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St. Patrick

THE TRI-PARISH BULLETIN
January 16th 2022

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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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New Members

Always welcome to our parishes.
Please call the office to register.

Baptism

Parents and/or those expecting
in the near future may request
Baptism for their child by call-
ing the office to begin prepara-
tions.

Marriage

Please call the parish office at
least six months prior to the
anticipated date.

Pastoral Care of the Sick

If you are homebound and wish
to receive Holy Communion,
please contact the office.

Confessions

Saturdays 3 pm to 3:40 pm at
Kendall or call Fr. John for an
appointment.

EVENTS January

Monday	January 17th	
9 a.m.	Martin Splittgerber	K
Wednesday	January 19th	
9 a.m.	Bernard Kotten Sr.	E
Wednesday	Jan 19th (Elroy Nursing home)	
11 .am.	Raymond & Lillian Pisha	
Thursday	January 20th	
8 a.m.	Steve Wendt	K
Saturday	January 22nd	K
Confessions	3- 3:40 p.m.	
4:00 p.m.	Successful Surgery for Great Grandson	
Sunday	January 23rd	
9:00 am	Bentz, Foltz, & Marvin families	E
11:00 am	All Parishioner of EKW	W

Readings Week of the

Readings for the 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



Reflections on the Gospel

January 16, 2022 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life.

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.



Tri-Parish Prayer List - We pray for the sick and those who have asked for our prayers, especially ,Mike Mashak, Randy Steinbrink (Hotdog) Rob Moyer, Ralph Gosselin, Jeannie Klipstein , Gary Von Ruden, Bennett Brock, Deb Pohlman, Micheal Richie Shannah Juliot, David Gorman , Bev Cousineau, Carla Von Haden, Margaret Leis, Patti Vlasak, Ray Schmidt, Jim Lunde, Madelyn Novachek, Kay Larson, Don Schreier, Jim Meckstroth, Patty Behan, Avery Brueggen, Katie Wallace, Those serving in the Military and Folks in Nursing Homes. If requesting prayer for someone else, please ask permission first in order to respect their privacy.

**SAINT PATRICK'S MINISTRY
SCHEDULE**

JANUARY 23, 2022 @ 9:00 a.m.

READER: Deb Barreau

COMMUNION: Kim Ambort

SERVERS: Morgynn Barreau, Tarynn Barreau, Ava Peterson

USHERS: Matt Barreau, Roger Klipstein, Michael Archer, Paul Thorson

JANUARY 30, 2022 @ 9:00 a.m.

READER: Sally Turpin

COMMUNION: Kari Benish

SERVERS: Axton Kuester, Karson Kuester, Zoey Cornell

USHERS: Andy Wohlrab, Seth Wohlrab, Luke Wohlrab, Owen Dedrick

12/19/21	K	E	W
Adults	\$ 1,175.00	\$ 1,328.00	\$ 1,665.00
Children		\$ 5.00	
Offertory	\$ 52.00	\$ 91.00	\$ 50.75
TOTAL	\$ 1,227.00	\$ 1,424.00	\$ 1,715.75

12/24/21	K	E	W
Adults	\$ 985.00	\$ 2,018.00	
Children		\$ 5.00	
Offertory	\$ 49.00	\$ 441.00	
TOTAL	\$ 1,034.00	\$ 2,464.00	\$ -

12/26/21	K	E	W
Adults	\$ 730.00	\$ 353.00	\$ 2,017.00
Children		\$ 5.00	\$ 13.00
Offertory	\$ 137.00	\$ 726.00	\$ 417.50
TOTAL	\$ 867.00	\$ 1,084.00	\$ 2,447.50

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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

Faithful Departed

Question:

How can we pray for the dead throughout the year?

Answer:

We commemorate the faithful departed on November 2nd each year. However, we can and should continue to pray for the dead. Our growth in Christian perfection takes a long time. At the time of our death, many of us might not be saints yet. But God, in His mercy, allows for those who love Him to experience purification after death. Our word for that state is Purgatory. It's the antechamber of heaven, so to speak. We know we're getting in the house, but we're not quite ready to go all the way in. There's rain to shake off our coats and dirt that's clogging our shoes.

Here on earth, we can pray for the souls in Purgatory. One way is to request that your parish offer a Mass for the intention of a specific loved one. We can also remember the departed in our daily prayers. Just as we have special intentions for family and friends here on earth, we can pray for those who have died. It's also a good act of Christian charity to pray for the forgotten, those who have no one else to pray for them. God knows who they are!



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