

January 26-27, 2019

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Nehemiah 8:2-10

First Corinthians 12:12-30

Luke 1:1-21

With but 52 weeks in which to hear of and get to know Jesus, each week become a precious and brief opportunity to hear the Old Testament experiences/prophesies that have become the foundation upon which Jesus' teachings, stories, miracles and call to relationship have been built. A brief three weeks ago, we had the ADULT Jesus being baptized in the River Jordan by John, last week we heard of Jesus demonstrating that he is NOT just another carpenter from Nazareth as he transformed water into wine at the wedding feast in Cana and now, this week, Jesus pretty bluntly owns the Prophecies of Isaiah when he announces: 'Today, this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.' Politicians talk about their, 'First 100 Days', in establishing their goals and programs. It has been but three weeks and Jesus has been AFFIRMED by John the Baptist, shown his POWER in turning water into wine and has no problem in claiming the mantle of DIVINITY in today's Gospel. With each new REVELATION the unspoken questions are: 'Do you believe in him?' 'Who is Jesus to you?' Before the guacamole and brewskies of next weekend litter your man-caves and she-sheds, WHO IS **JESUS** TO YOU? and perhaps more interesting, WHO ARE **YOU** TO JESUS?

Thank you for gathering with our Santa Clara de Assis community as we bring January to a close. Please remember that you are INVITED up the hill to visit St. Francis School after all the SUNDAY Masses for their BIG OPEN HOUSE. Take your time, look around...enjoy the snacks! Having received your '2019 Santa Clara Development Campaign' brochure, please take time to review it, pray on it and decide on the level of your support for our efforts to BUILD OUR PERMANENT CHURCH (and Youth Ministry/Parish Office structure.) Our Pledge Collection Weekend is February 9-10. Without US, SCDA is NOTHING. With US, SCDA is EVERYTHING. **SCDA is US.** Please check the Bulletin for other news about next weekend's Children's Reconciliation Retreat along with other upcoming events....and remember, rain or shine, game or no game, you are loved. FKB