

## 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Daily Prayer

### Reflection

Ordinary Time is the longest Season of the Church year. This year we have only a few weeks of Ordinary Time until Lent begins. These weeks between the Christmas season and Lent are an important time to continue to work on our habits of focusing our desires early in the day and talking with the Lord throughout the day, in the background of our busy lives. This is how we become "Contemplatives in action" and find intimacy with God without leaving the context of our real lives.

How do we do that with the hectic pace of our lives? We hear people say "I don't have time to pray." It isn't about finding more time but more focus in our day with God. With this type of focusing and active consciousness, we find ourselves surprised at the time we really do have. There are dozens of times in all of our days during which our minds are occupied with something: a song, re-playing the last event, practicing a conversation with someone, having an imaginary argument with someone, thinking through the "to do" list of the day. We can learn to fill these times with whatever we choose. If we choose to let it be about our relationship with our Lord, it transforms our lives.

It all begins with our mornings. This week, when we first get up and perhaps for a few moments in the shower or getting dressed, let's tell the Lord that what we desire today is to be more conscious of how what we do this day is responding to his call to me to be his disciple. Then, during the day, in those moments while driving or shopping or walking down the hall to a meeting, we can talk about how we are living our call in this or that activity we are engaged in. That conversation may get more detailed and specific in this or that set of events.

Each evening, for even a few moments, we can review our day's momentary conversations, recognizing the moments of real connection and grace and giving thanks for them, and resolving to take even greater advantage of these opportunities the next day.

<https://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Prayer/A2-OT-02.html>

This Sunday we begin what is known as "Ordinary Time" in our Church year. This designation is not meant to diminish the importance of this time of year, but rather to distinguish it from the seasons of Advent and Christmas, which we just concluded, and the seasons of Lent and Easter. At the conclusion of the Easter season, "Ordinary Time" will begin again, and will continue through the summer and fall months.

Our Gospel this Sunday is taken from the Gospel of John. In this Gospel John the Baptist sees Jesus coming toward him and says: "*Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.*" And while John initially says that he did not recognize Jesus as the Messiah, the Gospel concludes with his clear statement: "*Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God.*" I suspect the reason John didn't recognize Jesus was that he knew him as his cousin. Eventually, though, he came to understand that Jesus was the Messiah, the Son of God. Familiarity can sometimes blind us to seeing something beyond the familiar.

Our first reading this Sunday is taken from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah. It is from that section of Isaiah known as the Servant Songs. In the section we read today Isaiah speaks about his call to be a prophet. He is clear that God will work through him "*to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and restore the survivors of Israel.*"

Our second reading this Sunday is taken from the beginning of the first Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians. In it Paul identifies himself, and greets the people of Corinth with the words: "*Grace and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.*"

#### Questions for Discussion/Reflection:

1. Has familiarity with a person or a situation ever blinded you to the presence and/or grace of God?
2. Have you ever recognized God's presence and grace only in retrospect?
3. Why do you think Paul began his letter to the Corinthians with the words: "Grace and peace?"

<https://www.mary.org/blog/202001/thoughts-readings-2nd-sunday-ordinary-time-2020#.Xh9kxW5FyUk>

## Guerreros de la Oración



### Parroquia San Ignacio de Loyola Intención del Papa Francisco Para el mes de enero 2020

Intención de oración por la evangelización: Promoción de la paz en el mundo. Recemos para que los cristianos, los que siguen otras religiones y las personas de buena voluntad promuevan la paz y la justicia en el mundo.



### Oración para Renovar las Promesas del Bautismo

Señor, con tu ayuda,  
Quiero evitar todo mal y todo pecado,  
Yo creo en Dios y lo amo, porque es mi Padre.  
Él ha llenado el cielo y la tierra  
De cosas maravillosas  
Yo creo en Jesús y lo amo,  
Porque es el Hijo de Dios  
Que murió y resucitó por nosotros.  
Yo creo en el Espíritu Santo y lo amo.  
Él Señor y da la vida.  
Yo creo en la Iglesia y la amo.  
Amo también a los santos del cielo  
Y espero con gozo mi propia resurrección.  
Amén.

<http://www.evangelizafuerte.mx/2013/02/oracion-para-renovar-las-promesas-del-bautismo/>

### RECEMOS POR NUESTROS ENFERMOS

Ana Livia Otaño, Amaryllis Velilla, Gloria Negrón,  
María Consuelo (Chela) Longo,  
Nancy y Emmanuel Vega, Teresita Colberg,  
Rafael Martínez, niño Arturo Javier Alonso, Lisardo Batán

(Favor de informarle a la Oficina Parroquial de los enfermos y de los fallecidos para que podamos anunciarlos en el boletín. Gracias.)

## ANUNCIOS PARROQUIALES

- **Padre Fernando** está fuera de Puerto Rico del 10 al 18 de enero.
- **NOTA IMPORTANTE:** El **Concierto de Navidad** del Coro de la Pontificia Universidad Católica de Puerto Rico pautado para este domingo, 12 de enero de 2020 al terminar la misa de las 5:30pm **HA SIDO POSPUESTO HASTA NUEVO AVISO** debido al terremoto.
- Próxima reunión de los candidatos de la **Confirmación** será este domingo, 12 de enero a las 4pm en el Centro Parroquial. Los padres de los candidatos son invitados a participar en su propia dinámica.
- **Noche de Película:** este viernes, **17 de enero** se ofrece la película **"Jesus of Montreal"** en el Centro Parroquial a las 7pm. Traigan algo para compartir.
- El próximo **Taizé** será el **22 de enero**, Semana de la Unidad Cristiana a las 7pm en el Templo.

### AYUDA PARA DAMNIFICADOS

A petición de la Arquidiócesis de San Juan, hará una **colecta especial Pro Damnificados Terremotos** el fin de semana próximo, **18 y 19 de enero**.

Además, **entre el 10 y el 17 de enero**, la Academia y el Colegio San Ignacio de Loyola estarán colaborando en una recogida de artículos de primera necesidad para los damnificados del terremoto. La primera salida para llevar ayuda será el martes, 14 de enero por la mañana. Para más información, llame a la Oficina Parroquial.

Agradecemos su solidaridad.



### Calendario Breve

- Rezo del Santo Rosario media hora antes de las dos misas diarias de lunes a sábado.
- Guerreros de la Oración reanudan sus reflexiones el lunes, 13 de enero de 4 a 4:45pm en el Templo.
- La Pastoral de la Salud se reúne el 2do lunes de mes a las 9am en la Terraza Parroquial. Próxima reunión es el 13 de enero.
- Estudios Bíblicos: recomienzan el lunes, 20 de enero a las 7:30pm en la biblioteca de la Academia.
- **Ejercicios Espirituales:** el grupo del P. Fernando, los martes a las 9am, se reanudan las reuniones el 21 de enero, mientras el grupo del P. Larry, los martes a las 7pm se reanudan las reuniones el 14 de enero.
- Círculo de Oración los jueves 7pm en la Capilla.
- El Ministerio del Sagrado Corazón se reúne los primeros viernes de mes para la misa de 8:00am en el Templo.
- La Cofradía de Nuestra Señora del Carmen se reúne el primer sábado de mes a las 7:30am en el Templo.
- La Comunidad de la Misa dominical de las 9:30am invita a su desayuno el segundo domingo de mes al finalizar la Misa. Próximo desayuno será el **12 de enero**.
- La Comunidad de la Misa de las 8:00am tendrá su próximo desayuno comunitario el **19 de enero**.