# ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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# **Pastoral Team**

Reverend Juan Carlos Castillo Parochial Administrator Deacon Ray Brown Deacon Steven Mancuso OFFICE HOURS Monday - Thursday 9:00AM - 3:00PM

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES Sunday 11:15am to 12:15pm Sunday Masses
English: 8:15am - 10:00am
Spanish: 12:30PM
Daily Mass
Monday-Thursday 9:30AM
Confessions Sundays

9:15am - 9:45am 11:45am - 12:15pm or by appointment



# Second SUNDAY

IN ORDINARY TIME

**January 16, 2022** 

### **BROKEN SILENCE**

"For Pete's sake will you kids be quiet?" This question, no doubt, has passed the lips of numerous parents through the years. It's tempting to speculate as to who, exactly, was instructing Isaiah to be quiet. Neighbors? Fellow prophets? Family? No matter. Isaiah says firmly that for the sake of Jerusalem and Zion he will not be silent. Conversely, in the familiar passage in today's Gospel reading, Mary chides her son to break his silence, to save the wedding soon to run out of wine. Jesus responds with a prophetic action, one that signals the miraculous, bountiful joy flowing at the heavenly wedding feast. Prophetic words, prophetic deeds—both flow from a broken silence.

### PROBLEM CHILDREN

The Corinthians seem to have been Paul's problem children. His two letters to them are much longer than any of his other letters—two, three, or four times as long as some. It seems that if the early Christians at Corinth could misunderstand or do something wrong, they would. Fortunately for us, the two letters to the Corinthians, though they contain much didactic or instructional material, also provide some of Paul's most well-crafted and grace-filled writing. This is certainly true today, with Paul's litany of gifts that the Spirit bestows on the faithful, even to this day. Paul seeks to calm the squabbling that seems to have been going on, as the Corinthians tried to claim one gift or another as more important. All gifts come from the same Spirit, Paul reminds them; and the various gifts are given for the benefit of the community. When jealousy arises in our midst today, we can still turn to Paul's insights so we might stop being prideful, problem children.

# WONDROUS CHILD

In the Gospel scene at Cana, we see Mary turning to her own child, Jesus. Perhaps she recalled the power of the Spirit that had flowed in her womb at his Incarnation, leading her to discern that surely he must have Spirit-given gifts that could help with the impending crisis at the wedding. As at her Annunciation, she may not have been completely certain, at first, exactly how this would come about, but in faith at Cana she turned to Jesus. In faith, her words, "do whatever he tells you," echoed her reply to Gabriel: "Let it be done to me as you say." In faith, she knows whatever words the Word will speak are bound to bring another inbreaking of the Spirit, another mani-

festation of God's reign. And she is right. Her wondrous child, John the Evangelist tells us, performed his first wonder there, and signaled the presence of the divine in the everyday.

## **TODAY'S READINGS**

Isaiah 62:1–5 Psalm 96:1–2, 2–3, 7–8, 9–10 1 Corinthians 12:4–11 John 2:1–11

# mother said to the servers,

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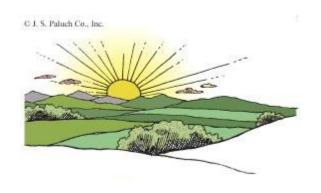
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Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass

# **January 16, 2022**

# **Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Almighty ever-living God, who govern all things, both in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the pleading of your people and bestow your peace on our times. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.



# Let us pray for the health of:

Ray O'Keefe, Eva de Angel, Tony Christiano, Nestor Beroch,
Robert Beier, Monica Moore, Don Christiano, Manuel Arias, Brenda Diefanderfer
Linda Christiano, Michael Kunai, Erika Lloyd, Nayar Prado,
Rosa Duarte, Pattie Costello, Kathryn Giddens, Nina Waters, Phylli Fletcer,
Francis Zubricky, Beatriz Agudelo, Toni Leigl, Daniel Riddle, Lisa Salomon,
Jeanne Han, Yina Green, Josefina Di Domenico, Valerie Vargas, Dennis Zubricky,
Grace Mack, Segrid Mack, Barkeia McBride, Mary Diefanderfer,
Shawn Costello, Barry White, Raymond Moore, Manuel Garcia, Myriam Santacruz
Patricia Hunter, Tripp Lasseter, Ruby Green, Pat Murphy, Skyler Deyarmin.

# For the Eternal rest of:

Rita Mayorga, Alice Essling, Sheila Maxwell, Saul Muñoz, Mary Malehorn, Angi Christiano, Brittany Felts, Tom Turner, Frank Hunter, Linnet Crump John Folson, Lois Adkins, Rene Lopez, Eugene Faborito, Julisa Aguilar, Francisco Mayorga, Carroll Waters, Juana Perez, Edgardo Arias, Maria Gallegos, Judy Plantier, Shawn Murphy, Henry Mayorga Fran LaRock, Bill Raczkowski, Consuelo Borrero. Jim Murphy. Carolene Johnson, Melisa Green, Estela de Santacruz, Rufina Fernandez Kevin Ward, Louis Adkins, Baby Robert Wesley, All faithful Departed

Adoration Of The
Blessed Sacrament
First Saturday
7:00PM to 10:00PM
Wednesday 10AM - 12PM



RCIA STUDENTS Sundays 11:15am—12:15pm Conference Room









Our generous donations are important for the Church Building Fund Nancy Yates
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### **Church Cleaning**

Monday 10am after daily mass.

All help is greatly appreciated



# **Donations for St. Francis Center:**

Food to restock their pantry and Men's shoes.

Sr. Nuala is extremely grateful for your generosity.

## Knights of Columbus Round table meeting

Parish Hall
Second Sunday of the month.
Next Meeting February 13
at 11:15AM



Our Rosary makers meet every 3rd Saturday of the month at 11:30am. For more information please contact Kathryn Giddens at (229)482-2364 Next Meeting February 19



# THE LIGHT OF CHRIST SANCTUARY LIGHT



In reverence and petition Pray this week for this Special Intention:

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January 9, 2022 Collections

Regular Collection	\$2,593
Building Fund	\$2,544
Annual Catholic	\$