

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 29, 2012

*Come, let us bow down in worship;
let us kneel before the LORD who made us.*

— *Psalm 95:6*



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TODAY'S READING

First Reading — Moses spoke to all the people, saying: “A prophet like me will the LORD, your God, raise up for you” (Deuteronomy 18:15-20).

Psalm — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

Second Reading — Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties (1 Corinthians 7:32-35).

Gospel — The people were astonished at Jesus' teaching (Mark 1:21-28).

FALSE PROPHETS, TRUE PROPHETS

In Deuteronomy today we hear that God's very words will fill the mouth of a true prophet, but a false prophet will, in a manner of speaking, put mere mortal words into God's mouth. In Mark's Gospel, we see Jesus teaching and healing as a true prophet, one filled with the authority of God's own voice, the Holy One of God.

The whole history of our church is filled with both true and false prophets. But in today's Gospel we learn that Jesus' fame spread because he taught with authority; he wasn't an authority because he was popular or famous. We also learn from him, in his desert temptation confrontations with Satan, that anyone can quote scripture, even against God's purposes. And today we hear that his authority was not like that of the scribes, who held the official positions of religious authority in his day. Our work is to do our best to discern the true prophets in our midst, and to be true prophets as well. The psalmist tells us how to do this: by not hardening our hearts when God speaks. If we truly listen to God, it will be God's very words filling our mouths.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday:	2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 — 19:3; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday:	2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday:	Mal 3:1-4; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]
Friday:	Sir 47:2-11; Mk 6:14-29
Saturday:	1 Kgs 3:4-13; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday:	Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147; 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23; Mk 1:29-39

**RECTORY OFFICE HOURS: Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri 9:00 am – 4:00 pm CLOSED
12:30 – 1:30 Lunch. CLOSED ON WEDNESDAY.**

**Rosary Dedication for January: For the courage to turn away from sin
and make a new beginning in the New Year.**

This Week at Our Lady of Sorrow

Saturday, Jan 28th

3:00 – 3:30 Confessions

Mass – 4:00 pm

Youth Group Bake Sale after Mass

Sunday, Jan 29th

Rosary, 7:35 am

Mass - 8 am

Youth Group Bake Sale after all Masses

9:00 am PRE Classes

Mass – 10:30 am

Mass – 5:00 pm

Church History Classes 6:30-8:15

Mon, Jan 30th

Mass- 8:00 am

Tuesday, Jan 31st

Mass – 8:00 am

Zumba classes, 6-7 pm GYM

Wed. Feb 1st Rectory Closed

Legion of Mary, 4:30 pm LH

Mass – 6:30 pm,

RCIA, 7 pm KH

Thurs. Feb 2nd

Mass– 8:00 am

Church History Classes 9:30-11:30

Zumba Classes , 6 pm GYM

Youth Group, 6:30 pm

Parent Meeting, Confirmation 6:30
cafeteria

STVDP meeting 7 pm KH

Friday, Feb 3rd

Mass- 8:00 am

Adoration, 9 am

Benediction, 12

Saturday, Feb 4th

Mass – 8:00 am

Altar Guild Meeting 9 am

Basketball Game 11 am, GYN

3:00 – 3:30 Confessions

Mass – 4:00 pm

Sunday, Feb 5th

Rosary, 7:35 am

Mass - 8 am

9:00 am PRE Classes

Hospitality after 8 am & 10:30 Mass KH

Mass – 10:30 am

Mass – 5:00 pm

Church History Classes 6:30-8:15, KH



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SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Catholic Schools Week
Tuesday: St. John Bosco
Thursday: The Presentation of the Lord;
Groundhog Day
Friday: St. Blaise; St. Ansgar; Blessing of
Throats; First Friday
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

LEADERS

Leaders are like eagles. They don't
flock. You find them . . . one at a time.

—Anonymous

CBHS & Soccer Ole': Spring Soccer Program for boys and girls,
ages 3-12 from March 3th-May 12th, 2011. Sign up now!
www.soccerole.org or call (901) 261 49 66.

CBHS Trivia Night: Christian Brothers High School will be
hosting its 11th annual Trivia Night (to benefit De La Salle at Blessed
Sacrament Jubilee School) on Friday, February 3, 2012, 7:00 p.m., in
the CBHS Heffernan Hall, 5900 Walnut Grove Road in Memphis. For
a registration form or more information, visit the CBHS website,
www.cbhs.org, or contact the CBHS Development Office at 261-4930.

***Ministers & Altar Server
Schedule for Jan 28 & 29***

	<u>4:00 PM</u>	<u>8:00 am</u>	<u>10:30 am</u>	<u>5:00 pm</u>
Communion	G. Hooten G. Taulman	Deacon Henry P. Stavrum	K. Pope A. Humphrey	R. Roque E. Roque
Reader:	B. Roth	B. Plessinger	L. Pope	D. Marquez/J. Isabel
Altar Servers:	L. Carter C. Sawicki	K. Owen Al. Martini	S. Roque A. Roque	A. Marquez O. Marquez E. Garcia

***Ministers & Altar Server
Schedule Feb 4 & 5***

	<u>4:00 PM</u>	<u>8:00 am</u>	<u>10:30 am</u>	<u>5:00 pm</u>
Communion	N. Vinturella G. Pannell	D. Gohman S. O'Brien	Deacon Henry L. O'Donnell	N. Vinturella M. Barrera
Reader:	R. Pannell	J. Bish	R. Henderson	E. Roque/R. Roque
Altar Servers:	W. Durbin W. Solomon	K. Hudson K. Owen	K. Hissong J. Sterling	J. Rivera E. Garcia

Please remember the following people in your prayers: Therese Acklen, Fr. Jack Atkinson, Theresa Baker, Ann Balcom, Deacon Don Bennis, June Bennis, Rebecca Bethune, Ed Bisner, Deanna Bolgeo, Rena Bolgeo, Johnny Boletta, Roy Bridges, Thomas Brown, Carole Brunner, Trudi Collier, Jessica Mann Dean, Abraham Delgado, Danny Dunn, Elena Everroad, Rena Frazier, Theresa Greco, Eileen Haklitch, Ruth Hill, Raymond Hosse, John & Lisa Hutchison, Mike & Donna Jackson, Bill Johnson, Margaret Jones, Brad Kitts, Butsy Lanigan, Fr. Joe Lattus, Angelo Lobianco, Ericka Lopez, Robert Lutts, Jerry Lynn, Sadie Claire Lynn, Joseph Mangold, Rita McKenzie, Alex Mosby, Dewitt O'Brien, Waldyr Poilis, Nancy Pope, Dr. Cheryl Pearson, Ester Ralph, Bea Remmert, Mary Dorothy Scola, Mona Stringfellow, Fr. Bryan Timby, Marie Torres, Vera Trudell, Henry VanNess, Maria Isabelle Vega, Mike Walsh, Victor Weirich, Helene Weiss, Lewis Wilkinson, Angie Wright .

***Flowers on altar in Honor of Deacon Henry Littleton Birthday
From Jeanne***



Stewardship of the Altar – Flowers can be put on the Altar in memory of a loved one; a deceased couple of the departed of an entire family or in honor of someone's special anniversary, birthdays or other happy occasions or just to honor someone you think is special. Please contact Frances Bursi at 357-5874 or 634-1168.

Bus Trip: The Monthly Bus Trip is Sunday, January 29th we will going to Bally's, if interested, please call Martha Hensley at 357-2459 or 268-2849.

A Taste of CBHS™: Christian Brother High School will have its “A Taste of CBHS” Sunday, March 4, 5:00 – 8:00 pm at Christian Brothers High School. More than 30 restaurants and suppliers, with a connection to Christian Brothers High School, will participate. Tickets are \$60 per person and are available for purchase at the CBHS Development Office or on-line at the CBHS website, www.cbhs.org.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. Jan 28th 4:00 pm

Angelo Bursi+

Sunday, Jan 29th 8:00 am

People of Parish

Sunday, Jan 29th 10:30 am

Cora Cobb+

Sunday, Jan 29th 5:00 pm

Mary Timby+

Monday Jan 30th 8:00 am

Fr. Patrick Heenan+

Tuesday, Jan 31st 8:00 am

Msgr. Morris+

Wednesday, Feb 1st 6:30 pm Rectory Closed

Theresa Grecco+

Thurs. Feb 2nd 8:00 am

Rose Sterenchak+

Friday Feb 3rd 8:00 am

Delia Owen+

Sat. Feb 4th 8:00 am

Joe Viglietti +

Sat. Feb 4th 4:00 pm

George Richard Field+

Sunday, Feb 5th 8:00 am

Int. of Don & Dar Gohman

Sunday, Feb 5th 10:30 am

People of Parish

Sunday, Feb 5th 5:00 pm

Toni Cziernewski+

**PARISHONERS IN NURSING
HOME:**

Dolores Bair

Ava Maria Home

2805 Charles Bryan Road, 38134

Ginger Shemwell

King's Daughters & Sons

3568 Appling Rd, room 144

Bartlett, TN 38133

Trudell Collier

Kings, Sons and Daughters

3568 Appling Road, room 106

Memphis, TN 38133

Bea Remmert

Memphis, Jewish Rebb

36 Bazeberry Road, room 212-A

Cordova, TN 38016

Vera Trudell

Grace Healthcare room 306-A

955 N. Germantown Pkwy

Cordova, TN 38018

Henry Van Ness

Spring Gate Healthcare

3909 Covington Pike #302

Bartlett, TN 38135, 371-3182

Helene Weiss

St. Francis Nursing Home

5959 Park Ave, room 328

Memphis, TN 38119

OLS School Registration: Our Lady of Sorrows School will begin registering students for the 2012-2013 school year on Monday, January 9, 2012. The tuition rate is \$5,000 per student for all students. Substantial tuition grants will be available to all students, but students must be registered BEFORE they can apply for financial assistance. There is a registration fee of \$75 for new students and \$50 for returning students. There is a maximum registration fee of \$200 per family. Documents needed to complete registration are:

- 1) A copy of each child's BIRTH CERTIFICATE, if not already on file;
- 2) If Catholic, a copy of each child's BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE;
- 3) A current immunization record for each child, if not already on file
- 4) A statement of church affiliation or non-affiliation.

Please note, that all immunization records must be updated each year and should be done before the start of classes in August.

**Financial Report
Weekend of 01/22/2012**

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Envelopes	\$1,689.00
Loose Checks & cash	906.00
Improvement	612.00
Latin America	86.00
Total Collection	2,993.00
Church Budget for the week	- 4,449.00
Collection Diff for the week	\$ (1,456.00)
Collections Revenues Y-T-D	\$ 108,021.30
Church Budget Y-T-D	<u>129,021.00</u>
Collections Deficit Y-T-D	\$ (20,999.70)



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Forty days after Christmas, this week's ancient feast of the Presentation of the Lord is an extension of the shining days of Christ's coming into the depths of winter. This is the day when, for a thousand years, the Church has blessed a year's supply of candles. In many places, a procession forms outside the church. The core memory is of Simeon and Anna's meeting with the infant Jesus and his parents outside the temple on the fortieth day after the child's birth, and the delight of going to the table of the Lord for the Eucharist, a foretaste of our final meeting with Christ.

For some Christians, today is known as "The Meeting," suggesting not only the encounter in the temple, but also our assembly at the Lord's table and our longing for the kingdom. One story suggests that the commotion made by so many candle-bearing, hymn-singing faithful in the wintry fields of Germany on their joyful way to Mass stirred the badger from hibernation to examine this promise of springtime. The interrupted nap of the groundhog is amazingly linked to the light of Christ driving away the shadows of the world's darkness. This beautiful feast only rarely falls on a Sunday. What better reason could there be for candles at dinner tonight? —James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

First Communion & Confirmation Mass Attendance: All OLS parishioners desiring to celebrate their First Holy Communion or Confirmation this Spring 2012 must meet the following criteria:

- Have been enrolled and an active participant in religious education for at least two full consecutive years at the time of the sacramental celebration;
- Participate in the weekly celebration of Sunday Mass;
- Receive a Mass attendance ticket from Fr. Timby following each Sunday liturgy and give it to their religion teacher for safe-keeping.

Those just beginning their sacramental preparation process must complete the following if they wish to receive First Holy Communion or Confirmation in Spring 2013:

- Be enrolled in and an active participant in religious education for at least two full consecutive years at the time of the sacramental celebration;
- Participate in the weekly celebration of Sunday Mass, even during summer months;
- Receive a Mass attendance ticket from Fr. Timby following each Sunday liturgy and give it to their religion teacher for safe-keeping.

High School Placement Test: Christian Brothers High School (CBHS) will be holding a final High School Placement Test for 8th grade boys interested in attending Christian Brothers High School in the fall (2012-13 school year) on Saturday, February 4, 8:00 a.m., 5900 Walnut Grove Road in Memphis. For more information, contact the CBHS Admission Office at 261-4950 or the CBHS website, www.cbhs.org.

Needed Items: Our Lady of Sorrows Schools will be giving their presentations of "Wizard of OZ" in March with dinner. They are in need of items for the play. If you have any of these items listed please call Sherri Bland at 872-7833 or 287-0791. Paint brushes old or new, permanent markers, construction paper and witches hats.

WHOSE AUTHORITY?

A man stands on your front doorstep, holding a Bible:

“Good afternoon. May I share a few words of Christian truth with you?”

“Sure. Where do you get this truth?”

“From the Bible, of course.”

“That’s your authority? The Bible?”

“Yes, it’s the only authority for Christians.”

“Can you prove that from the Bible?”

“What do you mean?”

“I mean I don’t believe the Bible claims to be the sole rule of faith. Please show me where the Bible claims such a status for itself.”

Sometimes the conversation goes more like this:

“Good afternoon. May I share a few words of Christian truth with you?”

“No, I’m a Catholic.”

The door closes.

Many door-to-door proselytizers have good intentions. They want to convert you to the “truth”—as they see it. From their perspective, the Bible is the sole authority for the Christian faith. Some are taught that Catholics are prohibited from reading the Bible or know nothing about the scriptures. However, not only do we have full access to the Bible, but we hear segments of it proclaimed every time we celebrate Mass. In today’s first reading God gives Moses the right to speak with divine authority to the people of Israel. In today’s readings Jesus and Moses are recognized as speaking and acting with the authority of God. Both Jesus and Moses acted as a bridge between the people and God. For us the scriptures are a bridge for God’s truth, but so are the sacraments and the lived experience of the Church—what we call Tradition. It is part of our responsibility as disciples of Jesus to learn from the scriptures, to listen attentively at Mass, to read scripture prayerfully for ourselves, and to learn more about the Bible through reading, studying, and learning with others. *Copyright © 2011, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.*



OLS Alumni?: We are seeking the names addresses, telephone numbers and email addresses of any and all who every graduated from or attend Our Lady of Sorrows School so we can invite them to our homecoming events planned for 2012. If you have children who attended OLS school please get the information to us by mail, telephone or email. Please do it even if you have supplied the information to us before because e lost a lot of data in recent years. Also, if you have friends and acquaintances who used to attend OLS Church but have moved away from the neighborhood, we are looking to contact them about our Big Homecoming events of 2012 so get out your Christmas card list, your address books, and work on your memories and sent the information to us ASAP by mail, telephone, or email. Thank you!

Marriage Help: How Do Children Survive the Constant Bickering? *Thousands headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriage by attending Retrouvaille.* Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) means rediscovery. The program offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse, and a loving relationship in your marriage. Retrouvaille is a not spiritual retreat, a sensitivity group, a seminar, nor a social gathering. For confidential information about or to register for the program call Shelly and Jerry, weekend coordinators: 901-210-6532, email: 3042@retrouville.org, Website: www.HelpOurMarriage.com. The next marriage saving programs begins with a weekend on Feb. 24-26, 2012.

2012 Mother/Daughter Programs: 2012 Mother/Daughter Programs for 10 – 12 year old girls will be on Sundays, March 11 or March 25 and Sunday, March 18 for 13 – 16 year old girls at Saint Francis Hospital Auditorium. The Mother/Daughter Programs offer a wonderful opportunity for mothers and daughters to be together to learn about growing up and becoming a woman, respect for themselves and appreciation for God’s gifts of human sexuality and fertility. The programs emphasize the virtue of chastity, the sacredness of human life and parent-child communication. \$25 per family. Pre-registration is required. Register online at www.cdom.org. Call Mary Pat Van Epps at Diocese of Memphis NFP Center (901) 373-1285 for more information.

Eaglefest “Grand Homecoming” and the 3rd Annual Mid South Championship Steak Cook Off is just around the corner! October 13, 2012 is the date and we need you. Our planning committee will hold their first meeting on February 28th at 6pm in the teacher’s lounge. Come share your time and talents for a great cause. There are openings on the committee, new ideas and faces are always welcome. If you have questions, suggestions or comments feel free to email Linda O’Donnell at lindarodonnell@bellsouth.net or give her a call at 901-382-2167 after 5pm. You can also call the school office at 901-358-7431. We look forward to planning with you!

Housekeeper Needed: OLS is seeking a part-time house keeper to work two days per week (Monday and Thursday mornings) to clean the first floor of the rectory and Krug Hall. Applicants must have documents necessary to satisfy the new Tennessee employment laws. Please contact Carolyn Roberts at 353-1530.

CBHS- Soccer Ole’ Fall Registration: Spring Soccer program for boys & girls, ages 3-12 at Christian Brothers High School. Sign up online www.soccerole.org or call Coach Rogerio Lima at 901-261 4966 , email coachlima@soccerole.org for more information.

Bake Sale: The Youth Group is have a last minute Bake Sale this weekend after all the Masses to help raise funds for their summer mission trip. Please help them out by taking something good home for your Sunday dessert.

Thank you: A big congratulations to all who worked on the decorations for the Centennial Dinner last Saturday night. The ladies of the Altar Guild really came through! Our LANCE and ACE teachers put together some very nice hors d’oeuvres. Some of our youth climbed ladder and hung balloons in places the ladies dared not go. And the parish staff did a great job cleaning up the gym and organizing everything from the office. No names can be listed because it would be inevitable that someone’s name would be omitted, but you know who you are and to you we say THANK YOU! If you missed it, the party was a real celebration of family and friends here at OLS. And the liturgy beforehand was beautiful. It was good to see so many come back for a gathering of faith, hope and love.

Basketball News: The OLS basketball team was defeated by Lindenwood last weekend, 38-14. The Eagles will be back in action this Saturday at Christ United Methodist Church. Game time is 12 PM.

St. Anthony’s Bread: The second collection on the fifth Sundays of a month are designated for the St. Vincent de Paul Society and are known as the St. Anthony’s Bread after the example of St. Anthony of Padua who, even as bishop of Padua, begged for his food which he shared with anyone who asked regardless of how much or how little he had been given. We ask only for your loose coins, but currency and checks are always welcome (they weigh less and are easier to count!). Thank you for your generosity.

Spiritual Life Committee: The Spiritual Life Committee will meet on Monday, February 6, in the rectory to discuss plans for Mardi Gras, Lent and Easter. If you have an interest in helping with the development of the spiritual activities of the parish, please consider this an invitation to join us. Our meetings are quarterly and rarely last more than an hour.

Catholic Diocese of Memphis encourages all victims or parents of minors who are victims of sexual abuse by a priest, deacon or diocesan employee or agent to report such abuse by phoning any of the following numbers: Tennessee Child Abuse Hot Line at 1-877-237-0004, Shari Lee, Victim Assistance Coordinator for Diocese of Memphis , 652-4066 or Jim Latta, Office of Child and Youth Protection and Professional Responsibility, 359-2027.

2012 Mass Intentions – We are scheduling Mass intentions for the 2012 calendar year. The cost to have a Mass offered is \$5.00 for weekday Mass and \$10.00 for Sunday/Holy Day Masses. Dates fill up quickly. Call the Parish Office at 353-1530 and speak to Carolyn to schedule Masses.