

2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A

1. Well its ordinary time
 - a. I like Ordinary time
 - i. God tends to reveal Himself in Ordinary day to day
2. Today we hear about the baptism of Jesus
 - a. Different twist in today's baptism story from last weeks
 - i. We know that Elizabeth and Mary were cousins from Visitation
 - ii. We know that Jesus and John the B were cousins
 - iii. YET John the B says he never recognized Jesus as messiah
 - b. John the B also says "When I saw the HS descend, I did not know Him"
(even seeing that – he did not recognize Jesus as messiah)

Do we see Jesus and not know Him???

Are we looking for Jesus in some grand revelation?

Could we see Jesus in the ordinary day to day experiences of life?

I work at a Retreat Ctr. – Bro Joe dead at 77. Joe never wanted to be in limelight

Birdfeeders, out of the limelight, ordinary things (Ordinary Time)

One Mother Superior told me ...

Sisters saw the glory of God reflected in nature – in the birdfeeders

Not in some glorious talk of Retreat Director – in Bro Joe's birdfeeder

God reveals Himself in the day to day ordinary things of life.

John the B says "the one who sent me said on whomever you see the HS descend and remain HE IS THE ONE" "I have seen and testify HE IS THE SON OF GOD"

We can proclaim the same truth!

We know the power of the blood of Jesus

In the power of the blood of Christ we are redeemed – NOT SOMETHING WE DO

Victory is won (Cross with no corpus/resurrection cross)

Jesus' life didn't end on the cross – the victory is in the resurrection!

Jesus is alive

Jesus is alive and well in Norwood

Jesus is alive in the midst of our day to day lives of Ordinary Time

People can see him in US

Just like the sisters experienced God through Bro Joe's birdfeeders

If they experienced God in a birdfeeder -

How much more can they experience Him in YOU