

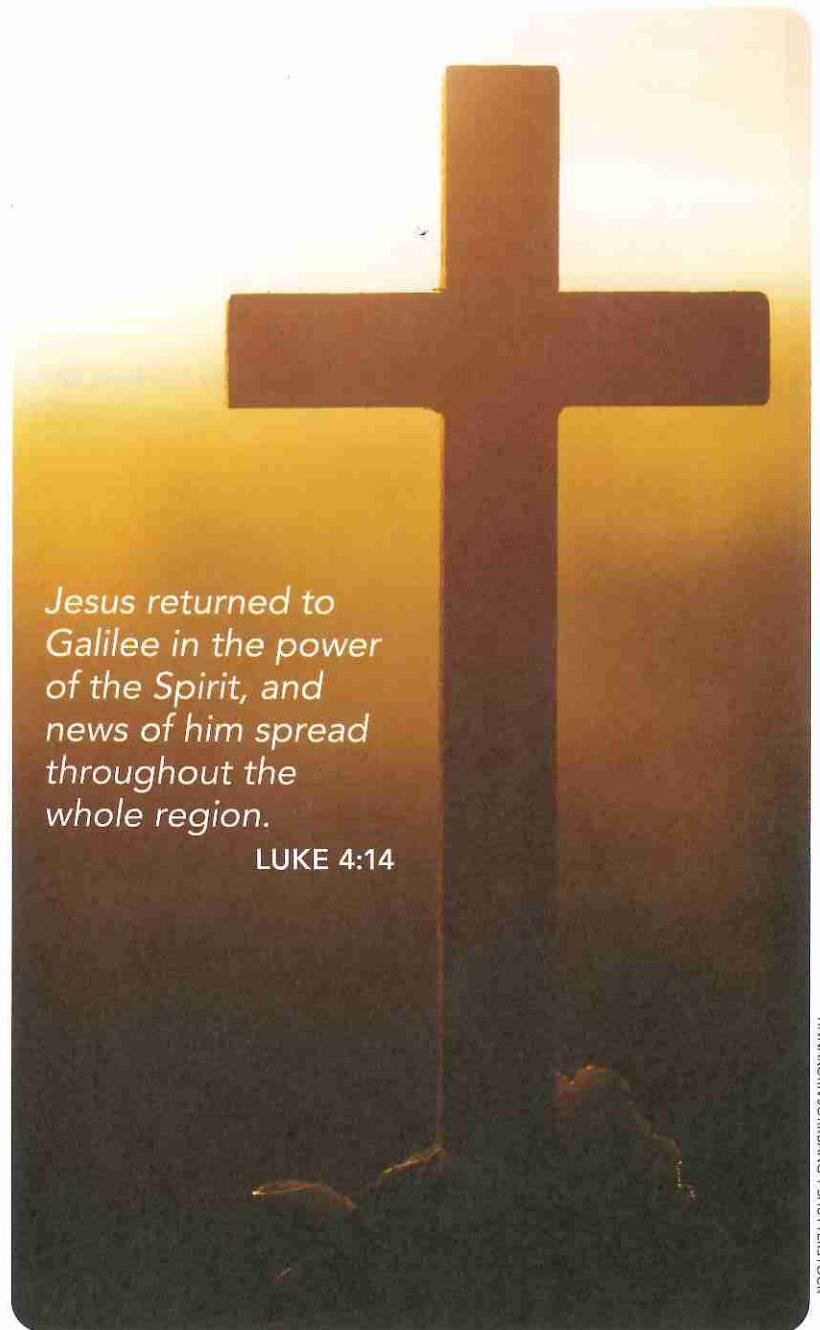
Fulfilled in Your Hearing

When we hear that phrase, we might be inclined to think of prophecy. However, today's readings suggest something a bit different. True, in today's Gospel, Jesus states that he is the fulfillment of the promise made by the prophet Isaiah. However, the way that passage was fulfilled by Jesus was not the way his hearers expected. The passage seems to promise a change in society where there will be no more poor or prisoners. The people expected a political change which would overthrow Roman control. Jesus' application was quite different. The fulfillment of that prophecy included a new and often radical way of understanding society. In other words, Jesus revealed the true meaning of the prophecy.

Such reapplication is even clearer in the first reading. Nehemiah, the Jewish leader of those who had returned from Babylonian exile, gathered all the community together, read the Law, and then reapplied it for them.

Reapplication is often necessary because what might have been a helpful way of understanding something in our faith under some circumstances might be impractical, even inappropriate, in others. For example, to pray for an end to war is important, but to do nothing to work for peace changes how we understand prayer. Circumstances often change as we go through life. Reapplication of our faith acknowledges this and searches for ways that faith can continue to address those changing circumstances. Faithful reapplication always keeps our religious tradition alive and meaningful.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA



Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news of him spread throughout the whole region.

LUKE 4:14

FOR *Reflection*

- ✦ *In many ways the Second Vatican Council reapplied our faith. How has your understanding of how to apply our faith changed in your lifetime?*
- ✦ *Is there anything that you think still should change? Why do you think this?*

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REFLECTIONS

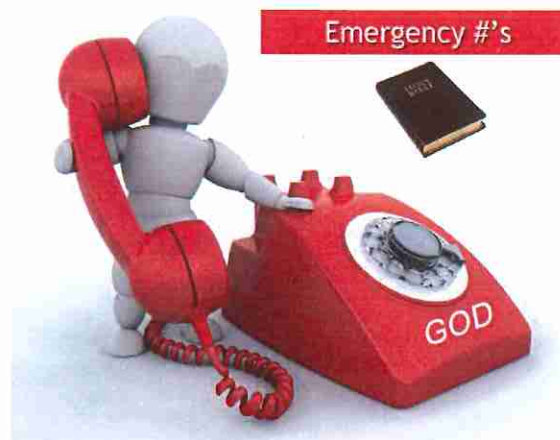
SPIRITUAL EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Most people have some sort of Emergency Contact list, who to call, etc. in the case of a medical emergency situation. Why not have a Spiritual Emergency Listing!

- When in **SORROW** call John 14
- When you have **SINNED** call Psalm 51
- When you are **WORRIED** call Matthew 6:19-34
- When **GOD SEEMS FAR AWAY** call Psalm 139
- When you are **LONELY** and **FEARFUL** call Psalm 23
- When you are **BITTER** and **CRITICAL** call 1 Corinthians 13
- When you feel **DOWN** and **OUT** call Romans 8:31
- When you need **PEACE** and **REST** call Matthew 11:25-30
- When **YOUR PRAYERS GROW SELFISH** call Psalm 67
- When you need **COURAGE** call Joshua 1
- When other **PEOPLE SEEM DIFFICULT** call Romans 12
- When you are **DEPRESSED** call Psalm 27
- When you are **FEARFUL** call Psalm 34:7

When you call for help in a medical emergency, you hope someone will respond quickly. When you call on God in your daily spiritual emergencies, you can rest assured that **God will HEAR and RESPOND** immediately and definitively.

From Father Ken



My Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

This weekend we celebrate the Third Week in Ordinary time. The third Sunday in Ordinary Time has been established by Pope Francis to focus on the "Word of God." It is devoted to the celebration, study and spreading of the Word of God. "This Sunday of the Word of God" is not a new feast. But the emphasis is on the relationship between the risen Lord, a community of believers, and sacred scripture and who we are as Christians. Let us thank God this weekend for the Lecturers and Father Ken who weekly proclaim the Word of God for us.

Due to the recent incidents of Covid amongst our parish members and community, the AOK meeting and Advisory Council meeting in January are cancelled. Hopefully, we can resume them in February.

As a reminder, the Knights of Columbus sandwich-making and Community Breakfast are cancelled for January.

I would like to thank Ed Bach, Mary Roth and Bill Ruzicka for volunteering to be Cantors. Your musical talents are very much appreciated.

I came across an article about Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI (16th) that I'd like to share with you:

*Pope Benedict likes cats. As a Cardinal living in Rome, he would prepare plates of food for stray cats.

*Pope Benedict loves playing the piano. Mozart is his favorite composer.

*100s of priests who committed sex abuse were laicized under Pope Benedict.

*Pope Benedict was the first Pop to resign in almost 600 years.

*Pope Benedict has been called by Pope Francis the "ultimate Grandfather" for the wise advice he has given him.

May Christ's will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

*God Give You Peace,
Mike Pierson*



Mass Intentions

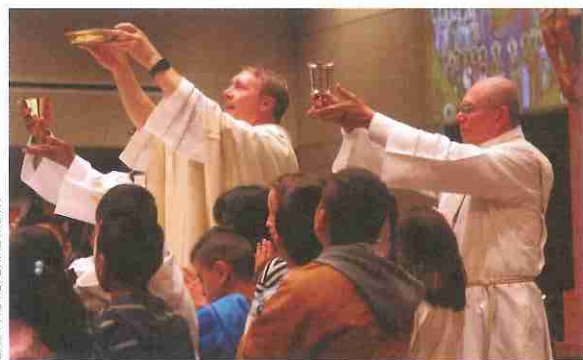
- Jan. 23, 2022 For the Intentions of all SFV Catholic Chapel Parishioners
- Jan. 24, 2022 For the Health & Well Being of Everyone Suffering with Omicron (Covid-19)
- Jan. 25, 2022
- Jan. 26, 2022 For the Intention of Sarah Foster
By Brian Foster
- Jan. 27, 2022 Repose of the Soul of Diana Gutierrez
- Jan. 28, 2022 Repose of the Soul of John Pinder IV
By Pinder Family
- Jan. 29, 2022 For the Intentions of all SFV Catholic Chapel Parishioners (9:00 AM Mass)
- Jan. 29, 2022 For the Intentions of all SFV Catholic Chapel Parishioners (5:00PM Vigil)
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Dear Padre,

In your previous column you wrote that the Mass commemorates Jesus' Last Supper and is a thanksgiving for God's gifts to us. Are there other reasons to get out of bed early and attend Sunday Mass?

The Mass is all about giving thanks for God's forgiveness of sins and his plan for eternal life. In fact, *Eucharist* is derived from the Greek word meaning "gratitude" or "thanksgiving." But there are many other reasons to participate in the Mass.

The Mass is our opportunity to be present with our Lord in the forms of bread and wine. God doesn't usually make frightening appearances to us



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accompanied by crashing thunder and lightning. Rather, he makes himself accessible to us in the humble form of food. Jesus said, "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day" (John 6:54).

As St. Augustine put it, when we receive Christ in

these forms, we become what we receive. *We* are the body of Christ, not as individuals but as his Church. His Church is his physical presence on earth today, the way people come into contact with Christ.

When we participate in the Mass, we become witnesses to all of this: our liberation from sin and death; our Lord's Real Presence to us in the forms of bread and wine; and we, as Church, becoming what we receive—the body of Christ. Can there be better reasons for waking up on a Sunday morning and attending Mass?

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Do you have a question for the Padre?

Go to DearPadre.org to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

Without Christ we are condemned to be dominated by everyday weariness, with its worries, and by fear of the future. The Sunday encounter with the Lord gives us the strength to experience the present with confidence and courage, and to go forth with hope. For this reason, we Christians go to encounter the Lord...in the Eucharistic celebration.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, DECEMBER 13, 2017



Calendar

Monday

JANUARY 24

*St. Francis de Sales,
Bishop and Doctor
of the Church*

2 Sm 5:1–7, 10

Mk 3:22–30

Tuesday

JANUARY 25

*The Conversion of
St. Paul the Apostle*

Acts 22:3–16

or Acts 9:1–22

Mk 16:15–18

Wednesday

JANUARY 26

*Sts. Timothy and Titus,
Bishops*

2 Tm 1:1–8 or Ti 1:1–5

Mk 4:1–20

Thursday

JANUARY 27

Weekday

2 Sm 7:18–19, 24–29

Mk 4:21–25

Friday

JANUARY 28

*St. Thomas Aquinas,
Priest and Doctor
of the Church*

2 Sm 11:1–4a,

5–10a, 13–17

Mk 4:26–34

Saturday

JANUARY 29

Weekday

2 Sm 12:1–7a, 10–17

Mk 4:35–41

Sunday

JANUARY 30

*Fourth Sunday
in Ordinary Time*

Jer 1:4–5, 17–19

1 Cor 12:31–13:13

or 13:4–13

Lk 4:21–30