

# SAINT PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

## JUNE 14, 2020



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### Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 P.M.  
Sunday: 7:30 A.M., 9:30 A.M., 11:30 A.M.  
Monday & Friday 5:30 P.M.  
Tuesday - Thursday 7:00 A.M.

### Spanish Mass:

*Resurrection Parish, Lexington*

All Masses are cancelled until further notice.

### Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Friday: 9:00 A.M.- 2:00 P.M.  
Saturday and Sunday: Closed

### Pastoral Care Contacts:

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### 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 P.M.  
Other times by appointment.

### Sacrament of Marriage:

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

### Bulletin Deadline:

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

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Ms. Lynne Lukach, *Pastoral Associate*  
Mrs. Elizabeth Wurm, *Director of  
Religious Ed. & Youth Minister*

### Deacon:

Mr. John Reef

### St. Peter's School:

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*High School, Jr. High School*  
Mrs. Ashley Rastorfer  
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Mr. Evan Mumea

### Director of Development:

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# Leading the FLOCK

BY BISHOP DANIEL E. THOMAS



## “Statement of Bishop Daniel E. Thomas on the Death of George Floyd and the Resulting Aftermath”

“I can’t breathe.” The harrowing plea of George Floyd as he was violently robbed of his life, now seared into our minds, hearts and souls; and the chanting of that phrase in protests, many tragically marked by violence and vandalism, are a stark reminder that hatred, racism and injustice are alive and well. Attacks on human life cannot be tolerated because each human life has inherent dignity and all human life is sacred. The right to life is the first and most fundamental principle of human rights that leads us actively to work for a greater respect for human life and a greater commitment to justice and peace.

United with Catholics throughout the Diocese of Toledo and together with all people of good will, we denounce in the strongest terms immoral actions which are the poison fruit of racism; and we denounce immoral actions which are born of hatred and result in unbridled violence. “Love

compels each of us to resist racism courageously. It requires us to reach out generously to the victims of this evil, to assist the conversion needed in those who still harbor racism, and to begin to change policies and structures that allow racism to persist” *Open Wide Our Hearts: The Enduring Call To Love, A Pastoral Letter Against Racism* (USCCB, Nov 2018, p. 18).

While it might be easy to denounce racism and violence in a written statement, in a catchphrase on a poster, or in a political call for systemic change; it is far from easy to stop and examine where they have their roots: in one’s own heart, thoughts, intentions, speech and attitudes. It is never easy for anyone to identify any sin or vice and work courageously to eradicate it, never easy to work to replace it with goodness and virtue. Only such an examination leads to a “genuine conversion of heart, a conversion that will compel change, and the reform of

our institutions and society" (p. 7). Only personal ongoing conversion from evil and sin can lead to the healing so desperately needed today.

Pope Francis exhorts us: "My friends, we cannot tolerate or turn a blind eye to racism and exclusion in any form and yet claim to defend the sacredness of every human life. At the same time, we have to recognize that the violence of recent nights is self-destructive and self-defeating. Nothing is gained by violence and so much is lost...let us implore the national reconciliation and peace for which we yearn."

As we pledge our prayers for the repose of George Floyd, for all who have lost their lives, and for their grieving loved ones, we pray together for our broken and wounded nation. Most of all do we pray that every person so disturbed and outraged by the events of these last days will work to promote and protect that peace and justice which is the right of all citizens, no matter their race. We cannot condone the brutality of some in law enforcement which led to the horrific death of George Floyd; we cannot condone the violence of some protesters which brutalizes and ruins the livelihoods of ordinary citizens.

"If one member of the body suffers, all suffer together" (1Cor 12:26). In this moment we are all suffering, united in particular with the suffering African American community. In this moment, we cannot lose sight of George Floyd's struggle to breathe, nor be deaf to the "I can't breathe" of the countless voices of those for whom there is no one to speak. Nor can we be blind to those who try to manipulate this moment of suffering to promote an agenda of hatred and foment division to pit us one against the other.

As members of the human race, in this moment, it feels difficult to breathe. The violence we have all witnessed has left us breathless. We look forward to that day when, moved by the Holy Spirit, the Breath of God, we can stand united as one human family in a society moving toward hope and healing. We look forward to that day when the harrowing plea "I can't breathe" has been transformed into a full throated "I can breathe freely!"; where each human person can breathe deeply of the pure air of mercy, love, harmony, peace, justice, understanding and respect for each human person!



Most Rev. Daniel E. Thomas  
Bishop of Toledo  
June, 2020

MASS AND EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION  
FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

**HOMILY OF POPE SAINT JOHN PAUL II**

*Thursday, 30 May 2002*

1. "*Lauda, Sion, Salvatorem, lauda ducem et pastorem in hymnis et canticis*": "Praise your Saviour, Zion, praise with hymns and canticles, Christ, your king and shepherd".

With faith and devotion we have sung these words of the traditional Sequence that forms part of the liturgy of Corpus Christi.

Today is a solemn feast, a feast on which we relive the first Sacred Supper. With a public and solemn act, we glorify and adore the Bread and the Wine become the true Body and true Blood of the Redeemer. "*Signs not things are all we see*", the Sequence stresses, but "*here beneath these signs lie hidden priceless things*".

2. "*Special theme for glad thanksgiving is the lifegiving Bread set before you today*".

Today we are celebrating a solemn feast that expresses the *awesome wonder of the People of God*: a wonder filled with gratitude for the gift of the Eucharist. In the Sacrament of the Altar, Jesus wanted to perpetuate his living presence in our midst in the same form in which he gave himself to the Apostles in the Upper Room. He left to us what he did at the Last Supper and we faithfully renew his action.

According to established custom, the Solemnity of *Corpus Christi* consists of two moments: the Mass, in which the offering of the Sacrifice takes place and the procession, that manifests the public adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

3. "*Obedient to his command, we consecrate the Bread and wine, our sacrifice of salvation*". Above all, we renew the *memorial* of Christ's Passover.

Days, years and centuries go by, but this most holy act in which Jesus condensed his entire Gospel of love does not pass away. He never ceases to offer himself, the Lamb immolated and risen, for the salvation of the world. With this memorial *the Church responds to the command* of God's Word, which we heard in the First Reading: "*Remember ... Do not forget*" (Dt 8,2.14).

The Eucharist is our living Memorial. In the Eucharist, as the Council recalls, "is contained the whole spiritual good of the Church, namely Christ himself our Pasch and the living bread which gives life to men through his flesh - that flesh which is given life and gives life through the Holy Spirit. Thus men are invited and led to offer themselves, their works and all creation with Christ ..." (*Presbyterorum ordinis*, n. 5).

From the Eucharist, "the source and the summit of all preaching of the Gospel" (*ibid.*), even our Church of Rome must daily draw the strength and enthusiasm for her missionary action and for every form of Christian witness in the world.

4. "*Good shepherd, True Bread, have mercy on us, nourish and defend us*".

Good Shepherd, you will shortly pass through the streets of our city. On this feast, *every city*, metropolis or small village, *becomes spiritually Zion, the Jerusalem* who praises the Saviour: they are the new People of God, gathered from every nation and nourished with the one Bread of life.

This People has need of the Eucharist. Indeed, it is the Eucharist that makes the People a missionary Church. But *is it possible without priests*, who renew the Eucharistic mystery? This is why, on this solemn day, I invite you to pray for the success of the *diocesan ecclesial convocation* to be held in the Basilica of St John starting on Monday (June 3), that will give special attention to the theme of vocations to the priesthood and to consecrated life.

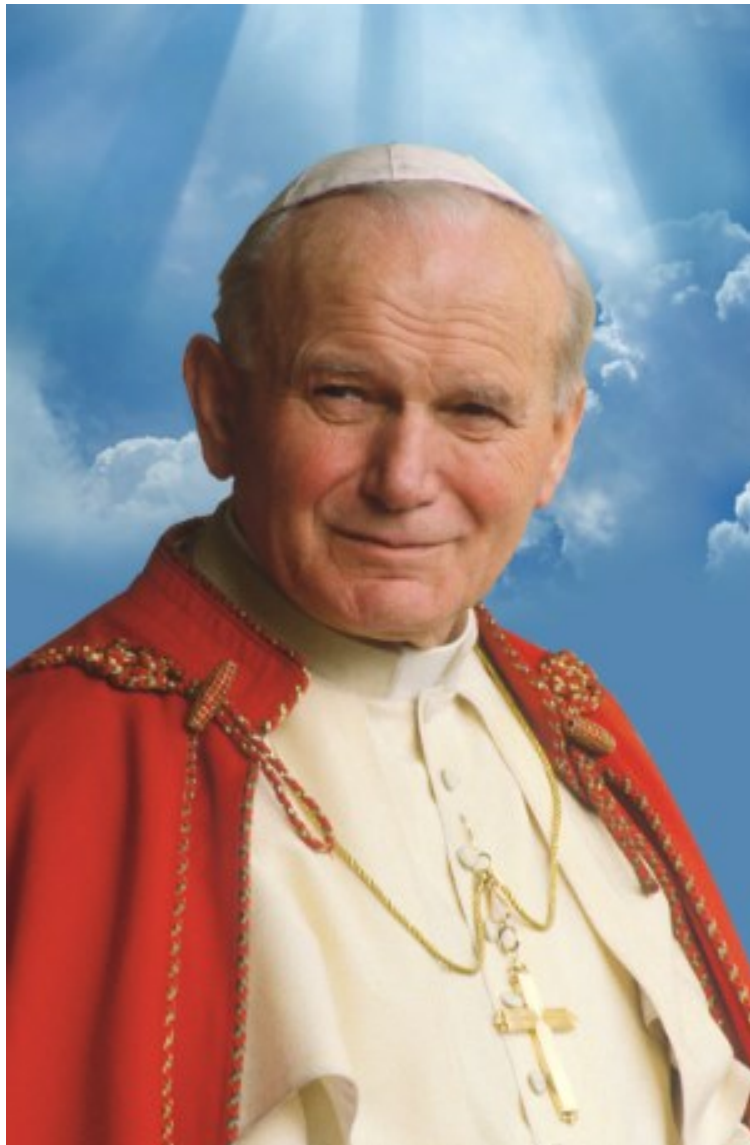


Young Romans! I repeat to you the words I addressed to the young people gathered at Tor Vergata during the World Youth Day 2000. "If any of you, dear young men and women hear the Lord's inner call to give yourselves completely to him in order to love him "with an undivided heart" (cf. I Cor 7,34) do not be held back by doubts or fears. Say "yes' with courage and without reserve, trusting him who is faithful to his promises" (cf. *Homily*, n. 6).

5. *"Ave verum Corpus, natum de Maria Virgine"* ("Hail true Body, born of the Virgin Mary"). We adore you, our Redeemer who became incarnate in the pure womb of the Virgin Mary. To the most important Marian church of the West, the Basilica of St Mary Major, we will move in solemn procession.

We give you thanks, Lord, for your Eucharistic presence in the world. For us you accepted suffering and on the cross you manifested your love for all humanity to the very end. We adore you, daily viaticum for us, all pilgrims on earth.

*"You who know and can do all things, who nourish us on earth, lead your brothers and sisters to the table of heaven to be fellow heirs and guests with your saints forever". Amen.*



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HOLY MASS, PROCESSION AND EUCHARISTIC BLESSING  
ON THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

**HOMILY OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS**

*Church of Santa Maria Consolatrice, in the Roman quarter of Casal Bertone  
Sunday, 23 June 2019*

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Today, God's word helps us to appreciate more deeply two verbs that are simple, yet essential for daily life: *to speak* and *to give*.

*To speak.* In the first reading, Melchizedek says: "*Blessed* be Abram by God Most High... and *blessed* be God Most High" (*Gen* 14:19-20). For Melchizedek, *to speak* is *to bless*. He blesses Abraham, in whom all the families of the earth will be blessed (cf. *Gen* 12:3; *Gal* 3:8). Everything begins with blessing: words of goodness create a history of goodness. The same thing happens in the Gospel: before multiplying the loaves, Jesus blesses them: "Taking the five loaves, he looked up to heaven and *blessed* and broke them, and gave them to the disciples" (*Lk* 9:16). A blessing turns five loaves into food enough for a great crowd: the blessing releases a cascade of goodness.

Why is it good to bless? Because it turns a word into a gift. When we bless, we are not doing something for ourselves, but for others. Blessing is not about saying nice words or trite phrases. No, it is about speaking goodness, speaking with love. That is what Melchizedek did, when he spontaneously blessed Abram, who had not said or done anything for him. Jesus did the same thing, and he showed what the blessing meant by freely distributing the loaves. How many times too, have we been blessed, in church or in our homes? How many times have we received words of encouragement, or a sign of the cross on our forehead? We were blessed on the day of our baptism, and we are blessed at the end of every Mass. The Eucharist is itself a school of blessing. God blesses us, his beloved children, and thus encourages us to keep going. And we, in turn, bless God in our assemblies (cf. *Ps* 68:26), rediscovering the joy of praise that liberates and heals the heart. We come to Mass, certain that we will be blessed by the Lord, and we leave in order to bless others in turn, to be channels of goodness in the world.

This is also true for us: it is important for us pastors to keep blessing God's people. Dear priests, do not be afraid to give a blessing, to bless the People of God. Dear priests, continue to bless: the Lord wants to bless his people; he is happy to make us feel his affection for us. Only as those who are themselves blessed, can we in turn bless others with that same anointing of love. It is sad to think of how easily people today do the opposite: they curse, despise and insult others. In the general frenzy, we lose control and vent our rage on everything and everyone. Sadly, those who shout most and loudest, those angriest, often appeal to others and persuade them. Let us avoid being infected by that arrogance; let us not let ourselves be overcome by bitterness, for we eat the Bread that *contains all sweetness within it*. God's people love to praise, not complain; we were created to bless, not grumble. In the presence of the Eucharist, Jesus who becomes bread, this simple bread that contains *the entire reality of the Church*, let us learn to bless all that we have, to praise God, to bless and not curse all that has led us to this moment, and to speak words of encouragement to others.

The second verb is *to give*. "Speaking" is thus followed by "giving". This was the case with Abraham who, after being blessed by Melchizedek, "*gave* him a tenth of everything" (*Gen* 14:20). It was the case, too, with Jesus who after reciting the blessing, *gave* the loaves to be distributed among the crowd. This tells us something very beautiful. Bread is not only something to be consumed; it is a means of sharing. Surprisingly, the account of the multiplication of the loaves does not mention the multiplication itself. On the contrary, the words that stand out are: "break", "give" and "distribute" (cf. *Lk* 9:16). In effect, the emphasis is not on the multiplication but the act of sharing. This is important. Jesus does not perform a magic trick; he does not change five loaves into five thousand and then to announce: "There! Distribute them!" No. Jesus first prays, then blesses the five loaves and begins to break them, trusting in the Father. And those five loaves never run out. This is no magic trick; it is an act of trust in God and his providence.

In the world, we are always trying to increase our profits, to raise our income. But why? Is it to give, or to have? To share or to accumulate? The “economy” of the Gospel multiplies through sharing, nourishes through distributing. It does not sate the greed of a few, but gives life to the world (cf. *Jn* 6:33). The verb Jesus uses is not *to have* but *to give*.

He tells his disciples straight out: “You *give* them something to eat” (*Lk* 9:13). We can imagine the thoughts that went through their minds: “We don’t have enough bread for ourselves, and now we are supposed to think about others? Why do we have to give them something to eat, if they came to hear our Teacher? If they didn’t bring their own food, let them go back home, it’s their problem; or else give us some money to buy food”. This way of thinking is not wrong, but it isn’t the way Jesus thinks. He will have none of it: “*You give them something to eat*”. Whatever we have can bear fruit if we give it away – that is what Jesus wants to tell us – and it does not matter whether it is great or small. The Lord does great things with our littleness, as he did with the five loaves. He does not work spectacular miracles or wave a magic wand; he works with simple things. God’s omnipotence is lowly, made up of love alone. And love can accomplish great things with little. The Eucharist teaches us this: for there we find God himself contained in a piece of bread. Simple, essential, bread broken and shared, the Eucharist we receive allows us to see things as God does. It inspires us to give ourselves to others. It is the antidote to the mindset that says: “Sorry, that is not my problem”, or: “I have no time, I can’t help you, it’s none of my business”. Or that looks the other way...

In our city that hungers for love and care, that suffers from decay and neglect, that contains so many elderly people living alone, families in difficulty, young people struggling to earn their bread and to realize their dreams, the Lord says to each one of you: “You yourself give them something to eat”. You may answer: “But I have so little; I am not up to such things”. That is not true; your “little” has great value in the eyes of Jesus, provided that you don’t keep it to yourself, but put it in play. Put yourself in play! You are not alone, for you have the Eucharist, bread for the journey, the bread of Jesus. Tonight too, we will be nourished by his body given up for us. If we receive it into our hearts, this bread will release in us the power of love. We will feel blessed and loved, and we will want to bless and love in turn, beginning here, in our city, in the streets where we will process this evening. The Lord comes to our streets in order to *speak* a blessing for us and to *give us* courage. And he asks that we too be blessing and gift for others.



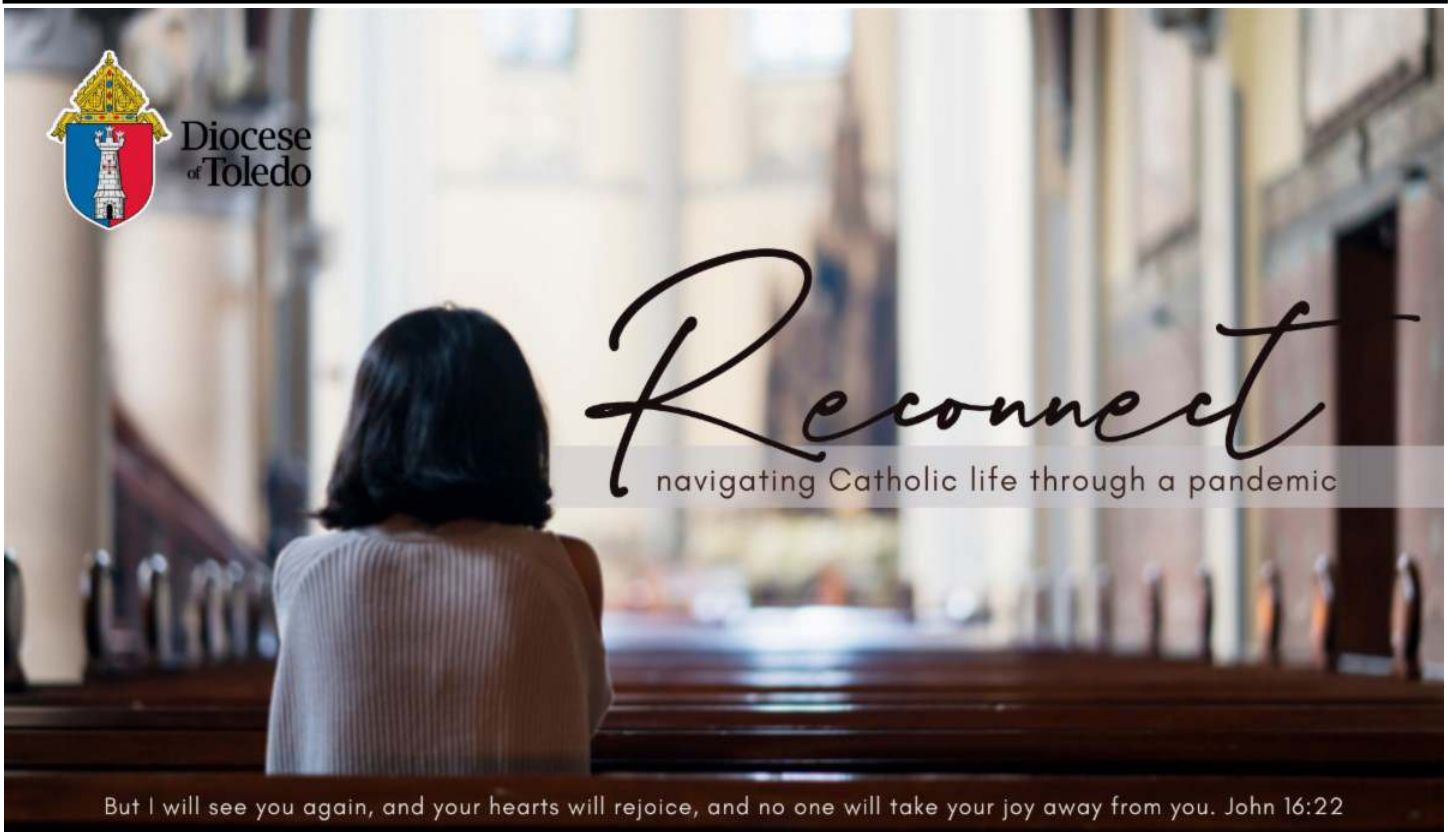




**Certainly amongst all devotions, after that of receiving the sacraments, that of adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament holds first place, is most pleasing to God, and most useful to ourselves. Do not then, O devout soul, refuse to begin this devotion.**

**-St. Alphonsus Maria de Liguori**





## Introducing the Reconnect Campaign & Website

We are launching a campaign called *Reconnect* to assist parishes and the faithful as we continue to navigate Catholic life during COVID-19 and through the next phases of re-opening. One part of the campaign is a website with resources for parishes and the public. [ReconnectToledo.org](https://ReconnectToledo.org) has resources to help the faithful, including spiritual resources and good news stories. Another portion of the website is resources for parishes. These will continue to be populated with information in the upcoming week.

If you have any questions about the Reconnect campaign, website, or general social media/Communications questions, please contact [alust@toledodiocese.org](mailto:alust@toledodiocese.org).

### *A Letter from the Pastor*

Dear Friends in Christ,

We are living, historically speaking, in challenging times. COVID-19, political division, racial tensions, and financial instability. It is during this time when we need to turn to our faith, take nourishment in the sacraments, and recognize that the many who have gone before us, family and saints, have lived through difficult times themselves. It is a time for prayer, for sacrifice, and for charity.

My column touches upon various topics this week:

- We hope that we may return to our regular pattern of worship in our parish as soon as possible. Numerous faithful have returned. For those whose health compromises them, you are still dispensed from Mass. It is not mortal sin. Mass on WMFD will continue, Sundays at 10 am on channel 15, through the end of July. Thank you to those who have continued to financially support our parish during this difficult time. We still have our recurring parish expenses, but have also been the beneficiary of the Paycheck Protection Program through the US government. Without that, our Gracious Lord only knows where we might be at this time. Many, however, are still in need of our assistance and prayers – especially those with families and who are without work. Senior citizens need support by family members and social security.
- Strategic Planning for our parish school continues during these summer months. Finance Council also continues to meet, preparing to submit a balanced budget to the diocese this summer.
- I humbly request that you respond to our Bishop's invitation to participate in this year's Annual Catholic Appeal. As of this writing, we have reached only 57% of our parish goal. Please recall that we have received newly ordained priests to serve our parish over the years. We are hoping for a newly ordained this coming year, although I do not know who it is as of this writing. We also have a seminarian in formation. Continuing education for priests and permanent deacons also is supported through the Annual Catholic Appeal, as well as training for our faculty in our school.
- We shall miss Father Austin as he anticipates his new – and first assignment – as a Pastor. He has been appointed to Divine Mercy Parish, Paulding, Ohio. You may wish to check it out on their website. Father Austin will have parting comments at all Masses the weekend of June 27 – 28. Given the COVID-19 situation, we can't gather at this time. It would be challenging to have people in close proximity, wearing masks, and limiting the number of guests. Father Austin and I have discussed this, and we have agreed that he will return sometime in the fall – hoping we will have more favorable circumstances to offer a reception. Nevertheless, should you wish to send a card to him, wishing him well and offering your support of prayers, you may send a card to our parish – until June 30: 104 W. First Street, Mansfield, Ohio, 44902. After June 30, his address will be: 417 N. Main Street, Paulding, Ohio, 45879.
- Please remember in your prayers all of our parish family members who are without work, those who are sick or have family members who are sick, our youth and their parents, and please continue to pray for your priests. Take time to enjoy the summer months with family and friends. Thank you for your continued generosity and many kindnesses! Mary, Help of the Sick, please intercede for us to your Son.

*Sincerely yours in Christ,*

*Father Hite, Pastor*





# PRIESTHOOD ORDINATION

Meet the four men of the Diocese of Toledo will be ordained to the priesthood on Saturday, June 27, 2020.



## Deacon Michael Bialorucki

Hello, my name is Deacon Michael Bialorucki. My home is Holy Angels Parish, part of the Sandusky Catholic Community in Sandusky OH. I graduated from Perkins High School in 2006 and Bowling Green State University in 2010 with a Bachelor's of Science in Education. During college and the years after, I wrestled with whether or not God was calling me to the priesthood. With the help of many great priests, I finally took a chance and entered seminary at St. Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology in the Fall of 2013. I have been blessed with the formation I received at St. Meinrad. I look forward to beginning my service in the priesthood to the people of the Diocese of Toledo who have been so gracious and kind in their support. Please know of my continued prayers for all of you!



## Deacon Zach Brown

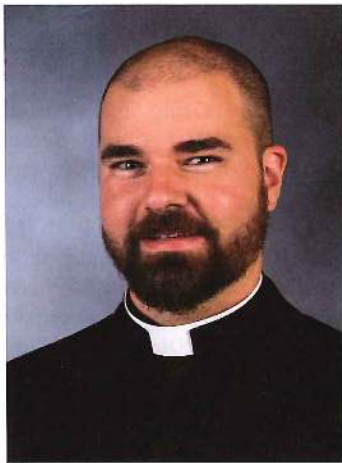
Hello! My name is Deacon Zachary Brown. I am from Our Lady of Hope Parish in Attica, Ohio. My immediate family includes my parents, Dave and Maryann, as well as my two sisters, Jenni and Katie. I attended Seneca East Public School in Attica for my K-12 education and graduated from Seneca East in 2011. Years prior to my graduation my grandparents prayerfully encouraged me to consider a possible vocation to the priesthood. I was accepted as a seminarian in 2011 and attended the Pontifical College Josephinum in Columbus, Ohio for college seminary and the Pontifical North American College in Rome, Italy for major seminary. Throughout my nine years of seminary I knew I could count on the continued prayers and support of so many people from the diocese. Thank you for your support these past years of formation, it is greatly appreciated. I humbly ask you to continue to pray for all priests and seminarians of the diocese and for an increase to the vocation of diocesan priesthood.





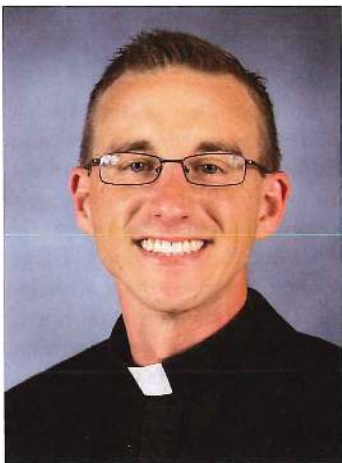
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## Deacon Peter Grodi

My name is Deacon Peter Grodi. I was born in Warren, OH but spent most of my childhood in Steubenville and Dresden, OH. My parents converted to Catholicism soon after I was born. I have an older brother, JonMarc, and a younger brother, Richard. We were mostly homeschooled, we helped our father take care of a small piece of farmland. I graduated from Franciscan University of Steubenville in 2013 with a degree in Philosophy. I took a job in Bowling Green, OH as the Director of Worship for St. Thomas More University Parish. After a year, I discerned that God was calling me to apply for Seminary. I studied at Saint Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology for 6 years until my graduation in 2020. I have so many people to thank for supporting my journey to the priesthood. I ask for your continued prayers for myself, my fellow transitional deacons, and all the Church. God bless you and draw you deeper into the heart of his Son, Jesus Christ.



## Deacon Kevin Moebius

Hello Diocese of Toledo! My name is Deacon Kevin Moebius. I'm a parishioner at Most Blessed Sacrament Parish. After graduating from CCHS, I attended UT before transferring to U of M where I graduated with a degree in Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering. Although feeling called at a young age, it wasn't until working overseas and a visit to Fatima that I truly responded to the call. Thank you Mary! I spent 6 years at Mount Saint Mary's and 2 years in between discerning with the Jesuits. Thank you for all of your prayers and looking forward to serving you!



# TRANSITIONAL DIACONATE ORDINATION

Meet the two men of the Diocese of Toledo will be ordained to the transitional diaconate on Friday, June 19, 2020.



## Albert Beltz

My name is Albert Beltz, and I am currently entering into my final year of studies at Mount St. Mary Seminary & School of Theology in Cincinnati. Born and raised in the Youngstown area, I am the oldest of three children. I am a graduate of the Cleveland Institute of Fine Arts, and lived and worked for many years in the Cleveland area, primarily in historic home remodeling and as a free-lance artist. Having previously spent some time discerning as a seminarian for the Diocese of Cleveland, I moved to the Toledo area in 2017 to resume my seminary studies as a candidate for the Diocese of Toledo, and my home parish is St. Joseph in Maumee. In that short time I have been warmly welcomed and supported by the people of our diocese, which I have come to call home, and I very much look forward to continuing my service among you in ordained ministry.



## Joseph Mominee

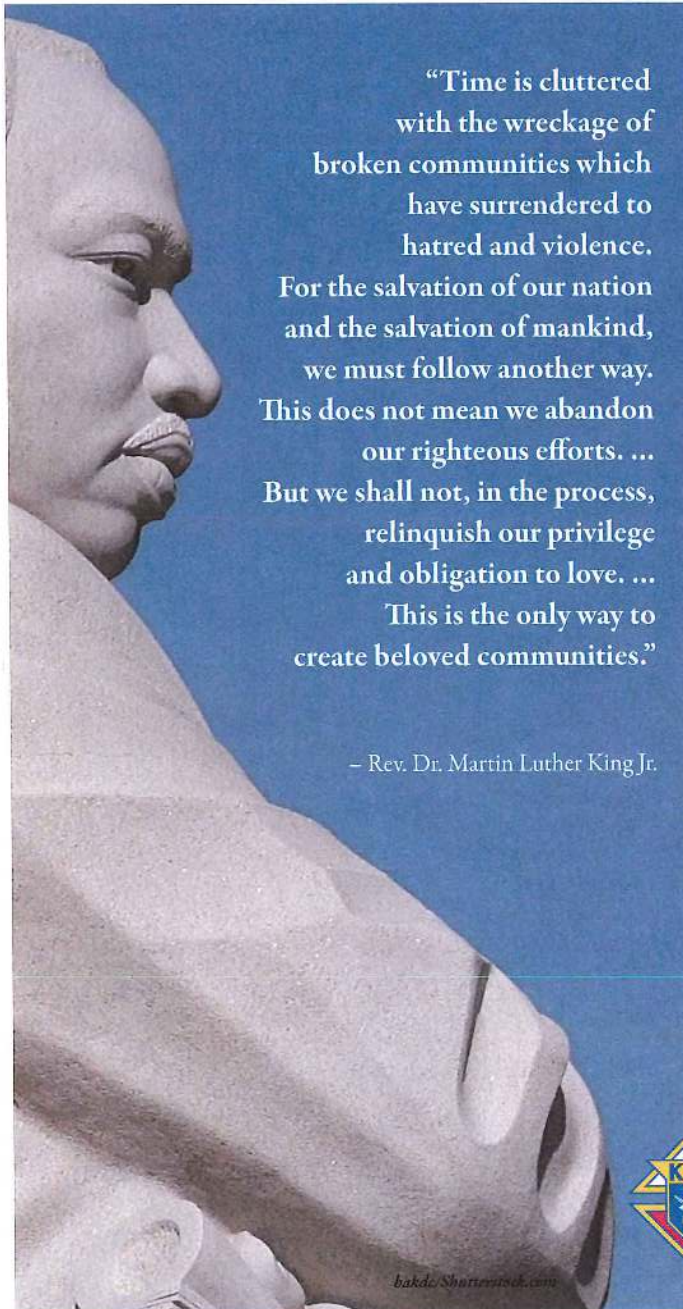
Praised be Jesus Christ. My name is Joseph Mominee and my home parish is Our Lady of Lourdes in Genoa. Growing up, I attended St. Jerome School in Walbridge until 5th grade and then attended the Genoa Area Schools from which I graduated in 2011. After high school, I attended the Ohio State University for two years and in the fall of 2013 I was accepted as a seminarian for our diocese and studied philosophy at the Pontifical College Josephinum. After graduating from there in 2016, I studied theology in Rome at the North American College. Since last year I have been on a pastoral internship year in Delphos, Landeck, and Spencerville, in preparation for ordination to the diaconate on June 19th, the feast of the Sacred Heart. The generosity of God has been so evident throughout these years of seminary formation, and often His generosity has been shown through those who cooperate with His grace. Know of my deep gratitude to God for your prayers and support as Albert and I resolve to be ordained for the Church's ministry.





# NOVENA FOR NATIONAL UNITY & AN END TO RACISM

SUNDAY, JUNE 7 – MONDAY, JUNE 15



“Time is cluttered  
with the wreckage of  
broken communities which  
have surrendered to  
hatred and violence.  
For the salvation of our nation  
and the salvation of mankind,  
we must follow another way.  
This does not mean we abandon  
our righteous efforts. ...  
But we shall not, in the process,  
relinquish our privilege  
and obligation to love. ...  
This is the only way to  
create beloved communities.”

– Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

## PRAYER TO THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Heavenly Father, you so loved the world that you sent us your only begotten Son as our Redeemer. The Holy Spirit rested upon your Beloved Son as he preached the Good News, cured the sick, and gave his life to break down each sinful barrier that separates us from you and from one another. With your Son, O Father, you sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church that she might extend your saving truth and love to every race and nation.

So it is that we praise you, O Glorious Trinity, One God in Three Persons, united in one Divine Nature yet distinct in each Person — Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. As you are united in one Divine Nature, we ask you to bring together in your love all whom hatred and racism have separated. Pour your love into our hearts, that we may speak the truth boldly and in a spirit of charity, and labor unceasingly for justice, peace and reconciliation in our divided nation and world. O Father, source of every blessing, O Son, Radiant Truth, O Spirit of Love, enable us to respect and love those who are different from ourselves and remove from our hearts, our homes, our Church, and our society every trace of racism.

Grant us, in your mercy, renewed and lasting resolve ‘to mend our ways, to encourage one another, to agree with one another, and to live in peace.’ (cf. 2 Cor 13:11) Grant us the wisdom to create a civilization of truth, justice and love, worthy of your Kingdom. Then we shall know that you are truly with us, O God of life, truth and love, living and reigning forever and ever. Amen.





**MASS INTENTIONS**Monday, June 15 *Weekday*

5:00 pm Rosary

5:30 pm Parish

Tuesday, June 16 *Weekday*

7:00 am Parish

Wednesday, June 17 *Weekday*

7:00 am Parish

Thursday, June 18 *Weekday*

7:00 am Parish

Friday, June 19 *The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus*

5:00 pm Rosary

5:30 pm Frank Russo

Saturday, June 20, *Vigil of the Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

5:00 pm Peter Giaguinto and Family

Sunday, June 21, *Solemnity of the Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

7:30 am Parish

9:30 am Dean Robertson

11:30 am Landoll and Rennpage Families

"What excuse shall we have, or how shall we obtain pardon, if we consider it too much to go to Jesus in the Eucharist, who descended from Heaven for our sake? This Fountain [of the Holy Eucharist] is a fountain of light, shedding abundant rays of truth. And beside it the angelic powers from on high have taken their stand, gazing on the beauty of its streams, since they perceive more clearly than we the power of what lies before us and its unapproachable dazzling rays. The wise men adored this body when it lay in the manger;...they prostrated themselves before it in fear and trembling....Now you behold the same body that the wise men adored in the manger, lying upon the altar;...you also know its power. How many of you say: I should like to see His face, His garments, His shoes. You do see Him, you touch Him, you eat Him. He gives Himself to you, not only that you may see Him, but also to be your food and nourishment."

-*Saint John Chrysostom*

**MASS ON THE 4TH OF JULY**

With the 4th of July falling on a Saturday this year, we will not be having Mass at 9:00 AM, as we usually do on a holiday. Mass on July 4 will be at 5:00 PM, per our regular Mass schedule.

"I am quite sure that if we could but once approach the Most Holy Sacrament with great faith and love, it would suffice to make us rich. How much more so if we approach it often. In the presence of Jesus in the Holy Sacrament we ought to be like the Blessed in heaven before the Divine Essence. You are mine ... You came into the world for me; for me You underwent severe trials; For me You suffered many lashes; for me You remain in the most Blessed Sacrament. To converse with You, O King of glory, no third person is needed. You are always ready in the Sacrament of the Altar to give audience to all. All who desire You always find You there, and converse with You face to face. Christians, this is the hour to defend your King and to keep Him company in the profound isolation in which He finds Himself. How few, O Lord, are the servants who remain faithful to You! Here on earth it is impossible to perform a more meritorious act than visiting Jesus often in the Holy Eucharist."

~*Saint Teresa of Avila*~



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



Bill Ruhl, Jeannie Burkhalter, Aaron Blank, Cindy Lassen, Dina Riley, Eliana Nelson, MaKaya Butler, Sharon Valdry, Maria Loschinkohl, John Ziegler, Marlene Ziegler, Kim Rucker, Dorothy Trinter, Marti Selby, JoAnn Marbaugh, Gwen Yockey, Mary Ann and Mel Switzer, Louise Steggall, Tammy Dudley, Keith Combs, Mady Ziegler, Elaine Johnson, Cindy Jasnek Cartier, Jeannine Klotz, Marilyn B. Williamson, Tom Powell, Chief Master Sergeant Joseph Basting, Peggy Basting Taylor, Kathy Carcione, Carol Pittenger, Charlie Henrich, Jill McMillen, Gary Caldwell, Jeffrey Davis, Willie "Frank" Williams, Catherine R. Liston, Pius Schell, Krista Marshall, Maggie Caldwell, Michael Davis, Michael Krempel, Marilyn Miller, Annette Togliatti, Rose Saul, Charlene Arthur, Alan Gallaway, Marty Moritz, Logan Page, Maxine Shannon, Gracie Shannon, Pam Schopieray, Jacob Randall.

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

**FIRST COMMUNION RETREAT**

The First Eucharist Retreat for all young people who prepared to receive their sacrament this year will be taking place on Saturday, July 11th, from 9 a.m.- 11 a.m. in the church. Please contact Elizabeth Wurm at wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org or 419.524.2572 ext. 2114 for more details.

**PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS**

Regular Parish office hours will be from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., Monday through Friday. We respectfully request that all business that can be done by phone continue in that manner, and ask, as well, that all visitors to our parish offices demonstrate social distancing guidelines.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Vacation Bible School has been cancelled for this year. We do look forward to seeing you next summer! Thank you for all who donated to VBS... those donations, barring the perishable food items that might expire, will be kept until next year's event. We look forward to seeing you soon!

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

Bishop George Murry, SJ      Andrew Schweitzer



*ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD.*

**FOR ALL OF THE CURRENT IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT ST. PETERS PARISH OPERATIONS DURING THESE TROUBLED TIMES, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT:**

[WWW.MANSFIELDSTPETERS.ORG](http://WWW.MANSFIELDSTPETERS.ORG)

**THERE YOU WILL ALSO FIND DEVOTIONAL MATERIALS FOR USE AT HOME FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.**

**THANK YOU**

Thank you for your continued generosity to our parish during this pandemic. Every sacrificial gift is accepted in the Lord's eyes.

**Please remember to include our parish in your estate planning.**

**ADULT FAITH ENRICHMENT**

ALL ADULT FAITH CLASSES ARE ON HOLD UNTIL "NORMAL" PARISH CENTER HOURS AND OPERATIONS RESUME.

**RECYCLING—NEXT DATE: JULY 10, 2020**

**FOOD COLLECTION: July 11 & 12**

**PRISON MINISTRY CORNER**



All Catholic services and programming at ManCI and RiCI are suspended for now. Please keep our brothers in prayer. Fortunately, many of them are able to watch Mass on WMFD, just as we are. They expressed their gratitude and greatly enjoyed being able to see the interior of our beautiful church.

<b>SUNDAY OFFERING</b>	<i>Year to Date</i>
	<i>May 31, 2020</i>
<b>Sunday and Holy Day Collections</b>	
Sunday Collection & Holy Day Collection:	\$770,164
Total Budgeted Sunday Collection To Date:	\$780,285
<b>Sunday Collection Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$10,121)</b>
<b>School Collection</b>	
Total School Collection To Date:	\$126,033
Total Budgeted School Collection To Date:	\$132,000
<b>School Collection Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$5,967)</b>

## PSR CATECHIST NEEDED

Are you looking for an amazing way to serve your parish and the future Church? Look no further! We are looking for someone to become a catechist in our PSR program for the 2020- 2021 school year. The commitment is minimal... once a week for about two hours from September- April. . The requirements include someone who is willing to share their faith with our younger disciples and also complete the requirements of our safety program for children. If you are interested or need more information, please contact Elizabeth Wurm at [wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org](mailto:wurm.elizabeth@myspartans.org). We would love to have you as a part of our amazing ministerial team! You have so much of your faith to share... please share it with us!

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO SUPPORT THE MINISTRIES OF ST. PETER'S PARISH BY MAILING IN YOUR OFFERING ENVELOPES OR VISITING THE WEBSITE, [WWW.MANSFIELDSTPETERS.ORG](http://WWW.MANSFIELDSTPETERS.ORG), TO LEARN ABOUT OPPORTUNITIES FOR ELECTRONIC GIVING. WE GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR GENEROSITY AND SUPPORT DURING THESE DIFFICULT DAYS!**

## FOOD FROM HEAVEN

God sustained the people of Israel for forty years in the desert with manna sent down from heaven, and Moses doesn't want them to forget it. God brought forth water from stone for them to drink, and Moses doesn't want them to forget this, either. And Moses tells them—twice—that the food that God sent was a food that neither they nor their ancestors before them had ever experienced before.

Jesus too speaks of food come down from heaven, food that the Jewish people had never experienced before. Recalling the manna in the desert, Jesus doesn't want them to forget it either, explaining that he is the food and drink of eternal life. And Paul reiterates to the Corinthians and to all of us that in the bread and in the cup, we share in the body and blood of Christ.

## ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE

The 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal Campaign is underway with a campaign goal of \$3 million. We can assure the continued existence of many important programs that help tens of thousands in our Diocese each year; education of our seminary students, care of the sick and needy are among them. We ask you once again for your help; we have to work together. Please respond generously when you are asked to make your pledge. Thank you for your attention and thank you for being my parish family. For more information, visit the Diocesan website at [Toledodiocese.org/ACA](http://Toledodiocese.org/ACA).

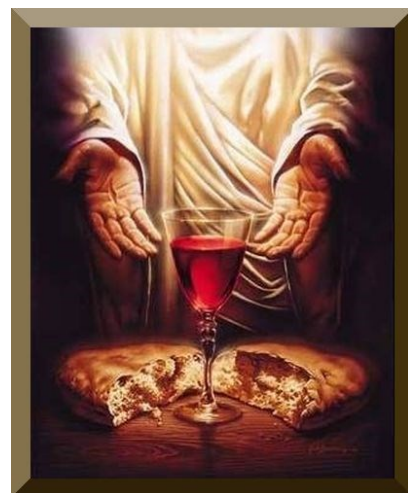
Our parish goal is \$55,00.00 so far we are at \$32,158.10 with pledges from 247 households or 58.47%. Thank you for your support of our diocesan ministries and the help you provide to our seminarians and deacons who are in formation to serve our parish's future.

## CATHOLIC CHARITIES ASSISTANCE

We continue to provide our client assistance to individuals in Richland County. Anyone seeking assistance with housing, food, medical bills or prescriptions, please contact us at 419.524.0733.

## CATHOLIC CHARITIES FOOD COLLECTIONS

We will resume Food Collections for the H.O.P.E. pantry at Catholic Charities on the second weekend of the month. We encourage donations of non-perishable canned and boxed food and personal care items. You can also donate with cash or a check to Catholic Charities. You can place in the weekend collection or mail to our parish center office and we will make sure it goes to Catholic Charities (or you can mail a check directly to them at Catholic Charities 2 Smith Ave. Mansfield, OH 44907) The collection weekends for the remainder of 2020 are: June 13-14, July 11-12, August 8-9, September 12-13, October 10-11, November 14-15, and December 12-13.





## Daily Prayer

**Sunday, June 14, 2020**

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ



✠ I will take the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.

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**Reading** John 6:52-58

The Jews quarreled among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him. Just as the living Father sent me and I have life because of the Father, so also the one who feeds on me will have life because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven. Unlike your ancestors who ate and still died, whoever eats this bread will live forever."

### Reflection

At every Eucharist we accept and commit to a Christlike relationship with all those who join us at the altar, and with all those we encounter in life. Our concern is different than the crowds who ask: "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" Our concern is how to give what we have and who we are to those who hunger and thirst for God. Our faith assures us that Jesus is the living bread for us; it is that same faith that sends us from Eucharist to be living

loaves of love, bearers of justice and signs of compassion.

**Prayers** others may be added

Nourished by your love, O Lord, we pray:

◆ Faithful God, hear our prayer.

That leaders of nations ensure that food be provided for those who are hungry, we pray: ◆ That those who have abundance share more generously with those who live with scarcity, we pray: ◆ That volunteers in food pantries and other agencies grow in knowledge of Christ, we pray: ◆ That extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion in our parishes, witness the compassion of Christ, we pray: ◆

*Our Father . . .*

Loving God,  
in the Sacrament of the Body and Blood  
of your Son,  
we are nourished with eternal life.  
Grant that we may always cherish  
this wonderful gift of divine grace  
and come, one day,  
to enjoy the eternal banquet of  
your kingdom  
with Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns for ever  
and ever.  
Amen.

✠ I will take the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.



Thank you to the following people who made donations to our flower fund for the  
**Month of May, 2020.**



*These donations help make our church sanctuary beautiful.*

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## TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Never forget the LORD your God, who brought you out of slavery (Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a).

**Psalm** — Praise the Lord, Jerusalem (Psalm 147).

**Second Reading** — Because the loaf of bread is one, we who partake of it, though we are many, are one body (1 Corinthians 10:16-17).

**Gospel** — Jesus said, "I am the living bread; whoever eats this bread will live forever" (John 6:51-58). The English translation of the Psalm Responses from *Lectionary for Mass* © 1969, 1981, 1997, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16; Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-7; Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29; Ps 51:3-6ab, 11, 16; Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14; Ps 31:20, 21, 24; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Sir 48:1-14; Ps 97:1-7; Mt 6:7-15

Friday: Dt 7:6-11; Ps 103:1-4, 6-8, 10; 1 Jn 4:7-16; Mt 11:25-30

Saturday: 2 Chr 24:17-25; Ps 89:4-5, 29-34; Lk 2:41-51

Sunday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35; Rom 5:12-15;

Mt 10:26-33

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