

Catholic Church of Preston County

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Thoughts for the Weekend

Dear people of God,

We need to approach Jesus for liberation: Jesus did not use his authority and Divine power to rule and control people, but to set them free. Hence, let us approach Jesus with trusting Faith so that he may free us from the evil spirits that keep us from praying and that prevent us from loving others and sharing our blessings with them. Jesus also frees us from all the “evil spirits” of fear, jealousy, anger, envy, addictions, compulsions, selfishness, resentment, and hostility. May God free us from all those spirits which make us deaf, dumb, blind, lame, and paralyzed, physically and spiritually.

We need to use our God-given authority to build up lives. So many people with authority have made a lasting impression on our lives either for good or ill. Perhaps it was a grandparent, an uncle, or a parent, who loved us and cared for us. Perhaps it was a Sunday school teacher who encouraged us in our Faith and exerted a positive impact on our lives. Perhaps we remember the kindness as well as the firm discipline that a schoolteacher gave us. Teachers are powerful because they change and mold lives. Hence, let us all become good teachers like Jesus and use our authority to mold young lives in the right way.

Announcements

*The weekday mass schedule is changing beginning the first week of February! Tuesdays will be at 6:00 pm at St. Sebastian, Wednesdays will be 5:00 pm at St. Zita, Thursdays will be 5:00 pm at St. Edward, AND we are adding a Friday 6:00 pm mass at St. Sebastian.

*Plan ahead for Lent. Our Ash Wednesday services on February 17th will be 9:00 am at St. Sebastian, 5:00 pm at St. Edward, and 7:00 pm at St. Zita. We are also adding a stations of the cross gathering every Friday at 6:00 pm at each church. This will be parishioner led. If you are interested in helping to lead, please contact the office or Fr. Dass.

*If you have any palm branches from previous Palm Sunday services, please bring them with you to the Ash Wednesday service so that we can make more ashes.

*Please print out the attached instructions for the Divine Mercy Chaplet as begin to pray it as we prepare our hearts for the season of Lent.

Last Weekends Attendance and Giving

<u>Location</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Regular Giving</u>	<u>Special Giving</u>
St. Edward	17	\$548	\$325
St. Zita	20	\$635	\$0
St. Sebastian (Sat)	12	\$145	\$0
St. Sebastian (Sun)	50	\$1522	\$10

[Online Giving Link](#)

Weekend Mass Readings

First Reading – Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Responsorial – Psalm 95:1-9

Second Reading – 1 Corinthians 7:32-35

Gospel Reading – Mark 1:21-28

[Link to Mass Readings](#)

Mass Intentions

Saturday 1/30/21

St. Edward 4:00 pm For the People of the Parish
St. Sebastian 6:00 pm For Jolene Lehman +

Sunday 1/31/21

St. Zita 8:30 am For Sophie Badach +
St. Sebastian 10:30 am For Jim Brammer +

Tuesday 2/2/21

St. Sebastian 6:00 pm For Ted and Helen Kilkenny +

Wednesday 2/3/21

St. Zita 5:00 pm Holy Hour followed by mass for
Katheryn Debastiani +

Thursday 2/4/21

St. Edward 4:30 pm Holy Hour followed by mass for
Lawrence & Nellie Greaser +

Friday 2/5/21

St. Sebastian 6:00 pm Holy Hour followed by mass for
Leslie and Lucile Miller +

Saturday 2/6/21

St. Edward 4:00 pm For the People of the Parish
St. Sebastian 6:00 pm For Connie Clark +

Sunday 2/7/21

St. Zita 8:30 am For the deceased members of
the Centofanti and Soccorsi family
St. Sebastian 10:30 am For Connie Clark +

Tuesday 2/9/21

St. Sebastian 6:00 pm For Monte Montgomery +

Wednesday 2/10/21

St. Zita 5:00 pm For Marcie Lipscomb +

Thursday 2/11/21

St. Edward 4:30 pm For Al and Martha Borgading +

Friday 2/12/21

St. Sebastian 6:00 pm For the deceased members of
Fred Borgman family +

Prayer Requests

Mike Todesko, Dale Newcome, Clyde Gibson, Cora Wolfe,

Nancy Jackson-Schukai, Theresa Marthey,

Tim Bucklew, Heather Grantz, Brianna Elmer, Debbie Hibbs,

Amelia B, Roy Gibson, Becky Harris, Jane Radabaugh,

Eddie Murphy, Lori Rankin, Carol Davis, Richard Riggins,

Christopher Bolyard, Diane Crabtree

The Divine Mercy Chaplet

The Chaplet of Mercy is recited using ordinary rosary beads of five decades.

The Chaplet is preceded by two opening prayers from the Diary of Saint Faustina and followed by a closing prayer.

Step 1. Make the Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Step 2. Our Father

Step 3. Hail Mary

Step 4. The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Step 5. The Eternal Father

Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

Step 6. On the 10 Small Beads of Each Decade

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Step 7. Repeat for the remaining decades

Saying the "Eternal Father" (5) on the "Our Father" bead then 10 "For the sake of His sorrowful Passion" (6) on the following "Hail Mary" beads.

Step 8. Conclude with Holy God (Repeat three times)

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Step 9. Closing Prayer

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassions- inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.

Let us remember everyone pray every day

Monday – for the sick

Tuesday – for all the volunteers and caregivers

Wednesday – for all the poor and needy

Thursday – for all those who care for the poor and needy

Friday – for the dying and for all those who are gone before us with the sign of faith

Saturday – for our national leaders and for the peace and harmony of our country

Sunday – for all the Religious leaders

Thank you,

Fr. Dass