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SEPTEMBER 9, 2018, TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday
 to Wednesday - 5:40pm - Rosary
 - 6:00pm - Mass

Thursday - 3:00pm - Mass at AMCC

Friday - 3:00pm - Mass at QCC

Saturday - 4:30pm - Confessions
 - 5:00pm - Rosary
 - 5:30pm - Mass

Sunday - 10:30am -Mass

On Every First Friday of the Month you are invited to join for an hour of Adoration from 5 to 6pm. During which confessions will be heard. At 6pm Holy Mass follows.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Parish Picnic on Saturday September 8th following the 5:30pm Mass.
2. Religious Education Sign Up (Caroline speaks on Stewardship).
3. Stewardship hand outs

MINISTRIES – SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

Lector
 Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion
 Communion to the sick and homebound
 Lay Presider
 Wash Altar Linens as needed
 Clean the Church
 Pick up pews after church services
 Musician
 Choir
 Altar Server
 Religious Education Volunteer
 Usher
 Shovel snow when needed
 Bring Baked goods for social time on Sunday morning
 Make coffee and juice for Sunday morning social time
 Help with pancake breakfast
 Financial Contributions to St. Joseph Parish and/or Diocese
 On call for maintenance projects
 Provide a ride to or from Church
 Serve on Parish Council
 Serve on Parish Finance Committee
 Provide an occasional meal for the homeless
 Provide meat for the meals to the homeless

**DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST
 JESUS YOUR TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE
 IS VERY MUCH APPRECIATED.**

SUNDAY CONNECTION

Today we continue to hear the Gospel of Mark proclaimed. In today's reading, Jesus heals a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment. This is a story about Jesus' healing power, and in it we find clues about our understanding of sacrament. We are struck by the physical means used to heal the man, the use of spittle and touch. The Church continues to celebrate the sacraments using physical means. In the Sacrament of Baptism, water and oil are used to show the power of the Holy Spirit. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, we are anointed with holy oil on the forehead and the hands. In the Eucharist, bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. We are a sacramental people who believe that God's grace is given to us through these physical signs.

Some, however, see in this Gospel an image of the proclamation of the good news of Jesus to the Gentiles. The geographic references tell us that Jesus is journeying through Gentile territory. Jesus had previously visited this region and healed a person possessed by a demon. Jesus was already famous there, which explains why people brought the deaf man to him. The story that precedes this reading in Mark's Gospel sets the stage. Jesus encounters a Gentile, a Syrophenician woman who asks him to heal her demon-possessed daughter. Jesus engages her in a dialogue about not feeding to dogs the food intended for children. Jesus is struck by the woman's great faith when she replies that even dogs eat the food that falls from the table, and he heals her daughter immediately. The faith of this Greek woman compels Jesus to respond to her plea.

Mark shows that Jesus' own mission affirms the early Church's mission to the Gentiles. This was a significant issue to the early Christian community, which found that the good news of Jesus took root and spread quickly among the Gentiles. Yet there is an irony in the story of healing that Mark tells. Jesus gives the man the gift of speech, but then tells him not to use it. Jesus asks that the news of his healing power, which is evidence of his identity as the Messiah, not be spread. This is a recurring motif in Mark's Gospel and is sometimes called the "messianic secret."

READERS AND EM'S FOR AUGUST

Saturday September 1

5:30 Lector Betsy Brennan

Sunday September 2

10:30 Lector Leona Mayac
EMHC Gretchen Froehle

Saturday September 8

5:30 Lector Angie Gorn

Sunday August 12

10:30 Lector Jennifer Fast
EMHC Kitty Scott/Bernie
Alvanna-Stimpfle

Saturday September 15

5:30 Lector Tom Moran

Sunday August 19

10:30 Lector Gretchen Froehle
EMHC Mo Koezuna

PARISH STAFF

Tom Moran - Parish Council President 443-6601

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