

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time February 19, 2017

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Sacred Conversation

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The traditional approach to Jesus' words on nonviolence, of course, is to forget we ever heard it and carry on. But let's be brave and try to understand.

In a research project a few years ago, participants were given a slight pinch on their fingers, then told to pinch their partner with the same intensity. Every single time, the first one to be pinched exerted more pressure on their partner than they had received themselves. Why? Because pain felt is always more than pain given. That's why violence always escalates.

Here's an example that might resonate. You walk by a group of friends and hear your name in their conversation. Now, maybe (but not likely) they actually ARE talking about your weight gain, or your son's plagiarized science project, or your no-show at yoga again. But if you measured the amount of true malice in their hearts towards you (tiny) it wouldn't be in the same stratosphere as the amount of rage you feel just hearing your name in a conversation in which you are not present. The pain felt is always more than the pain given.

Jesus knows how weak we are. He knows that lawsuits and small battles escalate into wars because we can't differentiate between the actual pain (small) and the pain we experienced (large). Once shocked, we can't remember that we're the ones who started it. It is the rare person who is humble enough to admit that the injury is small, and the chance that she played some part in it is great. *Pray for your enemies*, Jesus tells us. Wouldn't it be a shock to learn that you're the "enemy" someone else is praying for too?

Have you ever looked back at a conflict and finally realized that you were the antagonist?

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La estrategia tradicional para responder a las palabras de Jesús acerca de decirle no a la violencia es, por supuesto, olvidarse de que lo escuchamos y

seguir con nuestra propia estrategia. Pero seamos valientes e intentemos comprender.

En un proyecto de investigación de hace unos años, se les daba a los participantes un pellizco en los dedos, entonces se les pedía que pellizcaran a su compañero con la misma intensidad. Todas las veces, el primero en ser pellizcado ejercía más presión a su compañero de lo que ellos mismos habían recibido. ¿Por qué? Porque el dolor que se siente es siempre más que el dolor que se da. Por eso la violencia siempre escala.

Aquí está un ejemplo que tal vez llegue más al punto. Pasas junto a un grupo de amigos y oyes tu nombre en su conversación. Bueno, tal vez (pero muy poco probable) están de echo hablando acerca de que has subido de peso, o comentando del proyecto de ciencias en donde tu hijo hizo trampa, o de que ya no te presentas en la clase de yoga. Pero si mides la cantidad verdadera de malicia en sus corazones hacia ti (diminuta) no sentirías ni una pizca de la cantidad de enojo que sientes por tan solo haber oído tu nombre en una conversación en la cual no estás presente. El dolor que se siente es siempre más que el dolor que se da.

Jesús sabe lo débiles que somos. Él sabe que las demandas y las pequeñas batallas escalan hasta convertirse en guerras porque no podemos diferenciar entre el dolor verdadero (pequeño) y el dolor que experimentamos (grande). Una vez que entramos en shock, no podemos recordar que fuimos nosotros los que lo iniciamos. Es rara la persona que es lo suficientemente humilde para admitir que el daño es pequeño, y que la probabilidad de que ella misma sea responsable de alguna parte en el es grande.

Oren por sus enemigos, nos dice Jesús. ¿No sería sorprendente enterarte de que tú eres el "enemigo" por el que otra persona está orando, también? ¿Alguna vez has contemplado algún conflicto del pasado y te has dado cuenta de que tú eras el villano?

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Please Pray for the Sick of our Parish—

Don Peterson, Tony Valdez, Tate Hallahan, Roger & Dolores Esquibel, Jenny Martinez, Gilbert Suazo, Roy Martinez, Barbara Deaguero, Annie Martinez, Isabel Guzman, Raymundo Pimentel, Deacon Jerry Kotas, Clarita Rubio, Regan Capps, Jana Purdy

Around the Parish and the Community

FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION

Feb 19 10:15 am

*Children's Faith Formation

*Secrets of Scripture

Feb 21 6:30 pm

*Confirmation Class

Feb 22 7:00 pm

* RCIA Adults

Feb 26 10:15 am

*Children's Faith Formation

*Secrets of Scripture

24th Annual Mullen High School Senior Citizens' Prom—Saturday, March 18,

Hutchinson Field House, Mullen High School,
7:00pm to 9:30pm. Reservations must be made
by March 10 to Mary Ann Oswald,
303.941.8723 or familyoswald@msn.com

Be sure to catch Catholic Radio, 1060 AM,
February 21-24. Many priests, deacons, religious
and health workers will be speaking on the dignity
of life issues, including our own Fr. Jerry Rohr on
Feb. 22 from 3-4:30pm, and Deacon Don Tracy on
Feb 24 from 1:30 -2:30pm. For a list of guests,
contact Doug at:

doug.catholicradionetwork@gmail.com

TONIGHT !!—Father Peter Urban and the Living
Water Chorus of Saint Anthony of Padua invite you to a
Concert of Adoration & Praise to benefit the
construction of homes in Juarez, Mexico. The concert is
Sunday night, February 19, 7:00pm, at **Holy Rosary
Church** at 4688 Pearl Street in North Denver. Enjoy the
concert and help a worthy cause. A free will offering
will be taken up. 720.394.4476 for more info.

Community Ministry needs—**Cereal** for the
month of February. You can place your
donation in the basket in the entrance of the
church. Thank you for your generosity!

2017 Lenten Schedule

March 1—Ash Wednesday

Masses 8:30am & 6:00pm

March 3—6:30 pm Lenten Series

-*OVERVIEW OF LENT*

7:30 pm Adoration/Confessions/Benediction

March 5—10:15 am FAITH FORMATION PARENT
SESSION #6—*LENT*

March 10—6:30 pm Lenten Series

-*THE CROSS OF CHRIST*

7:30 pm Adoration/Confessions/Benediction

March 12—1:00 pm Adult Workshop

-*OPEN OUR EYES, LORD, PART 1*

—Kathy McGovern

March 17—6:30 pm **FISH FRY**, sponsored by KOC

7:30 pm Prayer Meditation

March 19—1:00 pm Adult Workshop

-*OPEN OUR EYES, LORD, PART 2*

—Kathy McGovern

March 24—6:30 pm Lenten Series-*HOLY THURSDAY*

7:30 pm Adoration/Confessions/Benediction

March 26—1:00 pm Adult Workshop

-*OPEN OUR EYES, LORD, PART 3*

—Kathy McGovern

March 31—6:30 pm Lenten Series-*GOOD FRIDAY*

7:30 pm Adoration/Confessions/Benediction

April 7—6:30 pm Lenten Series-*THE EASTER VIGIL*

7:30 pm Adoration/Confessions/Benediction

April 9—Palm Sunday—Holy Week begins

April 13—Holy Thursday (no morning Mass)

7:00 pm *MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER*

April 14—Good Friday (no morning Mass)

Noon *SEVEN LAST WORDS OF CHRIST*

3:00 pm *TENEBRAE*

7:00 pm *PASSION OF THE LORD*

April 15—Holy Saturday—8:00 pm *EASTER VIGIL*

April 16—Easter Sunday—9:00 am & 11:30 am Masses

THANK YOU!

Many thanks to Alan and Missi Marsh and
family for hosting our monthly Family
Movie and for providing lunch! We are so
grateful to them for donating their time (and
food!) for a fun, relaxing time and the
opportunity to just “hang out!”

The Knights of Columbus—meeting this
Thursday, February 23 to plan Colorado State Free
Throw Championships at Mullen High School.
Business Meeting begins at 6pm, rosary at 6:45pm,
followed by general membership meeting at 7pm.

Mass Intentions

Saturday February 18
4:00pm +Christine Trujillo
by Tom Trujillo
+Leo, +Rosemarie, & +Bryan
Kissell by Sharon Kissell

Sunday February 19
9:00am +Richard Huter by Huter family
11:30am People of the Parish

Monday February 20
8:30am Communion Service

Tuesday February 21
8:15am All those looking for a caring
relationship

Wednesday February 22
8:30am +Lou Schneibel
by Phyllis Schneibel

Thursday February 23
8:30am +Charlotte Payne by Jim Payne

Friday February 24
8:30am +Edward Donahoe Jr. by family

Saturday February 25
4:00 pm +Conrad & Stella Montaneo
by Thomas Trujillo
deceased members of the Altar &
Rosary Society

Sunday February 26
9am +Chuck Bauer by Marie Bauer
11:30am People of the Parish

Readings for the week of February 19, 2017

Sunday Lv 19: 1-2, 17-18//1 Cor 3: 16-
23//Mt 5: 38-48

Monday Sir 1: 1-10//Mk 9: 14-29

Tuesday Sir 2: 1-11//Mk 9: 30-37

Wednesday 1 Pt 5: 1-4//Mt 16: 13-19

Thursday Sir 5: 1-8//Mk 9: 41-50

Friday Sir 6: 5-17//Mk 10: 1-12

Saturday Sir 17: 1-15//Mk 10: 13-16

Club 50 Winners!

Rochelle Shane \$ 100
Karen Hunt \$ 50
McKenna Anderson \$ 50

Knights of Columbus Valentine Raffle

\$ 500 Robert Cordova
\$ 300 Tommy Hartmann
\$ 200 Toni Cothran

***Thanks for ALL who purchased a ticket—you are all winners by helping the Knights of Columbus and the men of the Holy Name Society carry out their good works with your generosity!

Athmar Park Active Living Coalition inaugural meeting THIS Tuesday, February 21, 5:30pm to 7:00pm, in the Rose Room. Discussion for everyone in Athmar Park neighborhood to improve livable, walkable, and bikable community. Please RSVP to Meghan Boydston at apactivelivingcoalition@gmail.com

If you're excited about writing, but not yet sure where in the writing world you belong, this would be an awesome day for you. The Denver Branch of the National League of American Pen Women is celebrating its 120th anniversary and is hosting its Annual Guest Critique. Come and present your chapter, poetry, story; and receive constructive supportive critique from writing professionals. Contact: caroldenker@comcast.net

BOTTOM LINE DIAPER BANK—Looking for a Lenten Project? During Lent we are collecting DIAPERS for Catholic Charities. So buy 'em and drop 'em at the back of the church. You can't go wrong with diapers



any size!