

HOLY FAMILY PARISH



January 16, 2022

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Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday
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Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Happy New Year!!!

On behalf of Friar Bede and Friar Jason, I thank you for the tremendous outpouring of cookies, candies, treats and so many gifts given to us throughout Christmastime. Both friars were excited to be here at Holy Family for Christmas and to participate in all the various school and parish celebrations of the holy season. I was overjoyed to once again have friars living together in community especially at Christmas and to be able to attend our annual Province Epiphany Party at Marytown.

I am especially grateful for your prayers, flexibility, and understanding for times I needed to be away from the school and parish during December to attend to the needs of our brother, Fr. Jim Henning, who died December 30th. It was such a blessing to be with him and share in his walk to Calvary. The Franciscan Wake Service and Funeral Mass with Christian Burial were both well attended with so many of his parishioners from Clinton and Farmer City present along with the friars and Peoria Diocese priests. While I wish I had had a bit more time with him, his suffering which he endured without complaining has ended, and he was for me a sacred witness of what it means to share in the Lord's passion. Eternal Rest grant to him, O Lord, and Perpetual Light shine upon him. May he Rest In Peace.

See you at Mass!

Fr. Paul Joseph



Mass Intentions

MONDAY, January 17-St. Anthony, Abbot

5:30pm †Barbara Woodward by Toni Driscoll

TUESDAY, January 18-Weekday

7:00am †Mary Persak by Mary Smith

WEDNESDAY, January 19-Weekday

7:00am ††Peter & Anna by the Hoang Family

5:30pm †Louis Kouri by Dick & Patti LaHood

THURSDAY, January 20-Bl. John Baptist Triquerie

7:00am †Tom McIntyre by Sue & Mollie McIntyre

9:00am **School Mass:** †Br. Paschal Metzger, OFM Conv. by Jackie Glastetter

FRIDAY, January 21-St. Agnes

7:00am †Eileen Rogers by Family

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, January 22

5:00pm †Don Bradley by Glen & Mary Ellen Forek

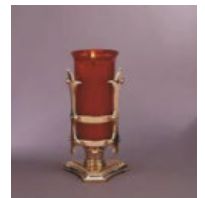
SUNDAY, January 23

8:00am †Geraldine Ralph by Karen & Gary Pearson

10:30am †Fr. Anthony Labedis, OFM Conv. by Chris & Dianna Russick

SANCTUARY LAMP INTENTION JANUARY 15-21, 2022

We remember in our daily prayers
†Fr. Anthony Labedis, OFM Conv.
by Keats & Marianne Hunt.



PRAY FOR FRANCISCAN VOCATIONS

Jon Paul Nay will have the Franciscan vocation picture and say the prayers for an increase of vocations to the priesthood and religious life, especially to the Conventual Franciscans of Saint Bonaventure Province.

Please sign up for this important ministry opportunity in the vestibule.



January 22, 2022

DAY OF PRAYER

for the Legal Protection
of Unborn Children



*Readings:
Week of January 17-23*

- Monday:** 1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22
- Tuesday:** 1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28
- Wednesday:** 1Sm 17:32-33.37.40-51/
Mk 3:1-6
- Thursday:** 1Sm 18:6-9;19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12
- Friday:** 1Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19
- Saturday:** 2 Sm 1:1-4,11-12,19,23-27/
Mk 3:20-21
- Next Sunday:** Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6,8-10/
1Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14,27/



The St. Vincent de Paul Conference at Holy Family is deeply grateful for the generosity of Holy Family Parish. We received 94 items of paper products and \$1,250.00 in Scrip from the Giving Tree, as well as other donations from the Parish. Your generosity was greatly appreciated by the families who received food boxes distributed by St. Vincent de Paul Conference on December 18, 2021. Thank you again for helping our friends in need to feel the love of Jesus! Please consider joining the St. Vincent de Paul Conference at Holy Family and spreading the love of Jesus to friends in need. Please call Glen Forck, Conference President, at 309-550-1637 with any questions.

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If you would like to make contributions electronically, please contact our business office at (309) 688-3427 x 201.

Anyone interest in a convenient method to make their regular Sunday contributions can use the link below. Here at Holy Family, we have implemented a secure website to accept your donations. The website for online donations is:

<https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/peoriahollyfamily>

**Thank you and God Bless you.
Fourth Sunday figures not available at time of printing.**

Jan-22

First Sunday	\$15,709.50
Second Sunday	\$9,462.55
Third Sunday	
Fourth Sunday	
Fifth Sunday	

Monthly Total	\$25,172.05
Monthly Budget	\$59,700.00
Monthly Surplus (Shortfall)	\$(34,527.95)

Fiscal Year Total	\$362,445.26
Fiscal Year to Date Budget	\$377,900.00
Fiscal Year Surplus (Shortfall)	\$(15,454.74)



MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2023 AT HOLY FAMILY

**Please read this notice carefully
as it clarifies our practice in taking Mass intentions.**

On **January 24th** the 2023 Mass book will be opened. When you give offerings for Mass intentions, the Parish Office has limitations on accepting several intentions from a single person/family on specific dates. We have to oblige the needs of all parishioners. **Individuals can request only two Mass intentions to be satisfied during any calendar month at Holy Family.** Suggested stipends are \$10.00 per Mass.

Should you wish the celebration of more than the allotted Masses, we are happy to forward those intentions we cannot handle within a one-year period to our House of Studies in Chicago, to Marytown, or to some of our mission priests who can offer them more quickly. The fruits of the Mass are the same whether we offer it in our own parish or elsewhere. Also, please take into consideration that we CANNOT accommodate everyone's request for weekend Masses. The church is required to celebrate one Mass per weekend for the *People of the Parish*; therefore, we are limited to the number of Masses available on weekends. Mass intentions may be given for our weekly Children's School Mass on Thursdays throughout the school year.

Because our Mass book fills up so quickly, I would like to encourage you to consider lighting the Sanctuary Lamp in our church for your intentions throughout the year. The red Sanctuary Lamp by the tabernacle burns to remind us of the sacramental presence of Jesus Christ, and it is a profession of our love and affection. If you wish to have the Sanctuary Lamp burning in memory of a loved one, to honor a special occasion, or for a special intention make arrangements with the Parish Office. The suggested donation is \$25.00, and the candle will burn for 14 days. The memorial will be published in the Bulletin and will be included in the daily prayer intentions of the friars.

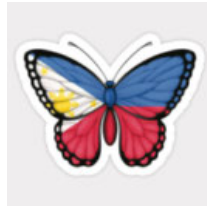
We very much appreciate your understanding and support in the year ahead as we better manage your requests for Mass offerings in the future.

NOVENA TO SANTO NINO DE CEBU

O Most Amiable Child Jesus, the humblest and yet the greatest, the poorest and yet the richest, the weakest and yet the most powerful, do bless us and protect us for thou has reigned and came down to us to be our model in virtues, our guide in all our endeavors, and our strength in times of sorrow. By becoming like a Child Lord Jesus, You proved that you're not a far God, but someone close to us being together with us in the stark realities of life. Indeed, Your generous kindness goes beyond our merits and the fondest hopes of our prayers. Shower us Your love. Forgive us the sins of which our consciences are afraid, and grant us the blessings we dare not even ask for. With all the fervor of our soul, hear our prayer. AMEN.

NOVENA DATES: JANUARY 8-16, 2022

FEAST DAY: 3RD SUNDAY IN JANUARY



The Feast of Santo Nino

January 16, 2022

10:30am

Mass for the Intentions of the
Filipino American Community and
Santo Nino Devotees

Lunch Reception and Philippine cultural presentation
follows immediately in the School Gym

For more information please call:

Olive Enriquez

Cultural Shrines Ministry at Holy Family Church

309-370-0862





Bishop Daniel R. Jenky, CSC, is asking people to join him at St. Mary's Cathedral in Peoria on Wednesday, Jan. 24th, for an evening of "prayer, penance and pilgrimage."

It will begin with Mass at 7pm and end with Benediction at 9pm. In between there will be time for eucharistic adoration and the sacrament of reconciliation.

The cathedral event is among those planned to mark the Supreme Court's 1973 decision in Roe v. Wade and its companion case, Doe v. Bolton, that legalized abortion.

MASS & DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF THE UNBORN

Join us as we pray for the legal protection of the unborn.

When: January 28, 2022 at 10:30am

Where: Cathedral of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception
697 NE Madison Avenue
Peoria, IL 61603



Rachel's Vineyard weekends for healing after abortion are offered throughout the year in locations across the United States and Canada, with additional sites around the world. Rachel's Vineyard is a ministry of Priests for Life. The Catholic Diocese of Peoria sponsors two retreats each year which are open to men and women of all faith backgrounds.

If you are searching for peace and inner healing from an abortion experience, this retreat is for you. The first retreat available for singles or married couples, mothers, fathers, grandparents, or anyone suffering from the effects of an abortion loss will be on February 25-27, 2022 at the Sacre-Coer Retreat Center.

To register for this retreat call 309-264-1489 or email rvrpeoria@gmail.com. All communications are strictly confidential. For more information please visit <https://cdop.org/offices/respect-life/rl-programs-resources/rachels-vineyard/> or the national Rachel's Vineyard website at <https://www.rachelsvineyard.org/>.

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Do whatever he tells you.” Jn: 2:5

Everybody loves a wedding.

The affection so ardently expressed by the bride and groom, the festive dresses, the handsome tuxes, the glorious flowers, the sacred music, the thrilled gathering of family and friends, the heartwarming laughter that fills the halls of the reception, the spontaneous dancing that motivates everyone to join in ... all of it creates a moment of cherished joy and delight.

And, let us not forget the wine. Jesus certainly didn't!

John, the author of this gospel reading, tells us that the God who Jesus reveals first broke into human history at a wedding feast – during all the joy and dancing and laughter.

John even suggests that this supreme expression of human love best reveals the kind of God that He is, as well as the kind of communion that can exist between God and a human being.

It's like the abundant overflowing of wine.

But it also tells us something more. And it's through the words of Mary, Jesus' mother, that we find what that “more” is.

In the midst of all the festive happiness, it seems that a problem has arisen. Mary is the first to notice it and so she immediately informs Jesus that something very important is missing: the wine.

Jesus' response is strikingly abrupt, even rude:

“Woman, how does your concern affect me?”

This is not the type of response one would expect from a son to a mother, especially Jesus to Mary.

But, if the reply of Jesus to his mother is surprising, even more so is her reaction to it. Mary does not allow it to deter her. Instead, she tells the servants – and, by extension, you and me –

“Do whatever he tells you.”

By doing what she did, Mary became the first person to demonstrate that the correct response to the presence of Jesus is *trust* – trust in his word; trust in his self-surrender; trust in his relationship with Abba, his Father.

Her trust, in fact, sets the stage for Jesus' first miracle.

In doing so, the mother of Jesus is the first to show each of us what true belief in Jesus looks like. It looks like a trust that is unconditional, even in the face of apparent rejection.

Mary also helps us understand the meaning of the action Jesus takes as a result of her direct intercession.

The old wine of God's message through Moses has lost its flavor.

The stone jars that represented the “way things have always been done” as the empowering force of their faith life has become empty.

The religion of the past has been watered down. It's lost its vitality, its energy, its authority.

What was needed was a new “wine,” a new view of God and his lavish love that would fill us to overflowing. What was needed was a “wine” that would welcome the Spirit and bring into our lives a dynamism and a liveliness that would animate the world we live in.

The wine that “overflows” symbolizes our need for a transformative influence in each of our lives.

It tells us that we need something inherently powerful that will wake us up, focus our minds, warm our hearts, strengthen our wills, and compel us to move away from the stone jars of watered-down enthusiasm and begin to feel again the joy of the wedding dance and the thrill of the great message of lavish, boundless love that God has for each of us.

Mary was the first to understand that with her son, Jesus, everything was different. The fear of judgment had now given way to the “joy of clinging to God, the friend of life and love,” as one scholar puts it.

Mary demonstrates for us that this whole new way of living begins with trust – the kind that comes from drinking the new wine of doing “*whatever he tells you.*”

Ted Wolgamot, Psy.D.

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.

**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.



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