JANUARY 23, 2022

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WEEKEND MASS

Saturday 5:00 PM Sunday 8:30 &10:15 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday - Friday 8:00 AM

RECONCILIATION

4:00 PM Saturdays
First Friday after 8:00 AM Mass

BAPTISM

Contact the Parish Office one month in advance.

MARRIAGE

Contact the Parish Office at least six months in advance.

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WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 23

Sunday: 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

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30 Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117: 1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18 Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20 Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25 Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41 Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]

/1 Cor 12:31-13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30



Inspiration for the Week

People can easily lose a sense of the sacred and transcendent. When we lose a sense of God's special presence, we need to be brought back. Ezra brought people back to the word of God and they realized what they were missing. Jesus proclaims God's word in the synagogue with true conviction and tells those gathered that He is the fulfillment of all that Isaiah taught. Even though people get lost, distracted, discouraged, and often journey down the wrong path, God's timeless law remains. When we allow ourselves to truly hear God's word and act on it, that living word slowly, over time, changes us. It has the power to soften and mold us, creating within us a joyful spirit. We realize the truth in what God speaks and become open to God's love. Gradually and gently God leads us back where we belong. We discover again the sacred character of life and the wonder of God's power. It is no wonder that Luke addresses his remarks to Theophilus. It is a name that means "beloved of God," a name that can be used by anyone who desires friendship with God.



WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 22

Sunday, January 23

Tuesday, January 25

Wednesday, January 26

8:00 Living and deceased members of the Bruce & Jeanne Vogel Family

Thursday, January 27

8:00 Living Intention for James, Ana Maria, Michael and Paul Miller and their families

Friday, January 28

8:00 Prandrea Horn

Saturday, January 29

5:00 ♣ Marcey Pelnar

Sunday, January 30

8:30 Proger Kieltyka

10:15 ♣ People of Nativity of Our Lord Parish



Please keep the families of Ronald Ehlen, Aurelia Nowak and Verna "Joyce" Van De Kreeke in your prayers.

SUNDAY COFFEE & DONUTS!

Please join us in Bona Hall this Sunday for donuts, coffee and conversation.



The next scheduled date is Sunday, January 30.



Do you know of a parishioner who is currently homebound, in a nursing home, assisted living facility or a relative or friend who is not able to attend Mass? If so, please contact Deacon Mike Dabeck at 499-5156 x208.

OLP!

FIRST READING

Ezra read plainly from the book of the law of God,

interpreting it so that all could understand what was read. (Neh 8:8)



PSALM

Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life. (Ps 19)



SECOND READING

For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body,
whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons,
and we were all given to drink of one
Spirit. (1 Cor 12:12)



GOSPEL

He said to them, "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." (Lk 1:21)

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WORSHIP & MEDITATION



GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God's transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is — the God of our salvation history or the "gods" of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God's constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainly of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away.

Parish Stewardship January 15 - January 16, 2022

Sacrificial Offering	\$	6,855.00
Qualified Charitable Dist. (IRA)	\$	1,240.00
Loose Offering	\$	597.00
Online Giving	\$	<u>5,246.00</u>
Total	\$	13,938.00
To meet our budget, we need an average of <u>\$14,400.00</u> each week this month.		
FYTD Budgeted Receipts	\$	443,200.00

FYTD Budgeted Receipts \$ 443,200.00 FYTD Actual Receipts \$ 437,290.00 Fiscal Year Variance thru week 29 \$ (5,910.00) Maintenance Improvement Fund \$ 50.00

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Men's Group Bible Study

Wednesday, January 26 at 6:30 AM in Bona Hall Enter door 1 on the north side.

Enjoy the morning with coffee and Kringle and watch *The Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation History*. At 7:45 AM the discussion will end with an option to attend Mass at 8:00 AM.

Christmas Blessings and New Year's Adventures ~ Fred 920-562-0443

Called to Pray the Liturgy of the Hours

Young women discerning God's call have asked about more information regarding the Liturgy of the Hours. Sister Anne Marie Lom, with the Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity, is responding to such a need by offering a Zoom event "Called to Pray the Liturgy of the Hours" on February 26, with talks at 10:00 AM, 2:00 PM and 4:00 PM.

For more information and to register: https://fscc-calledtobe.org/vocation-discernment-events/or call/text Sr. Julie Ann at 920-323-9632.



The Meals Have Shipped! Thank You To Everyone Who Helped Pack.

252 Boxes – 54,432 Meals Shipped to El Salvador with Salesian Missions.

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World Help is a Christian humanitarian organization committed to serving the physical and spiritual needs of people in impoverished communities around the world. World Help has distributed FMSC meals in Africa, Central America and the Middle East and works primarily in communities, feeding centers, refugee camps and through churches.



January 23: Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus reads the words of scripture: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor."

In the month of December, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist four families, providing furniture, Care Cards, household items and clothing. Thank You!

Bulletin Article Deadline

The deadline for submitting articles into the bulletin is by the end of the business day on Friday of the week prior to publication.

Send articles to: natscene@nativitydisciples.org.

Devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus

Did you know? The month of January is traditionally dedicated to the Holy Name of Jesus, with January 3 being the Feast of the Holy Name. After the Blessed Virgin Mary had conceived her Child by the Holy Spirit, the angel Gabriel appeared to St. Joseph and instructed him that the Child's name should be called Jesus, which means "God Saves".

For Catholics, Jesus' sacred name is the object of a special devotion. Devotion to the Most Holy Name of Jesus was popularized by St. Bernardine of Siena, a 15th-century Franciscan, often symbolized by the monogram "HIS", (sometimes called a Christogram), which is the first three letters of the Greek spelling of Jesus' name.

Litany of the Most Holy Name of Jesus

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Jesus, hear us.

Jesus, graciously hear us.

God, the Father of Heaven, have mercy on us.

God the Son, Redeemer of the world, have mercy on us.

God, the Holy Spirit, have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, one God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Son of the living God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Splendor of the Father, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Brightness of eternal Light, have mercy on us.

Jesus, King of Glory, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Sun of Justice, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Son of the Virgin Mary, have mercy on us.

Jesus, most amiable, have mercy on us.

Jesus, most admirable, have mercy on us.

Jesus, the mighty God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Father of the world to come, have mercy on us.

Jesus, angel of great counsel, have mercy on us.

Jesus, most powerful, have mercy on us.

Jesus, most patient, have mercy on us.

Jesus, most obedient, have mercy on us.

Jesus, meek and humble of heart, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Lover of Chastity, have mercy on us.

Jesus, our Lover, have mercy on us.

Jesus, God of Peace, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Author of Life, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Model of Virtues, have mercy on us.

Jesus, zealous for souls, have mercy on us.

Jesus, our God, have mercy on us.

Jesus, our Refuge, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Father of the Poor, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Treasure of the Faithful, have mercy on us.

Jesus, good Shepherd, have mercy on us.

Jesus, true Light, have mercy on us.

Jesus, eternal Wisdom, have mercy on us.

Jesus, infinite Goodness, have mercy on us.

Jesus, our Way and our Life, have mercy on us.

Jesus, joy of the Angels, have mercy on us.

Jesus, King of the Patriarchs, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Master of the Apostles, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Teacher of the Evangelists, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Strength of Martyrs, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Light of Confessors, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Purity of Virgins, have mercy on us.

Jesus, Crown of all Saints, have mercy on us.

Be merciful, spare us, O Jesus!

Be merciful, graciously hear us, O Jesus!

From all evil, deliver us, O Jesus.

From all sin, deliver us, O Jesus.

From your wrath, deliver us, O Jesus.

From the snares of the devil, deliver us, O Jesus.

From the spirit of fornication, deliver us, O Jesus.

From everlasting death, deliver us, O Jesus.

From the neglect of your inspirations, deliver us, O Jesus.

Through the mystery of your holy Incarnation, deliver us, O Jesus.

Through your Nativity, deliver us, O Jesus.

Through your Infancy, deliver us, O Jesus.

Through your most divine Life, deliver us, O Jesus.

Through your Labors, deliver us, O Jesus.

Through your Agony and Passion, deliver us, O Jesus.

Through your Cross and Dereliction, deliver us, O Jesus.

Through your Sufferings, deliver us, O Jesus.

Through your Death and Burial, deliver us, O Jesus.

Through your Resurrection, deliver us, O Jesus.

Through your Ascension, deliver us, O Jesus.

Through your Institution of the Most Holy Eucharist, deliver us, O Jesus.

Through your Joys, deliver us, O Jesus.

Through your Glory, deliver us, O Jesus.

Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world, spare us,

O Jesus!

Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world, graciously hear us, O Jesus!

Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us, O Jesus!

Jesus, hear us.

Jesus, graciously hear us.

Let us pray,

O Lord Jesus Christ, you have said, "Ask and you shall receive; seek, and you shall find; knock, and it shall be opened to you"; mercifully attend to our supplications, and grant us the grace of your most divine love, that we may love you with all our hearts, and in all our words and actions, and never cease to praise you. Make us, O Lord, to have a perpetual fear and love of your holy name, for you never fail to govern those whom you solidly establish in your love. You, who live and reign forever and ever. Amen.

READ THE GOSPEL AND COMPLETE A PUZZLE!

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SHARING THE GOSPEL

The prophet Isaiah wrote about Jesus a long time before he was even born. When Jesus read Isaiah's words, they described Jesus perfectly. Jesus did come to free people from sin, to help those in pain, and even to help blind people see.

PRAYER

Dear God, thank you for sending Jesus to help us.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Look up Isaiah chapter 61 and read it with your family. Then read Luke 4:14-21. Jesus kept all of those promises!

KIDS CORNER

Circle these words from today's Gospel:

FREEDOM

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CHOSEN SIGHT **JESUS POOR SUFFERS** TRUE S S Н Т Н R E M Α J E S S M S Н Α Ε S F Ε R U M



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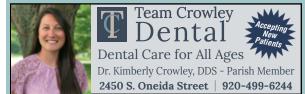
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