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Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Thoughts on Today's Liturgy

Reading 1: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7 I will bring foreigners to my holy mountain.

Reading 2: Romans 11:13-15, 29-32 The gifts and the call of God for Israel are irrevocable.

Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28 O woman, great is your faith!

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday	15	5:00 p.m.	ML	Parishioners		Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time
Sunday	16	8:30 a.m.	KW	Charles and Josephine Inslee	✠	Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time
Sunday	16	10:30 a.m.	SH	Mary Lou Wilson	✠	Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time
Tuesday	18	9:00 a.m.	ML	No Mass		Twentieth Tuesday of Ordinary Time
Wednesday	19	5:30 p.m.	ML	No Mass		Twentieth Wednesday of Ordinary Time
Thursday	20	8:30 a.m.	KW	No Mass		Memorial of St. Barnard
Friday	21	8:30 a.m.	SH	No Mass		Memorial of St. Pius X
Saturday	22	5:00 p.m.	ML	Ernie Young	✠	Twenty-first Sunday of Ordinary Time
Sunday	23	8:30 a.m.	KW	Charles and Josephine Inslee	✠	Twenty-first Sunday of Ordinary Time
Sunday	23	10:30 a.m.	SH	Parishioners		Twenty-first Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Reconciliation by appointment

Reflection: Leeway for Love We should be startled by Jesus' exclamation to the Canaanite woman: "Great is your faith!"

What faith? She was not a Jew but a worshiper of the gods of Tyre and Sidon. Her idea of the spiritual world would have been perceived as warped and incomplete. But her daughter was healed because of her faith. How in the world?

Faith has an important doctrinal content: we "profess our faith" every Sunday in a confirmation of its content. But the core of saving faith is not doctrine but trust in God, which overcomes all doctrinal weaknesses. The woman recognized in Jesus a representative of God by whatever name, and she threw her trust on him, risking ridicule and abuse. "Woman, great is your faith!"

The risen Christ would later praise the Church of Ephesus for "your works, your labor, and your endurance," and especially for protecting the true teaching—protecting "the faith." But this was followed by a word of judgment: "Yet, I hold this against you: you have lost the love you had at first" (Rev 2:2-4). Their fault was coldhearted orthodoxy. They had been so focused on eradicating error that they left no leeway for love of those in error.

Jesus' response to the Canaanite woman in today's Gospel is less surprising after hearing Isaiah's prophecy. That "foreigners" could worship God would have been deeply unsettling for the Israelites. They had just returned from the Exile, were chafing from the domination of "foreigners," and intent on reestablishing pure observance and worship. God takes them deeper: "My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples." Fr. Jerome Kodell

Word of Life

"Abortion affects countless marriages more than many people recognize. But there is no doubt that God will bring great healing to those who trust in his infinite mercy. If a past abortion can be acknowledged and addressed, a married couple can make great strides in experiencing even more fully God's design that 'the two shall become one' (Mt 19:5)." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "Healing within Marriage from an Abortion" ***PLEASE**

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

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For the Sick and Shut-Ins:

Joe Hrencher, Jerome Ricke, Charlotte A. Ringer, John Eck, Herb Landwehr, Jaunita Ricke, John Harding, Mike Lynch, Ronald Ringer, Pete Eck, Chuck Hobson, Hugh Rankin, Corona Hoch, Charlie Jo Warner, Mary Eck, Helen Eck, Sandy Ricke, Ruth Blick, Gladys Christensen, Lawrence Rausch, Miles Sheldon

For the Faithful Departed:

June Terwort, Eulanda (Butch) Criser, Steve Eck, Ernest Young, Deven Leis, 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:

Nick Noland, Jackson Petit, Captain Rebecca Wright Lopez, Christopher Coggins, Dylan Allison, Sheldon Hart, Bianca Lewis, Luke Fisher

Church News

On-Line Giving

Electronic giving is available for all three parishes. Simply click on the link on our website. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact Fr Mark.

Link of the Week: Mass times for travelers: Check out www.masstimes.org

Great News!

We currently have six men in formation for the priesthood. This fall we will have eight men attending seminary! This is truly great news! Please keep them all in your prayers.

Flocknote

Holy Rosary parishioners-Remember to sign-up for Flocknote! St. Boniface parishioners –Flocknote is coming soon.

The Pastor is on Vacation

Fr Mark will be on vacation from August 14 through August 21. Fr Jim Baker will celebrate Mass on the 15th and 16th

Ministry Schedule August 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	Jacob Eck	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 Dohrmann Marge Wright Leroy Seiler
Servers	Sidney Swingle Brenna Ricke Kendall Nelson	Allie Hoch	Derrek Randels Emma Randels
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