

Dear Padre,

There are so many preachers urging us to “reform our lives.” Most of this preaching centers on asking forgiveness for personal sins. Isn’t there more involved?

Consider that the reform more Christians should be focusing on is the social reform that fosters equality among human beings.

A central conviction of all Jesus’ followers is that every person of whatever race, gender, class, nationality, or any other distinction is fundamentally equal in dignity to every other person. That is why we vigorously support the unborn, the disabled, the mentally challenged, the poor, and the elderly. Every



human is a creation of God, created in God’s image. No one is better or more worthy than another.

This was certainly a key conviction of the Second Vatican Council: “With respect to the fundamental rights of human persons, every type of discrimination, whether social

or cultural, whether based on sex, race, color, social condition, language or religion is to be overcome and eradicated as contrary to God’s intent” (Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World [*Gaudium et Spes*], 29).

If you wish to truly reform yourself, make a commitment to overcome discrimination on all levels, which is so obvious in our country’s division between rich and poor. Get involved with social causes that help the poor, the unborn, the oppressed, and the elderly. Become a beacon of hope this new year.

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Do you have a question for the Padre?

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A WORD FROM Pope Francis

The great biblical tradition enjoins on all peoples the duty to hear the voice of the poor. It bids us break the bonds of injustice and oppression which give rise to glaring, and indeed scandalous, social inequalities. Reforming the social structures which perpetuate poverty and the exclusion of the poor first requires a conversion of mind and heart.

JOURNEY TO THE PHILIPPINES, JANUARY 16, 2015

Calendar

Monday

JANUARY 31
*St. John Bosco,
Priest*

2 Sm 15:13–14, 30;
16:5–13
Mk 5:1–20

Tuesday

FEBRUARY 1
Weekday

2 Sm 18:9–10, 14b,
24–25a, 30—19:3
Mk 5:21–43

Wednesday

FEBRUARY 2
*The Presentation
of the Lord*
Mal 3:1–4

Heb 2:14–18
Lk 2:22–40 or
2:22–32

Thursday

FEBRUARY 3
Weekday

1 Kgs 2:1–4, 10–12
Mk 6:7–13

Friday

FEBRUARY 4
Weekday

Sir 47:2–11
Mk 6:14–29

Saturday

FEBRUARY 5
*St. Agatha,
Virgin and Martyr*

1 Kgs 3:4–13
Mk 6:30–34

Sunday

FEBRUARY 6
*Fifth Sunday
in Ordinary Time*

Is 6:1–2a, 3–8
1 Cor 15:1–11
or 15:3–8, 11
Lk 5:1–11



**FOURTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 30, 2022**



St. Ann Catholic Church & Our Lady of Chartres Mission

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St. Ann Mass Schedule & intentions

Jan 29th 4pm Int of Donor

Jan 30th 9 am Parish

Jan 30th Sun 6pm Int of Donor

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Both
before Mass and by Appointment**

Mon 8am Int of Donor

Wed 6pm Int of Donor

Thurs 8am Int of Donor

Fri 8am Int of Donor

Feb 5th 4pm Int of Donor

Feb 6th 9 am Int of Donor

Feb 6th Sun 6pm Parish

Our Lady of Chartres Mass Schedule,

Jan 30th Sun 7:30 am, Jennet

From Father David's Desk...

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Love is patient, love is kind.... It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, and endures all things. 1 CORINTHIANS 13:4, 7

**How Do I Love Thee?
Let Me Count the Ways.**

Paul's praise of love from the second reading is a favorite passage for weddings where it acts as a set of promises the bridal couple make to each other. They seem to be saying: "This is the way I am going to act, because I love you. I promise to put you ahead of me." And they genuinely mean it. They're convinced the passion they feel, the concern they experience, will be all that's needed to transcend any future difficulties they might face. Soon, reality sets in and they realize that the list is really a strategy for scaling the heights of unselfishness or critically examining the conscience to reveals one's failures. This is not to say that people do not genuinely love each other. They do. But we are all so human, and selfishness is a weakness to which we are all susceptible. Perhaps Paul should have written: "Love tries to be patient, love tries to be kind...." In a way, it is precisely in the give-and-take that occurs between imperfect humans that all the wonderful characteristics listed by Paul are refined. Our impatience is worn away as we deal sympathetically with the disagreeable traits of our loved ones. We become humble when those who should encourage us fail to acknowledge accomplishments that might otherwise

inflate our egos. These are the slights we endure because we love the other person. Actually, such humble endurance is evidence that love truly is patient and kind.

FOR Reflection

- ❖ Go out of your way to show love to someone in your family.
- ❖ Think of ways of being a bit more understanding of others.

With Prayers

Fr. David

<p><u>ST. ANN STEWARDSHIP:</u> Identifiable, 39, \$1,990.00 loose: \$163.00 Total: \$2, 153.00 Children: \$.12.00 Ach: \$5.00, SC: 210.00 <u>OLC STEWARDSHIP:</u> Identifiable \$ 55.00 Loose: \$.98.00 Total: \$ 153.00, SC: 38.00</p>

Regarding Sunday 6.00 pm mass: Over the past few months attendance at the 6.00pm mass has been below 20. I will watch the attendance for the months of January and February. If it is below 30, I may need to cancel that mass. If you have any question let Fr. David know.

School subsidy: is available for Catholic school students who are registered and belong to this parish. Bring the form from the respective school to Fr. David. He will sign it if the requirements are met. Thanks

February 2nd: is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord.

Upcoming Second Collection: Jan 29 and 30th for Lizana light. As it is fifth Sunday of the month. Thanks

MASS	LECTOR	SERVERS	USHERS
Sat Jan 22 nd 4pm	Mike West		
Sun Jan 23 rd OLC 7:30	Sandra Ammons		Terry Mitchell
Sun Jan 30 th 9am	Beau Underwood		
Sun Jan 30 th 6pm	Patricia Garret		
Sat Feb 5 th 4pm	Mike West		
Sun Feb 6 th OLC 7:30	Sandra Ammons		Terry Mitchell
Sun Feb 6 th 9am	CCD children		
Sun Feb 6 th 6pm	Kathleen Cuevas		

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. Contact the office to let us know.

Feast of St. Blaise: Fr. David will bless all the children's throats with crossed candles on Sunday, February 6th at the children's mass.

February 4th First Friday Adoration: There will be Adoration on the first Friday of the month from 8:30 to Noon and 6pm to 7pm. Please make use of this opportunity to adore and praise the Lord. Thanks

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2022
COMMUNITIES OF FAITH,
KNOWLEDGE and SERVICE
 Numerous events scheduled daily during the week of January 31st-February 5th.
 Virtual Open House on the school website:
www.svdpcatholicsschool.org
 Call to schedule a private tour: 228-222-600

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION for 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 prenuptial preparation and to officiate at the wedding.

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

PRAYER REQUESTS: Those who are ill: Leslie Cuevas, Lee James, Ezekiel Rutherford, Dalwin Cuevas, Colby Cagle, Andrew Fillengame; Breanna Ladner, Andrew, Sharon Somora, Nancy Ladner, Chris (Duke) McGill, Paul Ladner, Dianne Dearman, Marie Cuevas, Sharon Smith, Kathy, Marlene Moran, Teresa McAllister, Kendra Necaise, Courtney Stewart, Kathy Robison, and, Joseph and Megan Colbi Capuano, Bill & Brenda Peterson, Christine Constantine, Anthony Moran, Jill Ladner, Stephany Bass, and Brandi Moran, 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, Timmy & Paula Lizana , W.C. King and Brenda Page and Sr. Anna Louise.