

Dear Padre,

I care for my mother, who has dementia. I was active in my parish, but now I hardly have a minute to spare for prayer, much less helping out at church. I'm getting very depressed. What should I do?

I have several ideas. First, make your prayer life part of your mother's routine, and you'll find it easier to fit prayer into your day. People with dementia find it soothing to listen to repetitive prayer, so consider praying the rosary aloud in her presence. Sometimes people with advanced dementia can still remember and recite the Our Father and the Hail Mary, so you could end up praying the rosary together. That would truly be a gift.

Next, try reading aloud Scripture stories from a youth Bible. They'll be easier for her to understand than passages from an adult Bible, and you'll get some time with God's word.

Last, but absolutely not least, it's important for you to be connected. If your parish has a parish nurse, he or she can help you find respite care, in which someone takes your place with your mom so you can get away for a while, or

a caregiver-support group where you can talk with other people in your situation. If your parish doesn't have a nurse, your diocese can give you the same information.

Remember, attending to your spiritual health doesn't just help you—it helps your mother, too.

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A WORD FROM *Pope Francis*

How often do we see a man or woman arrive at work with a weary face, with a tired countenance and, when we ask them, "What happened?" they answer: "I only slept two hours because we are taking turns at home to be close to... our grandfather, our grandmother"....These are heroic deeds, the heroism of families!

GENERAL AUDIENCE, JUNE 10, 2015

Calendar

Monday

JUNE 14

Weekday

2 Cor 6:1-10

Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday

JUNE 15

Weekday

2 Cor 8:1-9

Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday

JUNE 16

Weekday

2 Cor 9:6-11

Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday

JUNE 17

Weekday

2 Cor 11:1-11

Mt 6:7-15

Friday

JUNE 18

Weekday

2 Cor 11:18, 21-30

Mt 6:19-23

Saturday

JUNE 19

Weekday

2 Cor 12:1-10

Mt 6:24-34

Sunday

JUNE 20

Twelfth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Jb 38:1, 8-11

2 Cor 5:14-17

Mk 4:35-41

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**11TH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIMES
JUNE 13, 2021**



St. Ann Catholic Church & Our Lady of Chartres Mission

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St. Ann Mass Schedule & Intentions

June 12th Sat 5 pm Int donor

June 13th Sun 9 am Int donor

June 13th 6pm Parish Parish

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Both before Mass and by Appointment

Mon 8am **No Mass**

Wednesday **No Mass**

Thurs 8am **No Mass**

Fri 8am **No Mass**

June 19th Sat 5 pm Int donor

June 20th Sun 9 am Int donor

June 20th 6pm Parish

Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule.

Sun 7:30 am Int donor

From Father David's Desk...

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

To What Shall We Compare the Kingdom of God?

Today's readings are rich with answers to this question posed in Mark's Gospel. The prophet Ezekiel selects the metaphor of a cedar tree. Like such a tree, the kingdom of God begins as a tender shoot planted on a high mountain where it can grow unimpeded by other growth. There it will grow tall and firm, boasting many branches, rich with fruit, the home to various species of birds. The Gospel writer chose another metaphor—that of a small seed. This parable characterizes the inconspicuous nature of the kingdom's origin. We may not see it in the beginning because it is so small and surrounded by soil, but it contains within itself the force of life that someday will burst forth into a rich harvest.

The mustard seed is a special kind of seed. Today's Gospel calls it "the smallest of all the seeds on the earth" (Mark 4:31). However, following the pattern of growth that is hidden in the core of its being, it also brings forth one of the marvels of nature, producing "the largest of plants" (Mark 4:32). Metaphors also underscore the fact that these seeds must first transform, lose the appearance of a seed in order to rise, filled with the mysterious character of its growth. All of this happens quietly, unpretentiously, as if under the cover of night.

These are very moving metaphors, quite easy to understand and envision. However, the reality for which the metaphors stand is

sometimes very difficult to realize because of human selfishness. Still, it is God's tree, God's seed, God's kingdom, and it is God who declares: "As I, the Lord, have spoken, so will I do!" (Ezekiel 17:24).

On the mountain height of Israel I will plant it. It shall put forth branches and bear fruit, and become a majestic cedar. Ezekiel 17:23

For Reflection

- ❖ *What about these metaphors gives you comfort and encouragement?*
- ❖ *How do you contribute to the health and growth of the kingdom of God?*

WITH PRAYERS

FR. DAVID

<p><u>ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP:</u> 39, Identifiable \$ loose: \$; Total: \$; Children: \$6; Ach: \$</p> <p><u>OLC STEWARDSHIP:</u> Identifiable\$; loose: \$; Total: \$.</p>

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 preparation for marriage. One's own parish clergy are expected to supervise your Catholic pre-nuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding.

Father David's Vacation: From June 9-18.
Weekend masses only, no daily masses.
Thanks

MASS	LECTOR	SERVERS	USHERS
Sat June 12 th 5pm	Mike west		
Sun June 13 th OLC 7:30 am	Sandra Ammons		Terry Mitchel
Sun June 13 th 9 am	Eddie Duran		
Sun June 13 th 6pm	Kathleen		
Sat Jun 19 th 5pm	Mike e west		
Sun Jun 20 th OLC 7:30 am	Sandra Ammons		Terry Mitchel
Sun June 20 th 9 am			
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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.

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, each Mass card is \$ 10.00 dollars. Thanks

Online learning: on-line classes for bible study class, books and videos and movies are available on this web site so please register your name there.

<https://signup.formed.org/>

- Enter your parish zip code 39503
 - Enter name and email. Once you are resisted you are good to go at any time.
- Thanks.

Church Repairs for storm damage will begin after Father's Day. Mass will be celebrated in the Parish Hall during construction work.

Celebration Draw Down July 31st: Tickets are on sale beginning this weekend. See Father for to purchase a ticket. One ticket admits two people to the meal from 6-7:30pm, a band from 7:30-11:30 with the drawing at 8pm. Please join us!

Lizana Light: Every Saturday from 9am to 11am. If someone is need of food refer them please Thank you.

Father's Day Novena: June 21-29th. Mass and mass cards available at the entrance to the church.

Bible Study and prayer group: Those who like to join let Fr. David or Ruth know. Thanks. For more information, please contact **Ruth**.

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, 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; Addie Threadgill; Cindy Ladner; Amanda Mayberry; Robin Cuevas Emmie Tubbs, Wally Clifford, T.J Moran, Robin Shamplo, Glinda Gardman.