

2nd SUNDAY *in ordinary time*

Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." - Jn 2:4

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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

It Takes All Kinds

"If every flower wanted to be a rose," wrote St. Therese of Lisieux, "spring would lose its loveliness."

Who is God asking you to be today? There is an obvious answer that springs to mind right out of the gate. God wants me to be a good person (a good father, a good husband) today; today, God wants me to be a saint.

But this answer fails to get to the heart of the question. We are all striving today to serve the same Spirit, but we are given different gifts to do so. The one who has the gift of knowledge may fail if today he decides he wants to be a healer. The one who has the gift of "varieties of tongues" might falter in the expression of wisdom.

Think about the wedding at Cana and the players in the scene: the servers, the guests, the bride and groom. They all have a unique role to play, and though it is to the servers that Mary gives the instruction, "Do whatever he tells you," her words apply to all.

Today, are we called to be the servers — do we wait on God's instruction and carry it out, no matter how foolish or impossible it may seem to our human ears? Are we asked to be the disciples, to bear witness to a miracle and to give our testimony? Are we called to imitate the Blessed Mother herself and give encouragement to follow God's word?

Let us examine our gifts and listen in the silence of our hearts to the direction of the Spirit. Then and only then, let us do whatever He tells us.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Day of Prayer for the

LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM), no. 373, designates January 22 as a particular day of prayer and penance, called the "Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children": "In all the Dioceses of the United States of America, January 22 (or January 23, when January 22 falls on a Sunday) shall be observed as a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion."

www.usccb.org/committees/pro-life-activities/january-roe-events/january-22-day-of-prayer

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

January 18 - January 25

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity has a history of over 100 years, in which Christians around the world have taken part in an octave of prayer for visible Christian unity. By annually observing the WPCU, Christians move toward the fulfillment of Jesus' prayer at the Last Supper "that they all may be one." (cf. John 17:21)

www.usccb.org/committees/ecumenical-interreligious-affairs/international-week-prayer-christian-unity



Ministers January 22 & 23

Lectors

4:45 PM Debbie Wollert
Jean Weaver Peterson

8:00 AM Matt Schmidt
Rosemary VanTreeck

10:30 AM Nino Martinez
Myra Fox

Eucharist

4:45 PM Edie Mahoney
Nancy Mayer
Patricia Rossman

8:00 AM Lisa Olesen
Barb Schmitz
Mark Schmitz

10:30 AM **Rick Kais**
Edith Martinez
Kevin McCabe
Cathy Ramage

Altar Servers

4:45 PM Fernando Acosta-Arciles
Javier Acosta-Arciles

8:00 AM Noah Salchow

10:30 AM Ana Martinez-Ponce
Dominic Povkovich

Parish Activities

MONDAY 1/17

6:00 PM Scouts - *Cascia Hall*

TUESDAY 1/18

7:00 PM Finance Council - *East Meeting Room*

WEDNESDAY 1/19

6:15 PM K-8th Religious Ed - *School*

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal - *Church*

THURSDAY 1/20

FRIDAY 1/21

SATURDAY 1/22

3:30 PM Reconciliation - *Church*

SUNDAY 1/23

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St. Rita Census

	Toward the middle of January keep an eye	
	out for a letter in your mailbox from St. Rita.	
	The Parish Pastoral Council is conducting a	
	census to get an accurate picture of the St.	
	Rita community - how many	
	and who we are. If you have	
	any questions, feel free to	
	approach any of the council	
	members.	



Mass Intentions

Saturday 1/15

Vigil Mass: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:45 PM † Wesley & Veronica Rosenberg
by their children

Sunday 1/16 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM † Catherine Fulmer by her mother

10:30 AM For our living and deceased parishioners

Monday 1/17 St. Anthony, Abbot

No Mass

Tuesday 1/18 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

8:00 AM † Patricia Petro-Mueller
by Al & Marlene Hegel

Wednesday 1/19

8:00 AM † Rita Adamczyk
by the parish council members

**Thursday 1/20 St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr;
St. Sebastian, Martyr**

8:30 AM † Michael Folker and James P. Konkol
by St Rita school staff

Friday 1/21 St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

8:00 AM † Dolores Czerwinski by David Pioro

**Saturday 1/22 Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of
Unborn Children**

Vigil Mass: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:45 PM † Marie Karsnick by Debbie Kriva

Sunday 1/23 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 AM For our living and deceased parishioners

10:30 AM † Bonnie Bresciano
by the Third Order of St. Augustine

**Pray for Our
Parishioners**

***Courage & Protection
for those serving in the
Armed Forces***

LT Jack L. Ramage (Navy)
CPT Eric Ramage (Army)
LT Colonel Geoff Gorsuch (Army)
AC2 Michael Clingaman (Navy)

***Comfort & Healing
for the homebound,
those who are ill &
for their caregivers***

John Allison, Bill Atkinson, Kay Bauer, Eva Brittelle, Claude Caldwell, Linda Fidler, Karen Garbo, Cathy Gross, Rita Hejny, Jack Hollow, Sylvia Hultman, Scarlet Johnson, Joan Kral, Donna Larsen, Diana Lesnjak, Helen Lindgren, Patrick Livingston, Jim Long, Ralph Lorentzen Ann Johnson Lorenzini, Jerry Lui, Sarah Marquardt, Gabrielle Lee Martinez, Molly Mathew, Andrew Mattes, Dolores Meza, Berneice Otis, Jean Pawlak, Mark Quinn, Riley Rocque, Tom Scherr, Melissa Smith, Germane Suchla, Judi Tomachek, Nick Torzala, Don & Rose Veselik, Dorothy Waltenberger, Kathy Weber, Warner Williams, Lou Woodfill and Kathy Zambo

***Comfort & Peace
for our Deceased &
their loved ones***

Ruth Sukopp, 97, passed away on December 17. Funeral services were held on December 24.

Charles Michels, 94, passed away on December 30. Mass of Christian Burial was held on January 7.

Lee Sherman, 85, passed away on January 5. Funeral services were held on January 12.



Mass Readings - Week of January 16, 2022

Sunday	Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11
Monday	1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday	1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday	1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6
Thursday	1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12
Friday	1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday	2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21
Next Sunday	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/ Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

THANK YOU!!!

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Mary, the Holy Mother of God 2022

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Weekend of January 2

Envelopes (67 donors)	\$15,386.00
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Total Contributions	\$15,542.00

Weekend of January 9

Envelopes (88 donors)	\$16,942.00
Plate (loose cash)	\$461.00
Total Contributions	\$17,403.00

ANNUAL ARCHDIOCESAN
RESPECT LIFE
Mass

Saturday, January 22, 2022, 9 a.m.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH
8500 W. Cold Spring Road | Greenfield, WI 53228

All are invited to the annual Archdiocesan Respect Life Mass to observe the National Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. Celebrated by Archbishop Jerome E. ListECKI, let's come together and pray in penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion, and for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life – from conception to natural death.

Questions? Deacon Jim Matthias, *Director of the Office for Respect Life Ministry* | matthiasj@archmil.org | 414-769-3454

ARCHDIOCESE OF MILWAUKEE

Summer Youth Missionaries

Are you interested in spending your summer getting paid to evangelize, grow spiritually, and make life-long friends? Apply to serve with one of our summer youth programs - Love Begins Here and Totus Tuus - today!

Love Begins Here provides local service trips for middle and high school students at parishes throughout the Archdiocese. Through service, prayer, community, and fun, Love Begins Here helps teens encounter the foundation of Christian service: a loving relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church.

Totus Tuus offers a week-long, parish-based summer youth mission for students in grades 1-12 for parishes throughout the Archdiocese. A team of four missionaries teach and facilitate a catechetical program for parish youth through songs, skits, games, and short lessons.

Both positions receive a weekly stipend, room and board while working. Must be 18 and a full year removed from high school to apply. Learn more about both programs and apply at: <http://www.brewcitycatholic.com/summer-opportunities.html>

Volunteer Opportunity!

The Journey Disaster Response Team (DRT) will be deploying teams of volunteers to Western Kentucky, recently devastated by tornados and storms, to assist with recovery and clean-up efforts.

They plan to begin deployment on January 3, 2022 and have leadership and equipment in place through February 28, 2022. This opportunity allows volunteers from our area to serve and help the many people impacted. Volunteers can schedule to help in four day increments from January 3 to late February. This schedule provides flexibility to activate volunteers who may not otherwise be available on short notice.

Please share this message and visit DRT's website at Journeydrt.com for all information related to this mission.



**CATHOLIC CHARITIES USA
IS ASSISTING AREAS
DAMAGED BY TORNADOES,
*and can use your help.***

As you may have heard, tornadoes recently tore through multiple states in the South and Midwest, leaving miles of destruction. Please pray for those who have been injured, for those who have lost their lives, and for their grieving families and communities. Catholics and all people of good will can help our brothers and sisters by supporting the work of Catholic Charities USA, which has been engaging as early responders and will remain in recovery support for the long-term. Donations can be made at catholiccharities.us/campaign/ccusa-disaster-relief/c353051



**ARCHDIOCESE
of MILWAUKEE**

Religious Ed News

K-8th Grade Classes

Wednesday, January 19 at 6:15 pm

Wednesday, January 26 at 6:15 pm

Wednesday, February 2 at 6:15 pm

High School Classes

Sunday, January 16 at 6:00 pm

Sunday, February 20 at 6:00 pm

Sunday, March 6 at 6:00 pm

Contact Rachel at kroesR@stritaracine.org
if you have questions about our program.



Rosy Rita Kid Zone

PUZZLE

Find the two identical jars.



MISSION

What does Jesus tell you to do in his word, the Bible? Find out by reading the Bible for 15 minutes a day with your family. You could start by reading Luke.



Children's Liturgy and Family Resources

This week in the story of the wedding at Cana, we have another “epiphany” or manifestation of Jesus' divinity and his mission. Weddings are such wonderful celebrations of family and love. In scripture, they often symbolize the kingdom of God. Jesus' extravagant answer to the lack of wine foreshadows the abundance of God's kingdom. Mary said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.” John 2:5 Those words speak to us today as well. Paul wrote in the second reading that we are each endowed with certain gifts and can use them to do what God asks of us. We each have an important role to play.

Bringing the Gospel Home

Mary was attentive to those around her and when she noticed a need, she brought it to Jesus. What needs that you notice in the world can you bring to Jesus? Pray as a family that God may give you eyes to see where you can bring his bountiful love.

Watch a video of the Gospel story: The Wedding Of Cana

<https://youtu.be/OilBJ5-GVE0>

Read *A Hat for Ivan* by Max Lucado:


<https://youtu.be/Gcgro9j6PIQ>





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