

The Purpose of Ordinary Time

We tend to think the high and holy days of Easter, Ascension and Pentecost are 'behind' us. In fact, the liturgies of Ordinary Time call us to keep stepping back into the wonder and awe at all our loving God has achieved through the crucified and risen Lord and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit - to open our eyes to the way this divine loving continues to reach out, in us and through us and sometimes in spite of us, responding to the needs and issues that confront our world, our workplaces, our parishes, homes and families.

Every time we forgive, make peace, correct our attitudes or actions, reach out to those in need of any kind, or commit ourselves to the work of the believing community, we give witness to the tangible presence of Christ in our midst.

Therefore, Ordinary Time is time to immerse ourselves anew in renewing structures and deepening our commitment to serve with love and integrity, wherever our vocation in life and parish has called us to be.