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### **Mass times:**

Sunday 10:30am  
12pm Spanish

Thursday 6:00pm

**Reconciliation/Confession:**  
Thursday 5:30-6pm

**Religious Ed:**  
Sundays 9-10:15am

### **Anointing of the Sick & Visits:**

Please call the office if you know of  
someone in need of a pastoral visit.

**Marriage Prep:** Notify priest 6+mo. in adv.

**Baptism:** by appointment

## **Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**February 23, 2025**

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Feb. 23....Dick Lane  
Mar. 02....Dan Lane  
Mar. 09....Sr. Liz Wehri  
& Sr. Nancy Edward



### **DO YOU HAVE MASS INTENTIONS?**

We have envelopes at back of the church. Ask an usher.

### **A Word from Fr. Jim: Sunday, February 23, 2025**

As a former Marine via Paris Island, the drill instructors seized upon our fears long enough to burn into our heads the pre-breakfast mantra, "Platoon 3060, kill or be killed." That dark food for the mind and heart is still a part of my subconscious. And yet I can still manage, by grace, to embrace today's scriptures in spite of my history of violence of word and act, forgiven by the graces of a kind and merciful God. Sr Mary McGlone explains God's kindness, in particular, is first afforded to the poor and "like kindness, the word merciful also refers first to God."

I can only imagine how scandalized the Marine mindset is by the example David gives us, spear at hand and yet dismissing the idea of "kill or be killed." David's would-be killer is graced by his imitation of God. It is our hope, as I believe it was David's, that the hearts of our enemies are transformed by the love and kindness we share, and will come to treat us with the same love and kindness with which we treat them. Then also when we sin, they will show mercy and forgiveness in return, and not judge or condemn us.

As Jesus teaches: the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you. This is our challenge: to see others as God sees them. When Abishai and David come across Saul, Abishai sees an enemy, whereas David sees God's anointed. David knows it is not for him, but for God, to judge Saul. Saul's life is ultimately in God's hands. Those the disciples see as enemies and sinners, Jesus sees as worthy of goodness and love. Ultimately, we are all in God's hands. United with Christ, we bear his heavenly image, as God would see and judge us.

### **New to Our Parish?**

#### **Returning and need to update information?**

Ask an usher for the parish registration form. Complete and return to the church office or put in the collection plate.

We are happy you are here!

### **DO YOU GET THE FLOCKNOTES?**

**Keep in touch with our parish through text and emails!**

**Text SJSPSA to 84576**

**OR go to this QR code:**



## Sisters of the Little Way



On March 9th, Sr. Theresa and Sr. Danielle of the Sisters of the Little Way will be arriving to move into the rectory house behind the church. They could use a couple capable volunteers to help unload their moving van on Monday, March 10th between 8-10AM. Contact Laura Groff, parish secretary, for any questions.  
[www.sistersofthelittleway.com](http://www.sistersofthelittleway.com)

**Next Parish Council meeting is Thursday, February 27th at 5PM. Please join us!**



## Birthdays (Feb.23rd—Mar. 1st)

02/23...Charles Comer  
02/25...Dylan Vera  
02/27...Josselyn Melendez  
03/01...Arleth Hernandez



**MARCH requests:**  
**Cereal, canned fruit, spaghetti, and soup.**  
A box has been placed in back of church for collection.



## **Upcoming Prayer classes with Maynard:**

March 1st 12pm-1pm  
How to read the Church Fathers

**“Now may the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the eternal high priest himself, the Son of God Jesus Christ, build you up in faith and truth and in all gentleness and in all freedom from anger and forbearance and steadfastness and patient endurance and purity.”**

**St. Polycarp**  
(75-156)  
**Bishop Martyr**  
**Feast Day Feb. 23**

