



## About God's Word THROUGH THE WEEK AT EPIPHANY



### Sunday, Jun 12, 2022

### Mirror the unconditional love of God

On this day six years ago, 49 people were murdered and 53 wounded in a mass shooting at a nightclub in Orlando. Most victims were members of the LGBTQ community and people of color. Expressions of horror and support poured in from around the world. Archbishop, now Cardinal, Blase Cupich of Chicago said: "Our prayers and hearts are with the victims of the mass shooting in Orlando, their families and our gay and lesbian brothers and sisters. . . . In response to hatred, we are called to sow love. In response to violence, peace. And, in response to intolerance, tolerance." And Cardinal Sean O'Malley of Boston further crystallized the message: "We must meet the challenges of combining freedom, pluralism, and unity in our increasingly diverse society if the United States is to continue to be a beacon of hope to the world." Sow love, champion diversity, and be the hope.

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
TODAY'S READINGS: Proverbs 8:22-31; Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15
(166). "Affliction produces endurance, and endurance, proven
character, and proven character, hope, and hope does not
disappoint."

### Monday, Jun 13, 2022

### Saint of the lost and found

Many folks, when they lose track of their car keys, glasses, or phone, say a quick prayer to Saint Anthony. He's probably best known as the patron saint of lost objects—think of the countless prayers for his intercession he's received! The story goes that he lost a precious book once, feared it had been stolen, and prayed to find it. Soon after, it was returned by the novice who had taken it. Little losses can feel like big annoyances, but what about the big things lost that slip away little noticed? Like our relationship with God and with others that slowly disappear when neglected. Pray to Anthony for help in holding close the things most dear in life.

MEMORIAL OF ANTHONY OF PADUA, FRANCISCAN PRIEST, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Kings 21:1-16; Matthew 5:38-42 (365). "Give to the one who asks of you."

### Tuesday, Jun 14, 2022

### My country 'tis of thee

The love of God and country, it is said, are as American as apple pie. On this Flag Day, it's helpful to realize that Catholic social teaching supports the love of one's country, so long as it's expressed as a form of solidarity rather than supremacy. Pope John Paul II spoke of it when addressing his Polish compatriots: "Love of our motherland unites us and must unite us above all the differences. It has nothing in common with narrow nationalism or chauvinism," he wrote. "It is the measure of human nobility." Read more in his 1978 Letter to the People of Poland.

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 Kings 21:17-29; Matthew 5:43-48 (366). "But I say to you, love your enemies."

### Wednesday, Jun 15, 2022

#### A contemplative pioneer in the North Star State

On this day in 1947, Father Prosper Edward Meyer, O.S.B. was ordained to the priesthood in Collegeville, Minnesota as the first black Benedictine in the United States. He was an early African-American priest at Saint John's Abbey, among the first U.S. Catholic seminaries (religious or diocesan) to lift bans on black applicants. Meyer would go on to serve for 14 years in priestly

ministry, including overseas in the Bahamas, until his untimely death in 1961 at the age of 49. His willingness to persevere in faith and in his vocation serves to inspire us all to holiness and fortitude in our respective states of life.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Kings 2:1, 6-14; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18 (367). "But when you pray, go to your inner room, close the door, and pray to your Father in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will repay you."

### Thursday, Jun 16, 2022

### In praise of down time

Traditionally this is the time of year for summer vacation. The Christian tradition has had a love-hate relationship with leisure—often embracing work as a sign of virtue and salvation (a more common emphasis within Protestant churches but affecting American culture in general). However, from early on, Christians have respected leisure, instituting a Sabbath Day and touting the concept of "holy leisure" (otium sanctum). Monks promoted the concept because prayer and contemplation cannot thrive in constant activity. If you're taking a vacation soon, embrace it fully, and let it be restorative physically, mentally, and spiritually.

TODAY'S READINGS: Sirach 48:1-14; Matthew 6:7-15 (368). "Your Father knows what you need before you ask him."

### Friday, Jun 17, 2022

### History makes perfectly clear our imperfect past

Last year President Joe Biden proclaimed June 19 as Juneteenth National Independence Day, a federal holiday commemorating the final emancipation of enslaved African Americans. As much as freedom is something to celebrate, our history of slavery cannot be ignored. In the words of U.S. poet Maya Angelou: "History, despite its wrenching pain, cannot be unlived: however, if faced with courage, need not be lived again." That is why we study history, mark its days of tragedy and good fortune, and learn from prior generations' successes and failures. Studying history is what makes us human. It is self-reflection that can lead to progress, or as Saint Augustine put it: "This is the very perfection of a man, to find out his own imperfections."

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Kings 11:1-4, 9-18, 20; Matthew 6:19-23 (369). "All the people of the land rejoiced and the city was quiet."

### Saturday, Jun 18, 2022

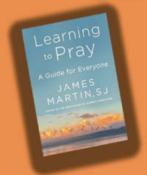
### Take a moment to hail Mary

If there were an angel in heaven keeping track of which prayer gets said the most, the Hail Mary, being prayed now for more than a thousand years, would likely win hands down. In a single recitation of the Rosary, the Hail Marys outnumber the Our Fathers 53 to six. The first half of the Hail Mary is taken from the first chapter of Luke, the greetings to Mary by the Angel Gabriel and her relative Elizabeth. The last half, the petition, was added around the time of the Council of Trent in the 1500s. It takes about 15 seconds to recite the prayer. Pray it regularly as a way to center your heart and soul.

MEMORIAL OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Chronicles 24:17-25; Matthew 6:24-34 (370). "But seek first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given you besides."

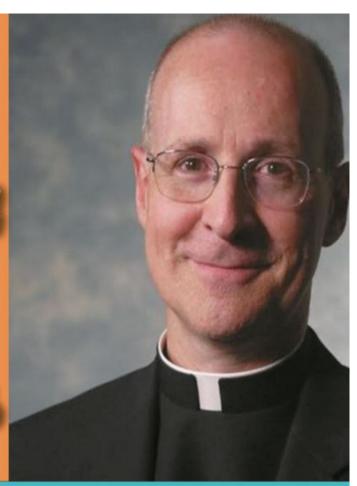
## LEARNING TO PRAY

"Learning to Pray explains what prayer is, what to expect from praying, how to do it, and how it can transform us when we make it a regular practice in our lives."



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Jim Martin will be hosting a discussion group on June 13th @ 8pm
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**JUNE 12 - JUNE 19** 

I I:00am Family Mass 7:30 Young Adult Mass



JUNE

I 2:30pm Mass Miraculous Medal Novena 8:00pm Fr.James Martin,SJ "Learning To Pray"



11:00am 22 Club 12:10pm Mass 2:30pm Prayer Corps 7:00pm Connect Meeting



12:10pm Mass
12:40pm Our Lady of
Perpetual (Church)
5:30pm Cub Scouts
7:00pm Breaking Open The Word via Zoom



12:10pm Mass 7:00pm Young Adult Alpha



I 2:10 Mass I:00pm Legionnaries of Mary 6:30pm San't Egidio Prayer Group (Church)



4pm Vigil Mass



8:00am San't Egidio Food Drive I I:00am Family Mass 7:30 Young Adult Mass

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In effort to fund the repair and refinishing of our pews, parishoners may dedicate pews to honor loved ones, living or deceased, or for your own special intentions, Dedications will cost \$500 For more information, please contact the rectory

### MASSES

Monday-Friday 12:10pm Saturday Vigil: 4pm Sunday 11am & 7:30pm

### THIS WEEK'S ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 11 Memorial of Saint Barnabas, Apostle

4:00pm Msgr Thomas Modugno

Sunday, June 12 The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

11:00am the Brown Family, living & deceased

7:30pm David Holmes

Monday, June 13 Memorial of Saint Anthony Padua

12:10pm Salvatore Mediterraneo

Tuesday, June 14

12:10pm Pasquale Capuano

Wednesday, June 15

12:10pm Lawrence Perry

Thursday, June 16

12:10pm the Powers & Mallon families, living & deceased

Friday, June 17

12:10pm Maria & Joseph McGreevy

Saturday, June 18

4:00pm Joseph Schembri

Sunday, June 19 The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

11:00am intentions of Diane & Dominick Bianco

7:30pm Sue Zerbo

Monday, June 20

12:10pm John & Eulogia Rivera

Tuesday, June 21 Memorial of Saint Aloysius Gonzaga

12:10pm Pasquale Capuano

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