 419-524-2572 ext. 2109 if you are interested in learning more about the RCIA process and schedule. Is this YOUR time to respond to the promptings of the Holy Spirit to grow in your relationship with Christ, to discover what the Catholic Church teaches, to prepare for reception of the Sacraments of Initiation?



**ADULT FAITH OPPORTUNITIES**

Beginning **Thursday, Sept. 20, at 6:30 pm** in Assisi Hall:

**THE MASS, Bishop Robert Barron's new dvd series.** Bishop Barron's materials are outstanding. Make this opportunity part of your spiritual growth this fall. (Watch for further information on this series also being offered on Sunday afternoons.) Discover new insights and a deeper understanding, and become more actively, fully, and consciously engaged in each celebration of liturgy.

- Sept. 20: Lesson One - A Privileged Encounter
- Sept. 27: Lesson Two - Called Out of the World
- Oct. 4: Lesson Three - God Speaks Our Story
- Oct. 11: Lesson Four - Responding to God
- Oct. 18: Lesson Five - Preparing for Sacrifice
- Oct. 25: Lesson Six - The Real Presence Creates Communion

[See the trailer for this series - and details about all of Bishop Barron's materials - on [wordonfire.org](http://wordonfire.org)]



**THANK YOU....THANK YOU....THANK YOU!**

A BIG thank you to the wonderful parishioners who baked or donated goodies for the Catholic Adult Young Adult organization on the OSU-NCSC campus for their information table at the Community and Involvement Fair. These treats were most appreciated and they were delicious. We were able to talk with students about their faith and being active in the Catholic student group on campus. Having the treats to give to the students who stopped by the table was wonderful. Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity of time and talent!

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS**



St. Peter's annual Mass with the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be Sunday, September 16 at 2:00 p.m. in **St. Mary of the Snows Church at 1630 Ashland Road in Mansfield.** This beautiful Mass offers the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick to those with acute or chronic illnesses and those with other physical or emotional infirmities and the elderly. We also offer a special blessing to all those who are caregivers, health service providers, doctors, nurses, and others who work in the fields of medicine or health care. We encourage you to attend with your family. If you are not in need of anointing but know of a parishioner or relative who is, please invite them to join you. Mass will be celebrated Sunday, September 16 at 2:00 p.m. **at St. Mary of the Snows Church on Ashland Rd.** Please call 419-524-2572, ext. 2113 for more information.

**AUTISM WALK**

Autism Awareness Walk-A-Thon is hosting an Autism Awareness Walk on Saturday, September 15th at the Richland County Fairgrounds. All funds raised at this event stay in Richland County to assist families with services that pertain to autism. Please contact Debbie Melching at 419.589.8762 or [aawdeb@yahoo.com](mailto:aawdeb@yahoo.com) with any questions.



**EXCITING NEWS!!!**

With great pleasure and excitement, we announce the return of the St. Peter's Parish Children and Youth Choir! Under the direction of Bill Johnson and Shannon Ball, the choir will be open to youth ages 5 and up from all area schools and parishes. The only requirement is that all involved want to have fun singing and worshipping the Lord. Rehearsals will begin in October 2018 and performances are planned for masses and St. Peter's parish functions throughout the year. Please feel free to contact Bill Johnson ([johnson.bill@myspartans.org](mailto:johnson.bill@myspartans.org)) or at 419-524-2572, ext. 2113, or Shannon Ball ([shannonball80@yahoo.com](mailto:shannonball80@yahoo.com)) with any questions.

**RECYCLING—NEXT DATE: SEPTEMBER 14, 2018**



**10:00 am—11:00 am & 2:00 pm—4:00 pm**

(Every 2nd Friday of the month) in the Franciscan Activity Center parking lot

**BLUE BARRELS: September 8&9**

**Catholic Charities Century Farm Mass** with Bishop Daniel E. Thomas, at 9:00 am on Wednesday September 19 at St. Patrick Church, 14010 South River Road (Old US 24, in Grand Rapids (Providence) OH. The Mass honors families maintaining an active farm or homestead in the Diocese of Toledo for at least 100 years. For more information, contact Melissa Tonti at 419.214.4898.

**Mass Celebrating the Mercy of God & Memorial Service with Bishop Daniel E. Thomas.** Please join us for a Mass Celebrating the Mercy of God and a Memorial Service, at 6:30 pm on Thursday, September 20 at St. Rose Parish, 215 E. Front Street, Perrysburg OH. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Daniel E. Thomas and concelebrated by Rev. George Wenzinger and Rev. David Kidd. For more information, call Clarissa Lapinski at 419.583.6817 or email her at [clapinski@toledodiocese.org](mailto:clapinski@toledodiocese.org). This event is sponsored by Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Toledo's Project Rachel and the St. Rose Respect Life Committee.

**40 Days for Life Campaign.** Beginning on Wednesday, September 6, Catholic Charities is hosting the ecumenical 40 Days for Life campaign in Northwest Ohio from Sept. 26—Nov. 4. You can participate in three ways: prayer & fasting, community outreach and peaceful vigil. We invite you to pray for an hour in front of Capital Care Network, the Toledo abortion clinic, located at 1160 W. Sylvania Ave. Sign up at: [www.40daysforlife.com/Toledo](http://www.40daysforlife.com/Toledo) or email Peter Range at [prange@toledodiocese.org](mailto:prange@toledodiocese.org).

**St. Vincent de Paul Society (St. Peter's Conference)** is a group of volunteers from St. Peter's, St. Mary's, and Resurrection Parishes, it is open to all Richland County Parishes. The society is entirely dependent on local contributions from parish envelope campaigns, regular contributor donations, memorial contributions, local Parish Giving Communities, committees, and a local private foundation. The Conference assisted 155 people financially, addressing a variety of needs, many of them desperate. Our mission is to serve all those in need as we recognize "the face of Christ" in them, praying for them, and assisting only in circumstances where community agencies cannot help. We are, thereby, doing our best to be good stewards of the donations we receive. We participate in the Giving Tree program which has provided thousands of gifts and joy to people in our community. Our conference also collects food and toiletry items through the Blue Barrels program to donate to the HOPE Pantry of Catholic Charities in Mansfield. We are always looking for new members, fresh ideas to build upon our mission, and continued financial support. We are grateful for your prayers and support. **Please call us for further information or volunteer opportunities at 419.524.2572 ext. 8001.**



## THE HIGHEST LAW

From time to time, newspapers and magazines will offer, as an item of "filler," various laws that are still on the books but seem silly to us in our day and age. In one California city, it is illegal to have two indoor bathtubs in one house. Clean water, a precious commodity when the law was written, is now readily available, so the law seems silly. But the human value of protecting and preserving precious resources is still around, evident in many conservation laws that seem sensible to us. So it is with the laws of religious tradition. What Jesus scorns today is others' attitude toward ritual laws, an attitude that becomes nearly idolatrous when laws are observed for their own sake. Jesus teaches that observation of external ritual laws is of value only when they are emblems of our internal disposition toward the will of God. Our whole lives must follow the one ultimate law of God: to love God completely and to love neighbor entirely. Roman Catholicism is a tradition rich with customs, traditions, and even laws. As we continue to listen to the voice of Christ, we must always look into our own hearts and underneath our ritual practices to make sure that love of God and love of neighbor are what we prize above all.

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## TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

When an altar is dedicated, the Rite of Dedication directs that, if possible, the relics of a martyr be mortared into the church floor under the *mensa*, or "altar table." Up until this revised rite, the general practice was to include small relics of saints in an altar stone, a slab of marble that was normally set in the altar itself. Today's rite states a clear preference for "martyr," and for a substantial part of the body, in accord with our tradition's desire for substantial symbols. Martyr, of course, means "witness" in Greek, and was the title given early on to the people who by their death imaged the death of Christ.

From the beginning, there has never been a shortage of such people, although it took a while for the Church to develop a process to declare someone a martyr. Saint Augustine tells how it was done in the fifth century. By then, popular opinion didn't count as much as an official tribunal set up by the bishop of the place where the martyr suffered. After the inquiry established that the person did indeed die for the faith, a metropolitan bishop had to ratify the decision before a shrine could be built or an altar set up over the martyr's tomb. For the most part, the honor paid to a martyr (called a "cult") was restricted to that diocese, although the fame of some heroes spread so much that they were celebrated elsewhere. The age of the martyrs is now, and more people died for the faith in the twentieth century than ever before, witnessing to Christ to the end. Their sacrifice remains "the seed of the Church." v. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

## TODAY'S READING

**First Reading** — For what great nation is there that has gods so close to it as the LORD, our God, is to us? (Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8).

**Psalm** — The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord (Psalm 15).

**Second Reading** — Religion that is pure is this: to care for orphans and widows in their affliction (James 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27).

**Gospel** — This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me (Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23).

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## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Cor 2:1-5; Ps 119:97-102; Lk 4:16-30,

Tuesday:

1 Cor 2:10b-16; Ps 145:8-14; Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: 1 Cor 3:1-9; Ps 33:12-15, 20-21; Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: 1 Cor 3:18-23; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11

Friday: 1 Cor 4:1-5; Ps 37:3-6, 27-28, 39-40;  
Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Ps 13:6;

Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]

Sunday: Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:7-10; Jas 2:1-5;

Mk 7:31-37

## A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE



In today's Gospel Jesus warns "what comes from within can defile" a person. Families need to worry about "outside influences" but also "inside influences." The values of our children carry for a life time are learned at home. Habits of the Hearth are the most powerful influences on a child. That's the good news! That can also be the bad news!

~Bud Ozar

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