



SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2026



Dear Friends in Christ,

Our responsorial psalm on the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time of year A is: “Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!”

Actually, all the readings this week mention the Law of God. The Law of the Lord was made known to us in several ways: written or oral law or “printed” law in the human heart.

When you listen to the responsorial psalm, can you sincerely tell yourself that you belong to the “THEY” who are blessed because you do follow the Law of the Lord? In the first reading from the Book of Sirach, it mentioned choosing between “fire and water,” between “life and death,” between “good and evil.” How often have we chosen “fire” over “water,” “death” over “life” or “evil” over “good?” Of course, God always “respects” the gift that He gave to every human being: FREE WILL.



When we decide to choose “fire over water,” “death over life” or “evil over good,” God does not “jump in” to take our free will away making us a “machine.” Put it in the words of the first reading “whichever he chooses shall be given him.” Therefore, every human being is totally accountable before God for every action or decision he/she has made in life.

The Gospel also mentions about four sins that people often commit or about the law of God that we are tempted to make look “OK”: anger, lust/adultery, divorce and false swearing/oath.

God's wisdom is “IMMENSE,” “He is mighty in power and all-seeing.” God knows what is best for us and what we have to keep in order to have eternal life with Him in heaven, or to have eternal life with Satan in Hell. When we do not like any law of the Lord or of the Church (which Jesus gave the power to govern, teach and preach in His Name), we react in many ways: we don't want to follow; we challenge; we ignore or we “twist” the Law. And we think it is OK or it is fine! No one “dies” because they did not follow God's Law or the Church's Law!

The Law of the Lord has been established and given to human kind. It is up to each of us to choose with our free will: being blessed or being cursed, having eternal life with God in Heaven or with Satan in Hell, being free or being “thrown into prison.”

Friends in Christ, we do have choices to make. May the Holy Spirit guide us to make the **RIGHT** and **GOOD CHOICE** that will please God, and give us courage and strength to keep that right and good choice until the day we stand before the Almighty God. Amen.

Peace,
Fr. Tien

This Monday, February 16th, is Presidents' Day. The Parish Office will be closed and there will be no daily Mass or Confession that day.





There is no OCIA Education on Monday night, February 16th, in preparation for Ash Wednesday.
Deacon David & the Education team

St. Francis Women's Guild will provide a daily Lenten devotional, "The Little Black Book" (English or Spanish) for each family after Mass this weekend. During Lent, Catholics are called to pray, fast and almsgiving. If you take the devotional, please commit to adding this 5-minute daily prayer for Lent and give feedback to the Guild.



Mark your calendars for Faith Formation's annual Fat Tuesday Celebration this Tuesday, February 17th, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to this evening of food, fellowship, and fun. Please bring a dish to share for our potluck dinner. Following dinner, we will hold our annual procession to bury the Alleluia. Come join our students as we celebrate in preparation of the Lenten season.

Despite the weather, our Pantry was still able to serve 159 families containing 382 individuals in January.

Thank you for your continued support!



Pray for healing: Shirley Allegretti, Donna Barbaro, Dolores Botti, Chad Cook, William Crunkleton, Susan Darby, Lillianne Duong Davis, Tony Frede, Sarah Fricks, Dariel Hellerer, Wayne Hirsch, Sarah Holloran, Bill Holten, Guyla Ivers, Anette ML Jiglau, Sandra Kanter, Georgette Lee, Terry McConnell, Michelle Mercer, Dee Moffitt, Delphine Moss, Monica Moya, Benjamin Nemeth, John Ontiveros, Freeman Robinson, Josette Roisin, Kathleen Rogers, Patricia Ruehle, Mike Scarborough, Bill Shaw, Roxanne Lumia Smith, Wanda Stamey, Irene Tisdale, Art Todesco, Alan Tucker, Ruby Christina Tucker, Joe and Charlene Youdell, Rosalie Perreault, David Ramsey, Susie Lopez Pineda, Kamri Peck, Kathy Tallent, Denise Burkart, Steve Keener, Connie Blackburn



Please pray for our parishioners and all men and women in the armed forces:
Angel Avila, Stephen Fox, Lauren Richard, Christopher Richards, Jesus Rodriguez and Elizabeth Scoon



Rosary is prayed ½ hour before every Mass.
Adoration every Friday after our 9:00 a.m. Mass with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 11:30 a.m. and benediction till noon.
Reconciliation ½ hour before Vigil Mass and Wednesday at 6:15 p.m.

Please remember to keep Saint Francis Parish in your will.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday, February 14

Saints Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop

4:00 P.M. [†]Mary Kristen Albertus by Vickie Lolli
[†]Valerie Ann Pinera by Cheryl Vasky
[†]Ana Maria Gonzalez by Lupita Damian Jaxon Kibel

Sunday, February 15

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 A.M. Gonzalo Barriga
Ginger Longoria by Debbie Keener
11:30 A.M. [†]Holy Souls, [†]Felipa Diaz
[†]Fr. Jose Maria Parcon

Monday, February 16

Presidents' Day

No Mass or Confession - PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, February 17

The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
NO MASS

Wednesday, February 18

Ash Wednesday

9:00 A.M. [†]Jim Broadwell
7:00 P.M. [†]Xochitl Mendoza, Betzayda Diaz

Thursday, February 19

9:00 A.M. [†]Marlene Taber, [†]Joan Hatch, [†]Mary O'Malley

Friday, February 20

9:00 A.M. [†]Ismael Trujillo, [†]Luis Muniz

Saturday, February 21

Saint Peter Damian,

Bishop and Doctor of the Church

4:00 P.M. [†]Holy Souls in Purgatory

Sunday, February 22

First Sunday of Lent

9:00 A.M. [†]Mario Suniga and Art and Nell Keener by Debbie Keener
11:30 A.M. [†]Holy Souls, [†]Sergio Montero, [†]Jose Juan Montero Luna

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