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MASS SCHEDULE

St. John Vianney

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am

Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri: 8:00am

Wednesday: 6:00pm

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00-4:45pm

Wednesday: 5:00-5:30pm
or by appointment

Holy Family

Sunday: 11:00am

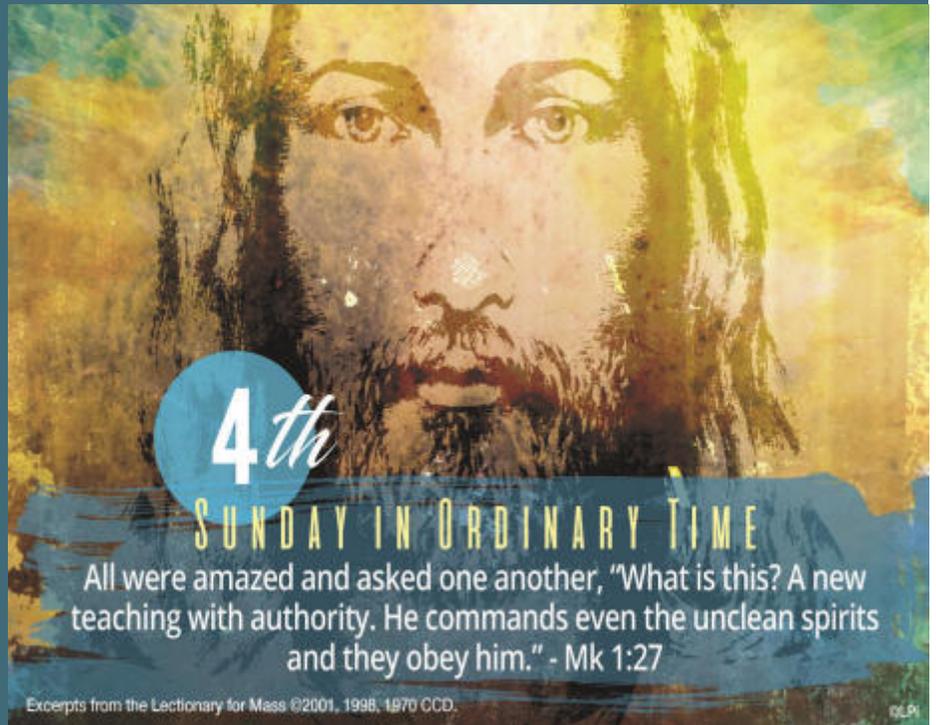
Tuesday: 6:30pm

Reconciliation

Tuesday: 6:00-6:20pm
or by appointment

Holyday Masses As Announced

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HOLY FAMILY
309 Springfield Rd, Athens



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Jesus Christ,

We all had teachers during our lives, at primary school, at secondary school, at third level. Some of those teachers we might prefer to forget, but others we remember with great love. Some of them had a significant influence on us who we are today. They inspired us with a love for the subject that they taught. They encouraged us to head off in a direction of our own.

In today's gospel the people of Capernaum recognize Jesus who had come to their synagogue as a teacher, He was very different from the teachers they were used to, the scribes, the experts in the Jewish Law. His teaching, we are told, 'made a deep impression on people, because, unlike the scribes, He taught them with authority.' The people in the synagogue exclaimed, 'Here is a teaching that is new and with authority behind it.' This journey of Jesus to the synagogue where he taught with authority and healed a man with an unclean spirit is the first public act of Jesus. Jesus first appeared on the scene as an authoritative teacher, as someone whose teaching, whose word, could deliver people from their demons, from the forces that were oppressing them and leaving them weakened as human beings.

Jesus was recognized as someone who taught with authority. We know the word 'authority' has a negative understanding 'authority figures' have been criticized, often with good reason. Yet, in Jesus people experienced an authority that they found attractive, an authority that, in the words of the gospel, left them so astonished that they started asking each other what it all meant. Jesus was recognized as a person of authority because of the word that he spoke and the impact for

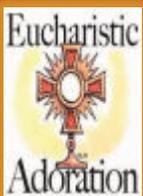
good of that word on others. Ultimately, His authority was rooted in God, in the Spirit of God that descended upon Him at his baptism. The first public words He spoke after His baptism were, 'the reign of God, the power of God, is at hand.' God's life-giving, liberating power was working through Him, and, so, He was recognized by others as authoritative. The power of God's love working through Him gave Him that authority which people found so attractive and new.

Jesus defines authority as the exercise of God's life-giving and liberating power, the power that raises the lowly and fills the hungry with good things, the power that forgives those who have done nothing to deserve forgiveness. This is the power of the good Samaritan who took care of his fellow traveler even though he was a Jew; it is the power of the Father who welcomed his returning prodigal son, who had messed up; it is the power of the widow who in giving two copper coins to the temple treasury gave everything she had. Within the gospel's vision of life, these are the exercises of power that confer authority. Not all power is worthy of being recognized as authoritative.

For us as Christians, Jesus remains the ultimate authority. Like the people of Capernaum, let us recognize and believe in His authority, the authority of His teaching and His deeds, the authority of His life, death and resurrection. That is why we confess to Jesus not just as our teacher but as our Lord. In doing so we will have life to the fullest, and, like the man in the gospel, be freed of those evil spirits that prevent us from becoming the person God intends us to be. It is not possible to live without submitting to some authority. What matters is to submit to the right authority and today's gospel suggests that such authority is to be found in the person of Jesus.

God Bless you,
Fr George Philip

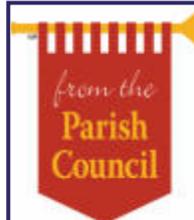
Masks are required at ALL times while inside the church, except at the moment of receiving the Body of Christ. There will also be NO congregational singing. This applies to all weekend and weekday Masses at both St. John Vianney & Holy Family Parishes.



**St. John Vianney
Adoration
Adorer Needed
Wednesdays 2:00-3:00pm**

We are in need of a permanent Adorer for the time from 2:00 to 3:00pm. If you can cover this hour, either permanently or temporarily, please contact the parish office.

Instead of hosting Adoration in the small Chapel, the Blessed Sacrament will be adored on the main church altar. Adorers are asked to socially distance and to self-sanitize their area upon leaving the church.



**SJV Parish Council News
ST. JOHN VIANNEY PARISH
NEEDS YOU**

Use your time and talents to serve on the St. John Vianney Parish Pastoral Council. The role and purpose of PPC is to be a consultative body to the pastor to "help in fostering pastoral activities".

The PPC is looking for four active Parish members to serve on the council for a three-year term beginning April of 2021. Contact Victoria Kennedy, PPC's current Chair or leave your name with the Parish Office if you would like to learn more.



HOLY FAMILY

Bible Study



Wednesday, February 3, 2021

7:00 pm at HF North Wing

Session 3-Discussion Questions

Matthew 2: The King in Exile

Interested?
Come join us.

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Reflect on Scripture

Teaching with Authority. Jesus begins his ministry with us this liturgical year doing two things. He is teaching with authority – like no other. And his teaching spills into action for the benefit of another – mercy at work.



- ◆ How is Jesus astonishing me by what he teaches?
- ◆ How am I listening for his words, his call, his teaching?
- ◆ How is my listening spilling out into mercy thoughts, mercy action, mercy works?

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Embracing Change in Christ

It's officially one month since we popped the champagne, toasted 2021 and wrote down a list of resolutions. This is usually the time when we start to take a good, hard look in the mirror to assess what we have done — or have not done — with the first month of this brand-new year.

New years can be scary, can't they? Full of promise, sure, but also full of room for failure. Full of space for our old baggage, old fears and the continuation of old mistakes.

The same can be said of Christ, and the new life he offers us, if we are brave enough to accept it. Opportunities like that can be intimidating. In that moment, we might find ourselves like the man with the unclean spirit crying out: "What have you to do with me, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us?"

Jesus is a comforter of the afflicted; he is a consoling figure, but he is also a challenging one. Sometimes we have grown attached to our afflictions. The idea of correcting bad habits or forming new ones is frankly terrifying to us. We have a voice deep inside who sees Christ and his invitation to repentance, and it cries out in fear: "I know who you are!"

When we live in the present, disavowing the baggage of the past or fear of the future, we submit ourselves to the promise of redemption. Let us be brave everyday stewards and invite Christ's healing power into our lives. We won't regret it — I'm sure the demoniac never did.

~ Tracy Earl Welliver

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Protecting God's Children Training Class

Has been Rescheduled

Holy Family Church - Athens
North Wing

Monday, February 1st at 6:00pm

Deacon Ben Hoefler will be the instructor. This approximately two hour training session is open to Saint John Vianney and Holy Family parishioners.

Providing a safe environment for the children of our parishes is a top concern. **Attendance at a Protecting God's Children Class and completion of a background check for ALL volunteers, ages 18 and older, is one of the requirements put into place by the Diocese of Springfield to ensure the safe environment of its parishioners, especially its most vulnerable.** This is a requirement for all volunteers in any position, not just those working directly with children. (Volunteers only need to attend the class one time.)

More information regarding the Diocesan policy can be found at www.dio.org/safeenvironment.

Please call or email the Parish Office to register to attend.



Embrace a deeper, more spiritually rewarding life, and lose yourself in God this Lent.

Visit BestLentEver.com to take the first step toward unlocking your God-given potential.



This Lent, join Matthew Kelly and the Dynamic Catholic team for BEST LENT EVER - a free series of emails and video reflections that will help you to discover or rediscover God through prayer.



MASS INTENTIONS

(† indicates deceased)

Monday, February 1

Weekday

8:00am— Stan Adams †

Tuesday, February 2

The Presentation of the Lord

8:00am— All Souls †

HF 6:30pm— Don & Jessica Muller (Wedding Anniversary)

Wednesday, February 3

Weekday

6:00pm— Anna Eleyidath †

Thursday, February 4

Weekday

8:00am— Intentions of Mr & Mrs Jonathan Alexander & Family

Friday, February 5

St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr

8:00am— Sylvester Hoefler †

Saturday, February 6

Vigil Mass

5:00pm— Vincent Hoefler †

Sunday, February 7

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am— For the People (Pro Populo)

HF 11:00am— Ed & Lee Rodak †

WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 6 — 5:00pm (St. John Vianney)

Lector: Patty Vaughn

Sacristan: David Sweeney

Sunday, February 7 — 9:00am (St. John Vianney)

Lector: LaDonna Rowden

Sacristan: John Barrett

Sunday, February 7 — 11:00am (Holy Family)

Lectors: Jim Baker (L) Todd Corbin (P)

SUNDAY'S READINGS EXCERPTS

First Reading:

I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their kin, and will put my words into his mouth; he shall tell them all that I command him. (Dt 180)

Psalm:

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts. (Ps 95)

Second Reading:

An unmarried woman or a virgin is anxious about the things of the Lord, so that she may be holy in both body and spirit. (1 Cor 7:34)

Gospel:

The people were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority and not as the scribes. (Mk 1:22)

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Tuesday, February 2

Holy Family: 2:00-6:30pm Adoration

6:00pm Rosary

7:00pm Parish Council Meeting

8:00am Stewardship/Discipleship Meeting

St. John Vianney: 6:30pm Women's Society Meeting

Wednesday, February 3

St. John Vianney: 7:00am - 6:00pm Adoration

5:30pm Rosary

Holy Family: 7:00pm Bible Study

Thursday, February 4

St. John Vianney: 7:00pm SJV KC Meeting

SJV WOMEN'S SOCIETY MEETING



The SJV Women's Society will meet on Tuesday, February 2, 2021 at 6:30pm in the SJV Activity Center. We will discuss and plan the activities for our next meeting. If you think of any service project that we could do as a group please share your thoughts. Hope you can join us. All women of the parish are welcomed.

St. John Vianney WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING January 23 & 24, 2021

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| Sunday Envelopes | \$1,985.00 |
| WeShare Donations | \$1,180.00 |
| Loose Collections | <u>\$260.00</u> |
| Total | \$3,425.00 |
| Weekly Budget | \$4,788.46 |
| Weekly Surplus / Shortfall | (\$1,363.46) |
| Capital Improvements | \$85.00 |
| Building & Maintenance | \$100.00 |
| Christmas Offering | \$75.00 |
| Catholic Times | \$150.00 |
| Church in Latin America | \$185.00 |
| Solemnity of Mary | \$75.00 |

Holy Family WEEKLY PARISH OFFERING January 24, 2021

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| Sunday Envelopes | \$1,065.00 |
| WeShare Donations | \$ - |
| Loose Donations | <u>\$45.00</u> |
| Total | \$1,110.00 |
| Weekly Budget | \$1,377.69 |
| Weekly Surplus / Shortfall | (\$267.69) |
| Building Fund | \$50.00 |
| Catholic Times | \$30.00 |
| Church in Latin America | \$195.00 |



Calling all prayer warriors!

Sign-ups are now open!

Join us in prayer this coming Lent to end abortion in Springfield.

February 17th- March 28th. The kick-off event will be held on February 18th at 9 am at the Springfield Right to Life office at 519 N. Bruns Ln. with prayers from Bishop Paprocki and the blessing of our sonogram machine.

Go to <https://www.40daysforlife.com/springfield> to sign up for a time slot.

Your presence on the sidewalk matters! Abby Johnson says that the "no show" rate goes up to 90% when people are praying outside of an abortion facility. Now more than ever your prayers are needed. Contact us at 217-523-2700 or springfieldrtl@gmail.com.

Events at the Cathedral

The Cathedral Cemetery

PJ Oubre from the diocesan archives office continues to explore the lives of the four men buried in the crypt of the Cathedral.

February 10, 2021 7:00pm in the Cathedral Atrium
Alton to Springfield: From River Bluff to the Capital - the lives and funerals of Msgr. Timothy Hickey and Bishop James Griffin (NOT a repeat of the November presentation)

February 24, 2021 7:00pm in the Cathedral Atrium
Councils and Synods to Civil Rights - the lives and funerals of Bishops O'Connor and McNicholas



GOSPEL

Grass stains. Tomato sauce. Brightly colored fruit drinks.

When these nasty stains stick to your clothes, it is tough to get them out. Regular soap won't work. You need something stronger. Jesus is really strong, too. In today's Gospel, a nasty evil spirit screamed when it saw Jesus. Jesus was so powerful, he cleaned that evil spirit right out.



PUZZLE

Unscramble words from today's gospel

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| quiet | spirit | shook |
| teaching | Jesus | shout |
| amazed | Holy One | obey |

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St. John Vianney PARISH MISSION: Renewal of Faith & Return to Worship

led by the Most Reverend Carl Kemme, current Bishop of Wichita and former SJV Pastor, is scheduled for

March 16, 17, and 18, 2021

6:30pm - 8:30pm

Tuesday, March 16th

Mass & Talk

Wednesday, March 17th

Talk & Reconciliation

Thursday, March 18th

Adoration & Talk

Unfortunately, Bishop Kemme's plans have changed and he will not be able to stay to celebrate the weekend Masses.

Sign Up for the Mission will be required.

Please note the following changes to our regular Mass Schedule:

Tuesday, March 16th

Holy Family:

5:30pm Mass with Stations at 5:00pm

Wednesday, March 17th

St. John Vianney:

8:00 am Mass (instead of 6:00pm)

No Adoration

Stay tuned for more details.

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Youth Group Calendar

February



7th: Junior High Youth Group 4:00-5:30pm in the AC
21st: Senior High Youth Group 4:00-5:30pm in the AC

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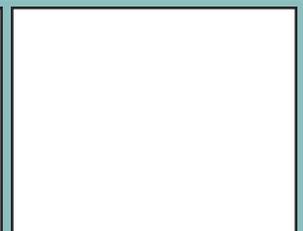
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