

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 21, 2020

ST. MARY PARISH

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tues. June 23 - 9:00 a.m. Braedon R. Coburn Req'd by Adell Mueller
Wed. June 24 - 9:00 a.m. Jim Gorman Req'd by Myrtle Gorman
Thur. June 25 - 9:00 a.m. Thanksgiving Mass
Fri. June 26 - 9:00 a.m. Mary Van Dougen Req'd by CWL
Sat. June 27 - 4:00 p.m. For the Souls in the Purgatory
Sun. June 28 - 9:00 a.m. The People of the Parish

LECTORS

Sat. June 27 - 4:00 p.m. Pauline Mills
Sun. June 28 - 9:00 a.m. Marion Flanigan

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

ST. THOMAS, Harriston - NO MASS THIS WEEKEND

ST. PETER'S, Ayton

Sun. June 28 - 11:00 a.m. Garvey and Burns Family members Req'd by the Estate of Bernadette Burns

Lector – G. Lennox Usher – P. Schiestel



*More and more
let us insist
on raising funds of love,
kindness,
of understanding, of peace.
Money will come
if we seek first
the kingdom of God;
the rest will be given.*

-St. Teresa of Calcutta

The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. people Save your, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever. Psalm 27.8-9

MEMORARE

REMEMBER, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly to thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

St. Michael the Archangel,

defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.

Sunday's Readings

First Reading

Jeremiah 20:10-13

Jeremiah expresses confidence that the Lord will protect him.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 69:8-10,14,17,33-35

God responds to the prayers of those in need.

Second Reading

Romans 5:12-15

Sin came into the world through one person; so salvation came through one person for many.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 10:26-33

Jesus assures the Twelve that God cares about them.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Jesus has predicted that the disciples will face difficulties in their mission. Many people will not receive them well, even within the land of Israel. Even family members will turn away from the disciples because of the disciples' commitment to Jesus and the kingdom. Today's Gospel offers the disciples consolation against this difficult truth.

In this Gospel passage, Jesus might be understood as putting suffering in perspective. The disciples of Jesus are called upon to keep their focus on God. Those who can harm the body do not have ultimate power; God does. Still persecution and suffering can not be avoided or prevented. But Jesus reassures his disciples that God knows and cares about what happens to his children.

We might not face the same type of persecution, but we do experience difficulties as we endeavor to live a Christian life. Sometimes we let the opinions of others prevent us from doing what we know to be right. We need the reminder that what God thinks about us is more important. We are reassured by the promise that God cares for us and protects us.

Family Connection

It is not only individuals who need reassurance about God's love and protection. Communities need this reassurance as well, including the community of the family. Children rely on the confidence of their parents for this assurance. Parents can help the entire family's growth in trust and confidence in God by witnessing ways in which daily family needs are entrusted to God's care.

The face is a mirror of the mind, and eyes without speaking confess the secrets of the heart.

-St. Jerome

Nativity of Saint John the Baptist- June 24



When John was born, his parents Elizabeth and Zachariah, called him John in accordance with angel's instruction. Luke records that he responded with the Benedictus, the great hymn of love and thanksgiving still recited in the liturgy of the hours.

PRAY TO END COVID-19 PRAYER GUIDE

Pray for those who are sick, that they will have access to the care and treatment they need. Pray for peace and perseverance amidst suffering. Pray for those in isolation who are cut off from their normal routines and support systems, that they would seek their strength in Jesus. Pray encouragement for the thousands in quarantine, waiting to find out if they have the virus.

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

- Psalm 46:1

ANIMA CHRISTI

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, inebriate me.
Water from the side of Christ, wash me.
Passion of Christ, strengthen me.
O good Jesus, hear me.
Within Thy wounds hide me.
Separated from Thee let me never be.
From the malignant enemy, defend me.
At the hour of death, call me.
And close to Thee bid me.
That with Thy saints I may be Praising Thee,
forever and ever.
Amen.