

## Calendar

### Monday

February 13

Weekday

Gn 4:1–15, 25

Mk 8:11–13

### Tuesday

February 14

*Sts. Cyril, Monk, and  
Methodius, Bishop*

Gn 6:5–8; 7:1–5, 10

Mk 8:14–21

### Wednesday

February 15

Weekday

Gn 8:6–13, 20–22

Mk 8:22–26

### Thursday

February 16

Weekday

Gn 9:1–13

Mk 8:27–33

### Friday

February 17

Weekday

Gn 11:1–9

Mk 8:34–9:1

### Saturday

February 18

Weekday

Heb 11:1–7

Mk 9:2–13

### Sunday

February 19

*Seventh Sunday  
in Ordinary Time*

Lv 19:1–2, 17–18

1 Cor 3:16–23

Mt 5:38–48

# Dear Padre,

**Does suffering please God? I've heard we should "offer it up," but to me, God is never pleased with pain.**

Some think God sends suffering into our lives as retribution. In fact, God asks certain things—difficult things—of us so we can avoid suffering in our own lives, in the lives of others, and after death.

When a mother says, "Don't touch that! It's hot," and her child touches it anyway, the mother didn't cause the burn. She knows the consequences of that action and warns her children not to do it. If they disregard her, she doesn't stop loving them. In the same way, God tells us how to live so we can avoid being hurt, and God never stops loving us.

Some suffering is unavoidable no matter how well we love and obey God. This suffering is the hardest to accept. Some is the result of our humanity.

Many seek to assign blame; others want to know why things happen. The truth is, sometimes there is no why, no clear purpose. When there is, we don't feel it any less. We can only trust that God will turn it into something good.

God's power turned a "meaningless" crucifixion into the means of our salvation. This is what "offer it up" means: By turning toward and imitating Christ, we find new depths of faith and hope.

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## *A Word From Pope Francis*

*"The word of God constantly shows us how God challenges those who believe in him....Each Christian and every community must discern the path that the Lord points out, but all of us are asked to obey his call to go forth from our own comfort zone in order to reach all the 'peripheries' in need of the light of the Gospel."*

—The Joy of the Gospel (*Evangelii Gaudium*), I, 20



# 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*February 12, 2017*



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**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**  
Every Friday Adoration from 8:30 a.m.  
to 9:30 a.m  
**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**  
Both Before Mass and by Appointment.

*Mass Schedule for this Week*  
**Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule**  
Sun 7:30 am +Maria  
**St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions**  
Sat 4 pm +Dorothy White  
9:00am Our Parish Family

Mon 8:00am +John & Betty Pierce  
Tues 8:00 am Spec Int  
Wed 6:00 pm John Pierce, Jr  
Thu 8:00 am Spec Int  
Fri 8:00 am +Rosa Moss

**From Father Khoa's Desk...**

***Dear Parishioners and Friends,***

"But I say to you, whoever is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment."

In today's Gospel, Jesus takes the Ten Commandments to a deeper level. Instead of focusing merely on external actions, like murder or adultery, Jesus wants us to examine what is in our hearts, like anger or lust. These internal dispositions are the root cause of the outward sins. Jesus is teaching us to take responsibility for our attitudes as well as our actions.

Some may say that we cannot control our internal thoughts and feelings, or that it's unrealistic to expect us to eliminate anger and lust from our inner selves. But, as Saint Thérèse of Lisieux put it, Christ would not command the impossible. So it must be possible to purify our hearts and control our thoughts. But we don't have to do this on our own power. Jesus expects great things of us, but he doesn't expect us to do them alone! Through the presence of his Spirit in our hearts, we have divine assistance to accomplish this task.

When we pray to God for the gift of the Holy Spirit, he responds by filling our hearts with the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit—wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, fear of the Lord, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, generosity, gentleness, faithfulness, modesty, self-control, and chastity. When these wonderful things are present within us, the bad things have nowhere to settle. Thus we can be transformed into people who don't just live the commandments, but who love them as well.

*May God bless all of us!*  
**...Fr. Khoa**

**Altar Society:** meets **this Sunday**. We would like to invite everyone who wants to help and participate at the Lenten Fish Fry for this coming Lent (beginning on March 1) to attend this meeting. Thank you very much.

**Parish Council:** meets **next Saturday** February 18.

**Special Second Collection** for those affected by severe weather/tornadic activity in the Hattiesburg vicinity. Bishop Morin invites you to take up a special second collection **next Week**.

**Youth Convention:** The CYO of Sacred Heart - Dedeaux is collecting blankets (baby and full size) for their annual community project for Convention. Donations will be accepted until March 1, 2017, and all donations are greatly appreciated.

**ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP:\*\***  
**80**Identifiable: **\$1,674.00**; Loose: **\$796.00**;  
Total: **\$2,970.00**; Children: **\$28.08**; Saltillo: **\$180.00**

**OL OF CHARTRES STEWARDSHIP:**  
Identifiable: **\$260.00**; Loose: **\$113.00**; Total: **\$373.00**.

**\*\*Amount needed weekly \$2,908.84.**  
**Thank you for your generosity.**

**Church Cleaning:** Thank you Gerry and Kay Van Pelt for cleaning the church on Feb 4 & 11. The Knights of Columbus will clean the church on Feb 17 and 24. Thank you.

**Bible Study:** We will study the Psalms beginning on February 21 and 22. Please join us. Classes are on **Wed at 6:30pm and on Tues at 9am**. For more information, please contact **Ruth and Henrietta**.

| <b>MASS</b>          | <b>LECTOR</b>   | <b>EUCCHARISTIC MIN.</b>                    | <b>SERVERS</b> | <b>USHERS</b>            | <b>GIFT B.</b>              |
|----------------------|-----------------|---|----------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Sat Feb 11<br>5pm    | Kathleen Cuevas | W C King, Lenell King,<br>Doris Snowden     | Austin S.      | August Kermit            | Gerry & Kay Van Pelt        |
| Sun Feb 12<br>7:30am | Sandra Ammons   | Daniel Squillante                           | (OLC)          | Tery Mitchell            | (OLC)                       |
| Sun Feb 12<br>9am    | Lisa Cuevas     | James Quintini, Lester Palmer, Kim Wood     | Keegan Carson  | Dale Babin<br>David Bass | Pat & Robin Peterson Family |
| Sat Feb 18<br>5pm    | Henrietta       | Van Pelt, Mike Mays,<br>Diane Mays          | Austin S.      | August Kermit            | W C and Lenell King         |
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### **ST. ANN ACTIVITIES.**

**Bereavement Committee:** Please contact **Sharon Leimer** at 539-9928. Lasagna, green salad, rolls, and deserts will be provided for the funeral reception upon request. Thank you.

**Lizana Light:** For more information, please contact **Doris or Diane**.



**VISITATION OF THE SICK:** Please keep the parish office informed so we may minister to those who are ill at home, in the hospital, or in a nursing facility. For those wishing to receive the Eucharist contact the parish office, 832-2560.

### **SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MARRIAGE**

*Church regulations require at least six months of preparation for a wedding.* Please contact us well in advance of that time if you wish to reserve a wedding date and receive info: one's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic prenuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill:**

Leslie Cuevas, William DeMello, Dcn Jack Hunter, Lee James, Darlene Billingsley, Victoria Moran, Jerry Malley, Vivian Clifford, Ezekiel Rutherford, John Moran, Jerry Rutland, Regina Franke, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Debbie Bowen, Larry Shruff, Andrew Fillengame, Melissa Peterson, Breanna Ladner, Curtis (Cubby) Ladner, Gerald Barrilleaux, Albert Necaie, Margaret Northrop, Betty Howard, Andrew, Taylor Boyd, Amarosa Lizana, and Bill Blackwell.

WE WELCOME NEW MEMBERS † PLEASE FILL OUT A NEW MEMBER REGISTRATION FORM AND SUBMIT TO PARISH OFFICE FR. KHOA WOULD BE HAPPY TO VISIT WITH YOU AND HELP YOU ASSESS YOUR SPIRITUAL NEEDS.