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SUNDAY, JANUARY 30, 2022

4th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were all filled with fury. But Jesus passed through the midst of them and went away. - Lk 4:28, 30

WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 30, 2022

- Sunday:** Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/
1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30
- Monday:** 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 5:1-20
- Tuesday:** 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk
5:21-43
- Wednesday:** Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
- Thursday:** 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13
- Friday:** Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31, 47 and 50, 51/Mk 6:14-29
- Saturday:** 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/Mk 6:30-34
- Next Sunday:** Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 [1c]/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-
8, 11/Lk 5:1-11

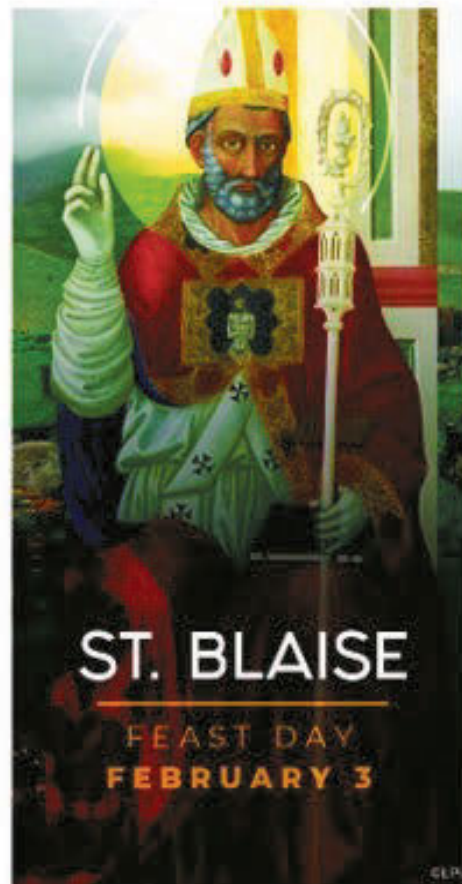
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 30, 2022

- Sunday:** 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Celebrate Catholic Schools Week
- Monday:** St. John Bosco, Priest
- Wednesday:** The Presentation of the Lord; World Day for Consecrated Life
- Thursday:** St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop
- Saturday:** St. Agatha, Virgin and Martyr
- Next Sunday:** 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Paul Miki and Companions,
Martyrs

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Prophets possess an intimate knowledge of God and act on their experience of God. Prophetic messages usually challenge the status quo and draw us up and out of ourselves, focusing us on the bigger picture. We often think of ourselves and our own needs first. When we listen to someone speak, we judge the merit of the message by its degree of usefulness. If the message or vision contains no personal benefit or profit but a call to stretch and grow, we can become indignant. Prophets are usually the ones whose message challenges us and calls us to see things differently and love more perfectly and deeply. God is love. When listening to St. Paul speak about love we witness the unfolding of this type of unconditional, other centered, self-sacrificial perfect God. It is an invitation to life, freedom, and happiness that can be offered to us only by God. Jesus, who is God and Love incarnate, calls us to this richer expression of love. Are we ready to listen and be challenged and stretched?



ST. BLAISE

FEAST DAY
FEBRUARY 3

SAINT OF THE WEEK

You may be familiar with the annual "blessing of throats" that many parishes in the United States use to commemorate the beloved bishop and martyr, St. Blaise lived in the fourth century in Turkey and Armenia. Due to religious persecution, he was forced to flee and hide in a cave in the back country in order to save his life.

History has it that one day a group of hunters stumbled upon where St. Blaise was living. They found the bishop kneeling in prayer, surrounded by wolves, lions and bears that he had tamed. The legend has it that as the hunters dragged Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command, the child was able to cough up the bone and thus lived.

Today we remember the saint on his feast day by taking two candles, crossing them against the throat, and saying the following prayer:

Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

LITURGICAL ROLES

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Feb 5, 4:30 PM (Oregon)	Feb 6, 8:30 AM (Oregon)	Feb 6, 10:15 AM (Polo)
Lector	Suzanne Moran	Trudy Whalen	Iris Empen
Eucharistic Minister	Sharon Lauer	Tracy Harvey	M. Thomaschefsky
Altar Server	Jennica Ciesiel	Isaac Kramer	
Ushers	Brad Bauer Roger Watts Diane Wilhelmsen George Wilhelmsen	Tim Harvey Keith Nyderek Dan Reimer Dave Stenger	Larry Plachno Joel Gorzny
Altar Linens		Donna Bauer	Nancy Adams

OREGON PARISH GIVING SUMMARY

On January 15-16, 2022 we received 76 envelopes out of 251 sets

Envelopes	\$4,187.00
Offertory	\$82.00
Online	\$745.00
Subtotal	\$5,014.00
Holy Day	\$35.00
Maintenance	\$365.00
Utilities	\$73.00
Weekly Grand Total	\$5,487.00
Mission Appeal	\$1,525.00

POLO PARISH GIVING SUMMARY

On January 16, 2022 we received 17 envelopes out of 101 sets

Envelopes	\$1,240.00
Offertory	\$26.00
Subtotal	\$1,266.00
Maintenance	\$0.00
Weekly Grand Total	\$1,266.00
Mission Appeal	\$243.00

Sincere thanks to all those who contribute faithfully and generously.
~ Fr. Naill & the Finance Committee

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DEADLINES FOR BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS:

The deadline to submit information for the bulletin is as follows:
All information must be received by the Parish Office no later than **Wednesday one and a half weeks before the bulletin Sunday date**. This allows time to complete and submit the bulletin for printing.

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Rev. Joseph P. Naill

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2021 CONTRIBUTION LETTERS AVAILABLE

The 2021 Contribution Letters for taxes are now available.

If you would like a letter, please contact the office by email at: stmary-polo@rockforddiocese.org or stmary-oregon@rockforddiocese.org or by calling your Parish Office.

Please specify if you would like the letter sent by mail or by email.

Contributions made to any Diocesan appeals will be noted in a separate contribution letter sent directly from the Diocese of Rockford.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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All class times are on **Wednesday evenings**
6:30pm– 7:45pm at the Parish Center.

02-02-22 Class

02-09-22 Class

02-16-22 Class

02-23-22 Class

03-02-22 No Class Ash Wednesday

Please contact the Parish Office for more info.

Ask for Marie, CRE 815-946-2535 or 815-732-7383
mariemonaco@rockforddiocese.org

Second Hand Rose Schedule

February 2022

22 Tuesday	11-2	K. Bickford/L. Hall
	2-5	K. Tyne/ N. Adams
23 Wednesday	11-2	L. Kenney/R. Jacks
	2-5	M. Williams/S. Rothermel
24 Thursday	1-5	K. Clothier/K. Scholl
25 Friday	1-5	N. Miller/B. Green
26 Saturday	9-12	Wilkinsons



Christian Book Library Exchange

Have a great Christian book you want to share with everyone? Bring a book or take a book. Located in the bottom stairwell near the kitchen entrance at St. Mary Church, Polo.



Polo's Annual Mardi Gras Celebration is cancelled this year due to unpredictable weather and covid-19 precautions.



Sorry EVENT
CANCELLED
DUE TO COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS

COMBINED PARISH CALENDARS WITH MASS INTENTIONS

Oregon		Polo		Both	
Saturday January 29					
4:30 PM	Mass: +Lois Miller				
Sunday January 30					
8:30 AM	Mass: +James McPhillips				
10:15 AM	POLO - Mass: +John & Tom Kenney				
Monday January 31					
8:30 AM	Communion Service				
Tuesday February 1					
8:00 AM	POLO - Rosary before Mass				
8:30 AM	POLO - Mass: +Doug Smith				
Wednesday February 2					
8:30 AM	Mass: +Mary Grzywa				
6:30 PM	CCD Classes				
Thursday February 3					
6:00 PM	Convivencia con Dios Rental				
6:30 PM	Choir Practice - CH				
Friday February 4					
All Day	Convivencia con Dios Rental				
8:30 AM	Communion Service				
Saturday February 5					
All Day	Convivencia con Dios Rental				
4:30 PM	Mass: +Raymond Szatkowski				
Sunday February 6					
All Day	Convivencia con Dios Rental				
8:30 AM	Mass: +Michael O'Connell				
10:15 AM	POLO - Mass: +Betty Bleistein				



MASS INTENTIONS

Submit a Mass Intention

There is no more powerful prayerful petition than having a Mass said for an intention.

- *Find strength through prayer. *Birthday Blessings
- *Thanksgiving *Anniversary
- * A Mass in Loving Memory

Call your Parish Office to submit your mass intention.

CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY

- St. Vincent de Paul Society815-732-4093
- St. Mary, Oregon Prayer Chain815-732-7383
- St. Mary, Polo Prayer Chain815-946-2535



Shout joyfully to the Lord, all you lands! —Psalm 100:1

Inviting all singers! We are excited to announce that choir practices will be starting next month at the Oregon church! Practices will be held on the first Thursday of each month from 6:30-8:00 PM The first practice will be held February 3, 2022. Please consider using your time and talents to make music for our Lord. **All voices are welcome!**

Join us for Mass

- Saturday: 4:30pm, Oregon
- Sunday: 8:30am, Oregon
10:15am, Polo
- Mon, Wed, Fri: 8:30am, Oregon
- Tue: 8:30am, Polo
- Confessions in Oregon: 3:30-4pm, Saturdays
- Adoration: Not available at this time



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