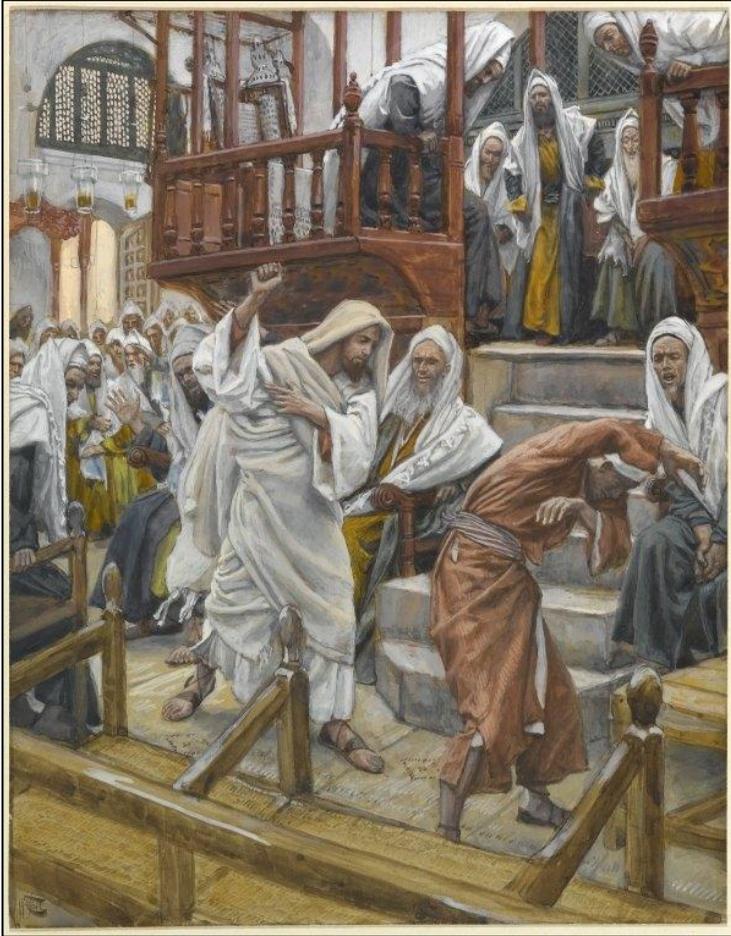


Septuagesima



Saint Timothy's Church

An Ordinariate Catholic Community

The Rev'd Christopher C. Stainbrook, Priest

Currently meeting at St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church

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Solemn Mass – February 1, 2015

The order of service for the Mass is found in the Worship Manual.

The Mass setting is Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena.

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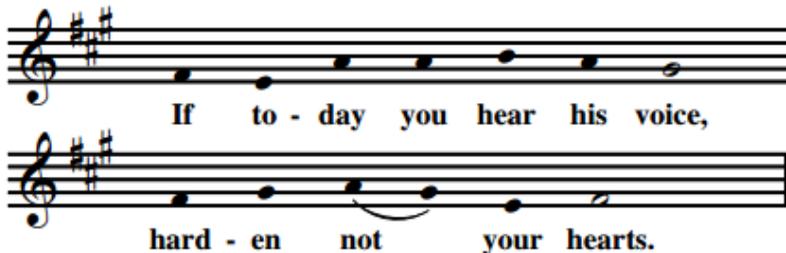
1st Reading: Deuteronomy 18:15-20

“The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brethren — him you shall heed — just as you desired of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, ‘Let me not hear again the voice of the Lord my God, or see this great fire any more, lest I die.’ And the Lord said to me, ‘They have rightly said all that they have spoken. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brethren; and I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. And whoever will not give heed to my words which he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him. But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name which I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die.’

Response: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9

The People sing the Responses:



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R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, let us sing joyfully to the LORD;

let us acclaim the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;

let us joyfully sing psalms to him.

R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Come, let us bow down in worship;

let us kneel before the LORD who made us.
For he is our God,
and we are the people he shepherds, the flock he guides.
R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.
Oh, that today you would hear his voice:
"Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as in the day of Massah in the desert,
Where your fathers tempted me;
they tested me though they had seen my works."
R. If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

The Epistle: 1 Corinthians 7:32-35

I want you to be free from anxieties. The unmarried man is anxious about the affairs of the Lord, how to please the Lord; but the married man is anxious about worldly affairs, how to please his wife, and his interests are divided. And the unmarried woman or girl is anxious about the affairs of the Lord, how to be holy in body and spirit; but the married woman is anxious about worldly affairs, how to please her husband. I say this for your own benefit, not to lay any restraint upon you, but to promote good order and to secure your undivided devotion to the Lord.

Response: Thanks be to God.

The Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

And they went into Caper'na-um; and immediately on the sabbath he entered the synagogue and taught. And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit; and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, "What is this? A new teaching! With authority he commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee. *Response: Praise be to Thee O Christ*

So; what are these 'Gesima' Sundays.

Every year, roughly midway between Christmas and Easter, we find the Sundays in our Missal designated by the “Gesima” words -- Septuagesima, Sexagesima and Quinquagesima. Originally there was also a Quadragesima Sunday but that is now called the 1st Sunday in Lent.

Those designations are quite different in character from the names of most special Holy Days. Christmas, Good Friday, Ascension, Transfiguration -- all these have reference to some special event which they celebrate. The “Gesima” Sundays do have reference to special religious event, but only in a calendar sort of way. What they mean is -- going forward from Septuagesima Sunday, the first one -- that they mark the Sundays which are seventy, sixty, fifty and forty days before Easter. Quinquagesima (my personal favorite because it's a rich ecclesiastical word to say) Sunday is exactly fifty days before Easter; all others are only approximations, actually a few days off by the secular calendar.

So, why are these days important? They are important because they remind us that Easter approaches and that the Lenten season of penitence, review of our lives and preparation for the Resurrection, the event that marks the gift of eternal life, are close upon us. The “Gesima” Sundays, mark a kind of pre-Lenten season, a kind of forward extension of Lent itself. These Sundays, mark a kind of divide between the joys and thankfulness of Christmas and Epiphany and the introspection of Lent to be followed by the greatest joy of all at Easter.

Beginning with Septuagesima Sunday, we are reminded that the joy of our Lord's birth at Christmas and His being shown forth to the Gentiles at Epiphany is beginning to wind down, to be put behind us, as we contemplate the sorrows of our Lord's coming Passion and Crucifixion and try to prepare ourselves for the greatest gift and miracle of the Resurrection, the conquest of death. The origin of the observance of these Sundays is somewhat obscure but is at least as ancient as the latter part of the seventh century, under Pope Gregory the Great. Even the Church of England (and our old Episcopal Church) simply continued the observance after Reformation.

A dual theme, however, runs through most of the “Gesima” Collects, as well as the Epistles or Gospels appointed. This dual theme is that on one hand there is danger, adversity and repentance for our sins which may be contributed to the adversity. Sin is the turning away from God which leads to sorrow and adversity. It is error, mistake, wrong-doing. It

requires of us self-examination, self-condemnation, penitence and desire for forgiveness and a new start. Sin and damnation are unpopular words in our times, but they are realities under any name.

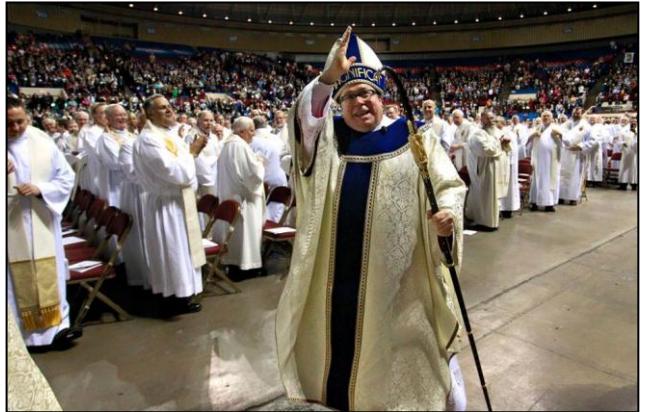
But the other theme of the “Gesima” propers is consolation and salvation through God’s mercy and loving-kindness. As someone has put it, part of the “Gesima” message is that “it is never too late to be damned (and) that it is never too late to be saved”.

Announcements

- ❑ Our organist, Rebecca Pope, is on family leave this week. Her sister, Sharon Pope, has suffered a heart attack and is seriously ill. Rebecca asks for prayers for Sharon from her friends at St. Timothy's. Today we welcome (back) our old friend, Tomi Godbee, as our guest organist this week.
- ❑ Our next regular Parish Council Meeting will be February 15th following Mass.
- ❑ Due to the tremendous effort our parishioners and friends made toward Bishop Olson’s reception, we’ll take a well deserved rest with no potluck today. Our next potluck lunch will be March 1st to coincide with our Annual Church Meeting.
- ❑ We are pleased to announce the St. Timothy’s 2015 Parish Council. New members are Betsy Acker and David Hankins. David and Betsy will replace Mark Stewart and Judy Grimada. Judy is appointed Clerk of the Council with seat and voice. Mark is appointed Liturgy Liaison with seat and voice on the Council. Carl McNeil is appointed President of the Council and Mike Langston is appointed Vice President. Chris Christian and Carol Christian are appointed Treasurers. The complete list of council members is available elsewhere in the bulletin.
- ❑ The Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter new Chancery Dedication will be held on February 1st at Our Lady of Walsingham Church 7809 Shadyvilla Lane, Houston, Texas 77055 and next door at the new Chancery of the Ordinariate, 7730 Westview Drive, Houston, Texas 77055. Our Parish Council President Carl McNeil and Suzanne are attending to represent St. Timothy’s.

- ❑ Congratulations to His Excellency, Bishop Michael Olson, on his first Anniversary this week as the Bishop of Fort Worth!

Ad Multos Annos!
(Latin for "Many Years!")



- ❑ Bishop Olson invites you to Solemn Vespers for The Year of Consecrated Life with an evening to honor priests, deacons, and men and women religious in the Diocese of Fort Worth on Friday, February 6, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Patrick Cathedral, 1206 Throckmorton St., Fort Worth. A reception will follow in the St. Patrick Cathedral Pastoral Center. For information, contact the Vocations Office at 817 560-3300.

- ❑ *Pure by Choice*, a youth rally for grades 8-12 and presented by the Respect Life Office of the Diocese of Fort Worth and The Catholic Pro-Life Committee of North Texas is returning on Saturday, March, 21 2015 from 3:30 – 9:30 p.m. at The Nolan Catholic High School Arena in Fort Worth. Our mission is to present to teens that choosing Purity is the true path to freedom. Tickets are just \$25! The deadline for early registration at \$25 is March 6. Please email your tracking sheet in by March 12. The final deadline for late registration tracking sheets and payment at \$30 will be Monday, March 16. There will be no walk-in registration this year. Please take into consideration spring break which for most schools is Mar 9-13. Check-in will begin at 2:30. Matt Fradd will give the keynote address to all students as well as a talk just to the guys. Kara Klein will give address the girls and provide music for mass. Matt Fradd will be giving a special presentation just for adults on Friday, March 20, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at the Pope Pious XII Catechetical Center at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church in Keller. Cost will be just \$10 per person. For more information on the rally or parent talk, contact Fr. Stainbrook.



Prayer List

(For Week beginning February 1, 2015)

Of your charity, pray for the Spiritual and Material needs of this Congregation, for Jeffrey, our Ordinary, for Michael, the Bishop of Fort Worth, for the Clergy in Fort Worth and in the Ordinariate, for Christopher, our Priest, and for those who are:

Serving in the Armed Forces: Nicholas, Kirk, Rob, Jamey, Marianne, Jerry Don, Rollie, Everett, Stephanie, Terry, Patrick, Kevin, Trey, Nathan, Angel, Jr., Robert, Eric, Duree, Quentin, Alec, Evan, Lane

Celebrating a Birthday: [1] Elspeth Harris [4] Steve Gill [5] Chance Hankins [6] Tevin McMellon

Celebrating an Anniversary: [4] Ken and Barbara Gill

With Child: Jennifer Pittman Tashenberg, Camryn Johnston Robbins

III:

[Sun] Jimmie, Sue, Jim, Clarette, Dee, Jessie, Albert, Barbara, Tom, Henry, Becky, Shawn, Gayle, Kade, Valerie, Georganna, Lex, Chris, Donna

[Wed] Judy, Shar, Perc, Rebecca, Becky, Georgie, Taylor, Charles, Danni, Dorothy, Geraldine, Tony, Oran, Laura, Janet, Larry, Naomi

In adversity or need of guidance: Jimmie, Chris, Michael, Mendy, Ronnie, Sue, Jim, Shawn, Gisselle, Patricia, Joshua, Kris, Kim, Letty, Jimmy, Tippi, Ann, Bentley, Clayton, Allison, Jocelyn, Cullen

Anniversary of Death: [1] Horace Crow [3] Vernon Staats [4] Fred F. Cook, Harriet Houzvicka [5] James Mullan, Kevin Matthew Boardman

[6] William C. Robinson, Dolpha J. Horowitz, Jessie Crow [7] Helon Hogg

Parish Personals: Dee Honea is in room 315 of Plaza Medical Center, Fort Worth. Larry Snider remains at Legends Nursing and Rehab, 900 Westpark Way, Euless TX 76040. Please keep him and Barbara in your prayers.

