



**SIXTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

Saturday, February 11, Vigil
4:00 p.m. - Kraynik & Lally
Families
(Deacon Phil & Betty Kraynik)

SUNDAY, February 12, 2017
9:30 a.m. - Al & Ethyl Walcutt
(The Family)

Monday, February 13, 2017
through
Friday, February 17, 2017
NO MASS

**SEVENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME**

Saturday, February 18, Vigil
4:00 p.m. - St. Patrick
Parishioners

SUNDAY, February 19, 2017
9:30 a.m. - Charles Deak
(Denis & Lillian Grau)

Monday, February 20, 2017
through
Friday, February 23, 2017
NO MASS

*Weekday Masses, Monday
through Friday, at St. Mary in
Chardon are at 7:30 a.m.*

Daily Scripture Readings

FEBRUARY

13 Gn 4:1-15,25/Mk 8:11-13

14 Gn 6 5-8; 7:1-5,10/
Mk 8:14-21

15 Gn 9:1-13/Mk 8:27-33

17 Gn 11:1-9/Mk 8:34-9:1

18 Heb 11:1-7/Mk 9:2-13

19 Lv 19:1-2,17-18/
1 Cor 3:16-23/
Mt 5:38-48



FEBRUARY 12, 2017: SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear Parish Family,

The Second Reading for the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time comes to us from the First Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians. This letter provides us with a richer insight into the life of the early Christian community of the first generation than any other book of the New Testament. The Church in Corinth was founded by St. Paul and he continued to look after it as would a father. He responds to questions addressed to him and to situations of which he had been informed.

St. Paul established a Christian community at Corinth about the year 51 A.D., on his second missionary journey. It was a port city and a commercial crossroads. It was a blend of people who embraced a variety of pagan cults. Many possessed the moral decadence not unusual in a great seaport. The early Christian community also had its challenges.

While Paul was in Ephesus on his third journey, he received some disturbing news about Corinth. The community was exhibiting divided loyalties toward individual Christian leaders. In addition, some were interpreting Christian teaching as a superior wisdom only for the initiated few. The community failed to take decisive action against one of its members who was living in an incestuous union. Other members engaged in legal conflicts in pagan courts of law, while others may have participated in religious prostitution or temple sacrifices.

Ultimately, the community's problems were manifested in its liturgy. In the celebration of the Eucharist, certain members discriminated against others. Some drank too freely and some denied Christian social courtesies to the poor in the assembly. There were those who prized charisms (such as ecstatic prayer) of the Holy Spirit above works of charity and these, at times, were used in a disorderly way.

There were a host of others questions and challenges that St. Paul would address in this letter as well. Scripture scholars seem to agree that St. Paul wrote this letter from Ephesus around the year 56 A.D. Still, he gently but firmly brings them back to the Gospel and the person of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. All belong to Him since He purchased us at the price of His Precious Blood.

In one sentence, St. Paul puts so very much into perspective. In today's Second Reading (1 Cor. 2: 6-10), St. Paul states that:

What eye has not seen, and ear has not heard, and what has not entered the human heart, what God has prepared for those who love him, this God has revealed to us through the Spirit.

When we find the news of the world and, at times, the news of the Church to be disconcerting or even discouraging, we do well to come back to this letter. Human sinfulness has always been present and yet the grace of God can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine. Like St. Paul, let us fight the good fight of faith each and every day. We do this knowing that Christ had died, Christ is Risen and Christ will come again. Christ is always with us. Amen.

God bless you.

Fr. Dan Redmond

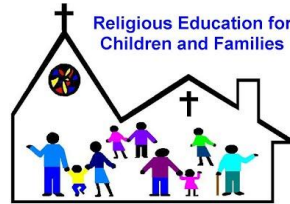
LITURGICAL MINISTERS for FEBRUARY 18 & 19, 2017

	February 18	February 19
LECTOR	Joddi Savage	Pat Tamburo
EMHC	Pattie & Scott Batchman	Brenda Brack, Marilyn Schwartz
PLA	Mark & Kathy Oravec	Dan & Carole Doyle
SERVERS	Jordan & Mitch Parker, Alyssa Mothersbaugh	Jake & Jason Ryan, Eddie Nelson
COUNTING CREW		D Team

Religious Education: Parish School of Religion

The PSR Parent Board meeting has again been re-scheduled for Tuesday, February 14th at 6:30 p.m.

Please continue to keep our second graders who are preparing for First Holy Communion in your prayers. First Holy Communion will be on Saturday, April 29 at the 4:00 p.m. Mass. **There are two important events that need to be added to the PSR calendar that applies to second grade parents:** Sunday, April 2 is the PSR Family Mass with Grade 2 participation. In addition to participation in the Mass, we will also have the Rite of Enrollment for First Holy Communion. Parents and second graders will participate in this. Also, on Saturday, April 22nd, we will have our First Communion Retreat where we will be baking bread with our families. Time for the retreat is 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.



Looking ahead to our summer calendar: **Vacation Bible School, 2017, will take place on July 11, 12, and 13 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** Anyone interested in helping with VBS, please contact Marilyn Schwartz at 298-1845.

2017 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal

The 2017 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal is underway with an in-pew commitment process taking place this weekend.

This is not a special collection; rather, the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal represents the chance for all Catholics to make a significant pledge, payable in installments, to Catholic Charities, Diocese of Cleveland in order to support its mission of a society that stands united in its support of the "least among us." Many parishioners have received a letter from Bishop Thomas requesting their support. If you have not received this letter, please respond to the in-pew commitment process today! If you have received the mailing, please respond to it. There is a box on the in-pew envelope to indicate that you have responded by mail.

You did it for Me. Your support of the 2017 Catholic Charities Annual Appeal helps us to carry out the mission that Jesus entrusted to us: "I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." Please consider a generous gift that will change the lives of the 400,000 who are served each year in Northeast Ohio. Please pray for the success of the appeal, which provides for essential programs and services in need throughout all eight counties of the Diocese of Cleveland.

On behalf of the poor and needy of Northeast Ohio, thank you! We invite you to view the stories of inspiration and more information at www.catholiccommunity.org/2017Appeal.

Amen, I say to you,
whatever you did
for the least among us,
you did it for me.

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Offering for:

February 5, 2017

- February 5: \$ 5073.25
- Votive Candles: \$ 19.00
- Capital Improv. \$ 823.00
- Diocesan Assess.\$ 25.00
- Clev. Mission Collection \$ 227.00
- Good Sam Donut Sunday \$ 75.00
- St. Pat Reverse Raffle \$ 390.00
- 107 envelopes and loose checks

Thank you for your generous support of our parish ministries and operations. St. Patrick, pray for us!



WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE ILL. MAY GOD BLESS THEM WITH HOPE AND HEALING

In a special way, we pray for Ed Baitt, Barbara Bock, Joan & Jerry Catalano, Cathy Colvin, Frank Foote, Laura Gyorki, Kim Hamilton, Don Holt, Jeanne Koritansky, Rick Kawalec, Carol Maline, Mella McCain, Anthony Mihalic, Joseph & Hildegard Redmond, Connor Sayers, Fr. Paul Sciarrotta and Katy Sirna.

WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED.

May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

