

# Sixth Sunday of the Year

February 14, 2010

"Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours...but woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation." Luke 6: 17, 20-26

## The 'small, beautiful thing'

A Harvard professor had spent much of her career translating neglected works by medieval women writers and writing about these women, as well as making influential contributions to the theory and practice of teaching history. When asked if she planned to write a book about her theory, she replied, "I prefer to do the small, beautiful thing."

*In today's Gospel, Jesus lifts up the "small, beautiful things", we are all capable of contributing to the common good: the generosity we manage despite our own poverty, the sense of fulfillment we can experience in nourishing others while we hunger ourselves, the joy we manage to uncover and celebrate in the midst of our own hurt and despair. In Luke's Sermon on the Plain, Jesus challenges us not to measure our life's worth in terms of wealth or power or fame, but to embrace a vision and perspective of life that honors humility and compassion, that places the common good before our own wants, that frees us from the pursuit of the things of this world in order to seek the lasting things of God, that seeks the "small beautiful thing" that enriches our world in God's wisdom and grace.*

## Scripture Readings for the Week

Monday: Jas 1: 1-11; Mk 8: 11-13  
Tuesday: Jas 1: 12-18; Mk 8: 14-21  
Wednesday: Jl 2: 12-18; 2 Cor 5: 20 – 6: 2;  
Mt 6: 1-6, 16-18  
Thursday: Dt 30: 15-20; Lk 9: 22-25  
Friday: Is 58: 1-9; Mt 9: 14-15  
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14 Luke 5: 27-32  
Sunday: Dt 26: 4-10; Rom 10: 8-13; Lk 4: 1-13

## Catholic Bible Study

A Catholic Bible Study on the Psalms will be presented at St. Clement Church. This 5 week study is on Thursday evenings beginning February 25th from 7 PM - 8:30 PM, and going through Thursday, March 25th. Come learn the prayers that Jesus prayed. This bible study is for everyone. Come and see. There is no fee. The teachers are members of Our Lady of Guadalupe Bible College which is part of Presentation Ministries, a Lay Association of the Catholic Church. For registration or further information, please call Ed or Mary Lamparyk at 216-898-1440.

## Coffee & Donuts

Join us for coffee, donuts and conversation after the 9AM and 11AM Sunday Masses.



## Mass Intentions for the Week

### Sunday, February 14 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Jane O'Toole  
11:00 AM For the People of the Parish

### Monday, February 15 - Weekday

5:15 PM Thomas Jackson

### Tuesday, February 16 - Weekday

8:00 AM Eleanor Thomas

### Wednesday, February 17 - Ash Wednesday

8:00 AM For Those Who Died Because of War

7:00 PM All Souls' Days Intentions

### Thursday, February 18 - Lenten Weekday

8:00 AM Mary Nemeth

### Friday, February 19 - Lenten Weekday

5:15 PM Deceased of the Joseph & Florence Print Families

### Saturday, February 20 - Lenten Weekday

8:00 AM William & Gayle Craighead

5:15 PM John & Ann McGinness

## 2010 Men's Journey

You are invited to the 2010 Men's Journey at St. Luke Church in the former school building the weekend of March 6th and 7th. Come take a journey you will soon not forget and be glad you decided to take! Registration information is in the pews this weekend.

## Ash Wednesday

Ashes will be distributed at 8 AM and 7 PM Masses on Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday, February 17th, and Good Friday, April 2nd, are days of abstinence from meat and also days of fast, that is limited to a single meal. The law of abstinence binds all Catholics 14 years and older. The law of fasting binds all Catholics from their 18th birthday until their 59th birthday. The other Fridays of the season of Lent are days of abstinence from meat. People should seek to do more rather than less. Fast and abstinence on the days prescribed should be considered a minimum response to the Lord's call to penance and conversion.

### Congratulations...

to the following students from our parish who have received academic honors for the first semester of 2009-2010 from the following schools:

Holy Name High School - Mary Grace Cleary  
Magnificat High School - Cassie Eschweiler,  
Colleen Hyland, Alexis Setta  
St. Joseph Academy - Mary Kate Caja

### Seeds of Literacy

Give the gift of literacy by becoming a tutor. Tutors work individually with students on reading, writing, and math skills, offer encouragement and support, and help students develop confidence and positive attitudes about learning. The tutor training sessions will be held from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM on the following Saturdays: February 27th and March 27th. For more information, call Linda Worthington at 216-661-7950 ext. 15.

### Sharing Grief

The Catholic Cemeteries Bereavement Ministry invites you to spend some special time sharing your grief with others next week. A bereavement support group session will be held next Saturday, February 21st from 3 to 4 PM in the following cemeteries: Holy Cross - Brookpark Rd., Calvary in Lorain, All Souls - Chardon, All Saints - Northfield, Holy Cross - Akron. Please contact the cemetery nearest you for further details.

### CatholicJobs.com...

is a web site that features free job listings for Catholic organizations, as well as free job searches and career tools for anyone seeking employment.

## What's Happening this Week in the Parish

Sunday, February 14: Confirmation Rehearsal - 7 PM  
Monday, February 15: Confirmation - 7 PM

St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting - 7:30 PM  
Tuesday, February 16: Parish Council Meeting - 7 PM  
Wednesday, February 17: **Ash Wednesday**

**8AM & 7 PM Masses**

RCIA

8 PM - Rectory

Thursday, February 18: Scripture Treats 10:45 AM

Friday, February 19: AA Gratitude Group  
7 PM - Hall

### Black and Indian Mission Collection

Next Sunday, our parish will take up the annual collection for Black and Indian Missions. Your financial contribution helps to support Catholic communities on reservations, in rural areas and inner cities. Your donation funds evangelization programs to strengthen the faith, continue the legacy and share the mission with children and adults here in the United States. Please be generous.

### Pot of Gold Winners

(\$25) John F. Nekl, Janet C. Nekl,  
Brody Ellis, Lois MacDonald,  
Marge Cabot, Pat Burns



### Celebration of Marriage at St. James

On February 21st at the 11:00 AM Mass, St. James will have a Celebration of Marriage. We invite all those couples who were married at St. James, as well as all married couples, to join us in sharing in the joy and memories of your special day. As a part of this celebration, we would like to recognize those who have been married the longest, as well as the most recent, as a part of this celebration. For more information, please contact the St. James Rectory at 221-0233, or Tim and Rita Carroll at 221-4224.

### Finance Corner:

Collection for weekend of February 7 - \$ 7,045.26  
Latin America/El Salvador - \$ 513.00  
Candlemas - \$ 188.00  
St. Augustine Hunger Center - \$300.00  
Envelopes used - 202

Thank you for your continued support and generosity for the parish.