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The 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time—January 23rd

We are a Catholic Faith Community, united in Christ through Sacrament, dedicated to charity, community, service and spiritual growth.

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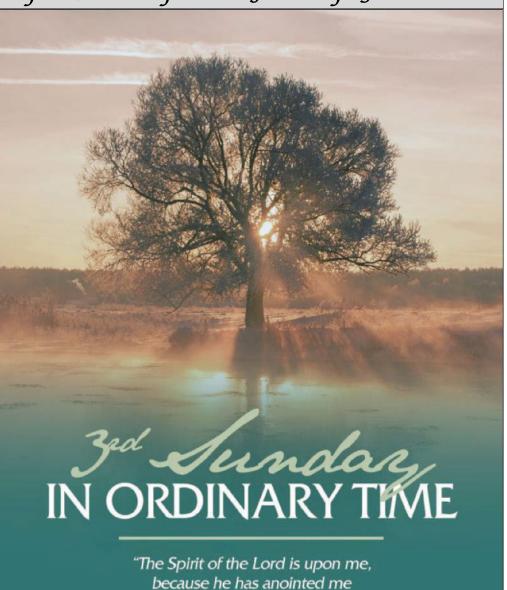
Sunday Masses

8:00 a.m. and 10:15 a.m.

Confessions

30 Minutes prior to each Mass.

We need your help! If you are able to act as a server for either of our Masses, easy instruction will be provided. Please contact Jeanine at 815-790-3643. Thank you!



"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor." - Lk 4:18a

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

Disciple Stewardship: The U.S. bishops' pastoral on stewardship reinforces today's reading from 1 Corinthians: "Because its individual members do collectively make up the Body of Christ, that body's health and well-being are the responsibility of the members-the personal responsibility of each ne of us. We all are stewards of the Church."

SCRIPTURAL READINGS

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time First Reading: Jeremiah 1:4-5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations I appoint you...They will fight against you but not prevail over you, for I am with you." Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 71:1

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I will sing of your salvation.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians
12:31

"Love is patient, love is kind, Love never fails." In the end there are three things-faith, hope and love-"but the greatest of these is love."

Gospel: Luke 4:21-30

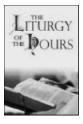
God send Elijah to no other widow than the widow of Zarephath near Sidon. Elisha cured no other leper than Naaman the Syrian. The crowd grew angry. "But Jesus passed through the midst of them and went away.



Sunday, January 30th

8:00 a.m.: Edward Kniola Requested by Dolores Kniola

10:15 a.m.: Ray Schummer Requested by Sue Boettcher



Tuesdays—7:30 a.m. Wednesdays—6:00 p.m. Fridays—7:30 a.m. Please contact Ray Wagner for additional Information at 815-648-2440. Consider joining us for this new prayer opportunity.

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

Yesterday we observed our annual Day of Prayer for unborn children. This observance is kept in all the Catholic dioceses throughout the United States of America. January 22 is the anniversary of *Roe v. Wade* and has been the day formally established by the Church as the day of penance for abortion for an obvious reason. On this day, all Catholics are enjoined to pray for full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and to observe a day of penance for the violations to the dignity of human



person committed through acts of abortion. All Catholics are strongly encouraged to inquire about activities that are available in their parishes wherein they can participate fully in the programs that directly build up the culture of life. (Here at St. Mary, in addition to our Liturgical celebration on Day of Prayer itself, the younger members of our Parish and their adult chaperones participated in the March for Life; our High School Youth Group in Chicago and our 8th Grade Catholic School students in Washington D.C. We thank our youth for giving expression to our Church's prayer and social action for life by their participation in the March for Life.)

Yesterday, the Day of Prayer, all over the nation, parishes, schools or religious formation program will celebrate the "Mass for Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life." This Mass which is now found in our newlytranslated Missal, is meant to be used for all occasion that celebrates the dignity of human life. The opening Prayer or the Collect for the Liturgy of the day are words that capture the spiritual and moral principles that are behind our observance and its accompanying social actions: "God our Creator, we give thanks to you who alone have the power to impart the breath of life as you form each one of us in our mother's womb; grant we pray, that we, whom you have made stewards of creation, may remain faithful to this sacred trust and constant in safeguarding the dignity of very human life.

We believe as people of faith that God is giver of life and who alone can take life away. Once we deny this truth and behave with absolute dominion over creation, the very foundations of our life begin to fall apart, for "instead of carrying out his role as a cooperator with God in the work of creation, man sets himself up in place of God and thus ends up provoking a rebellion on the part of nature." (St. John Paul II Centesimus Annus May 1991)

Let us together pray for an end to abortion, for the healing of those who have been hurt by abortion industry, and for conversion of our society to favor life. Let us do this every day until abortion is done no more.



Vocations Corner: Luke 5

In chapter 5 of the gospel according to Luke we find the story of the forgiveness of sins, and healing of a paralyzed man. This story is somehow different from others we find in the gospel. People are gathered around Jesus, among them there are Pharisees and scribes, everybody wants to listen Jesus, but not everybody believes in him. The crowd, in this story, prevents those who need the healing power of Jesus to get closer to him. A paralyzed man has not even a chance to be introduced to Jesus. However, a group of friends, it does not specify how many (it may be 20 4), take him up to the roof of the place, dig a hole through the roof, and lower him down right in front of Jesus.

All of us are called to encounter Jesus. He wants to meet us and to be part of our lives, but sometimes it is hard to encounter him. Sometimes those gathered around him become an obstacle that prevents us to get closer to him. Or it may be that we sometimes become an obstacle to others as they want to meet the Lord. What attitudes within the church make it harder to meet Jesus? And what aspects of my behavior make difficulty the path faith of others?

To meet Jesus sometimes is difficult, but not impossible, especially if we have friends like those in the gospel. They carried the paralyzed man, took him up the roof, and lowered him in front of Jesus. We need friends that pray for us, we need parents who pray for their children's vocation, we need to start praying for those who haven't answered God's call; we need to become more like the friends that bring others to Jesus, and less like the crowd that prevents others to come to him.

Ministry Schedule Sunday, January 30th

8:00 a.m.

DCN: Joe Kayser L: Jan Kayser

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U: Brian KurcabU: Cody Kurcab

10:15 a.m.

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L: Gabrielle Ertmann

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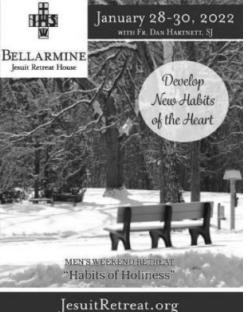
We are still in need of altar servers—the schedule is flexible and training is provided—please see Ray Wagner for additional information.





Your prayers are requested for the sick;

Casey Porch Jeff Kruzan Erwin Arendt Cindy Kruzan Lisa Ash Rita Hagenbruch Mary Bassett Barb Lanphier **Emily Davis** Henry Kranz Renee Biestek Steve Welch Rich Biestek Rick Hoffman Mary Lou Billy Matusek Draper John Ferraro Barbara Dye Viola Huff Wayne Dye Paul Kries Steve Fitzgerald Melissa Rath Mary Watson Philip Weidner Dennis Gallagher Jeremy Scully Mary Gillis Geraldine Slarai Nancy Golbeck Derrick Verona Gaye Johnson



Remember to pray, pray, pray!!!

Our 19th Smoker will be February 5, 2022. Bear great and current Bear analyst, Olin Kruetz, will be our guest speaker. Ticket sales are NOW OPEN! Early-bird pricing ends December 31st. We look forward to seeing you again! St. Mary Men's Club TICKET PACKAGES Early-bird pricing (Until 12/31/21) Gold-Corporate \$1,900 - 10 tickets After 1/1 \$2,200 (6pm-7pm meet & greet with Olin, Corporate name on banner, Business name recognized through out the evening, a signed gift) Green \$750 - 5 tickets After 1/1 \$950 (Reserved assigned seating) White \$150 - 1 ticket After 1/1 \$190. https://www.stmary-woodstock.org/ministries/organizations/men-s-club



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