

Dear Friends,

This weekend is the Fifth Weekend in Ordinary Time. Attached is God, Family, Friends to use in your Domestic Church throughout the week. Our weekend Mass times are Saturday at 4pm, Sunday at 8:30, 10:30am and 1pm for our Polish speaking parish family members. Go to our parish website and click on "Reserve A Seat" to register you and your family for Mass. Join us!! We would love to see you at Mass.

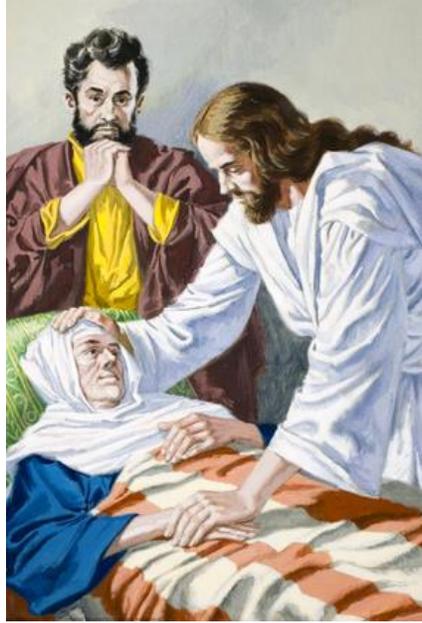
In our Gospel this weekend, we hear that Jesus went to Simon/Peter and Andrew's home along with James and John. Simon's mother in law was also there, and she was very sick. Jesus cured her. That evening the whole town came to see Jesus, some wanting to be cured. Jesus cured many of the town who were sick, and drove out many demons. Jesus was serving the people. Jesus came to serve, not to be served.

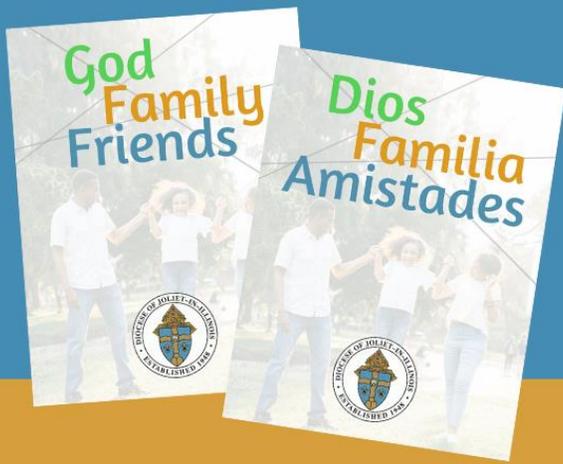
After Jesus got up very early the next morning, He went off by Himself to pray. His friends found him and told him "everyone is looking for you", so they went off to nearby villages and continued to preach, heal and pray.

Because we are Baptized Catholics, our mission is to serve others, not for others to serve us. We want to serve others because this is what Jesus taught us through His example. We want to be like Jesus and serve other people. Another way we can be like Jesus is to pray. Jesus prayed to his Father so that he could do his mission on earth well. He wanted to pray to his Father. Jesus teaches us all to pray through His example. Let's all try to live as Jesus did, serving others and praying.

Our Mother of Good Counsel, Pray For Us!

~Janet





# Helping families focus on what matters most

## Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Themes: Jesus had a mission powered by prayer.  
He came to heal, preach and teach.

### GOD

Livestream Mass

Our parish weekend Mass is now livestreamed. Check our parish website for the link: [www.omgccc.org](http://www.omgccc.org). Click on "Livestream Available" or you can go directly to our Vimeo link, <https://vimeo.com/omgc>, where you can view our weekend Mass.

Readings

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/020721.cfm>

Gospel Video

<https://youtu.be/mEmIFDRUO8M>

Lectio Divina Guide

<https://catholicdotbible.files.wordpress.com/2020/12/ot-5.pdf>

### FAMILY

Coloring Page

<http://www.supercoloring.com/pages/jesus-healing-peters-mother-in-law>

"The Virgin Mary always kept Jesus' words and deeds in her heart, and followed Him with complete availability and faithfulness, may she help us too to listen to Him and follow Him, to experience the signs of His salvation in our lives". (Pope Francis, 2021).

Let us pray to the Virgin Mary as a family now and ask her to protect us and keep us in her care always:

*O Immaculate and entirely-pure Virgin Mary, Mother of God. Through you we have been reconciled with our God. You are the advocate of sinners, and the secure haven of those who are sailing on the sea of this life. You are the consolation of the world, the ransom of captives, the joy of the sick, the comfort of the afflicted, the refuge. O great Mother of God, cover us with the wings of your mercy, and pity us. We are given to you, and consecrated to your service. O Immaculate Virgin, we are under your protection. (aleteia.org/2020)*

### Dinner Conversation

Mother Mary walks alongside us and offers us comfort in our time of need, if only we call upon her. As a family, consider how the Mother of Jesus has come into your life by reflecting on the questions below together. May each member of your family grow in relationship with Mother Mary every day of your lives.

1. How do you describe your relationship with the Virgin Mary?
2. Share a time when you felt protected in Mother Mary's care.
3. Share the Hail Mary Prayer together—what stands out to each of you about this prayer?
4. What would like to ask of the Virgin Mary today? In what way can she comfort you?

### Jesus Heals the Sick

<https://youtu.be/JsM64LHdPy8>

### Prayer to the Virgin Mary for Protection

Archbishop Miller [https://youtu.be/1IVaYpC\\_y9k](https://youtu.be/1IVaYpC_y9k)

### Jesus Healed Craft Activity

[Jesus Healed a Royal Official's Son Bible Craft - Children's Bible Activities Sunday School Activities for Kids \(sundayschoolzone.com\)](#)

## **FRIENDS**

**Look for the healers** - When was the last time that you were sick? How did you feel? Who helped you and made you feel better? What did they do to make you feel better? Draw and color pictures of healers and helpers. When you are done, say a short prayer asking God to protect them.

**Pray to love and serve your friends** - Jesus prayed to his Father so that he could do his mission on earth well. This week ask God to show you what your friends need most from you right now - and for opportunities to serve them in Jesus' name.