

Bulletin – Parish News

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July 10, 2011. Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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The Word of God

A word, be it spoken or written, always has something to do with the person who speaks or writes. There is power and inspiration in a human word and through it we feel contact with a living person. The same can be said of the word of God. As the great Hebrew poet Isaiah says, it never returns void but is always fertile. The power of God's word is like the germinal force of the seed, which makes us hope for fruit and harvest. Today's Scripture readings tell us about God's word, what can and should happen to it when it is spoken to human beings, to you and to me. Various kinds of people hear God's word, but the harvest (the results of that living contact through his word) are not the same in all people. Where do you classify yourself? "The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower; all that come to him will live forever".

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

My word shall not return to me void, but shall do my will.

- Where are vain words spoken in our society and culture?
- Where do you go to hear words you can trust?

Creation will be set free to share in the glorious freedom of the children of God.

- What makes you cling to this life?
- What makes you groan for release to something better and more?

The disciples asked: "Why do you speak to them in parables?"

- What have you learned from the stories of the Bible, from sacraments, from silence?
- How do these ways of knowing differ?
- How does Saint Paul's statement about eager creation relate to our contemporary stewardship of the earth?
- "But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it".
- How do you nurture the word that is in the world and in you?

HOLY MASSES

July 10, 2011. Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

9:00AM Holy Mass for Evans Barcellona req. by Kaiser family.

11:00AM Polska Msza Św. za parafian.

July 17, 2011. Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

9:00AM Holy Mass for all parishioners.

11:00AM Polska Msza Św. za parafian.

Events and activities

Responsorial Psalm for today is: The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest.

Did you know that...

... Jesus spent most of his life in Palestine?

... Palestine is about 150 miles long and only 40 miles wide?

... Palestine is about the size of Massachusetts?

... Palestine`s climate is similar to that of Southern California?

... Palestinian people of Jesus` day did not have last names? Jesus would have been known as Jesus, son of Joseph.

... Jerusalem and Savannah, Georgia is on the same latitude?

... Bethlehem is five miles south of Jerusalem?

... King David came from Bethlehem about 1000 years before Jesus

... Jerusalem is 2400 feet above the Mediterranean Sea, which is only 40 miles away?

... Jericho is the oldest continuously inhabited city in the world?

... Agriculture began near Jericho?

... The Lake of Galilee is 12 miles long and 7 miles wide?

... Jesus made his headquarters in Capernaum on this beautiful lake?

... The Jordan River begins at the Lake of Galilee and ends at the Dead Sea?

Let us pray... We embrace this season of growth and renewal with thankful hearts, Lord. Make us as responsive to your grace as plants are to sun, soil, and water. Encourage us to be more than what we are, so that we can become the people you fashioned us to be. We ask this through Christ our Lord. AMEN!

Please pray for all the sick and shut-ins especially for: Marian Sowa, Caren Lagerstrom, Joseph Zavatsky, Edwin Zulkowski, Jean Manowiecki, Bp. Anthony Rysz, Bp. John Swantek, Fr. Senior Eugeniusz Stelmach, Julia Paluszek, Theodore Ciulac, Catherin Zglobicki, Catherin & Frank Kusniesz, Wanda and Andrew Closterman, and all in need of our prayers.

Sacrament of Baptism: Arrangements should be made at least two weeks prior to the ceremony.
Sacrament of Matrimony: Arrangement should be made at least six months in advance. Contact the Pastor before setting a date or making final plans.

Emergencies, Sickness and Death should be reported to the rectory office immediately.

Welcome to Our Visitors - We welcome all our visitors who are present with us for worship this Sunday! Please introduce yourself to the Pastor after Mass, please write your names in the guest book located in the vestibule of the church. Please remember that you are always welcome to join us in worship at Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish.