



JANUARY 17, 2021

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS TIMES

Saturday: 5:30 pm
Sunday: 8:30 am
Weekday Masses at St. Matthew:
Tuesday and Friday: 7:45 am
1st Friday: 6:30 pm

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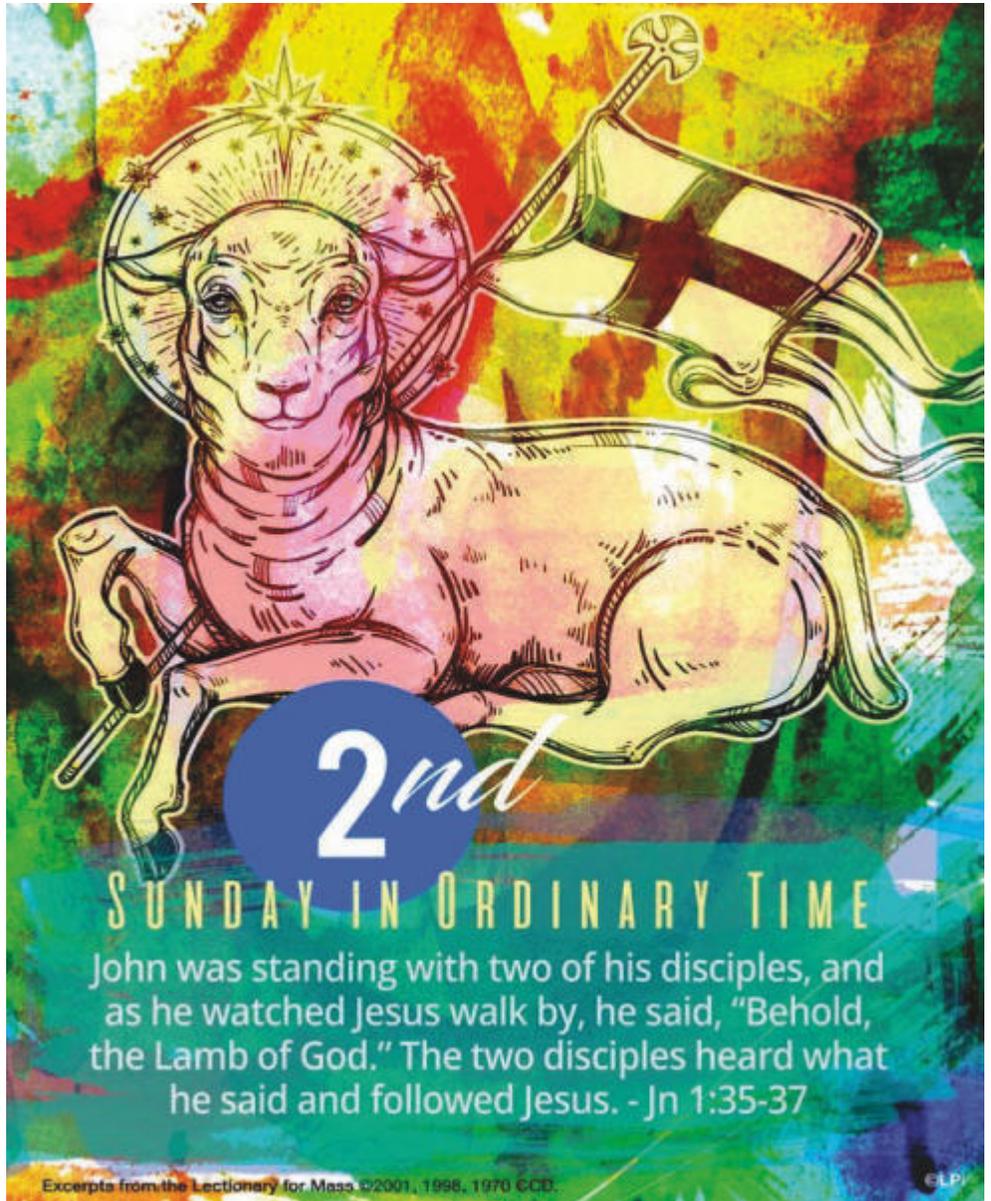
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BAPTISMS: A class for both parents is required before the baptism of a child. Call the parish office.

MARRIAGES: Registered, practicing members, call the pastor at least six months in advance to make arrangements.

RECONCILIATION: Anytime by appointment

PARISH REGISTRATION: Forms are available in the vestibule or contact the parish office.

MASS Intentions

This Week

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| Saturday | 1/16/2021 | 5:30pm | Jim Broughman |
| Sunday | 1/17/2021 | 8:30am | Parishioners of St. Mary by the Lake & St. Matthew Parishes |

Next Week

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| Saturday | 1/23/2021 | 5:30pm | Parishioners of St. Mary by the Lake & St. Matthew Parishes |
| Sunday | 1/24/2021 | 8:30am | Parishioners of St. Mary by the Lake & St. Matthew Parishes |

ATTENTION LECTORS AND USHERS!



A schedule to sign up for January is available in the Vestibule, or you may call or email Jen in the Parish Office to be put on the schedule. Please let us know if you have any questions.

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND

Are you unable to attend Mass right now due to the pandemic, but still hunger for the Eucharist? Specially trained volunteers do not come into your home, only to your door, wearing masks and gloves. The sacrament is safely dispensed along with a short prayer card. Contact Heather Warner in the parish office if you would like to receive Communion.



MASS INTENTIONS AVAILABLE



Mass intentions for next year can be scheduled for \$10 each by contacting the Parish Office. Dates are first come, first served and are only considered scheduled when payment is received. There is a limit to the number of weekend Masses that can be scheduled per person per year. Please contact the Parish Office with any questions.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION RETURNS

Religious Education classes will return on Wednesday, January 20th.

FOOD PANTRY

The North Side Food Pantry that we support is in need of supplies. They are humbly asking us to "come thru again" with these specific items:



- Boxes of cereal
- Dry/instant potatoes
- Soup (no cream of)
- Hand soap
- Dry pasta (shells, elbow, egg noodles)
- Spaghetti O's
- Pork & beans
- Toilet paper
- Laundry soap

Food may be dropped off in the blue barrel at the Parish Office on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 8:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

A POWERFUL STUDY OF THE BLESSED MOTHER BEGINS FEBRUARY 10TH



Filmed on location in the Holy Land, *Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother* will place you in the midst of the powerful drama of Mary's earthly life, taking you through her joys and her sorrows. You will learn how she works in our lives today,

drawing us ever closer to her divine Son. Seeing Mary in this way will change you forever. She will become a part of your daily life and help you to become more like Christ.

Join us for *Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother* at St. Mary by the Lake in Caledonia beginning February 10, 2021 at 1:00pm and continuing every Wednesday for eight weeks. For more information or to register for this FREE study, call Heather Warner at 262-639-3616 or email hwarner@stmarybythelake.org.

LENTEN COMPANION SERIES

Lent is an important season in the Church's liturgical year — it is the time when we take stock of where we are in our faith so as to prepare for the death and resurrection of our Savior. Often, we lose sight of the point of this season because we get caught up in ourselves: how hard it is to fast, how we fail at fasting, and just waiting for the season to be over at Easter. Because of this we often arrive at Easter with our lives no more changed than they were on Ash Wednesday.



A way that our parish is seeking to prepare for Jesus and experience true transformation in our lives in this powerful season is by engaging with a new program called The Ascension Lenten Companion. This devotional resource follows the Gospels for each Sunday of Lent 2021 so we can better prepare for Mass and grow closer to Jesus each day. It features daily meditations, space for journaling, original sacred artwork and weekly videos that keep us on track.

The cost of the devotional is \$12 and can be ordered by contacting Heather Warner in the Parish Office and will be available for pick up after Masses February 13/14 or in the Parish Office the following week.

Beginning Ash Wednesday, February 17, accompanying videos to this devotional will be posted to the Parish website and Facebook page.

This is an opportunity for our whole community to enter into the season of Lent intentionally (in this time of social distancing) and receive the grace God is waiting to give us in this holy season.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our faith is not just about ideas. It's really about having an encounter with God and, in particular, the Risen Christ! Once we give ourselves over to the notion of God's presence, we have to train ourselves to listen for God's voice and be attentive to God's call. Having companions on our faith journeys is so incredibly important as they can help us fine-tune our listening skills and discern God's voice from others we may be hearing. Faith is all about having these profound encounters not only with God but with our brothers and sisters, and creation itself. Anyone or anything that is alive with God's presence becomes an occasion for God to speak and call us to deeper graces and experiences. "Come, and you will see."

The example and teaching of Jesus, the lives of the saints, those living among us and those glorified in heaven, and the wonder and beauty of creation can all serve to help us listen more clearly and assist in positioning ourselves for this profound God meeting. It is an encounter that can quickly and easily lead to a friendship and intimate intertwining of our souls to their Maker, making a claim on us like no other. Then, the Word of God moves from being just a body of ideas to something we simply accept and do. The person of Jesus Christ swiftly moves from being just a good prophet in word and deed to the incarnate presence of God Himself, the Lamb of God. The voice leads us to the Person behind it.

The Gospel is hard to follow. We can intellectually debate whether what Jesus said is really what we are asked to do. The Gospel ideas do not always make sense in our practical, secular world. The person of God always does. We can debate the practicality and sense of ideas and doing so often keeps the more difficult ones at a safe distance away from us. Jesus said to love our enemy, but we really don't need to do that, our minds try to convince us. It just doesn't make sense. Yet, if we are truly in love with the God who is behind the voice of those words, they make perfect sense. Our deep and intimate love of this God would even find us laying down our lives for Him if necessary. Speak Lord, your servant is listening.

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LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK



We have often heard it said that God is always calling but we are not always listening. It is not only that we

are not listening, but that we are not familiar enough with God to even recognize that it is God who is calling! We can easily mistake God's voice for someone or something else and miss some profound opportunities for connection. We have to train our minds, hearts, and souls to specifically listen for the voice of God. It is a voice that draws us to deeper places, leading us to moments of grace and more profound God awareness. To look at Jesus and be able to say, "Behold, the Lamb of God," means that I know something special about this person whom others know as simply a man. I will become more attentive and receptive when he says, "Come, and you will see." I may even be more willing to set aside what I am doing and actually go.

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QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK - INVITE PARISHIONERS TO REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

First Reading:

Eli was the priest of the temple in Shiloh. He raised Samuel and helped Samuel to hear God's voice in his life. Who have you taught to hear God's voice?

Second Reading:

Paul taught the Corinthians that believers should "glorify God in your body" by avoiding immorality. What do you think is needed to live a good, moral life?

Gospel:

In John's account of the call of the first disciples, Jesus poses the question, "What are you looking for?" In your own spiritual journey, how do you know you have found Jesus?

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We remember in prayer all who are sick or suffering. If you or a loved one would like to be added to this list, please contact the Parish Office. To maintain privacy, please confirm the person submitted is aware their name will be published.

Patricia Bladzick

Kevin Burgey

Eryn

Virginia Fitzgerald

Klara Hanel

Jim Kardos

Jenny Kraase

Elaine Koshere

Christopher Kroes

Sarah M.

Saralee Mayew

James (Jamie) Michael

Carolyn Potter

Frank Potter

Joyce Ramczyk

Barbara and Dan Schuster

Calvin Sustachek

For the children who are not in school, that they continue to receive school support, love and sustenance.

May they stay safe and healthy.

That all affected by the pandemic stay safe, especially the elderly.

For the swift end to this crisis.

For Nancy's daughter who is ill.

For all first responders in Racine County.

For a good friend of Kathy S.

For the daughter of the Guertin family who is volunteering her nursing services in California.

"The time is always right
to do what is right."

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

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