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Saturday: 4:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

JANUARY 23, 3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

GUILD MEETING:

is Tuesday, **February 1**, at 9:00 a.m. Agenda will include election of officers and discussion of the Bake Sale, which will be held February 26-27. All women of the parish are invited to be members of the Guild.

ST. ANN WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

will meet on Fridays at 9:30 a.m. after morning Mass. We will be studying *Determined, Living Like Jesus in Every Moment*, by Heather M. Dixon. This is a study of the Gospel of Luke.

If interested in joining the group or if you have any questions, please contact Mary Lou Byrd at 563-508-0554, so a book can be ordered for you. Plans are to start meeting in February.



3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me...
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free.*
- Lk 4:18

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3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK:

1/22 Sat Walt & Marge Casel 4:00 p.m.
 1/23 Sun People of the Parish 8:00a.m.
 1/23 Sun Ralph & Emily Braun 10:30a.m.
 1/25 Tue Gene Loussaert 8:30 a.m.
 1/26 Wed Vernon & Donna 8:30 a.m.
 Langtimm
 1/27 Thur Howard & Philomena 8:30 a.m.
 Gluesing
 1/28 Fri Lynn Ann Witter 8:30 a.m.
 1/29 Sat People of the Parish 4:00 p.m.
 1/30 Sun Julie Small 8:00a.m.
 1/30 Sun Francis & Elma 10:30a.m.
 Costello

Please contact the office if you are interested in requesting a Mass be said for a friend or loved one. Mass offering is \$5.00.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS:

Fiscal year is

July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022

ENVELOPES/AUTOMATED GIVING:

January 15-16 \$ 11,406.00
 YTD collection: \$ 274,908.00
 Goal for YTD: \$ 281,155.00
 Goal for fiscal year \$ 504,122.00
UNDER Goal: \$ -6,247.00

For July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022 Fiscal Year

DEBT RETIREMENT:

As of January 1, 2022

Total for December \$ 22,352.00
 Monthly payments YTD: \$ 82,500.00
 Collected YTD: \$ 88,646.00
OVER Goal: \$ 6,146.00

ROOF REPLACEMENT:

As of January 1, 2022: \$98,244.00
 On-line giving is available as are stock donations. Contact the office for more information.

ST. ANN BULLETIN DEADLINES:

ALL INFORMATION DUE BY **9:00 a.m. Monday** prior to the weekend of Mass. Photos of church activities and information about events at St. Ann are welcome for submission.

Please send all information and photos to secretary@stannlonggrove.org

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF:

January 22-23 - 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Psalm 19:8-10, 15;
 1 Corinthians 12:12-30; Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21

Monday: 2 Samuel 5:1-7, 10; Psalm 89:20-22, 25-26; Mark 3:22-30

Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16; Psalm 117:1bc-2; Mark 16:15-18

Wednesday: 2 Timothy 1:1-8; Psalm 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10; Mark 4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Samuel 7:18-19, 24-29; Psalm 132:1-5, 11-14;
 Mark 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Samuel 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Psalm 51:3-7, 10-11;
 Mark 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Samuel 12:1-7a, 10-17; Psalm 51:12-17; Mark 4:35-41

Next week: January 29-30 - 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19; Psalm 71:1-6, 15, 17;
 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13; Luke 4:21-30

UP-COMING EVENTS, MEETINGS:

January 23— 3rd graders leading Mass at 10:30 a.m.

January 25—Buildings and Grounds mtg.—10:00 a.m.

February 1—Guild meeting—9:00 a.m.
 - Election of officers

February 9—St. Ann at Grand Haven—10:00 a.m.

February 12—13—Super Bowl of Caring collection at all Masses

February 14 - New Life Club Lunch at Tony Sacco's at 11:30 a.m. RSVP—Judy Kirby or Virginia Solis

February 15—KC 4th Degree meeting in Great Hall 6:00 p.m.

Lector & Eucharistic Minister Schedule

This Week—January 22

4:00 p.m.: Jane Bergendahl, Betty Zimmer, Cindy Grems, Michael Hames, Nancy Shannon, Mike Limberg

January 23

8:00 a.m.: Ken Uhlenkamp, Marc Carlson, Kelly Greenleaf, Joyce Kloft, Mary Lou Byrd Dan Ferry

10:30 a.m.: Meara, Maddie & Thade Gottschalk, Sara Stonskas, Vicki & Tom Gall

Next Week—January 29

4:00 p.m.: Sam Miller, Jane Bergendahl, Nancy Shannon, Cindy Grems, Dan & Sandy Radke

January 30

8:00 a.m.: Glenn Leach, Chris Green, Kathy Henningsen, Judy Loussaert, Kathy Clasen, Dan Ferry

10:30 a.m.: Jenna & Kelly Cole, Kellie Costello, Jennifer Hawley, Jennifer Rochholz, Thade Gottschalk

PARISH HAPPENINGS

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Plant Your Works in the Word

One of the things about Scripture is that even the smallest word and shortest phrase can be critical to the overall message. When you take a quiet moment to rest with the Word, you find how quickly the most mundane sentence can reach out and grab you, pulling you into a deeper contemplation of some truth you hadn't even considered until then.

But we often fail to act as the Israelites in the Book of Nehemiah, standing before the Water Gate "listening attentively." Whether it's at Mass during the Liturgy of the Word or at home poring over the Bible, time after time we find ourselves less mindful than we could be. Our ears accept the sounds of the words and our eyes glance over the shape of the letters.

But are we mindful — truly?

The best answer is hopefully at least sometimes. There are always tasks to be completed, problems weighing on our minds that we can't quite give over to God. We lose ourselves in these things instead of in Scripture. We "clock in" with Bible reading instead of "diving in."

We can never forget that the words of the Lord are spirit and life. They are the soil that quickens the seed of all stewardship. There is no mindfulness, no prayer, no graciousness, no gratitude or accountability or sense of commitment unless there is the Word.

So let us pray today for mindfulness, that our every action will be grounded in the law of God — giving it true spirit and life.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS© LPi

STEWARDSHIP QUOTE OF THE WEEK:

The US bishops' pastoral on stewardship reinforces today's reading from I Corinthians: "Because its individual members do collectively make up the Body of Christ, that body's health and well-being are the responsibility of the members - the personal responsibility of each one of us. We all are stewards of the Church."

FAITH FORMATION NEWS:

Classes will meet 9:00 –10:15 a.m. each week.

The third graders will lead us at the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, **January 23.**

First Communion Workshop is scheduled for Sunday, **February 13.**

HAVE YOU SIGNED UP FOR FLOCKNOTES? Text the keyword **STANNLG** to 84576, then choose the groups to receive appropriate information. This is the way we communicate with our families, both in Faith Formation and from various groups in the parish.

SUPER BOWL OF CARING will be the weekend of February 12 - 13. St. Ann Youth attending the summer service trip will be collecting donations to help pay for expenses and materials for doing home repairs in David, Kentucky. Please consider a donation to help them reach their goal. This year's material cost is expected to rise dramatically. The group this year consists of 4 adults and 12 youth headed for the hills July 10-16. For more information, contact Julia Jones.

LENT LATE NIGHT: February 25 from 6:00-11:30p.m. All 7-12th graders are invited to attend a night to prepare for Lent. Exactly what is Lent? How do we "do" Lent? What does it look like? Come and prepare the way for the resurrection. It won't be all business. There will be plenty of food, games and fun to indulge in before we head into the desert. Permission forms will be sent home at Youth Night in February.

NORTH SCOTT FOOD PANTRY:

FOOD NEEDS:

- January — canned fruit and soup
- February — canned meats (tuna, chicken, salmon, SPAM, etc.) canned meals (corned beef hash, Spaghettios, canned stew, etc.)

The pantry is also collecting personal items like soap, shampoo, deodorant, razors, toothpaste and toothbrushes, etc. for students who shower at school.

The Food Pantry is open:

Tuesday evening— 5:30—7:00 p.m.

Friday morning — 9:30—11:00 a.m.

The North Scott Food Pantry is located on the northwest side of Faith Lutheran Church, 500 W. LeClaire Rd, Eldridge.

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LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

People can easily lose a sense of the sacred and transcendent. When we lose a sense of God's special presence, we need to be brought back. Ezra brought people back to the word of God and they realized what they were missing. Jesus proclaims God's word in the synagogue with true conviction and tells those gathered that he is the fulfillment of all that Isaiah taught. Even though people get lost, distracted, discouraged, and often journey down the wrong path, God's timeless law remains. When we allow ourselves to truly hear God's word and act on it, that living word slowly, over time, changes us. It has the power to soften and mold us, creating within us a joyful spirit. We realize the truth in what God speaks and become open to God's love. Gradually and gently God leads us back where we belong. We discover again the sacred character of life and the wonder of God's power. It is no wonder that Luke addresses his remarks to Theophilus. It is a name that means "beloved of God," a name that can be used by anyone who desires friendship with God.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

January 23, 2022

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God's transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is — the God of our salvation history or the "gods" of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God's constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us, it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainty of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away.

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