

## ***Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time January 31, 2016***

### **The Story and You: Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

I know a fascinating secret about today's section from Luke. This insight comes from the work of Bargil Pixner, OSB, an archaeologist who excavated some of the more famous portions of ancient Israel. The city of Nazareth (never mentioned in the Old Testament) very probably was founded only a hundred years before the birth of Jesus, and was purposely named Nazareth from the Hebrew word nazir, which means set apart. This means that the grandchildren of those who settled that little town—who had probably emigrated from Babylon, that place of exile—saw themselves as set apart. Why? Because they were descended from King David, and they expected that the Messiah would come from their ranks. Doesn't that make much of the odd behavior of the people from Jesus' home town make sense?

Throughout all four of the gospels there is a backdrop of hostility and disappointment when Jesus returns to Nazareth. He is the famous miracle worker, the charismatic leader who has drawn twelve devoted apostles to his work, he is royalty, for heaven's sake, and yet what has he done? Has he mobilized an army, like David would have, to expel the loathsome Romans? Has he marched on Jerusalem and staged a coup to take over the palace? Most important, has he assigned his own family members as generals in his army and presidents of his parliament?

What good is finally having the Messiah (anointed one) come from your home town if his idea of anointed is that he brings good news to the poor and restores sight to the blind? What kind of glorious revolution is that? No wonder they tried to throw him off a cliff.

*Have you ever relinquished your expectations of family members and honored who they really are?*

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### **La Historia y Usted: Cuarto Domingo de Tiempo Ordinario**

Yo conozco un secreto fascinante acerca de la sección de hoy del libro de Lucas. Esta revelación viene del trabajo de Bargil Pixner, OSB, un arqueólogo que excavó algunas de las piezas más famosas de la ciudad de Nazaret (nunca

mencionada en el Antiguo Testamento) muy probablemente fue fundada solamente unos cien años antes del nacimiento de Jesús, y se le dio a propósito el nombre Nazaret, derivada de la palabra Hebrea nazir, que significa separar. Esto significa que los nietos de aquellos que fundaron aquel pueblecito—quienes probablemente emigraron desde Babilonia, ese lugar de exilio—se consideraban a ellos mismos separados. ¿Por qué? Porque ellos eran descendientes del Rey David, y ellos esperaban que el Mesías saliera de entre ellos. ¿No te parece que eso explica mucho del comportamiento raro de la gente del pueblo de Jesús? En muchas partes de los cuatro evangelios se nota un fondo de hostilidad y decepción cuando Jesús regresa a Nazaret. Él es un famoso trabajador de milagros, un líder carismático que ha atraído a doce devotos apóstoles a su misión, él es la realeza, por Dios, y a pesar de eso, ¿Qué ha logrado? ¿Ha movilizado a algún ejército, tal como lo hubiese hecho David, para expulsar a los detestados Romanos? ¿Ha marchado a Jerusalén para planear un golpe de estado y apoderarse del palacio? Más importante, ¿Ha asignado a sus propios familiares como generales en su ejército y presidentes de su ¿Qué bien les hace que finalmente al Mesías (el elegido) haya salido de su pueblo si su idea de ser elegido es traer buenas noticias a los pobres y recobrar la vista a los ciegos? ¿Qué tipo de revolución gloriosa es esa? Eso explica porque trataron de aventarlo de un cerro.

*¿Alguna vez has renunciado a tus expectativas de tus familiares y los has honrado por lo que realmente son?*

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Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish--  
Lucy Ortega, Conception Ayala, LaSelle Pino, Frank Romero, Fernando Olivas, Olivia Scott, Guadalupe Sanches, Clarita Rubio, Veronica Aragon, Mary Maes, Tillie Estrada, Alicia Aguilar, Dana Tracy

Community Ministry Food Bank—would like us to collect **Peanut Butter & Jelly** for the month of **February**. Please leave your donations in the church vestibule.  
SuperBowl© Sunday is coming and so is Souper Bowl Sunday. Bring in and extra can of soup on Feb 7 for a Souper Day !!



The Year of Mercy—Pope Francis would like to encourage all Catholics to assist in bringing a brighter awareness of the Acts of Mercy, corporal and spiritual, in the year of mercy. So here is a list of those Acts or Works of Mercy:

*Corporal Works of Mercy*

- 1) Feed the Hungry
- 2) Give drink to the Thirsty
- 3) Clothe the Naked
- 4) Shelter the Homeless
- 5) Visit the Sick
- 6) Visit the Imprisoned
- 7) Bury the Dead

*Spiritual Works of Mercy*

- 1) Instruct the Ignorant
- 2) Counsel the Doubtful
- 3) Admonish Sinners
- 4) Bear Wrongs patiently
- 5) Forgive Offences willingly
- 6) Comfort the Afflicted
- 7) Pray for the Living and the Dead

Raise your hand if you like to attend funerals—no one? I didn't think so. But it is a comforting act. We ask ourselves, well, I don't know what to say; my words won't mean anything. The truth is we don't need to say anything. Our silent witness is often enough.

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*Mark your Calendars!* All students and parents with ties to **Saint Cajetan School** are invited to a Fiftieth Jubilee Reception for the Benedictine Sisters who taught, served, and grew with Saint Cajetan School. The Jubilee will be at the Saint Cajetan Event Center on the Auraria Campus, Sunday, March 13, 2:00pm to 5:00pm. For info and to help make this event a success, contact Frances Torres [francestorres07@msn.com](mailto:francestorres07@msn.com) or Mary Ankele Sours [mary\\_sours@hotmail.com](mailto:mary_sours@hotmail.com) Presented by the Sisters of Benet Hill Monastery. Come and celebrate, meet, and greet the nuns, including Srs. Mary John & Roseann.

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**Chili Cook Off**—Come join the Saint Rose of Lima school community for the Annual Chili Cook Off on Sunday, February 7, from **12:30pm to 1:30pm**. If you would like to enter YOUR *red or green* chili into the Cook Off, please sign up in the back of the church. Contestants will not serve their own chili, but will serve a different contestants' chili. Contestants are required to make enough chili for 50 people at 3 oz. each. Contestants should make at least two crock pots-full of chili and bring their own serving utensils. Be sure that your items are marked with your name.

Tickets for the Chili Cook Off are on sale in the back of the church. The cost is \$4 for adults, \$2.50 for seniors & children(6 to 12), and \$15 per family. You can purchase your tickets at the door, if there are any left/ Only 200 tickets will be sold for this event. So get your ticket now and we will see you there for this FUN event. Thank you for your support.

**WOMEN'S RETREAT**

Msgr. Ken Leone and Fr. John Lager invite all women to the 16<sup>th</sup> annual Women's Journey retreat to be held at the YMCA of the Rockies-Estes Park the weekend of March 11-13, 2016. For details and online registration, visit <http://www.coloradocatholicretreats.org> or contact Barbara Williamson at 303-280-2305 or [womensjourney@outlook.com](mailto:womensjourney@outlook.com). The deadline is March 4<sup>th</sup> and carpooling is also available upon request before March 4<sup>th</sup>.

The Andrade Family, relatives of Andy and Gina Lobato, are the ones whose house caught fire in southwest Denver—you might remember the horrific scene of the fire on TV. They are in need of furniture-diapers-bed linens-household goods-department store gift cards-toddler clothing. You can drop these items at two locations. Heritage Christian Center (14401 E Exposition, Aurora) until February 15 OR Governor's Ranch Elementary School (5354 S Field) until March 1. You can also contact any Bank of the West branch to donate to the Andrade Family fund.

Rachael's Vineyard retreat for men and women who have endured an abortion. This retreat will address the deep wounds that the soul endures in the psychological or spiritual pain of abortion. Condemnation, abandonment, pain, and confusion are handled with care and replaced by the healing presence of the love and mercy of Jesus. The retreat is on the weekend of February 26 thru 28. Contact Edie at 303.775.4108 or Anee at 720.271.7406.

**Theodora House**—is a homeless shelter for women that is ministered to by some of the parishioners of Saint Rose of Lima. On the first Saturday of each month, they cook and serve dinner for the women, usually 15 to 20. They would love to have one or two more families/individuals to assist. If interested, call Julie Hallahan at 303.451.0400.

Robert Cordova is the Knights of Columbus Membership Director for St Rose of Lima. Contact Robert for info on becoming a Knight. [Robertcordova57@gmail.com](mailto:Robertcordova57@gmail.com)

Retreat for men still in high school thinking of a possible vocation to the priesthood or brotherhood. Register at [denverseminarians.org](http://denverseminarians.org). Held on Saturday, February 21, from 9am to 4 pm at St John Vianney Seminary.

There is also a priesthood discernment retreat for men 18 and older at St John Vianney Seminary on Sunday, February 28, from 10am to 5pm. Register online at [denverseminarians.org](http://denverseminarians.org)

Thanks to all who participated in this year's annual Basketball Free Throw contest sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. And congratulations to the Council winners!:

- Boys age 9---Alex Sandoval
- Girls age 9---Amber Martinez
- Boys age 10---Jesse Mendoza
- Girls age 10---Jennifer Reyes Rios
- Boys age 11---Emiliano Arellano
- Girls age 11---Isabella Aragon
- Boys age 12---David Hutchcraft
- Girls age 12---no contestants in this age group
- Boys age 13---no contestants in this age group
- Girls age 13---no contestants in this age group
- Boys age 14---Michael Aragon
- Girls age 14---no contestants in this age group

Help with TAXES—if you make less than \$53,000 and have children at home, there is FREE tax help. Emily Griffith Technical College, 1205 Osage Street, February 3 to April 14, on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 5:30pm to 8:30pm (*closed March 21 to April 1 for spring break*).