## **Catholic Community in Central Racine**

January 16, 2022

## 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



## 2° DOMINGO DEL IEMPO ORDINARIO

Hubo una boda en Caná de Galilea, a la cual asistió la madre de Jesús. Este y sus discípulos también fueron invitados. Como llegara a faltar el vino, María le dijo a Jesús: "Ya no tienen vino". - Jn 2, 1-3

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Sunday/Domingo	9:00 am	English
Sunday/Domingo	10:30 am	
Sunday/Domingo	12:00 pm	Español
Sunday/Domingo	6:00 pm	Español
Wednesday/Miércoles	6:00 pm	Español

Sunday: 9:00 am English 10:30 am Español

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Saturday	4:00 pm
Sunday	9:00 am
Sunday	11:30 am
Thursday	9:00 am
Friday	9:00 am

Wednesday-Friday: 9:00 am English



## St. Edward Parish

This Week:

Saturday, January 15

4:00 pm Mass at St. Edward

Sunday, January 16

9:00 am Mass at St. Edward

Tuesday, January 18

9:00 am Mass at St. Edward

Wednesday, January 19

9:00 am Mass (rosary) at St. Edward

Thursday, January 20

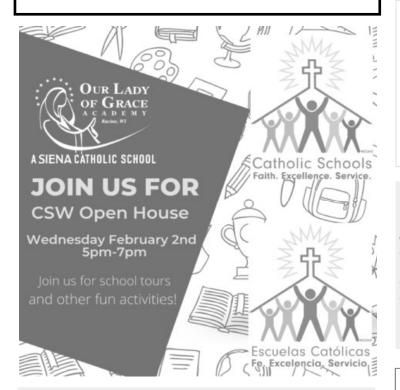
9:00 am Mass at St. Richard

Friday, January 21

9:00 am Mass at St. Richard

Saturday, January 22

4:00 pm Mass at St. Edward



## Knights of Columbus / St. Vincent de Paul

- 1. Assist the poor, strengthen your faith, build new friendships within the church.
- 2. Practice the virtues of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism. Participate in programming that builds faith, community, and parish, while strengthening family and the culture of life, including one of the nations top ranked insurance organizations.

#### Join Us

If either of these appeal to you, you should prayerfully and seriously consider joining the St. Vincent de Paul Society and/or Knights of Columbus. For more information, on the benefits of joining the organizations, contact Bill Frayer (262-633-7887), frayerfamily@yahoo.com or leave your name/contact info. with the Parish Office. For St. Vincent de Paul, you can also contact Don Mueller at (262-456-4345). For the Knights, visit kofc.org/ joinus or www.wikofc.com.

## Souper Bowl 2022

St. Ed's "Souper Bowl" collection drive will begin Sat., Jan. 22 through Sun, Feb. 13. Purchase your cans of hearty, chunky soups and place them in back of church on the east side. Recipients will be HALO, The Hospitality Center and Veterans Outreach.

#### **Mass Intentions**

Sunday, January 16, 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am †Eva Spalla Tuesday, January 18

9:00 am Special Intentions

Wednesday, January 19 9:00 am †Jean Logic

Saturday, January 22, Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of

Unborn Children

4:00 pm +Marianne Hall

+Pete Turner

Sunday, January 23, 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 am Special Intentions

#### 2022 Calendars

There are 2022 calendars available in the church. Thank you to Maresh-Meredith & Acklam Funeral Home for their generosity in providing the calendars.

#### Readers & Eucharistic Ministers

New schedules have been sent out. Hard copies are available in the sacristy. Readers please pick up your new workbooks in the sacristy. New ministry volunteers are welcome, especially for 4:00 Mass. If interested, contact Bill Frayer or leave your name/ contact info. with the Parish Office or an usher.

## **Archdiocese Guidelines -**To Minimize spread of COVID

Please help us to minimize the risk of spreading the COVID virus or other illness to others.

- If you feel sick, please stay home and participate in our online
- Wear masks and practice social distancing at Mass
- Get vaccinated.

Thank you for trying to keep others healthy!

## **Weekly Collections for January 8/9:** Weekly Envelopes......\$3,289.00

Save the Building \$110.00
Offertory Collection \$226.00
Votive Candles \$14.00 Miscellaneous Collections.....\$0.00 Total.....\$3.639.00

#### Weekly Collections for January 1/2:

\$5,600.00
\$55.00
\$173.00
\$16.00
\$100.00
\$5,944.00

## Stewardship Corner

In the Gospel today, at the wedding feast in Cana, Jesus reveals himself to his disciples, and they began to believe in him. Everyday God also gives us signs of his love and so we also can respond in faith and trust.

As you place your gift in the Society of St. Vincent de Paul envelope, know that you are a sign of God's love to those who are suffering and you give them reason to believe and to trust.

## St. Patrick Parish/Parroquia de San Patricio

T THE	Mas Mas	Mass Intentions/Intenciones de Misa		
1/15	4:00 pm	Our Parishioners/Por la Comunidad		
1/16	9:00 am	Our Parishioners/Por la Comunidad		
	10:30 am	† Clement Romero		
	12:00 pm	Our Parishioners/Por la Comunidad		
	6:00 pm	Our Parishioners/Por la Comunidad		
1/19	6:00 pm	† Mario Samaniego		
1/22	4:00 pm	† Phil Spencer		
1/23	9:00 am	† Roberta Leonard		
	10:30 am	Our Parishioners/Por la Comunidad		
	12:00 pm	Our Parishioners/Por la Comunidad		
	6:00 pm	† María de Jesüs Anguiano		
		† Michael Rocha		
		† María Jimenez		
		† José Santos Rocha		

† Consuelo Tanguma

Weekly Schedule

**Próximos Eventos** 

Sunday/domingo 1/16 Monday/lunes 1/17 Tuesday/martes 1/18 Wednesday/miércoles 1/19 Thursday/jueves 1/20 Friday/Viernes 1/21 Saturday/sábado 1/22

Sunday/domingo 1/23

#### Pensamientos del Padre Juan . .

Gracia y Paz para ustedes mis hermanos y hermanas:

Estamos en la segunda semana del Tiempo Ordinario. Iniciamos este tiempo litúrgico en el que el enfoque es el ministerio de Jesús. Exploraremos parábolas, sanidades, milagros, discursos, desafíos y muchos otros eventos diarios en la vida de Jesús. Esta temporada nos invita a caminar con Jesús como discípulos y aprender de sus enseñanzas a medida que avanza en Galilea, Samaria y Judea. Me gustaría que nos comprometiéramos a caminar como discípulos con la mente y el corazón abiertos para aprender de nuestro Señor. Me gustaría que usáramos la oración imaginativa a medida que avanzamos en el Tiempo Ordinario. La Oración Imaginativa es una técnica de oración desarrollada por San Ignacio de Loyola. La idea de la oración imaginativa es que cuando leemos o escuchamos un pasaje del evangelio, nos ubicamos en el momento. Podemos convertirnos en uno de los personajes o simplemente estar allí como una persona más de la historia. Es una técnica de oración muy poderosa, que nos permite aprender del mismo Jesús. Cuando oramos de esa manera necesitamos enfocarnos en las emociones v sentimientos que nos rodean. Eso es en pocas palabras Oración imaginativa. Hay libros enteros escritos sobre eso. Espero que podamos sacar tiempo todos los domingos para orar imaginativamente con los pasajes del Evangelio.

Bueno, veamos este domingo, aunque leeremos el evangelio de Lucas este año en el Tiempo Ordinario, comenzamos hoy con el relato de las Bodas de Caná del Evangelio de Juan. Dos ideas vienen a mi mente de este evangelio. Primero, hay una tremenda capacidad de creer en Jesús. Primero, por parte de María que conoce a su hijo y ve la necesidad de que él inicie su ministerio. Ella cree que es el momento adecuado para él. En segundo lugar, los sirvientes en la boda creen claramente en él sin saber mucho sobre él. Ellos creen solo porque María lo dijo. Lo cual me asombra porque eso requiere confianza y apertura a creer sin saber. Lo que me lleva a mi segunda idea: todo se centra en la palabra hablada. María le habla a Jesús sobre su tiempo para comenzar el ministerio y él le cree. María les dice a los sirvientes que obedezcan cualquier cosa que él diga y todos obedecen. Jesús habla a los sirvientes y ellos creen que poniendo agua en la tinaja les dará vino nuevo.

## NO CRISTO REY CAFÉ IN JANUARY

Due to COVID, Cristo Rey Café will not be open in January. Debido a la gran cantidad de casos de COVID en el área de Racine, Cristo Rey Café no estará abierto durante el mes de enero.

## PARISH SUNDAY & HOLY DAY COLLECTIONS LAS COLECTAS PARA LOS DOMINGOS Y LOS DÍAS SAGRADOS

January 9, 2022/9 de enero 2022 Received/recibido .....\$ 3,268.50

For La Sagrada Familia Parish in the Dominican Republic Para La Parroquia de La Sagrada Familia en la Republica Dominicana Received/recibido ......\$ 1,031.25

## Lecturas para la semana del 16 de enero de 2022

Domingo: Is 62, 1-5/Sal 95, 1-2. 2-3. 7-8. 9-10/1 Co 12, 4-11

Jn 2. 1-11

Lunes: 1 Sm 15, 16-23/Sal 49, 8-9. 16-17. 21 y 23/Mc 2, 18-22 Martes: 1 Sm 16, 1-13/Sal 88, 20. 21-22. 27-28/Mc 2, 23-28 Miércoles: 1 Sm 17,32-33.37. 40-51/Sal 143, 1. 2. 9-10/Mc 3, 1-6 1 Sm 18, 6-9; 19, 1-7/Sal 55, 2-3, 9-10, 10-11, 12-13 Jueves:

Mc 3, 7-12

Viernes: 1 Sm 24, 3-21/Sal 56, 2. 3-4. 6 y 11/Mc 3, 13-19 Sábado: 2 Sm1.1-4, 11-12, 17, 19, 23-27/Sal 79,2-3,5-7

Mc 3,20-21

Domingo siguiente: Neh 8, 2-4. 5-6. 8-10/Sal 18, 8. 9. 10. 15/1Co 12,12-30

o 12, 12-14. 27/Lc 1, 1-4; 4, 14-21

## AYÚDENOS A ACTUALIZAR NUESTROS REGISTROS

Si usted ha tenido algún cambio en los miembros de la familia, número de teléfono, dirección, correo electrónico, etc., por favor llame a la oficina de la parroquia (632-8808) para hacernos saber. Queremos tener registros correctos para ustedes.

#### PLEASE HELP US UPDATE OUR RECORDS

If you have had any changes in family members, phone number, address, email, etc., please notify the parish office (632-8808).

## **CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS**

The poinsettias that beautifully decorated our church for Christmas were donated by our parishioners in memory or in honor of:

Roberto Aquino, Jr.

Mary & Albert Benedict

Mary Benedict

Elmer & Ruth Coonen

Jayden Malik Cronin

Deceased members of Cronin Family

Deceased members of Dresen Family

Richard Frankowski

Alvaro Gonzalez Familia

Bud Goodrich

Betty Harrison

David Harrison

Willie Harrison

George & Margaret Hass

Roy Josten Clayton Koyac

Peter & Helen Kuyoth

## **NOCHES BUENAS** PARA LA NAVIDAD

Las noches buenas que bellamente decorada nuestra iglesia para Navidad fueron donadas por nuestros parroquianos en la memoria o en honor de:

Lucy López

Joseph & Helen Marik

Robert, Paula, Joseph Marik

Audrey & Jack Moore

José Miguel Nuñez Saavedra

Margarita Ojeda

Louise Reeves

Robert Reeves

Adan Saavedra

Schanstine Family

Jim & Millie Sweeti

Alice Thomas

Leone Townsend Hilda & Robert Woodruff

Wally Wozniak

Walter & Julia Wozniak

Las Almas del Purgatorio

Entonces, me gustaría que tengamos en cuenta las palabras de Jesús mientras escuchamos los evangelios en estos próximos domingos del Tiempo Ordinario. Además, quiero que seamos conscientes de nuestras propias palabras que decimos. Las palabras tienen poder para construir o para derribar. Usemos nuestras palabras para edificar a otras personas y no para destruirlas.

Bendiciones,

Juan Manuel Camacho



## St. Richard Parish

#### This Week in Our Parish

Wed. Mass - 9:00 a.m. In person @ St. Edward & Live Stream
Thur. Mass - 9:00 a.m. In person and Facebook Live Stream
Fri. Mass - 9:00 a.m. In person and Facebook Live Stream

Sat. Reconciliation - 3:00 p.m. Mass - 4:00 p.m. In person

Sun. Mass - 9:00 a.m. In person and Facebook Live Stream

Mass - 11:30 a.m. In person

### **Stewardship Report**

True stewardship calls us to recognize one simple yet profound truth: everything we have comes from God. Everything we "own" is really on loan from God. This is what makes us stewards. Stewardship is not a "program," or a fundraising campaign. Stewardship is not a buzz-word or round-about way of asking for money. As we grow in our understanding of true stewardship we recognize everything as a gift. Living stewardship allows us to use our gifts, to the very best of our ability, for the good of God's church.

Financial Stewardship for January 8 & 9

\$14,190 Envelopes

\$240 Anonymous Gifts to God

\$97 Building Fund

\$62 Siena School Fund

\$50 Christmas Offerings

## 2022 Calendar Raffle Winners

1/12/22 JJ Schinkowitch Racine 1/16/22 Careers Industries Racine

## **COVID-19 Safety**

With the rise in COVID-19 cases, extra precautions should be considered. Please remember to wear a mask to Mass, social distance at Mass and if you are feeling sick or have health complications stay at home. If you are taking care of someone who is sick or has a compromised immune system watch Sunday worship on the many Masses broadcast on TV and livestreamed on social media. Remember the CCCR livestreams Mass every Sunday at 9:00 a.m. Thanks for all you do to keep people safe.

#### St. Vincent de Paul Meal Program

St. Richard will provide food for the St. Vincent de Paul Meal Program on Tuesday, January 25. New location—North Pointe Church, 3825 Erie Street. Food and volunteers are needed to prepare, package, and serve food in a "to go" format. All COVID safety measures will be followed. Set up at the site begins at 3:30 p.m. with food being served from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. If you are interested in being a volunteer to provide food or to help serve food, please send an email to Ann Wirtz at annwirtz@yahoo.com or call 262-930-0511. Needs have increased—please consider volunteering! Thank you.

#### Coordinator of Liturgy and Music

St. Richard is seeking a part time musician/liturgist. Applicants must be able to play both organ and piano and have experience with Catholic worship music/Mass. A working knowledge of current liturgical music is preferred. Interested persons should contact Karen Crane at kcrane@strichard-parish.org or call the parish office.

## **Faith Formation**

Our next Faith Formation topic is "An Introduction to the Gospel of Luke" and the presenter is Fr. Juan. Please join us after the 9:00 a.m. Mass on January 23 in Vogel Hall.

#### **Mass Intentions**

Sunday, January 16, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. Living and deceased members of the Catholic Community in

Central Racine † Lloyd Holterman

11:30 a.m. † Mary Ann Lojeski Monday, January 17, St. Anthony, Abbot

Thursday, January 20, St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr, St. Sebastian,

Martyr

9:00 a.m. Holy Souls in Purgatory

Friday, January 21, St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

9:00 a.m. † John Monroe

Saturday, January 22, St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr

4:00 p.m Living and deceased members of the Catholic Community

in Central Racine

Sunday, January 23, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. † Miles Ramsey 11:30 a.m. † Juliann Sharkozy

## Blessed Among Us—Mahalia Jackson

Mahalia Jackson, known as the "Queen of the Gospel," died fifty years ago. Born to a poor family in New Orleans, she found her calling at Mount Mariah Baptist Church, where she began singing in the choir. After moving to Chicago she met the famous Gospel choir leader Thomas Dorsey and began to tour. Gradually her reputation spread throughout the country, and indeed the world. She became the first Gospel singer to perform at Carnegie Hall.

Despite her fame, she constantly confronted prejudice. In the 1950s Martin Luther King Jr. invited her to help raise money for the Montgomery Bus boycott. From that time on, she was always available whenever King called. Sometimes, when feeling low, he would ask her to sing his favorite song, "Take My Hand, Precious Lord," a song she would later sing at his funeral. She hoped her music would "break down some of the hate and fear that divide the white and black people of this country."

In fact, Jackson played a significant role in King's most famous oration. She was at his side in 1963, performing on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial during the famous March on Washington. As King approached the conclusion of his written speech, Jackson called out, "Tell them about the dream, Martin." At this point, King departed from his speech to deliver the historic lines that became a signature of his legacy.

"After you sing the blues, you still have the blues. I sing God's music because it makes me feel free."

Give Us This Day

## Reflection—The Fear Factor

It seems so straight forward: Jesus appointed his Apostles. There doesn't seem too much to delve into here. We know how the Gospel turns out. But, if we are willing to go where our hearts are sometimes afraid to look, we cannot help but pause at the first line: "Jesus went up to the mountain and summoned those whom he wanted and they came to him." Do we imagine it was cut and dried for the men who went up that mountain? They were fishermen; they were married; they were carrying out the jobs to which they thought they would dedicate their lives. But Jesus calls them to something more, something radical, and they go, without question. Or so it seems. What conversation did the Apostles have—with their families, with themselves? It couldn't have been easy.

Our call is not nearly so difficult, although at times it can feel that way. Sometimes even the smallest stretch beyond our normal reach makes us anxious and afraid. But Jesus is not asking us to give up our jobs or our families (at least not in most cases); he's simply asking us to give more, and therein lies the fear factor. We don't have to give up everything we know. We "just" have to put down our internal baggage and pick up the yoke of Jesus. It's not as easy as it sounds, but we know from the Twelve that is the only way that will set us free.

Give Us This Day-Mary DeTurris Poust

## Catholic Community in Central Racine / Comunidad Católica en el Centro de Racine

## Readings for the week of January 16, 2022

Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3,7-8,9-10/1 Cor 12:4-11

Jn 2:1-11

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9,16bc-17, 21 & 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 & 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, 15/1Cor12:12-30

or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

#### THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY 2022

For true human fraternity. We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family. popesprayerusa.net





## St. Vincent de Paul Aid for Afghan Refugees

During August of 2021, thousands of Afghan families, most of whom supported our military for many years,

were forced overnight to flee their homeland with nothing but the clothes on their backs. As their country entered a new dark age, they fled to a new life in a land full of hope. In a few days over 100,000 Afghan refugees were flown into eight military bases in the United States, and have been housed there ever since.

In Racine County, the **St. Vincent de Paul Society is preparing to assist Afghan families,** in co-operation with another faith-filled community, North Pointe Methodist Church. Together we will help Afghan families acclimate to life in Racine by obtaining employment, accessing transportation, food, clothing, ESL classes, tutoring, etc.

We are asking that you consider giving additionally to Saint Vincent de Paul so that we can help these families, as well as continue our daily outreach within the community.

- St. Richard will be designating the SVDP collection on January 29th as an "extra giving" Sunday for SVDP Afghan Refugee Relief.
- St. Patrick's second collection on February 5th and 6th will also be for SVDP Afghan Relief.

Thank you so much in advance for your continued generosity and support of our neighbors.

## Thoughts from Father Juan . . .

Grace and Peace to you my brothers and sisters:

We are in the second week of Ordinary Time. We are starting this holy season in which the focus is Jesus' ministry. We will explore parables, healings, miracles, speeches, challenges, and many other daily events in Jesus' life. This season invites us to walk with Jesus as disciples and learn from his teachings as he moves on in Galilee, Samaria, and Judea. I would like us to make the commitment to walk as disciples with an open mind and heart to learn from our Lord. I would like us to use Imaginative Prayer as we go on in Ordinary Time. Imaginative Prayer is a prayer technique developed by Saint Ignatius of Loyola. The idea of Imaginative Prayer is that when we read or listen to a Gospel passage, we place ourselves in the moment. We can become one of the characters or even just be there as another person of the story. It is a very powerful technique of prayer, which allows us to learn from Jesus himself. When we pray in that way, we need to focus on the emotions and feelings that surround us. That, in a nutshell, is Imaginative Prayer. There are entire books written on it. I hope you make time every Sunday to pray imaginatively with the Gospel's passages.

Now, this Sunday, even though we will read Luke's Gospel in Ordinary Time this year, we start with the Wedding at Cana account from the Gospel of John. Two ideas come to my mind from this Gospel. To begin with, there is a tremendous amount of belief in Jesus. The first is on the part of Mary, who knows her son and sees the need for him to start his ministry. She believes that it is the right time for him. Secondly, the servants at the wedding clearly believe in him without knowing much about him. They believe just because Mary said so. That amazes me because it takes trust and openness to believe without knowing. This brings me to my second idea: everything is focused on the spoken word. Mary speaks to Jesus about his time to start ministry and he believes her. Mary speaks to the servants, telling them to obey anything he may say, and they all obey. Jesus speaks to the servants and they believe that putting water in the jar will give them new wine.

So, I would like *us* to be mindful of the words of Jesus as we listen to the Gospels on these coming Sundays of Ordinary Time. Also, I want us to be mindful of our own words that we speak. Words carry power to build or to tear down. Let's make use of our words for building up other people and not to tear them down.

Blessings,

Juan Manuel Camacho

## CATHOLIC COMMUNITY IN CENTRAL RACINE FAITH FORMATION SUNDAY, JANUARY 23, 2022

Father Juan Manuel Camacho will present "An Introduction to the Gospel of Luke"

Vogel Hall, St. Richard Parish After 9:00 Mass (approximately 10:15)

Everyone is welcome





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