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Next Sunday's Readings

Jonah 3:1-5, 10
1 Corinthians 7:29-31
Mark 1:14-20

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SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2018

Sunday, January 14

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 **BW** Parishioners and Friends of St. Rose

10:30 **DE** Dan Fleming from Carol Wessel

12:00 **DE** Special Intention for Barbara Trauth from the Rizzo/Mackey Family

Monday, January 15

12:10 James Michael Gangloff from the Family

Tuesday, January 16

12:10 Fr. Peter McCrann from Tom and Maryann Myers

Wednesday, January 17

St. Anthony, Abbot

12:10 Purgatorial Society

Thursday, January 18

12:10 Roger Albers (Special Intention) from Connie and Jack Reed

Friday, January 19

12:10 Fr. Chris Coleman from the Schimpf Family

Saturday, January 20

Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr and Saint Sebastian, Martyr

12:10 Joseph Poston from the Homan Family

7:00 **JW** Tom Conard from Brian and Rose Ann

Sunday, January 21

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 **TH** Parishioners and Friends of St. Rose

10:30 **PF** Griffin Gearhart from Suzie Shafitz & Marianne Kluesener

12:00 **TM** Ray Pharo and Family

St. Edmund Campion Open House
6000 Murray Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45227
Sunday, January 14, 2018 Sunday February 18, 2018

1-4 PM

Campion offers a classical education imbued with the truths of the Catholic Faith. Students learn phonics, cursive penmanship, as well as Latin and Greek. Students and faculty assemble for Morning and afternoon prayer in the Church and attend Mass every day. Confessions are offered twice a month. Tuition is low so that large families can afford to send their children.

Come to the Open House to see how the next generation of Catholics are being formed.

From the Pastor's Desk

In the charity of your prayers please pray for the souls of **Carol Carter, Marjorie A. Berger** and **James E. Gibbons III** whose funerals were last week here at St. Rose Church.

In the charity of your prayers please pray for the souls of **Michael Powers, Maureen Ruppert,** and **William Earls** whose funerals were this past week here at St. Rose Church.

We feel it is important to celebrate anniversaries. If you and your spouse are celebrating your 25th, 50th or 60th anniversary in 2018 please call the office.

You are invited to join Fr. Barry for a **10-day trip to Italy** next fall, October 2-12, 2018 for five days in Florence and five days in Rome with side trips. The brochures are here and we will gladly send you one.

Just a reminder: the space in front of the convent is a bus stop and, consequently, a no parking zone. To avoid receiving a citation, please do not park in front of the convent along Riverside Drive.

Good and gracious God, help us to recognize that each of us has a role to play in working towards the common good and caring for all creation. Grant us the grace to move from independence to interdependence; from seeing what is good only for us to what is good for all.

"Interdependence obliges us to think of one world with a common plan.....A global consensus is essential for confronting the deeper problems, which cannot be resolved by unilateral actions on the part of individual countries." (Pope Francis, Laudato Si', no. 164

Would you like to remember St. Rose in your will? It is one way to say thank you for the many things for which you have been given.



Opening Prayer

Almighty ever-living God, who govern all things, both in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the pleading of your people and bestow your peace on our times. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Reflecting on Living the Gospel

Now that we are in Ordinary Time it might be surprising to read from the Gospel of John. After all, we are in "Year B" when we read primarily from Mark. Even so, we begin with the Gospel of John, the author of which is also known as "The Theologian." We hear the calling of the first disciples, only one of whom is named, Andrew the brother of Simon Peter. The other disciple has traditionally been understood to be the "beloved disciple" or "the disciple whom Jesus loved," even though he is not named such here.

Andrew and the unnamed disciple evangelize Simon, Andrew's brother, by saying they have found the Messiah. They bring Simon to Jesus. And before Simon can say a word, Jesus names him "Cephas," the Aramaic term for "Rock," translated into Greek as "Petros" ("Peter"). This story of Jesus naming Simon "Peter" is much different from that in the Synoptics, where Jesus names him "Peter" only after Simon confesses Jesus as the Messiah (Matt 16:16; Mark 8:29; Luke 9:20). The Gospel of John, with its intense emphasis on Jesus, does not allow the possibility of Simon's name change to be associated with his confession, or absolutely anything else Simon has done. In fact, this seems to be why the Gospel of John places this story in the first chapter, immediately after the call of the first disciples. Moreover, Andrew, rather than his brother Simon, is the one who says Jesus is the Messiah. Simon merely hears the news and comes to meet Jesus. In the Gospel of John, Jesus exercises authority not dependent upon human beings. In this case, we see clearly Johannine theology with its overriding emphasis on Jesus. For this reason and many others the author of this gospel is "The Theologian."

Closing Prayer

Hear, O Lord, these prayers we offer. May your Spirit dwelling within us and in the midst of this community help us to make the kingdom of God a reality in our time. We ask this in the name of Jesus, your Christ. Amen.

For Reflection:

• Like "The Theologian," is my emphasis on Jesus and him alone?

Suggestions for group and individual use:

- 1. Pray aloud the opening prayer (in The Roman Missal called the "collect");
2. One person read aloud the gospel;
3. Each read prayerfully "Reflecting on Living the Gospel" and spend some time in personal prayer;
4. Share together responses to "For Reflection";
5. Pray the "Closing Prayer."

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Gospel

John 1:35-42

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It was about four in the afternoon. Andrew, the brother of Simon Peter, was one of the two who heard John and followed Jesus. He first found his own brother Simon and told him, "We have found the Messiah"—which is translated Christ. Then he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon the son of John; you will be called Cephas"—which is translated Peter.

Readings for the week:

Table with 10 columns: 2nd Sunday in Ord. Time, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, 3rd Sunday in Ord. Time. Each column lists the day, the Gospel reading, and the Psalm reading.