

# Second Sunday of Ordinary Time January 16, 2022



## SAINT MICHAEL AT INDIAN CREEK

18316 County Hwy N  
Tomah, WI 54660

## SAINT PAUL

408 W. River Street  
New Lisbon, WI 53950

## ST. JAMES

100 Bartell Street  
Camp Douglas, WI 54618

**TOMAH DEANERY  
DIOCESE OF LACROSSE • IN FULL  
COMMUNION WITH THE HOLY SEE**

### Parish Staff

#### Pastor, Fr. Robert M Letona

Phone .....608-562-3125

Email.....fatherletona@gmail.com

#### St. Paul Parish

##### Secretary, Jean Arends

Phone ..... 608-562-3125

Email .....stpaulsecretarynl@gmail.com

##### Religious Ed Coordinator

Sue LaBudda.....608-728-7267

Email.....susanlabudda@gmail.com

##### Youth Ministry

PCCW

POSTION OPEN

#### St. Michael Parish

##### Secretary, Kristine Madejczyk

Phone.....608-562-3135

Mailing .....P.O. Box 199, Camp Douglas, WI 54618

##### Religious Ed Coordinator

Deb Granger..... 608-372-9617

PCCW, Marge Shie ..... 608-372-2962

Therese Schuh.....608-372-2794

#### St. James Parish

##### Secretary, Kristine Madejczyk

Phone.....608-427-6762

Email.....stjames@mwt.net

##### Religious Ed Coordinator

PCCW, Teri LaPorte.....608-377-1211

### Baptism and Marriage

Please call the parish office to arrange a time to meet with the priest and to schedule. Allow 6 months preparation time for marriage.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

7.30 am St Paul before Friday morning Mass @ St Pauls

5.30pm St James Saturday evening

Or call Parish Office to schedule your confession

### Home visits & Sacrament of the Sick

Please call Father Letona at 608-562-3125 for information.



## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

©LPI

Want the bulletin via online?

Sign up for email or visit our website [www.mjpcatholic.com](http://www.mjpcatholic.com)

## FROM THE DESK OF FATHER LETONA

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

"Last Sunday, in which we celebrated the Baptism of the Lord, the Ordinary Time of the liturgical year began. The beauty of this season lies in the fact that it invites us to live our ordinary life as a journey of holiness, that is, of faith and friendship with Jesus continually discovered and rediscovered as Teacher and Lord, the Way, the Truth and the Life of man..." (Pope Benedict XVI, January 15th, 2006).

"Today the liturgy proposes the Gospel episode of the wedding at Cana, recounted by John, an eyewitness of the event. This episode has been allocated to this Sunday which immediately follows the Christmas season because, together with the visit of the Magi from the East and the Baptism of Jesus, it forms the trilogy of the Epiphany, in other words the manifestation of Christ.

The miracle of the wedding at Cana is in fact 'the first of his signs' (Jn 2:11), that is, the first miracle that Jesus worked with which he showed his glory in public, inspiring faith in his disciples.

Let us briefly recall the events that occurred during that wedding feast in Cana of Galilee. It happened that there was not enough wine and Mary, the Mother of Jesus, pointed this out to her Son. He answered her that his hour had not yet come; but then acquiesced to Mary's request and, having had the six large jars filled with water, he transformed the water into wine, an excellent wine, better than the previous one.

With this 'sign' Jesus revealed himself as the messianic Bridegroom come to establish with his people the new and eternal covenant, in accordance with the prophets' words: 'as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you' (Is 62:5). Moreover, wine is a symbol of this joy of love; but it also alludes to the blood that Jesus was to pour out at the end to seal his nuptial pact with humanity." (Pope Benedict XVI, January 20th, 2013).

March for Life:

Regrettably our diocese will not be able to send pilgrims to Washington DC this year because of restrictions. However, as Catholics we stand firm in our conviction that life is sacred and to be respected from the moment of conception until natural death. Let us offer our prayers for the protection of the unborn, for the conversion and healing of the hearts of those considering abortion and for reconciliation for those who have procured abortion, for generosity among Catholics to help women in times of crisis pregnancy, for children awaiting adoption, and for healing and comfort for mothers who have miscarried their unborn children. Blessed Mary, Our Mother, pray for us.

"Every human person is created in the image and likeness of God. The conviction that human life is sacred and that each person has inherent dignity that must be respected in society lies at the heart of Catholic social teaching. Calls to advance human rights are illusions if the right to life itself is subject to attack. We believe that every human life is sacred from conception to natural death; that people are more important than things; and that the measure of every institution is whether or not it enhances the life and dignity of the human person." (US Bishops: Faithful Citizenship - Civic Responsibility for a New Millennium, 1999).

God bless you all,  
Father Robert Letona

## Character Builds Families

How to be a MORE GENEROUS Person this year.

5. Be Friendlier and remember your manners. It doesn't take much effort to smile more, to wave to someone, to let someone go in front of you, to remember basic manners, 'Please', "Thank you" and "excuse me".

6. Notice who needs help. Who is struggling in your life? Acknowledging a person's need is sometimes all it takes, and other times there may be something tangible you can actually do to help.

7. Get involved. Maybe you do too much already and this one is not for you. But for many of us, getting involved in something is a great way to be more generous. Whether it's a neighborhood association, a school group or at Church—lend your presence and support somewhere and you'll find that you receive more than you give.



### Please remember our Military and their Families

Capt. Benjamin Murphy USAF	Maj. Jeannette Jasinski USAF
Capt. Jarrad Glasenapp Army	Capt. Jill Glasenapp Army
Sgt Ethan McKay	Maj. Barbara Schulz
MSgt Rick Nelson	SMSgt. Julie Walton USAF
SSgt. Nickolas Shue	SFC. John Miller Army
SSgt. Natasha Shue	SSG Jaclyn Miller Army
Lt Col. Todd Walton USAF	EM3 Joseph Haske Navy
SSgt. Jayne Miller USAF	A1C Stephanie Wright USAF
SSG Jason Konsitzke	Capt. David M. Elsing USAF
Luca Stromberg-Windau	A1C Ethan Jasinski USAF
MSgt Douglas Cody	PFC Jacob Haske, Army
Lt Col Shawn Claire Baldy USAF	NUKE Cade Haschke Navy

### FOR THOSE IN NEED OF OUR PRAYERS.....

Karen Caple	Laura Wagner	Marty Gillan
Sam Pesta	Christi Lewis	Dave Pearson
Harry Guzak	Mary Barnharst	Denise Doering
Dorothy Zilinski	Maggie Sage	Ron Schaub
Dorothy Jensen	Barbara Fry	Elizabeth Kuzdas
Joel Rivera	Bill Pfaff	Jonnie Connor
Joanne Guess	Parvlich Family	Michael LaHaye
Bob Herriot	Mike Ollendick	Arlene Lindstrom
Sandy Dvorak	Therese Wurzak	Mary Ann Dunn
Michael Kuzdas	Pat McCullough	Steven Blaskey
Bill Guess	Marleen Quist	Ileen Coles
Cade Haschke	Dawn Bader	Virginia Brickl
Gayle Mecikalski	Terry Benson	John Conrardy
Dave Lewis	Pat Wyss	Helen Wiora
Michael Haske	Leonard Blondeau	Ruth Frohmader
Troy Lewis	Fr Clayton Elmhorst	Bruce Quist
Barb Mock		

### For our Deceased

Clayton Hansen	Frank Machnik	Ellen Henthorne
Marcella Hirt	Wilda Paulson	Walt Weber
Sue Georgenson	Francis King	Valerie Dziejwior

**Please call the office if you would like to add or remove a name.**

### Secretary's Corner

"After concluding our Christmas season celebrations, we put away the decorations. The Nativity sets, however, stay out until Candlemas on February 2." (The Catholic All Year Compendium)

**Here are some proven ways to take care of your mind and body during these cold months.**

Winter is a difficult season for a lot of people. The reduced sunlight, freezing temperatures, and cabin fever it brings can do a real number on your mental health. It's no wonder many people deal with seasonal affective disorder this time of year. If you find yourself struggling this winter, do make it a priority talk to a mental health professional for the best advice. But for milder cases of the "winter blues," we have a some simple tweaks you can make to our daily life to boost your spirits. Hopefully these 10 tips can help you to thrive and take good care of yourself in the months ahead!

**GET ENOUGH SLEEP** Sleeping too much or too little leaves us feeling aimless and depleted. Getting the right amount of sleep is a guaranteed way to take great care of your brain and body. If you have trouble falling asleep, some have success taking bedtime teas and putting a solid bedtime routine in place.

**NOURISH YOUR SOUL WITH PRAYER** Taking time to pray each day brings God's peace into our souls. You might pray the Rosary, attend Mass or watch Mass online, or engage in mental prayer and meditation.

**NOURISH YOUR BODY WITH WHOLE FOODS** While processed foods may leave us with a sugar crash or a tummy ache, whole and healthy foods give us energy and help regulate our moods. A nourishing diet is a great way to take care of yourself this winter.

**MOVE YOUR BODY** It can be hard to find the motivation to exercise, but it's a really great tool to have in your mental-health arsenal: Exercise has an almost magical ability to put you in a good mood (thanks, endorphins)! Check out a free fitness app (I'm partial to FitOn) or meet up with a friend for a winter hike. Even vacuuming and mopping your house or playing in the snow with your kids can work to get in more steps and be active!

**WRITE DOWN ONE THING YOU'RE GRATEFUL FOR EVERY DAY** A daily practice of gratitude helps us focus on God's good gifts in our lives, and is proven to improve our mood and sense of well-being. Taking time to thank God is part of our Christian vocation.

**SET ASIDE TIME TO DO THINGS YOU LOVE** Few things lift our hearts quite like diving into a fun hobby! Whether it's baking, bird watching, knitting, reading mystery novels, or anything else you enjoy, working on a hobby will do you good.

**LOOK FOR WAYS TO HELP OTHERS** Loving and helping others fulfills our Christian vocation to serve, and lifts our spirits, too!

**LIMIT MINDLESS SCREEN TIME AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE** Most of us don't have a choice about using screen for work or school, but it's wise to take digital breaks as much as possible. We know too much screen time isn't good for our mental health. Mindless scrolling leaves us feeling empty.

**MAKE PLANS WITH FRIENDS** You might organize a backyard bonfire with your book club Socializing is one of the best things you can do for your mental health!

**GET OUTSIDE** Yes, the weather outside is frightful. But playing outside is so delightful! Fresh air is so good for the mind and body, even in winter. You'll feel invigorated and refreshed after a winter walk or going sledding. (Aleteia.org)

**Family Builder Idea:**

Review the above list, and chose two or three activities to do with your child this week. See how many times you can go down on a sled, or fix a healthy filled meal with them. Think about how much better you feel after these activities!

Attend in person

**6 pm Sat. St James, Camp Douglas**

**8am St Michael's Indian Creek**

**10 am St Paul's New Lisbon**

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Father Letona**

Readings

Is 62: 1-5

Ps 96: 1-3, 7-10

1 Cor 12: 4-11

Jn 2: 1-11

Find us on Facebook and the web

Www.mjpcatholic.com

**St James Schedule Jan 22**

**Lector**

Loretta Connor

**Money Counter**

Ruth Schroeder, John Libretti

**St. Paul's Schedule Jan 23**

**Lector**

Jim Nicksic

**Eucharist Minister**

Janet Barrett

**Ushers**

Tom Heindl/Loren Arends

**Money Counter**

Ben Olsen

**St. Michael's Schedule Jan 23**

**Lector**

Ted Schultz

**Ushers**

Rick Phillips/Bob Conant

**Money Counters**

Wenzel Felber/ Peggy Tiber

(If you can't fill your roll please notify the office two weeks before hand)

**Saint of the Day for January 17**

**Saint Anthony of Egypt's Story**

He lived in solitude in the desert, but he wasn't alone.

St. Anthony the Abbot (sometimes called St. Anthony of Egypt or St. Anthony the Great), was inspired by the Gospels to sell all his possessions and live a life of solitude in the Egyptian desert. He established for himself a quiet hermitage away from the world, but he wasn't able to completely escape from his most persistent enemy. The devil, knowing that St. Anthony was a very holy man and close to God, threw everything he had against him. If the devil couldn't turn Anthony away from God through the riches of the world, he would try to attack him both physically and spiritually. St. Athanasius records several of these encounters in his Life of St. Anthony. After failing to tempt him with the lure of wealth, the devil "attacked the young man, disturbing him by night and harassing him by day, so that even the onlookers saw the struggle which was going on between them." After each temptation, however, St. Anthony would "fortify his body with faith, prayers, and fasting." Frustrated, the devil tried to confront Anthony by taking on the shape of a boy and conversing with him. Anthony replied, "You are very despicable then, for you are black-hearted and weak as a child. Henceforth I shall have no trouble from you, for the Lord is my helper, and I shall look down on mine enemies." For a time the devil left Anthony alone, but returned again to test him, this time with a multitude of demons. The devil severely beat Anthony physically, hoping that Anthony would return to his former way of life out of fear. Remaining steadfast in his faith, Anthony called out to the devil, "Here am I, Anthony; I flee not from your stripes, for even if you inflict more nothing shall separate me from the love of Christ ... 'though a camp be set against me, my heart shall not be afraid.'" After each encounter Anthony was strengthened in his faith and God came to his aid. In teaching his many disciples Anthony taught them how to defeat the demons, "Sign yourselves therefore with the cross, and depart boldly, and let these make sport for themselves." And elsewhere he said to them, "But we need not fear their suggestions, for by prayer, fasting, and faith in the Lord their attack immediately fails." In whatever temptations we may encounter, Anthony teaches us that faith, prayer, fasting, and the sign of the cross is enough to defeat the snares of the Evil One. The devil may appear powerful, but the saints again and again prove that he is not and is no match for those who put their trust in God.

# Announcements for Tri-Parish

## General Announcement

On Formed.org watch

### **Be Not Afraid Family Hour**

8 episodes each 1 hour or less in length

- 1 The Parent's Mission: Passing on the Faith
- 2 Jesus Exceeds Expectation
- 3 Consecration" Our Priestly Role
- 4 Four Steps to be a Great Catholic Leader
- 5 Prayer
- 6 Living Fully Alvie
- 7 Fitness and Faith Jared Zimmerer
- 8 Your Purpose is Love

Watch one a week with your family or watch one a month and grow in your faith and help your family grow in theirs as well.

### **Not on Formed.org yet**

Register

1. Go to FORMED.org/signup
2. Enter 53950 or mjpcatholic
- 3 Enter your name and email

### **Already have an account?**

1. Visit FORMED.org
2. Click Sign In
3. Enter your email
4. Click the link in your email
5. You're in! No more passwords!

## ST. PAUL

### Intentions for our Tri-Parish

#### Saturday Jan 15

##### 6 pm @ St James

For the People of Sts Michael, James & Paul's Parishes

#### Sunday Jan 16

##### 8.00 am @ St Michael's

+Laurie Felber by Wenzel & Jo Felber

##### 10.00 am @ St Paul's

Living & Deceased members of the Bunker & Wyss families by Pat Wyss

#### Monday Jan 17

**NO MASS**

#### Tuesday Jan 18

Special Intention for Melissa Connor by James & Sheila Marx

#### Wednesday Jan 19

+Ellen Tiber by Marleen Quist

#### Thursday Jan 20

**NO MASS**

#### Friday Jan 21

**NO MASS**

#### Saturday Jan 22 (visiting Priest)

##### 6 pm @ St James

Deceased Members of the Betthausser family by Norbert & Ruth Siess

#### Sunday Jan 23 (visiting Priest)

##### 8.00 am @ St Michael's

For the People of Sts Michael, James & Paul's Parishes

##### 10.00 am @ St Paul's

+Gervase & Cathryn Connor by James & Sheila Marx

### STEWARDSHIP CORNER – Jan 9

Offertory \$ 10.00

Envelopes \$ 1305.02

**Total \$ 1315.02**

## St. James

#### Sunday Jan 15

For the People of Sts Michael, James & Paul's Parishes

#### Sunday Jan 22

Deceased Members of the Betthausser family by Norbert & Ruth Siess

### STEWARDSHIP CORNER - Jan 8

Offertory \$ 27.00

Envelopes \$ 240.00

Improvements \$ 50.00

**Total \$ 317.00**

## St. Michael

#### Sunday Jan 16

+Laurie Felber by Wenzel & Jo Felber

#### Sunday Jan 23

For the People of Sts Michael, James & Paul's Parishes

### STEWARDSHIP CORNER - Jan 9

Offertory \$ 78.00

Envelopes \$ 442.00

Improvements \$ 155.00

**Total \$ 675.00**



G. Noel Hare, *Owner*  
Lisa (Hare) Cody,  
*Director*

217 WEST PEARL STREET • NEW LISBON, WI 53950-1132

PHONE (608) 562-3312

www.harefuneralhome.com

**TOMAH GRANITE COMPANY**

215 Superior Ave.  
372-6200

Monuments, Markers,  
Lettering, Cleaning

**Curran, Hollenbeck & Orton, S.C.**

Attorneys at Law  
Since 1935



Mauston Office  
111 Oak Street  
847-7363

Dells/Delton Office  
140 E. Adams  
253-7363

www.curranlawoffice.com

**CAMP DOUGLAS FARMERS CO-OP**

107 Main St. • Camp Douglas  
608-427-3188

LP Gas ~ Fuels ~ Feed & Seed!



Compassionate  
Hospice &  
Palliative Care



Learn more at TomahHealth.org  
608.374.0250  
601 Straw St, Tomah, WI 54660

TOGETHER IN CARE

**ADT-Monitored Home Security**

Get 24-Hour Protection  
From a Name You Can Trust

- Burglary
- Fire Safety
- Flood Detection
- Carbon Monoxide



SafeStreets

1-855-225-4251

**TORKELSON Funeral Home**

565-7773

www.torkelsonfuneralhome.com

**AVAILABLE FOR A LIMITED TIME!**  
**ADVERTISE HERE NOW!**

Contact **Gary Stang**  
to place an ad today!  
gstang@4LPi.com to  
**(800) 950-9952 x5838**

*Powers Gourmet*

Fine Chocolates &  
Condiments

W3857 Hwy. 12 & 16  
Lyndon Station, WI 53944

(414) 539-0181

**H&H STORAGE**

10 x 10 - 10 x 15 - 10 x 20  
10 x 25 - 10 x 30

**UNITS AVAILABLE!**

3/4 mile east of I-90-94 on Hwy. 82

**Call 847-6159**



Open 10:00 AM-10:00 PM Daily  
Phone 374-2563 for Carry-outs  
Hwys 12 & 21 North Tomah

**Triple M Roofing**

**METAL ROOFING**  
**(608) 983-2680**  
www.tripleroofing.net

Free Estimates  
Fully Insured



**OUR SERVICES**

- Automotive • Industrial • Small Engine
- Motorcycle • Snowmobile • Marine
- Performance • Import

**608-562-6072**

306 Bickford St., New Lisbon, WI 53950

**MORRIS EXCAVATING**  
608-562-5576  
Over 30 Years of  
Excavating Experience

**State Farm**  
Leroy Holthaus, Agent  
221 E. State St.  
Mauston  
608-847-6094  
Step In, Stop In, or Click In  
Leroy@SFMauston.com

**SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS!**

**WE'RE HIRING**  
AD SALES EXECUTIVES  
BE YOURSELF. BRING YOUR PASSION. WORK WITH PURPOSE.

- Work-Life Balance
- Paid Training
- Full-Time with Benefits
- Some Travel
- Serve Your Community

Contact us at careers@4lpi.com  
www.4lpi.com/careers

**support our ADVERTISERS**

**TMC AUTOMOTIVE**  
NEW LISBON  
We are a Full Service  
Automotive Shop  
(608) 562-5858  
www.tmcautomotive.com

**Break Room Sports Bar and Grill**  
Proudly serving breakfast,  
lunch & dinner seven days a week.  
Check out our daily specials  
Restaurant Hours 6am - 9pm  
**608-372-2711**  
1123 Superior Ave., Tomah, WI

*We've Missed You!*  
Welcome Back to Mass

Stay connected to our faith community no matter where you are  
by signing up to get our bulletin delivered straight to your email!

**www.ParishesOnline.com**

**THE BANK OF MAUSTON**  
New Lisbon Branch  
608.562.6200  
www.bankofmauston.com  
Mauston • New Lisbon • Necedah •  
Lyndon Station • Wisconsin Dells  
"Helping our community grow!"

**DEER CREEK DENTAL CLINIC**  
www.deercreekdentalclinic.com  
820 North Superior  
Tomah, WI 54660  
(608) 372-5000  
Mark S. Mueller, DDS  
Timothy J. Morschauer, DDS

I Love my Job.  
I can help with all your real estate needs!

**FIRSTWEBER REALTORS**

**DIANA M GERKE, GRI**  
REALTOR  
608-387-2801  
gerked@firstweber.com  
www.DianaGerke.FirstWeber.com



For ad info. call 1-800-950-9952 • www.4lpi.com

St. Paul, St. Michael & St. James, New Lisbon, WI

A 4C 01-1126