



<p>Saint Joseph's, Saint Anne's & Holy Family And Saint Patrick's 15th February 2026 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A Served By The Discalced Carmelites Parish Priest: Fr. Louis Aroon OCD email: louisaroon2015@gmail.com Assistant Priest: Fr. Ligor Alexander OCD email: ligorialex@gmail.com Tel: 0191 534 2346 Sr. Alphonsus (Parish Sister at St. Patrick's, Ryhope) Tel: 0191 521 0340 Rev. Bernard Finan SDS (Retired and resident priest at St. Patrick's)</p>
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15 th Of February 2026, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A	
1st Reading	Sirach 15:15-20
Responsorial Psalm	Psalms 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34
2nd Reading	1 Corinthians 2:6-10
Alleluia	Matthew 11:25
Gospel	Matthew 5:17-37 OR Matthew 5:20-22A, 27-28, 33-34A, 37

1st Reading - Sirach 15:15-20

15 If you choose you can keep the commandments, they will save you; if you trust in God, you too shall live;
 16 he has set before you fire and water to whichever you choose, stretch forth your hand.
 17 Before man are life and death, good and evil, whichever he chooses shall be given him.

18 Immense is the wisdom of the Lord; he is mighty in power, and all-seeing.
 19 The eyes of God are on those who fear him; he understands man's every deed.
 20 No one does he command to act unjustly, to none does he give license to sin.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalms 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34

R. (1b) Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!

1 Blessed are they whose way is blameless, who walk in the law of the LORD.
 2 Blessed are they who observe his decrees, who seek him with all their heart.

R. *Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!*

4 You have commanded that your precepts be diligently kept.
 5 Oh, that I might be firm in the ways of keeping your statutes!

R. *Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!*

17 Be good to your servant, that I may live and keep your words.
 18 Open my eyes, that I may consider the wonders of your law.

R. *Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!*

33 Instruct me, O LORD, in the way of your statutes, that I may exactly observe them.
 34 Give me discernment, that I may observe your law and keep it with all my heart.

R. *Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord!*

2nd Reading - 1 Corinthians 2:6-10

Brothers and sisters:
 6 We speak a wisdom to those who are mature, not a wisdom of this age, nor of the rulers of this age who are passing away.
 7 Rather, we speak God's wisdom, mysterious, hidden, which God predetermined before the ages for our glory,

8 and which none of the rulers of this age knew; for, if they had known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.

9 But as it is written:

"What eye has not seen, and ear has not heard, and what has not entered the human heart, what God has prepared for those who love him"

10 this God has revealed to us through the Spirit. For the Spirit scrutinizes everything, even the depths of God.

Alleluia - Matthew 11:25

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

25 Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

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Gospel - Matthew 5:17-37

Jesus said to his disciples:

17 "Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets. I have come not to abolish but to fulfill.

18 Amen, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or the smallest part of a letter will pass from the law, until all things have taken place.

19 Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do so will be called least in the kingdom of heaven. But whoever obeys and teaches these commandments will be called greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

20 I tell you, unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven.

21 "You have heard that it was said to your ancestors, You shall not kill; and whoever kills will be liable to judgment.

22 But I say to you, whoever is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment; and whoever says to his brother, 'Raca,' will be answerable to the Sanhedrin; and whoever says, 'You fool,' will be liable to fiery Gehenna.

23 Therefore, if you bring your gift to the altar, and there recall that your brother has anything against you,

24 leave your gift there at the altar, go first and be reconciled with your brother, and then come and offer your gift.

25 Settle with your opponent quickly while on the way to court. Otherwise your opponent will hand you over to the judge, and the judge will hand you over to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison.

26 Amen, I say to you, you will not be released until you have paid the last penny.

27 "You have heard that it was said, You shall not commit adultery.

28 But I say to you, everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

29 If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one of your members than to have your whole body thrown into Gehenna.

30 And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one of your members than to have your whole body go into Gehenna.

31 "It was also said, Whoever divorces his wife must give her a bill of divorce.

32 But I say to you, whoever divorces his wife (unless the marriage is unlawful) causes her to commit adultery, and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

33 "Again you have heard that it was said to your ancestors, Do not take a false oath, but make good to the Lord all that you vow.

34 But I say to you, do not swear at all; not by heaven, for it is God's throne;

35 nor by the earth, for it is his footstool; nor by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King.

36 Do not swear by your head, for you cannot make a single hair white or black.

37 Let your 'Yes' mean 'Yes,' and your 'No' mean 'No.' Anything more is from the evil one."

OR Matthew 5:20-22A, 27-28, 33-34A, 37

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- Saint Faustinus
- Saint Claude de la Colombiere
- Saint Sigfrid of Sweden
- Saint Onesimus the Slave
- Blessed Michal Sopocko
- Blessed Gregorio Díez Blanco
- Saint Walfrid
- Saint Jovita
- Blessed Camila Díez Blanco
- Saint Euseus of Serravalle-Sesia
- Blessed Acacio Calleja Santamaría
- Blessed Ricardo Guerra-Villazan
- Blessed Eliseo Moradillo García
- Blessed Ángel de la Iglesia Ociña
- Blessed Juan Alonso Fernández
- Blessed Angelus de Scarpetti
- Saint Berach of Kilbarry

St Berach of Kilbarry was also known as Berach of Cluain, Berach of Termonbarry, Barachias, Barry, or Berachius.

He was the brother of St Midabaria and raised by his uncle, St Freoch. He was the spiritual student of St Kevin of Glendalough. He built a church and monastery at Cluain Coirpthe, also known as Termonbarry or Kilbarry, Ireland. His crosier is in the

Dublin Museum. He was killed and died as a martyr in 595 AD. He is the patron saint of Kilbarry, Ireland.

Blessed Pere Vallmitjana Abarca

Blessed Pere Vallmitjana Abarca was a priest born on May 19 1875 in Barcelona, Spain. He was a member of the Benedictine Subiaco Congregation. he was martyred on the 15th of February 1937 in Cerdanyola, Barcelona, Spain during the Spanish Civil War. He was beatified on the 13th of October 2013 by Pope Francis in Tarragona, Spain.

Saint Georgia

St. Georgia was also known as Giorgia. She was a nun and an anchoress near Clermont, France. In 500 AD, she died and legend says that a flock of doves followed her funeral procession to the tomb and then stood watch over it the rest of the day.

Blessed Antonio Marini

Blessed Antonio Marini was a Mercedarian friar. He earned a doctorate in theology from the University of Paris. Blessed Antonio was noted for his combination of learning and piety. He died at the Santa Eulalia monastery in Montpellier, France due to natural causes.

Saint Farannan of Iona

St. Farannan of Iona was born in Ireland in the 6th century. He was a monk of Iona Abbey and a spiritual student of St. Columba of Iona. Eventually, he retired to live as a cave hermit at All-Farannan (modern Allernan), in Sligo, Ireland. He is the patron of Allernan, Ireland.

Saint Joseph of Antioch

St. Joseph of Antioch was born in Syria. He was also known as Josippus. He was a deacon and a hymnist. During the iconoclast persecutions of emperor Theophilus he was among the seven people who were martyred but whose names are not known. He died in Antioch, Syria.

Saint Severus of Abruzzi

St. Severus of Abruzzi was also known as Severo. He was a priest in the Abruzzi region of Italy. St. Gregory the Great writes that Severus brought a man back from the dead long enough to receive communion and unction. He died in 530 AD.

Saint Agape of Terni

St. Agape of Terni was also known as Agapes or Agapia. He was a spiritual student of St. Valentine of Terni, and when he parted, he led a group of women devoted to religious life. He died as a martyr in 273 AD in Terni, Italy.

Saint Decorosus of Capua

St. Decorosus of Capua was a bishop of Capua, Italy for 30 years. He assisted and supported the Council of Rome in 680 AD. While at the altar of his Church, he died of natural causes in 695 AD.

Saint Craton

St. Craton was a Professor of rhetoric and philosophy. He was a convert, brought to the faith by St. Valentine of Terni. In addition to this, he was martyred with his wife and family, none of whose names are known. He died in 273 AD in Rome, Italy.

Saint Dochow

St. Decorosus of Capua was born in Wales and was also known as Dochau or Dogwyn. He immigrated to Cornwall where he founded a monastery. His records are inconclusive and they suggest that he may have been a bishop. He died in 473 AD.

Saint Saturninus of Passae

St. Saturninus of Passae was also known as Quinidio. He was a hermit in Aix-en-Provence, France and a bishop of Vaison, France. He died in 579 AD.

Saint Faustus of Monte Cassino

St. Faustus of Monte Cassino was a sixth-century Benedictine monk at Monte Cassino Abbey. He was a spiritual student of St. Benedict of Nursia.

Saint Sunaman of Sweden

St. Sunaman of Sweden was the nephew of St. Sigfrid. He was a monk and a missionary to Sweden with Sigfrid. He was martyred by pagans and died in Sweden in 1040 AD.

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St. Saturninus of Passae was a Christian in the diocese of St. Valentine in Terni, Italy. He died as a martyr in 273 AD in Passae, Italy.

Saint Unaman of Sweden

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Saint Castulus of Passae

St. Castulus of Passae was a Christian in the diocese of St. Valentine in Terni, Italy. He died as a martyr in 273 AD in Passae, Italy.

Saint Lucius of Passae

St. Lucius of Passae was a Christian in the diocese of St. Valentine in Terni, Italy. He died as a martyr in 273 AD in Passae, Italy.

Saint Magnus of Passae

St. Magnus of Passae was a Christian in the diocese of St. Valentine in Terni, Italy. He died as a martyr in 273 AD in Passae, Italy.

Saint Druthmar of Corvey

St. Druthmar of Corvey was a monk at Lorsch and an abbot of Corvey Abbey in 1014. He died in 1046.

Saint Eusebius of Asehia

St. Eusebius of Asehia was a fifth-century hermit in Asehia, Syria.

Martyrs of Antioch

The Martyrs of Antioch were a group of Christians who were murdered together.

Their names are;

- Agapev
- Baralo
- Isicio
- Joseph
- Zosimus
- Martyrs of Prague

The Martyrs of Prague were Franciscan Friars Minor martyred together by a mob led by Lutherans. They were shroved on Tuesday The 15th February 1611 at the Church of Our Lady of the Snows in Prague, Czech Republic.

The bodies were dumped nearby but given Christian burial on 19th Of February 1611 in the monastery. They were re-interred in the side chapel of the church in 1616.

Pope Benedict XVI beatified them on The 13th October 2012.

Their names are;

- Simon of Prague
- Klemens of Prague
- Juan Martínez
- Jan of Prague
- Jakob of Prague
- Girolamo degli Arese

- Giovanni Bodeo
- Gaspare Daverio
- Emmanuel of Prague
- Didak Jan
- Christoffel Zelt
- Bedrich BachsteinBartolomeo Dalmasoni
- Antonín of Prague

Catholic Sunday Mass Readings Homily - For the 15th February 2026 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Today's February 15 2026 Catholic Sunday Readings Homily Theme: I have Come not to Abolish but to Fulfil the Law - Matthew 5:17-19 Sick Of the Parish:



Please pray for all the Sick in our three Parishes "My Payers and Good Wishes to All."

Mass Times For the weekend:

Saturday Night Mass Times	
Saint Josephs	5:30pm

Sunday Mass Times	
Saint Joseph's	9:30am
Saint Anne's & Holy Family	11:00 am
Saint Patrick's Ryhope	9:30 am

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