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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Sirach 15:15-20 No one does he command to act unjustly.
Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 2:6-10 God predestined wisdom before the ages for our glory.
Gospel: Matthew 5:17-37 So it was said to your ancestors; but I say this to you.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	15	5:00 p.m.	ML	Parishioners		Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	16	8:30 a.m.	KW	Boyd & Sally Forester	✠	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	16	10:30 a.m.	SH	Mary Traffas	✠	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday	18	9:00 a.m.	ML	No Mass		Tuesday of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time
Wednesday	19	5:30 p.m.	ML	No Mass		Wednesday of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time
Thursday	20	8:30 a.m.	KW	No Mass		Thursday of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time
Friday	21	8:30 a.m.	SH	No Mass		Friday of the Sixth Week in Ordinary Time
Saturday	22	5:00 p.m.	ML	Betty Ricke	✠	Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	23	8:30 a.m.	KW	Special Intentions		Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday	23	10:30 a.m.	SH	Parishioners		Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation 30 minutes prior to Mass or by appointment

Reflection: Constructive Joy Jesus was not an enemy of Moses nor of his commandments, though he vigorously opposed a religious system that twisted them into prescriptions for gaining status with the Creator. As to the commandments themselves, he assured his listeners that not one of them would ever become invalid. "Think not that I have come to abolish the law and the prophets," he said. "I have come not to abolish them but to fulfil them" (Matt. 5:17).

Having affirmed the commandments, however, Jesus demonstrated that their purpose was to point the way to a loving community. First, he showed that traditional rules clustering around the divine commands were invalid if they kept people from the humanizing intent of the law. . . . That is, the commandments are signals of the life of constructive joy; they aim at our welfare and happiness.

The second thing Jesus saw in the law was this: the commandments depend on love. Love turns the negative "Don't's" into positive "Do's." Love turns the passive avoidance of evil into the active doing of good. Love translates the morality of "live and let live" into a morality of "love and help others live." Law without love tells us not to kill a stranger; law with love moves us to go out of our way to help a wounded enemy. . . .

The God of morality is the gracious Savior; the lawgiver of Sinai is the God who was in Christ reconciling the world to himself. He who leads us through the wilderness by his command is the Father who made us and wants us only to be true to our own being. He cares for us, loves us, and seeks us by means of his commands; and he thereby offers us the best way to keep our balance on the slippery shingles of human existence. Lewis B. Smedes, Mere Morality

Word of Life

"Prayer is the foundation of all that we do in defense of human life. Our efforts—whether educational, pastoral, or legislative—will be less than fully fruitful if we do not change hearts and if we do not ourselves overcome our own spiritual blindness. Only with prayer—prayer that storms the heavens for justice and mercy, prayer that cleanses our hearts and our souls—will the culture of death that surrounds us today be replaced with a culture of life."

PLEASE EMAIL BULLETIN ITEMS TO JULIE BY NOON WEDNESDAY TO secretary@barbercountycatholic.org

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins:

Ronald Ringer, Pete Eck, Chuck Hobson, Hugh Rankin, Corona Hoch, Charlie Jo Warner, Mary Eck, Helen Eck, Sandy Ricke, Ruth Blick, Gladys Christensen, Deven Leis, Lawrence Rausch, Miles Sheldon

For the Faithful Departed:

Art Junger, Ted Hauser, Jim Ricke, Laura Seiler, Anita Patterson, Sue Smith, Mary Traffas, Betty Ricke, Walter Sedlak and all the souls in Purgatory. May they rest in perfect peace.

For the Military:

Captain Rebecca Wright Lopez, Christopher Coggins, Nicholas Noland, Dylan Allison, Sheldon Hart, Bianca Lewis

Church News

Save the Date

The Catholic churches of Barber County are hosting a Lenten Retreat March 2-4. The three evenings run from 6:30 p.m. – 8:45 p.m with afternoon times for individual prayer and confessions. Exposition for healing prayer available. Join us at St. Boniface in Sharon.

Knights of Columbus Baby Crib

Just a friendly reminder that the baby crib located in the back of St. John will be available for donations for one more weekend. All donations are appreciated.

St John the Apostle Breakfast

St. John will have a Mardi Gras brunch after Mass on Sunday, Feb. 23. Meat is provided so bring your favorite dish and enjoy the party.

Ash Wednesday Schedule – February 26th

7:30 a.m. at Sharon

5:30 p.m. at Kiowa

7:30 p.m. at Medicine Lodge

Holy Rosary Knights of Columbus Baby Crib

Holy Rosary KofC Prolife Baby Shower is available until March 7th. Baby bottles and the crib are located in the narthex of the church. All baby items and cash donations are greatly appreciated.

St. John the Apostle

St. John the Apostle will host a Lenten Video series on “Jesus and the End Times: A Catholic View of the Last Days” by Dr. Brant Pitre. It will include 4 Wednesdays starting March 11, 18, 25 and April 1st. We will begin at 6:30 and each of the 4 videos will last approximately an hour and a half. “Have you ever wondered what the Bible teaches about what will happen at the End of Time? Dr. Pitre brings clarity and precision to the confusion that frequently surrounds the doctrine of the end times.”

Holy Rosary Parish Breakfast

There will be a breakfast after Mass on February 25th to celebrate Shrove Tuesday. Attend Mass and join us for breakfast.

Holy Rosary – Mark your calendar

Following Mass on February 22, there will be an all parish dinner. Please join us for an evening of friendship, fellowship and an opportunity to welcome new members. While we are still working on the menu, it promises to be good. A free will donation will be collected and proceeds are to go to Charlie Jo Warner.

Ministry Schedule February 22nd – 23rd

Week 4	St. Boniface	St. John the Apostle	Holy Rosary
Lector 1	Carol Ricke	Londa Fischer	Loretta Boor
Cantor	Choir	Choir	Rodney Ringer
Lector 2	Daryl Eck	Steve Roberts	Daryl Honas
General Intercessions	Rachel Fischer	Steve Roberts	Diane Seiler
Eucharistic Ministers	Daryl Eck Margie Eck Anne Schreiner Todd Fischer Doug Schmidt	Deb Helfrich Carl Helfrich Tammy Graves	Daryl Honas Charlotte Ringer Cheri Dohrman Marge Wright Leroy Seiler
Servers	Sidney Swingle Brenna Ricke Jace Cox	Allie Hoch	Derrek Randels Emma Randels Kassidy Rambat
Musician	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm	Nikki Brattin	Ruth Schmidt or Kathy Dohm
Greeters		McMoran Family	Mark and Loretta Boor
Sacristan	Doug Schmidt	Deb Helfrich	Daryl Honas
Rosary	Volunteer		Charlotte Ringer