

2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time Year C

PRAY

1. A few years ago the city of Charlotte invited Billy Graham to a lunch in his honor
 - He didn't want to go because he has Parkinson – just come, no speech.
 - So he came – and after all the good words had been said, he came to mic
 - He said, this event reminded him of Albert Einstein
 - Einstein was travelling from Princeton on a train
 - When the conductor approached he couldn't find his ticket
 - He was looking everywhere and finally the conductor said, “Dr. Einstein, I know who you are, I'm sure you bought a ticket, don't worry about it” and he continued down the aisle
 - When he finished that car he looked back and saw Einstein on his hands and knees looking under his seat for the ticket
 - “Dr. Einstein, I know who you are, I'm sure you bought a ticket”
 - Dr. E: “I know who I am too, but I don't know where I'm going”
 - Then Billy Graham said “Today I'm wearing a new suit”
 - I bought it for 2 events – this luncheon & my burial
 - When you hear I am dead, don't be sad
 - I not only know who I am – I know where I am going
2. Today we recall the first public miracle of Jesus
 - Gospel: “Jesus did this, the first of His signs, in Cana of Galilee, and His disciples believed in Him”
 - When we hear this story we need to ask what other miracles is J doing
How is J, even now, transforming the ordinary in me into extraordinary
What fine wine is being called forth from within me – today?
Because – we know who we are & we know where we are going

Today we baptize this baby – water, something ordinary
Transforms this child into a Christian, something extraordinary
But WE ALL play a role . . .

3. Matt's wedding – Houston to Boston planning nut house
 - Finding a Reception Hall, Planning Rehearsal Dinner
 - Emailing menus, color of napkins
 - Scheduling the bridesmaid's hair & nails
 - GINNI WAS OVERWHELMED
 - Praying about it – this reading – sense of peace
 - Abundant ways God meets our needs
 - Jesus takes the 6 water jars (not wineskins) – over 100 gallons.
 - When we go to Jesus with our needs we can be confident they will be met – pressed down, running over.
Mary (and Ginni) did 3 things
 1. Saw the need
 2. Went to J.
 3. Trusted He would fix it

WHY – Because we know who we are and where we are going