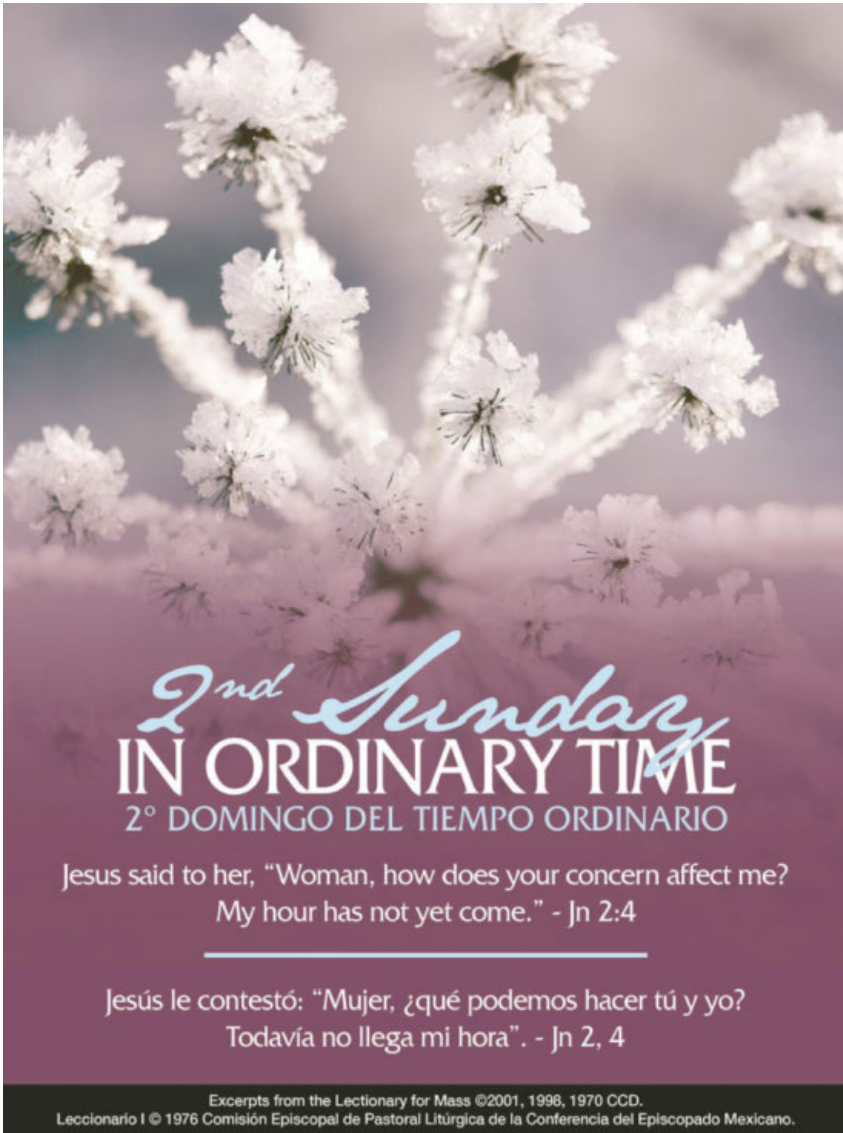




Saint Joseph Parish

A Christ-centered family engaging, connecting, and empowering God's people

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Breaking Open the Word

January 16, 2022

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lectionary: 66 Gospel JN 2:1-11

Spiritual Reflections: Fulton J. Sheen wrote in his book, *The Life of Christ*: "There is a striking parallel between His Father's bidding Him to His public death and His mother's bidding Him to His public life. Obedience triumphed in both cases; at Cana, the water was changed into wine; at Calvary, the wine was changed into blood."

Spiritual Questions:

1. What role does obedience play in faith?
2. Why is obedience so hard?
3. How can obedience to God's will change you?
4. How does Jesus' obedience inspire you?
5. What are things that you can do to help you become more docile to God's will?



Broadcast Mass on the lower parking lot on Sundays at 11:00am

To listen on the radio: tune in to 88.7FM

To watch the live-stream:

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<https://www.stjoemanchester.org/celebrating-sunday>

Masses

Saturday (Sunday obligation) 4:00 pm
 Sunday 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 am
 1:00 pm (Spanish) & 5:00 pm
 Monday-Friday 6:30 am
 Monday- Saturday 8:30 am
 Monday-Thursday 6:30 pm
 Third Saturday of the month
 in Portuguese. 6:00 pm

Reconciliation

Wednesdays 7:30 pm
 Saturdays 7:30 - 8:20 am

Anointing of the Sick

Celebrated on the first Saturday of the month after 8:30 am Mass and upon request.

Baptisms

All Baptisms are private. Call in advance to reserve your date and get information about the requirements.

Marriages

Couples need to call the parish office at least six months in advance.

Communion for the Sick

To request Communion, please call the parish office.

Eucharistic Adoration

Exposition begins after the 8:30 am Mass each Wednesday and concludes with Benediction at 8:15 pm. Perpetual Adoration is held in the Holy Family Chapel. Call the parish office for details.

Rosary

Daily Mon. - Sat. 7:45 am
 Wednesday 7:30 pm

January 16, 2022



Robert Flacke
Father of Laurie Hofer and Jeannie Younger

Welcome
to our parish

Tom & Rena Lammert
of Fieldstone Lane

Matthew & Erica Lawrence
of Hickory Knoll Ct.



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| Adrienne Barker | Donna Kwasinski |
| Nick Barker | Gavin Lain |
| Jake Besch | Kathleen Lancia |
| Mike Bick | Lucia Lindh |
| Deacon Jack Burke | Sophia Luetkemeyer |
| Muriel Christman | Ray Mantych |
| Jack Costello | Carter Naeger |
| Cailyn Craven | Isaac Naeger |
| Pam Crotty | Jane Oehlert |
| Jennifer Delgado | Bennet Oswald |
| Len DeMoor | Mary Paul |
| Michael Diekemper | Betty Penn |
| Karen Doyle | Clarita Pingel |
| Rob Evans | Patrick Prifogle |
| Bill Farnsley | Tina Ramsey |
| Hyacinth Findlay | Peter Rolfe |
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| Liz Krocka | |



Eucharistic
ADORATION

“Since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us exercise them.” - Romans 12:6

Pour out your Spirit upon us, O Lord! Spend time with our Lord & Savior during Eucharistic Adoration. Exposition begins after the 8:30 am Mass each Wednesday and concludes with Benediction at 8:15 pm. To make sure all hours of Exposition are covered you can sign up by scanning the QR code or contact Joan Feise at 314-313-9731.



Readings **Week**

- SUN 1/16 Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11
- MON 1/17 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22
- TUE 1/18 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28
- WED 1/19 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6
- THR 1/20 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12
- FRI 1/21 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19
- SAT 1/22 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21
- SUN 1/23 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



† indicates the person is deceased.

Monday-Lunes-January 17 Martin Luther King Day; St. Anthony

- 6:30 am † Barb Ott
- 8:30 am † Mary Miller
- 6:30 pm † Harold “Ed” Minor

Tuesday-Martes-January 18 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

- 6:30 am † Barb Ott
- 8:30 am † PFC Carl Davis
- 6:30 pm † Morgan Benedicto

Wednesday-Miercoles-January 19

- 6:30 am † Barb Ott
- 8:30 am † Mary Ann Landers
- 6:30 pm † Bobby Catane

Thursday-Jueves-January 20 St. Fabian; St. Sebastian

- 6:30 am † Barb Ott
- 8:30 am † Anton Kalupa
- 6:30 pm † Emanuel & Jennifer Cancio (30th Wedding Anniversary)

Friday-Viernes-January 21 St. Agnes

- 6:30 am † Barb Ott
- 8:30 am † Mary Miller

Saturday-Sabado-January 22 Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

- 8:30 am † Ron Ryan
- 4:00 pm Vandy Nies

Sunday-Domingo-January 23 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Vincent; St. Marianne Cope

- 7:00 am † Lillian Sienaski
- 9:00 am † Kathy Beffa
- 11:00 am Mark & Joan Feise (50th Wedding Anniversary)
- 1:00 pm Open
- 5:00 pm People of St. Joseph

RCIA

ARE YOU SOMEONE OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO...



- has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptized?
- was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation?

We offer an opportunity to learn more about our Catholic faith and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. There is a separate process for children or youth.

For more information on becoming Catholic, call the parish office at 636-227-5247.

The doors are open . . . We invite you to join us!

Strategic Planning

Over the last six months, the parish staff and I have been blessed to work with Kelly Pingleton, a parishioner and professional business coach. She has graciously volunteered her time to help us grow as a staff and in a particular way, she has taught me a lot about management and leadership, two classes which I never had the opportunity to take in the seminary.

Dealing with Covid, acknowledging the many changes that have taken place at St. Joseph and working with Kelly has led us to conclude that we need to develop a clear vision, a strategic plan, for the parish. This plan will help guide us for the next two years and help us highlight and draw attention to the many great things going on at our parish, helping those both inside and outside our parish see just how vibrant a parish we are.

We will be working on our strategic plan at the same time the Archdiocese is working on its strategic plan. To help keep the two strategic planning processes separate, we will refer to the Archdiocesan Strategic plan by its title, "All Things New." Our parish strategic plan will simply be "St. Joseph Strategic Plan."

As I have reflected on this opportunity to develop a strategic plan, God kept brining the following quote from spiritual writer Henri Nouwen to my heart: "In a world so torn apart by rivalry, anger, and hatred, we have the privileged vocation to be living signs of a love that can bridge all divisions and heal all wounds." The idea of "living signs" evokes in me an image of the big blue road signs we see when driving on the highway informing us of what is up ahead. If St. Joseph Parish was an upcoming exit on someone's spiritual highway what images would be on our blue sign? Would people know that we are a dynamic, intercultural, parish with beautiful liturgies, caring people, and wonderful programs that help people become Good News? Our strategic plan will help us fill our big blue highway sign inspiring people to come to St. Joseph to worship and become good news for others.

If anyone has any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me. Know that I am extremely grateful for all who are participating in our strategic planning process. At the end of my column you will see any updates on our strategic planning process for the week and be sure to check the website as well.

Covid Update

I recently returned from a retreat hosted by the St. Paul Institute. The retreat took place in San Diego, CA and over 200 priests attended from all across the United States. Covid, and how each parish is dealing with it, came up a couple of times during different downtime discussions. I was surprised at the variety of ways that parishes are handling Covid. Some are still requiring everyone to wear masks and social distance and others are acting as if the virus does not exist.

There is a lot of discrepancy and seemingly daily changes from the county regarding mask mandates. I believe we at St. Joseph are striking the right balance of being cautious. We will therefore continue to have a "mask required" side – the row of pews nearest the baptismal font. Masks will remain optional in the other sections. In the "mask required" side the pews will be roped off to encourage social distancing.

Extraordinary Ministers, deacons, and priests will continue to wear masks as they distribute the Eucharist. They will also sanitize their hands immediately before distributing the Blessed Sacrament.

Youth Ministry - Every Sunday and Wednesday Evening

All the high school youth of the parish are invited to join us every Sunday night from 6:15 - 8:00 pm in the Parish Center for food, fun, and faith development. On Wednesdays we meet from 7:00 - 9:00 pm in the youth group room located on the lower level of the St. Joseph Center (please use door #2 to enter).

Fr. Rubie and I have gathered together a group of amazing parishioners in addition to our core team members to lead our youth program while we search for a new youth minister. Our goal is to provide an opportunity for our young people to stay excited about their faith, to realize they are a very important part of God's family, and to see their God-given gifts. All high school students are welcome!

Marriage Preparation

Congratulations to everyone who got engaged over the Christmas Holidays. I would like to invite all engaged couples to reach out to Fr. Rubie or me to talk about marriage preparation and having a Catholic wedding.

Being Good News for Others

I was blessed to watch last weekend some parishioners offer words of comfort and consolation to another parishioner whose father just passed away.

**Strategic Planning Update**

We are moving forward with our St. Joseph Strategic Plan for 2022-2024 in order to guide our parish into the future. Kelly Pingleton, a long-time parishioner

and certified coach and facilitator, is gifting her time to lead our team. We expect to have a completed plan in place by May 1, the feast day of St. Joseph.

Our steering committee has met and focus groups have begun. In the next three weeks we will have a series of 12 one-hour focus group sessions. We have created a variety of focus groups with the intent of receiving feedback from as many parishioners as possible from our ECLC families all the way to our Young at Heart group. You may have received an invitation to attend one of these focus groups. I ask that if you received an invitation, you prayerfully consider attending with an open heart, and if you did not receive an invitation that you pray for the team as we navigate the strategic planning process. Please know that just because you did not receive an invitation to attend a focus group, it does not mean you aren't a valued part of the solution. It simply means we could not feasibly extend an invitation to everyone.

I ask everyone to pray for the success of our endeavor so we can create a future where all of our parishioners can become good news for others.

If you would like more information including an overview of the timeline for the strategic planning, you can find it on our website.

Fr. Thomas Pastorius
Spiritual Ponderings
 Atomic Habits

January 16, 2022

In his book *Atomic Habits: Tiny Changes, Remarkable Results*, James Clear lays out a plan to assist his readers to develop good lasting habits that will help them become better people. I would like to share with you some insights from his book (which will be in bold) and some of my personal reflections (in normal font) with the hope that they will help us answer God's call to repent.

James Clear spends a good part of his book talking about the four laws of developing a good habit. He will later use these laws in reverse to help us break bad habits.

1 st Law:	Cue	Make it obvious
2 nd Law:	Craving	Make it attractive
3 rd Law:	Response	Make it easy
4 th Law:	Reward	Make it Satisfying

1st Law: Make it Obvious

With enough practice you can pick up on the cues that predict certain outcomes without consciously thinking about it. Automatically your brain encodes the lessons learned through experience. We can't always explain what it is we are learning, but learning is happening all along the way, and your ability to notice the relevant cues in a given situation is the foundational for every habit you have.

A friend of mine is a fire inspector for the city and he shared with me how hard it is for him to go out to dinner at a restaurant. There are many little fire code violations that you and I overlook or don't see because we have not trained ourselves to see them. He, being a fire inspector, has been trained to see them and they have become obvious to him.

In a similar way, I think Mother Teresa trained herself to see the needs of others in a way that she could not ignore them. May we do the same. Setting an alarm on my clock and labeling "exercise" is another way to make a good habit begin to stick. I also believe that this is why having a prayer corner at home can help better one's prayer life.

2nd Law: Make it Attractive

Humans are herd animals. We want to fit in, to bond with others, and to earn the respect and approval of our peers. Such inclinations are essential to our survival. For most of our evolutionary history our ancestors lived in tribes. Becoming separated from the tribe—or worse, being cast out was a death sentence. "The lone wolf dies, but the pack survives."

One of the things that helped me overcome my depression was the realization that no one wants to be around a person who is perpetually complaining. The thought of developing better friendships helped me put in the hard work to overcome my depression. Living life in a way where I am thriving and not just surviving encourages me to continue to put in the work to keep from becoming depressed again.

In the midst of my battle with weight, the times that I see weight loss as a goal that I have chosen because I want something good for myself, I am able to lose weight. When I see weight loss as something someone else desires for me, I do not lose weight because I see weight loss as a burden. Each morning I have to remind myself of why I am going to strive to be healthier today. It's the same way with sin. We each have to decide that life without sin is better than life with sin. A life where I am forgiving is better than a life where I am holding grudges. A life where I am focused on the needs of others is better than a life where I am self-centered.

Nothing sustains motivation better than belonging to the tribe. It transforms a personal quest into a shared one.

The above statement I think is a key reason why God, who made us, wants us to be a part of a Church. Catholics have always stressed the importance of community for many reasons. The fact that it makes the journey easier has to be at least one of them.

Remember Jesus sent his disciples out two by two. When I am taking on a new habit it is always good not to do it alone. Support groups are often key to changing one's life for the better.



A warm December has been followed by some very cold January temperatures. That means high gas bills for some of our neighbors in need, Thanks to your generous donations we are able to bring warmth and comfort to these neighbors. If you or someone you know needs help with food or any financial assistance please call our St. Vincent de Paul office phone at 636-779-5616. All calls are confidential. Stay healthy and stay warm!

PRO-LIFE

"There is such a wide spectrum of issues involving the protection of human life and the promotion of human dignity. Good people frequently disagree on which problems to address, which policies to adopt and how best to apply them. But for citizens and elected officials alike, the basic principle is simple: *We must begin with a commitment never to intentionally kill, or collude in the killing, of any innocent human life, no matter how broken, unformed, disabled or desperate that life may seem.* In other words, the choice of certain ways of acting is *always and radically incompatible* with the love of God and the dignity of the human person created in His image."

- United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

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JONAH PRAYER

Our St. Joseph community has a beautiful prayer ministry called Jonah Prayer. We offer confidential, intercessory prayer for and with members of our parish family on the 2nd Sunday of every month after the 9am, 11am, and 5pm Masses. Simply walk over to the Baptismal font after Mass and you will see us there. Jonah Prayer Ministry allows us to be the loving and prayerful presence of Jesus to our brothers and sisters in Christ. We look forward to confidentially praying for and with you.

TIME Talent TREASURE

“To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit.”
- 1 Corinthians 12:7

St. Paul tells us that God has blessed each of us for a reason. How has God blessed you? Are you using your gifts according to God’s plan? How are you helping to build God’s kingdom here on earth? Remember that if you don’t do the work God planned for you, no one else can do it. Live the life God has intended for you. Take time to discern your charisms (gifts from the Holy Spirit). Experience the supernatural Peace and Joy God desires for each of us.

Weekly Offertory 1/9/22	
Envelopes	\$14,187
Electronic	9,487
Total Weekly Offertory	23,674
Additional Christmas Gift for Parish	\$5,015



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Our parish is grateful for your continued support. Thank you!

If you need assistance, please contact Jim Weiskopf or Katie Markiewicz in the parish office. Your continued generosity gives the parish a firm foundation to help people become good news for others.

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If you have questions please contact Jim Weiskopf in the parish office.



A Giving Sunday THANK YOU to the wonderful Knights of Columbus who drive for us every January.

In particular thanks to **Larry Moore, John Muench, Mark Lauber, Dave Gockley & Dave Giuliani** for driving the donated Christmas decorations, food, clothing and household items to St. Augustine’s Wellston Center thrift store and food pantry last weekend.

The schedule for Giving Sunday 2022 is now available on the parish website under Outreach Programs.



One more DRIVER is needed for March 13th!

Please think about giving two hours to drive to St. Augustine’s Wellston Center with donated items. You can make a difference in a family’s life.

Call Pat at 636-227-8704.

Fishpot Creek Bluegrass Band



Saturday
January 22

St. Joseph Church
4 PM Mass
Music for the liturgy

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

SUNDAY - JANUARY 30, 2022

HAS BEEN CANCELLED

Due to the Ladies Auxiliary's concern for the health of our parishioners we have decided to cancel our pancake breakfast. We may consider a later date for this event.

We are planning to provide our Annual

ASH WEDNESDAY SOUP SUPPER on MARCH 2.

Watch for more details! Thank you!



“The time is always right
to do what is right.”

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

The Parish Office will be CLOSED on Monday,
January 17th in observance of Martin Luther
King Day.

Safe Environment Program Reminder

Are you a volunteer at St. Joseph or planning to volunteer? Please remember that all volunteers who work with children or vulnerable adults must be in compliance with the Safe Environment Program of the Archdiocese of St. Louis.

The Archdiocese developed a new system in 2021 for Safe Environment compliance called Prevent and Protect STL.

Everyone (clergy, employees and volunteers) ministering to minors and vulnerable adults in the Archdiocese is required to register in the new system and complete additional online requirements including registering for a background screening, viewing two online training modules on abuse reporting and the Code of Ethical Conduct, and agree to the updated Code of Conduct by signing a digital copy.

For those who have already attended a Protecting God's Children workshop, your previous training date will transfer to this new system. You will not need to repeat that class. Please go to www.preventandprotectstl.org to register and contact Maureen O'Reilly in the parish office with any questions or for further assistance.

Details and instructions for registering can be found on the parish website at <https://www.stjoemanchester.org/safe-environment-program>.



Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the basics of the Christian faith. Typically run over eleven weeks, each session looks at a different question that people can have about faith and is designed to create conversation. It's just an open, informal and honest space to explore and discuss life's big questions together. Visit our website for more information www.stjoemanchester.org/alpha or email Greg Barker at gbarker@stjoemanchester.org if you have any questions.

Our Alpha will begin Thursday, February 10th, at 7pm - 9pm.



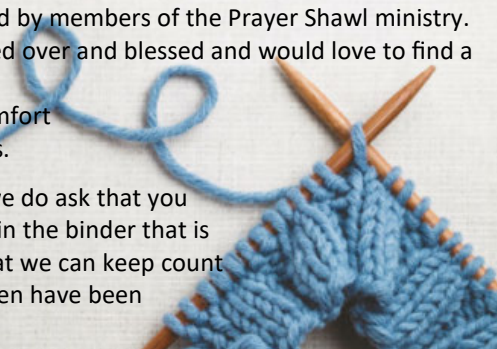
**St. Joseph Parish Cemetery
Reminder**

Please note that **all flowers and remembrances** will be removed from the gravesites the first week of February.

**Happy New Year from the Prayer Shawl Ministry at
St. Joseph**

There are a wide variety of prayer shawls, many colors and sizes, available in the parish office. These shawls have been lovingly hand knit or crocheted by members of the Prayer Shawl ministry. They have been prayed over and blessed and would love to find a home with someone who is ill or needs comfort in these difficult times.

There is no cost but we do ask that you please sign the sheet in the binder that is with the shawls so that we can keep count of how many have been taken. Thank you.



SAVE THE DATE!

2022 Men's Retreat - April 21 - 24

2022 Women's Retreat - October 20 - 23

The ACTS core team is delighted to announce that **Wendy McGowan** will be the director for the next Women's ACTS retreat scheduled for October 20-23, 2022. All women of the parish are invited to attend, including those who have already made a retreat. Further details and reminders will be provided as the date approaches.



an after-Mass gathering place

Java at Joe's continues after all morning Masses!
Stay after Mass for COFFEE and HOT CHOCOLATE.
Our pastries are "hibernating" for the winter.

Other News & Events

Otras noticias y eventos

Fiat Women's Group All women are invited for prayer and a talk presented by a Kenrick-Glennon Seminary faculty member on the third Thursday of each month at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary. The next session will take place on **January 20**, beginning with the rosary at 8:00 am and followed by a talk presented by Msgr. James Ramacciotti, Assistant Professor of Canon Law, entitled "What God Has Joined Together, Let No One Separate—The Issue of Annulments in the Church." To receive updates about this and other Fiat Women's Group events, visit kenrick.edu/fiat.

2022 Archdiocesan Young Adult Pro-Life Holy Hour Join young adults (19-39) throughout the archdiocese to pray for an end to abortion and promote a greater respect for all human life. This annual archdiocesan event, co-sponsored by Anima Christi, the Office of Young Adult Ministry, and Respect Life Apostolate, will be held **Thursday, Jan. 20 at 7 pm** at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis. Kathy Fowler will share her inspirational adoption journey as well as her professional work at Good Shepherd Children & Family Services as the executive director. After her talk, Eucharistic Adoration, the Rosary, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered. Questions? More information? Contact: stlya@archstl.org or 314.792.7008

SAVE THE DATE! February 13, 2022 at 2:30 pm! Join Archbishop Mitchell Rozanski at the Cathedral Basilica to celebrate the sacrament of matrimony on World Marriage Day!



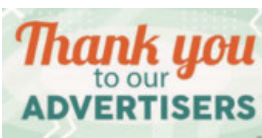
Worldwide Marriage Encounter is excited to announce the following schedule for **IN-PERSON** weekend Experiences for the

winter and spring of 2022. We will have in place all the needed precautions to provide a safe environment for participants. For more information or to apply, go to <https://wwme.org> or call Terry & Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

February 4-6, 2022 - Courtyard Marriott Hotel in St. Peters, MO

March 18-20, 2022 - Villa Maria Catholic Life Center in Springfield, IL.

April 1-3, 2022 - Courtyard Marriott Hotel in St. Peters, MO



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**MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO – ALENTAR UN ENTENDIMIENTO
MÁS PROFUNDO DE LA ESCRITURA
16 de enero de 2022
2º Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**

Con la fiesta de la Epifanía y el Bautismo del Señor se cierra el Tiempo de Navidad, que siempre es precedido por el Adviento. Ahora, comenzamos el Tiempo Ordinario. Serán siete domingos de este corto periodo, que termina el día anterior al Miércoles de Ceniza. La segunda etapa de este Tiempo es más larga, da comienzo después del domingo de Pentecostés y termina hasta el sábado antes del primer domingo de Adviento. ¿Para qué sirve a los cristianos este Tiempo Ordinario? ¿Qué nos pide la Liturgia de este tiempo? Pues, es muy sencillo, nos pide meditar en el misterio de Cristo. En su invitación de participar en su Reino con alegría y compromiso verdadero. La Iglesia tiene diversidad de carismas, donde podemos entregarnos al servicio de los demás.

Por ejemplo, hoy el Evangelio nos invita a participar junto con María y Jesús en las bodas de Caná. Y es ahí en esa boda, donde Jesús hace su primer milagro a petición de su Madre María. El diálogo de ambos viene a ser a causa de la falta de vino. Por lo tanto, los novios estaban en apuros por esta razón. Este relato es muy profundo, el hecho de que Jesús participa en la boda, tiene como significado la boda de Dios con la humanidad, que más adelante será la Sangre de Jesús derramada para la salvación de la humanidad. *“Alegrémonos, regocijémonos demosle honor y gloria, porque han llegado las bodas del Cordero” (Apocalipsis 19,7)*. También, el profeta en la primera lectura lo pone claro: *“No te llamaran más ‘Abandonada’, ni a tu tierra ‘Desolada’, sino que te llamaran ‘Mi Preferida’ y a tu tierra ‘Desposada’. Porque Yavé se complacerá en ti y tu tierra tendrá un esposo” (Isaías 62,4)*.

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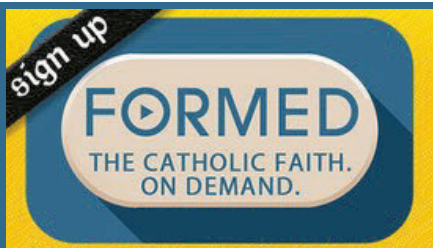
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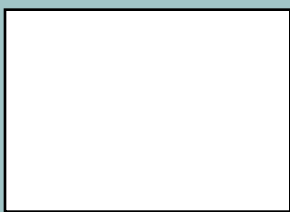
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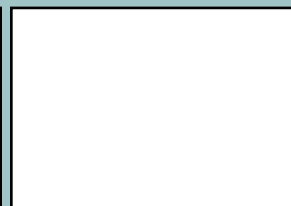
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