

October 23-24, 2021
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jeremiah 31:7-9 Hebrews 5:1-6 Mark 10:46-52

There is JOY here at Santa Clara de Asis this weekend as we celebrate the ORDINATION of Mr. Eric Summerfield to the Permanent Diaconate. For five years, Eric, together with 12 other men/candidates, have been giving of their time and energy to learn the ways of the Church...while ALSO still being husbands, fathers, grandparents and holding down full-time jobs. The Permanent Diaconate is ALL ABOUT SERVICE...it is not about putting on lacy albs and prancing about the altar...something sometimes forgotten by some of the newly ordained priests. In his SERVICE to God, it will now be DEACON ERIC's responsibility to help people to SEE JESUS...in themselves, in one another and especially within those with whom they may disagree or see as DIFFERENT. In today's Gospel, Jesus grant's the blind man's wish: 'Master, I want to see.' Once his eyes were opened, I wonder if the man ever wished that he regretted the miracle, if he wished he did not have to see the suffering, pain and wounds within the people he encountered. Haven't we all wished, at one time or another, that we had NOT SEEN what we saw, knowing that the images will haunt us, disturb us and sometimes wound us...while at the same time, YES, most certainly, all of us anticipate and look forward to SEEING the joy and wonder of a newborn infant, of a freshly married couple, of a beautiful vista while on a long-delayed vacation or of a son or daughter proudly holding their diplomas aloft. In his NEW (unpaid) MINISTRY as a Permanent Deacon, Eric will be invited more intimately within the lives of our community, he will SEE things that have been hidden to everyone else, things of GREAT JOY and things of great tumult. Now, because of his Liturgical Position, Eric will be invited/forced to SEE and LOVE not just those who are beautiful and happy but equally those whom are wounded, those whom are desperate and those who HAVE WOUNDED. While we celebrate this GREAT GIFT TO SANTA CLARA of having one of our own ordained as a Permanent Deacon...for us..., let us also now, forever more, keep Eric in our prayers that he will be able to embrace, celebrate, share, heal and forgive whatever he will NOW BEGIN TO SEE.

Glory to God

Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you; we bless you; we adore you; we glorify you; we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God,
heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten son, Lord God, lamb of God, Son of the Father,
You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer, you
are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the lord, you alone are the most high, Jesus Christ, with the Holy
Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Responsorial Psalm Response:

'The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.'

Profession of Faith

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages, God from God, light from light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, hosanna in the highest.

Our Father

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and forever.

Thank you for depositing this SINGLE USAGE Worship Aid in one of the WHITE trash receptacles at the back of the Hall.

Thank you for sharing this Mass with our Santa Clara community, your presence is IMPORTANT to our overall health and well-being as a parish. If you are joining us for the 10am Mass, please linger afterwards so as to enjoy the festive (and tasty) reception in honor Eric's diaconate ordination, which will be offered outdoors on the patio. With the approach of November, please note the **ALL SOUL'S envelopes** which are on the tables as you enter the Hall, please write down the names of your own beloved, deceased, loved ones on the envelopes so they may be prayerfully remembered at all our November Masses. While CHRISTMAS may still seem a long way off, we are nonetheless making available the **CHRISTMAS DECORATING ENVELOPES** by which we generate the monies to cover our 29 living-pine trees and over 100 large poinsettias and multiple wreaths with which we will transform our Hall into a blessed and magical place in which to celebrate the Nativity of Jesus. Your generous help is ALWAYS welcomed and greatly appreciated. As you start tweaking whatever you will wear to scare the bejabbers out of your neighbors and friends on Halloween, please always remember, YOU ARE LOVED! FKB