

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 20, 2022

Merciful and gracious is the LORD,
slow to anger and abounding in kindness.

— *Psalm 103:8*



LOVE AS GOD LOVES

Our Gospel today continues Jesus' Sermon on the Plain, in which we heard Luke's version of the Beatitudes. This week, Jesus gives us new "commandments," telling us how to live and act in the world as his disciples, rooted in the radical love of God for humanity. It reminds us of his later speech about loving one another as he loves us, in other words with a God-like love, the kind we see in today's psalm about God's mercy. How else could we do as Jesus tells us by loving our enemies, which seems impossible, until we remember that God gave us the example of Jesus, who is like God but also like us? David understands this merciful love when he spares the life of his enemy in the first reading. Finally, Paul tells us that we will become like Jesus if we act as he did, as God does. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — David found Saul in a deep sleep, but would not harm him (1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23).

Psalm — The Lord is kind and merciful (Psalm 103).

Second Reading — We shall bear the image of the heavenly Adam (1 Corinthians 15:45-49).

Gospel — Give to everyone who asks of you. Lend expecting nothing back (Luke 6:27-38).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17; Ps 49:2-3, 6-11; Mk 9:38-40
Thursday: Jas 5:1-6; Ps 49:14-20; Mk 9:41-50
Friday: Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103:1-4, 8-9, 11-12; Mk 10:1-12
Saturday: Jas 5:13-20; Ps 141:1-3, 8; Mk 10:13-16
Sunday: Sir 27:4-7; Ps 92:2-3, 13-16; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Grant, we pray, almighty God,
that, always pondering spiritual things,
we may carry out in both word and deed
that which is pleasing to you.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

Reflection question:

What can I do this week that is pleasing to God?

ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE

MARCH 2, 2022

Mass: 9:00 AM

Distribution of Ashes: 6:00 am – 8:00 pm

MASSES FOR THE WEEK - MISAS DE LA SEMANA

Saturday

4:30pm: John Melhaff+

6:30pm/Spanish: Juan Alvarez+

Sunday

8:00am: Alicia Andes+

10:00am: Tony Mello+

11:30am/Charley Mosqueda+,

Francisco Mosqueda+, Antonio Rincon+

9:00am/(M): Edward Daprato+, Angelo Vivanco+

9:00am/(T): Antonio & Maria Pedro+,

Edward Daprato+, Angelo Vivanco+

9:00am/(W): Edward Daprato+, Angelo Vivanco+

9:00pm/(Thurs): Edward Daprato+,

Angelo Vivanco+

9:00am/(F): Edward Daprato+, Angelo Vivanco+



The 2022 Annual Catholic Appeal will be held at all Masses, on February 26 & 27. Last year, our parish contributed \$10,955.00 to the Appeal. Our 25% of the share of the Appeal went to benefit some of our parishioners with **Food Vouchers, Diapers, and Baby Formula**. Please prayerfully consider your gift to assist the many in need. Prayerfully consider what you can give this year.



The Daughters of Isabella will hold our Spring Tea on Sunday, May 1, 2022 at the Littleton Center from 1-4 pm. (doors will open at 12: 15) Tickets are 25.00 and will be on sale before and after masses in the church plaza every other weekend. You can also purchase tickets by contacting Betty Pratt at (209) 475-4767. Young ladies 11 years old and up are welcome to attend. Our theme this year is Old McDonald Had a Farm so please plan on joining us for an afternoon of fun and friendship.

**St. Christopher Parish
Weekly Offertory Collection**

Week of 01/15/2022	\$ 4,276.90
Actual	4,465.00
Over/(Under)	188.10
YTD Budget	127,724.50
YTD Actual	135,554.58
YTD Difference	7,830.08

**Séptimo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
20 de febrero de 2022**

El Señor es compasivo y misericordioso, lento a la ira y rico en clemencia.
— *Salmo 103 (102):8*



LECTURAS DE HOY

Primera lectura — David salvó la vida de Saúl porque él era ungido del Señor (1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23).

Salmo — El Señor es compasivo y misericordioso (Salmo 103 [102]).

Segunda lectura — Así como llevamos la imagen del Adán terrenal, llevaremos la imagen del celestial, Jesús (1 Corintios 15:45-49).

Evangelio — Ama a tus enemigos, hazle el bien a los que te odian. Muestra misericordia y perdón (Lucas 6:27-38).

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA

Lunes: Sant 3:13-18; Sal 19 (20):8-10, 15; Mc 9:14-29
Martes: 1 Pe 5:1-4; Sal 23 (22):1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
Miércoles: Sant 4:13-17; Sal 49 (48):2-3, 6-11; Mc 9:38-40
Jueves: Sant 5:1-6; Sal 49 (48):14-20; Mc 9:41-50
Viernes: Sant 5:9-12; Sal 103 (102):1-4, 8-9, 11-12; Mc 10:1-12
Sábado: Sant 5:13-20; Sal 141 (140):1-3, 8; Mc 10:13-16
Domingo: Eclo 27:4-7; Sal 92 (91):2-3, 13-16; 1 Cor 15:54-58; Lc 6:39-45

ORACIÓN DE LA SEMANA

Concédenos, Dios todopoderoso, que la constante meditación de tus misterios nos impulse a decir y hacer siempre lo que sea de tu agrado.
Por nuestro Señor Jesucristo, tu Hijo, que vive y reina contigo en la unidad del Espíritu Santo y es Dios por los siglos de los siglos.

Pregunta de reflexión:

¿Qué puedo hacer esta semana que sea agradable a Dios?

AMAR COMO DIOS AMA

En nuestro Evangelio de hoy, Jesús continua el Sermón del Llano, en el que escuchamos la versión de Lucas de las Bienaventuranzas. Esta semana, Jesús nos da nuevos “mandamientos”, diciéndonos cómo vivir y comportarnos en el mundo como sus discípulos, enraizados en el amor radical de Dios por la humanidad. Nos recuerda su discurso posterior sobre cómo amarse los unos a los otros, en otras palabras, con un amor semejante al de Dios, el que vemos en el salmo de hoy sobre la misericordia de Dios. ¿De qué otra manera podríamos hacer lo que Jesús nos dice acerca de amar a nuestros enemigos? Lo cual parece imposible, hasta que recordamos que Dios nos dio el ejemplo de Jesús, quien es Dios, pero también es como nosotros. En la primera lectura, David comprende este amor misericordioso cuando perdona la vida de sus enemigos. Por último, Pablo nos dice que seremos como Jesús si actuamos como él, como Dios.



**Marzo 2, 2022
Misa/9:00AM**