

**FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME  
FEBRUARY 05, 2012**

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*Cycle B - Year II*



**FR. THOMAS BABU**

As Christ's disciples, we follow His example, living lives of selflessness for others, being there for others whenever we are needed, and using the many gifts God has given us for the good of others. Oftentimes, when we live this way, our lives become a witness. People are drawn to such a way of living and they can see Christ through our actions. We

do not necessarily need to stand on the mountaintop and preach. Some of us may have been given the gift to preach in that way, while others of us are called to a more subdued form of preaching. The important thing is that we recognize our many gifts, even our very lives, as gifts from God and we use them to serve Him, proclaiming the gospel and calling others to conversion."

We have been given so many great gifts from the Lord above, one of which is the Gift of Faith. Let us do our part to share that faith with the world, starting with those around us.

Please note that our Peppermill Dinner event is Feb 10 and I ask your participation very much in our debut of a Mystery dinner Theater. If you could spread the Word around that helps a lot!

See you there! God Bless!

— Fr Thomas Babu

***Please Take Note...***

***Mardi Gras Mystery Dinner Theater:*** I encourage all of our parishioners to participate. We will all have a great time, also, this will benefit our building fund! See you there!

**REMINDER**

*Ash Wednesday February 22, 2012*

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION INFORMATION**

\* Classes have begun — registration is closed

**PRAYING FOR THE SICK AND DYING**

***Please Pray For:*** *Helen Naisbitt, Elizabeth Archuleta, Josephine Kimbro, Wm Smith, Catherine Karrick, Alaina Torres-Gallegos, Madison Duarte and Muriel Lopez*

**MARTHAS & MARYS GROUP**

\*\* ***Next meeting:*** February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012 @ 9:30 a.m.

The Jan 2012 issue of the M&M Newsletter is now available. Please pick up a copy from the M&M hanging file in the vestibule.

***Marthas & Marys "Meet & Greet" 2/11 & 2/12 after each of the Holy Masses. Treats, donuts, coffee & juice will be served. Hope to see you there.***

**GIFTING**

\*\*\* *Please remember our Building fund*

**FOOD PANTRY**

***Food Drop off:*** First TWO weekends of the month

***Food Pick-up:*** Fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) Fri. & Sat. of the month.

Call Donna Selin @ 972-5365 or Marie Guidotti @ 677-0841

***At Saint Michael...***

**Mystery Dinner Theater  
"Mardi Gras Madness"**

**WHEN:** FRIDAY FEBRUARY 10, 2012

**TIME:** 6:30 P.M. NO HOST BAR

7:00 P.M. DINNER

**WHERE:** PEPPERMILL RESORT SPA

2707 S. VIRGINIA

RENO, NEVADA 89502

**ENJOY:** COCKTAILS, DINNER, 3 BLIND

RAFFLES, SOLVING THE CRIME

**FEE:** \$50.00 PER PERSON

**RESERVATIONS: (must have!)**

[funtimetheater.com](http://funtimetheater.com)

-Or-

Kathy Easley: 775-240-5762

-Or-

Saint Michael Parish Office: 972-7462

**\*\*\*All proceeds to benefit the Building Fund of Saint Michael Catholic Church\*\***

***XXXPLACE A BID ON OUR SURPRISE  
BLIND AUCTION!!!XXX***

(\$500.00 value)

***last chance — SPECIAL RAFFLE!***

***Buy a ticket for \$10.00 MAYBE win TWO dinners (value \$100.00) for the Mystery Dinner (drawing to be held TODAY February 05<sup>th</sup>)***

**Schedules:** The new schedules for Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors and Altar are in the Sacristy. Please pick up your copy. Thank you

**Quinceanera Information:** Flyers with guidelines are located on the bulletin board in the vestibule. Please take one.

**Baptism Class:** Class for Parents and God Parents will be **Sat, March 03<sup>rd</sup> 2012** — 12 Noon in English, 6:00 p.m. in Spanish.

***Choose Life!!!***

Americans are called, as the U.S. Catholic Bishops have urged, to remind all government leaders "of their duty to exercise genuine moral leadership in society [This is done] not by unthinking adherence to public opinion polls or by repeating empty slogans but by educating and sensitizing themselves and their constituents to the humanity of the unborn child."

-Living the Gospel of Life, Natl. Conf. of Catholic Bishops

***Around the Diocese of Reno...***

**Consecrated Life: TODAY!** February 5<sup>th</sup>, Bishop Calvo will be celebrating Mass at the Cathedral at 11:30 am for the World Day for Consecrated Life. This annual celebration was established by Pope John Paul II in 1997. The U.S. bishops voted to observe the occasion to highlight men and women religious in consecrated life as part of weekend Mass celebrations and to enable expressions of appreciation for the service of those who have chosen the consecrated life and to pray for an increase of vocations. There will be a reception following the Mass. Everyone is welcomed!

**Traditional Latin Mass:** The next Traditional Latin Mass will be on **Friday, March 02, 2012**. All are welcome!

# GOOD NEWS

February 05, 2012

Jb 7:1-4, 6-7 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23 Mk 1:29-39

OK, well, most of us. Certainly anyone who's struggled with insomnia resonates with Job's being "filled with restlessness until the dawn." But most of us share with Job the experience of suffering. Some people have suffered beyond comprehension; others have known only "regular" suffering—illness, death, disability, tragedy—although it's never regular when it happens to us. We've all felt the frightening despair of which Job speaks.

Some fortunate souls haven't experienced such challenges. During a talk I gave several years ago, I asked the audience to recall their own suffering. An older couple admitted they hadn't experienced significant suffering. Their children were healthy, their parents died at a ripe old age, and life had been fairly easy for them.

This isn't the experience of most of us, however. Even if we've moved past such moments of pain and suffering, we can recall feeling as Job did—that life was misery, that hope was difficult and. There certainly are no easy solutions to the problem of suffering.

But in the Gospel today we see Jesus in his healing ministry, reaching out to so many in need. Aren't we, in our times of suffering, among the crowds gathered at Jesus' door, begging for healing and mercy?

Jesus is persistent in his healing—He doesn't let exhaustion or weariness stop him. He reaches out, grasps hands, and is present to those who are hurting. Jesus is this persistent Presence of healing to us too. He sees us in the crowd, he grasps our hand, and he promises to stay with us always.

Janel Esker

## This Weeks Readings

**Monday**  
February 6  
Weekday  
Saint Paul Miki  
and  
companions,  
martyrs  
1 Kgs 8:1-7,  
9-13  
Mk 6:53-56

**Tuesday**  
February 7  
Weekday  
1 Kgs 8:22-23,  
27-30  
Mk 7:1-13

**Wednesday**  
February 8  
Weekday  
1 Kgs 10:1-10  
Mk 7:14-23

**Thursday**  
February 9  
Weekday  
1 Kgs 11:4-13  
Mk 7:24-30

**Friday**  
February 10  
Saint  
Scholastica,  
Virgin  
1 Kgs 11:29-32;  
12:19Mk  
7:31-37

**Saturday**  
February 11  
Weekday  
1 Kgs 12:26-32;  
13:33-34  
Mk 8:1-10

**Sunday**  
February 12  
Sixth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
Lv 13:1-2,  
44-46  
1 Cor  
10:31-11:1  
Mk 1:40-45

# QUESTIONS ANSWERED

Dear Padre

## What does a Parish Council do?

Dear Padre,

I've been an active member of our parish council for ten years. Our diocesan guidelines say that parish councils are advisory groups for the pastor, but they don't say he has to take our advice. He isn't addressing people's needs, and my parish is losing members. My friends on other parish councils have the same problem.

What can we do

Isabelle

Dear Isabelle,

You certainly understand the nature of parish pastoral councils: "A pastoral council possesses a consultative vote only and is governed by the norms established by the diocesan bishop" (Code of Canon Law, 536.2).

The question is, what constitutes consultation? Canon 536.1 says the pastor presides over the pastoral council, in which the "Christian faithful, together with those who share in pastoral care by virtue of their office in the parish, assist in fostering pastoral activity." Consultation, then, is "assist[ing] in fostering pastoral activity" in the parish. The Code is clear: The diocesan bishop establishes norms regarding pastoral councils, so if you don't have a copy of the norms, ask the chancery for them. Then ask your pastor what the council can do to "foster pastoral activity" in your parish. It might be helpful if your council and your pastor attend a workshop on pastoral councils together. If your diocese doesn't offer this and other resources to help parishes, ask the chancery to recommend one that does. I applaud your commitment to making your parish more responsive to its members.

Patrick Keyes, CSs

## SCHEDULES February 11/12, 2012

### ATTENDANCE/COLLECTION

	<u>5:30 p.m.</u>	<u>8:00a.m.</u>	<u>9:30 a.m.</u>	<u>Noon-Spanish</u>	<u>January 28/29, 2012</u>	
<b>Communion Minister</b>	Bill S	Wes J	Dave A Eleanor W Dennis S	Amparo C	5:30 p.m.	1 <sup>st</sup> Collection \$2,468.61
<b>Lector</b>	Nicole A	Marie G	Rachael G	Piedad G	8:00 a.m.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection \$ 805.86
<b>Altar Server</b>	Kevin H Daniel K	Bethany W Caleb W	Alex V Tyrone D Eva B-T	Felix G Brianna C, Angelica S	9:30 a.m.	Noon 207

### MASS INTENTION SCHEDULE

<u>02/04/12</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Requested by</u>	<u>Name</u>
<u>5:30 p.m.</u>	†Bill Barnes Jr	Muriel Lopez	?????
<u>02/05/12</u>	†Olegario & Irene Jimenez	Lupe Ryan	
<u>8:00 a.m.</u>			
<u>9:30 a.m.</u>	Mother's Day Mass League		

### VOCATION CROSS FAMILY PRAYER

<u>Date Received</u>	<u>Date Returned</u>
02/05/12	02/12/12

\* Tues - Thurs Daily Holy Mass or a Communion Service at 9:00 a.m.  
First Friday 9:00 a.m.: Sacred Heart of Jesus Holy Mass

\*\* Holy Mass Intentions are available. Please call the parish office.

\*\*\*Thank you for your continued stewardship of Time, Treasure and Talent!

Noon

The People of the Parish