

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 12, 2012

TODAY (Green)

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46

1 Cor 10:31—11:1

Mk 1:40-45

NEXT WEEK (Green)

Is 43:18-19, 21-22, 24b-25

2 Cor 1:18-22

Mk 2:1-12

Imagine the sense of desperation that drives the leper in this gospel to kneel before Jesus and beg to be made clean. By touching the leper Jesus takes on the leper's ritual uncleanness. Consequently, Jesus himself must remain an outcast, living in "deserted places." But the people keep "coming to him from everywhere." Jesus is someone who freely and fearlessly touches everything that is human. They cannot stay away from someone who draws this close to them. Can we?

Living Liturgy

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

February 11, Saturday

6:00 p.m. +Rick Jones rb Cheryl Jones

February 12, Sunday

7:00 a.m. +Donald Robles rb Yolanda Robles

9:30 a.m. St. Ann Parish Family

February 14, Tuesday

12:15 p.m. +Roland Johnson rb Eugenia Johnson

February 15, Wednesday

6:30 a.m. +Sr. Germaine Convery rb
West Indian Franciscans

February 16, Thursday

12:15 p.m. +Bernadette Eloi rb her Sister

February 17, Friday

6:30 a.m. +Mary Arns rb her Family

February 18, Saturday

8:30 a.m. Kennara Charles rb a Friend

LOVE OFFERING

The ICM Sisters have made a tremendous contribution to St. Croix. They arrived in 1916, and opened four schools -- St. Patrick's, St. Mary's, St. Ann's and St. Joseph's. We would like to thank them for their love and dedication over the years. In order to assist them in their apostolate, especially in Haiti, the second collection on the last weekend of February - 25th and 26th will be given to them. Please be generous.

WEEK IN PREVIEW

Mon.		OFFICE CLOSED
Tues	7:00 p.m.	PRAYER MEETING
Wed.	10:30 a.m.	Service at Grigg Home for Aged
Thurs.	7:00 p.m.	Deacon Formation Class
Fri.	5:30 p.m.	Holy Hour with Evening Prayer and Benediction

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Agricultural Fair Weekend

**No religious education classes next
weekend. ENJOY THE FAIR.**

PEW CARDS

Please do not remove the Pew Cards from the Church.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon. Jas 1:1-11	Mk 8:11-13
Tues. Jas 1:12-18	Mk 8:14-21
Wed. Jas 1:19-27	Mk 8:22-26
Thu. Jas 2:1-9	Mk 8:27-33
Fri. Jas 2:14-24, 26	Mk 8:34—9:1
Sat. Jas 3:1-10	Mk 9:2-13

Ash Wednesday February 22

Four Masses will be celebrated on Ash Wednesday:

6:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

10:30 a.m. Grigg Home for Aged

Children's Service at 3:00 p.m.

St Joseph's High School

Fr. John Mark, Principal of St. Joseph's High School, will hold meetings at Patrick's School, Monday, February 13th, and St. Mary's School, Monday, February 27th. The meeting time for both schools is 5:00 p.m. He wants to encourage parents/guardians to send their students to St. Joseph's High School. He will explain the new initiatives the School has taken and he wants to dialogue with interested parents/guardians.

Funeral of Sylvester Nelson will be on Wednesday, February 15. Viewing at 9:30 a.m.; Funeral Service at 10:30 a.m. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

The Catholic Islander for the month of February is available at the doors of the church. Please read it, and pass on the good news to a friend.

A LENTEN JOURNEY

The Lenten journey is a time of sacrifice throughout the Universal Church. Fast and abstinence are to be observed on **ASH WEDNESDAY** and **GOOD FRIDAY**. All Catholics who have reached their **18th birthday, and are less than 60 years old are bound to observe the fast**, by which they are limited to a single full meal during the course of the day. All Catholics who have reached their **14th birthday are bound to observe days of abstinence** during which no meat may be eaten. **All the Fridays of lent are days of abstinence from meat.** Lent is also a season in which prayer, the reception of the sacraments, charity and almsgiving are emphasized.

BREAKFAST

The Mother's Club will sponsor a breakfast in the Marian Hall, this Sunday, February 12, after the 7:00 a.m. Mass. All are invited.

St. Lucia's 33rd year of Independence will be celebrated on Sunday, February 19, 2012, at Sts. Joachim and Ann Church, Barrenspot at the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Everyone is invited!

BOOKSTORE

JUST ARRIVED: Crucifixes in various sizes;
Infant of Prague Statues; Rosary Necklaces;
Large and GIANT Print Bibles. Come see!

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

2012 Offertory Envelopes are available in the Marian Hall. Those who used their envelopes faithfully in 2011 will have a box reserved with their names on it. Those wishing to begin, please complete a sign in sheet along with the Offertory Box Number. "Remember it is the Lord your God who gives you the power to acquire wealth." (Dt. 8:18) He has the right to expect dividends.

OUR SICK: Please keep in the charity of your prayers the sick amongst us. Alberta Hendrickson, Agneta C. Petersen, Magdalene James, Lucinda Pemberton, Mary Denis, Catherine Decembre, Leona Javois, Emile Durant, Yolanda Hector, Pricilla Brown, Doreen Pemberton, Zephryne Thomas, Muriel Campbell, Elden Serrant, Steve Beharry, Olive Alexander, E. Joseph Jones, Abel Javois, Stanislaus Prescott, Marv E. Jon, Frances Allen, Julie Dizon, Irene Prevot, Josephine Prescott, Hyacinthe Bright, Steve Keith, Doreen Henry, Anthony Smith, Catherine Samuel, Larry Cook, Marie Gilbert, Fenton Pierre, Omar Dubois, Frank Albany, Mary Martin, Mary Bishop, Bernadette Koupie, Keith Scantlebury, Centelia Matthews, Claude Steele, Olive Le Cointe, Maria Hall, Weena Mc Farlane, Stephanie Jordan, Derick James, Walter E. Durant Sr., Clementina Tuitt, Mary-Jane Gaston, Joseph Mathurine, Kay Colon, Bernadette Megahy, Melborne Clarke, Celestine Clovis, Troy Jones, Ann Marie Marius, Regina Lynch, Marguerite Bannister, Maurille Philemon, Steve Gardiner, Josephine Browne, Varonica Fleming. **Please call the Office to add or remove names from this list.**

MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES

God of all goodness, look with love on those who wait for the safe return of their loved ones who serve in the armed forces of their country. In faith and hope we turn to you for comfort. Grant that we may trust in your mercy and send an angel to sustain us as we await their safe return. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Fr. Simon Obeng, Fr. Alejandro Sanchez, Fr. Jose Herrera,
Fr. Eric Hoag, Fr. Cecil Corneille, Sanil-Dale Tison, Darryl D'Souza, Brian Krauser, Gemma Emmanuel, Levi Denios, Natasha & Ivone Alcala, Linus Felix, Camillus Thomas, Erica A. Toussaint, Nareka Selkriege, Agnes Lindsay, Patrick Rivers, Denecia Weekes, Marcus Maximin, Miguel Navarro, Jr., Mariel Chinouyaz, Audin Benjamin, Jane William, Verin Nesbitt Wescott, Michael Moorehead, Brian Halloway, Istomin & Ismael Lampe, John Noel, Pablo Montanez, Jr., Dwayne Thomas, Xandrio Tank Yuk, Robinson Ferdinand, Kimberly John-Baptiste, Kimberly Ferdinand, Mario Mason, Jr., Aaron Thomas, Valence Modeste Kelly, Iulani Greenidge, Anissa Eversley, David Best, Wayne J. Baker, Kareem James, Reginald Antoine, Marvin Delsol, Ismenio Lampe, Brian Peterson, Elsworth Stevenson, Patricia Charles, Terrance Ritter, Lawrence Ritter, Tasha Warner, Shana Antoine, James Frymyre, Kevin Purcell, Emmanuel Maldonado, Denis Duparl, Louis Encarnacion, Pedro Reyes, Patrick Vernon, James Gaston, Fabian Claxton, Collin Joseph, John A. Francis, Jon Megahy, Nyasia Reed, Jason Jaggernauth, Martin Alexis, Joel Gilbert, James Bressendroff, Darnell Noel, Jeffry Centeno, Anthony Camacho, Aubrey Camaho, Austin Carino, Kernatha Auguste, Masline Noel, Darwin Richards, Jeremiah L. Charler, Akeem Greenidge, Ganisia Lashan, Alex Hector, Leslie Pemberton, John & Felicita Matinez-Gines, Henisha Williams, Nkosi Dennie, Jeremye Morgan. **Please call the office to add or remove names to this list.**

