Dear Padre,

Why doesn't the Catholic Church practice what it preaches and sell off its considerable assets at the Vatican?

The Catholic Church, the world's largest charitable organization, has a legacy of ministry to the poor, the sick, and the ostracized. According to Pope Francis, the Church's real estate, for example, is used "to maintain the structures of the Church and to maintain the many works the Church does in needy countries: hospitals, schools." Thus, the old adage applies: Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day, but teach him to fish and he's fed for a lifetime. Similarly, selling the Church's assets would add to its immediate efforts to assist the poor, but it would prevent the Church from maintaining greater long-term assistance.



Moreover, selling the Church's patrimony of artwork (such as Michelangelo's *Pietà*) into private or corporate hands would deprive future generations the transcendence that comes from praying before a priceless treasure. In 2015, Pope Francis was asked if he ever felt pressure to sell "the treasures of the Church." He responded that they weren't the Church's treasures, but "the treasures of humanity."

While popes aren't at liberty to sell what belongs to "humanity," they generally donate personal gifts to support the needy. Motorcycles, cars, and other gifts to Pope Francis have been given away or auctioned

to benefit the poor. On his deathbed, St. John XXIII offered his doctor his fountain pen, saying it was the only thing of value he possessed.

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



A WORD FROM Pope Francis

To do good...that is what God wants. He, who became small for our sake, asks us to offer something for the least of his brothers and sisters. Who are they? They are those who have nothing to give in return, the needy, the hungry, the stranger, the prisoner, the poor.

Calendar

Monday JULY 6 Weekday Hos 2:16, 17b–18, 21–22

Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday JULY 7 Weekday Hos 8:4–7, 11–13 Mt 9:32–38

Wednesday

JULY 8

Weekday

Hos 10:1–3, 7–8, 12

Mt 10:1–7

Thursday
JULY 9
Weekday
Hos 11:1–4, 8e–9
Mt 10:7–15

Friday JULY 10 Weekday Hos 14:2–10

Saturday JULY 11 St. Benedict,

Mt 10:16-23

Abbot Is 6:1–8 Mt 10:24–33

Sunday JULY 12 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Is 55:10–11

> Rom 8:18-23 Mt 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

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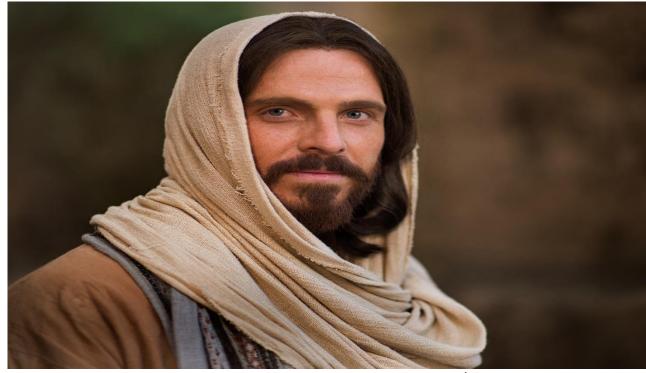


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St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions.

Sat: 5.00 .fr. David Sun: 9:00am Paul Irby {Rip} Sun: 6.00pm.Parish. Mon 8.00am.Ex Sc Tues 8.00am. Ex Sc Wed 6.00 pm No, Mass Thu 8.00 am. No, Mass Fri 8:00 am, No, Mass 11th July Sat 5.00 Pm Ex.S 12th July 9.00 Parish 6.00pm. Paul Iby

From Father David's Desk...

Dear Parishioners and Friends

DO YOU KNOW WHO I AM?

That question usually means: "Do you know how important I am?" reputation, status and celebrity are extraordinarily significant in today's society. Vulnerable, unsure being that we are, we need to be reassured that we are important. And we are important through usually not the way society might perceive it.

Each of us is unique. Yet our personal uniqueness does not diminish the uniqueness of the others, and there's the rub! So often we think that it does. That's when we might try to put others down or demand: "Do know who I am? Often we don't really know who we are. This is where humility enters the pictures.

In today's first reading, the king rides on a donkey. He does not need a mighty warhorse to show others his impotence or to reassure himself of his royal identity. Nor does he need military armaments like a chariots or bow to establish peace. He is secure with himself. He knows who he is. _no more, but no less.

The Gospel portrays Jesus as "meek and humble of heart" (Mat11:29). He knows who he is. He is the son of the father, sent by the father to do the will of the father. All things are in his hands, because he received everything from the father. He does not have to broadcast this or argue with others to convince them. He knows who he is. He is the son _no more, but no less. And what about you? Do you know who you are? Do you sometimes put others down so that

you can stand taller? Does it work? Be grateful for your uniqueness. Use it to make the world you share with others better. Thanks

With love and prayers

Fr. David

ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP: * 16 identifiable: \$1101.00; Loose: 362.00;

Total: \$ 1,463.00; ACH: \$.55.00.

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Total: \$30.00

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 or 228 273 5593.

MASS FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS: You can have Masses offered for the deceased as well as for living family and friends. Mass cards and envelopes are available at the office.

<u>Lizana Light</u>: There is no Lizana light on July 4th. If you have any Question call Racheal Glodowski (228 263 2865) and Donna Harrison, (228 263 1034^{.)} Thanks.

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.

<u>RCIA:</u> Are You Considering Becoming Catholic? Are You A Catholic Interested In Being Confirmed? Are You a Confirmed

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

Catholic Who's Ready to Explore Your Faith Anew? Join us. If you have any question Please contact Sherrie Demello . Thank you.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION MARRIAGE

Church regulations require at least six months of preparation for a wedding. Our advice is to call 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.

<u>Catholic Students</u> Please contact me this week if your children or grandchildren attends Catholic School this year for the basic need support. Thanks

<u>Mass Back on:</u> We will be back to the Church July 4th onwards. We need some volunteers to clean the Church and pews after every Mass. Thanks for your co-operation

Mass Schedule: for this Week: There would be no Mass on July 8 -10 (Wednesday, Thursday and Friday) Thanks

NO Home Visit: There won't be home bound visit this Friday July 10th. Thanks in advance

With Gratitude: Fr. David and St. Ann's Parish community appreciate and thank Jassion Necaise and his family for great donation of safe to the church. It's a great need for the church. Thanks' lot.

PRAYER REQUESTS Those who are ill

Leslie Cuevas, Lee James, Jerry Malley, Ezekiel Rutherford, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Andrew Fillengame; Breanna Ladner, Andrew. Sharon Somora. Nancy Ladner, Chris (Dube) Mcgill, Paul Ladner, Dianne Dearman, Marie Cuevas, Sharon Smith, Kathy, Marlene Moran, Teresa McAllister, Kendra Necaise, John &, Susan Parish, Courtney Stewart, Kathy Robison, and, Lyndon Rushing, joseph and Megan Colbi Capuano, Bill & Brenda Peterson, Christine Constantine, Anthony Moran, Jill Ladner, Stephany Bass, and Brandi Moran, Verda Crabtree, Lynn & Linda Bangs, John O'Neal, Terri, Loretta Ladner.and Matt Dubission; Mary Jo Nunèz: Addie Threadgill; Cindy Ladner: Amanda Mayberry; Robin Quevas Emmie Tubbs.and kathy Squillate Wally Clifford and Dorris

Happy July 4th: Pray for our county. Have a blessed day. Thanks

