



FEBRUARY 7, 2021

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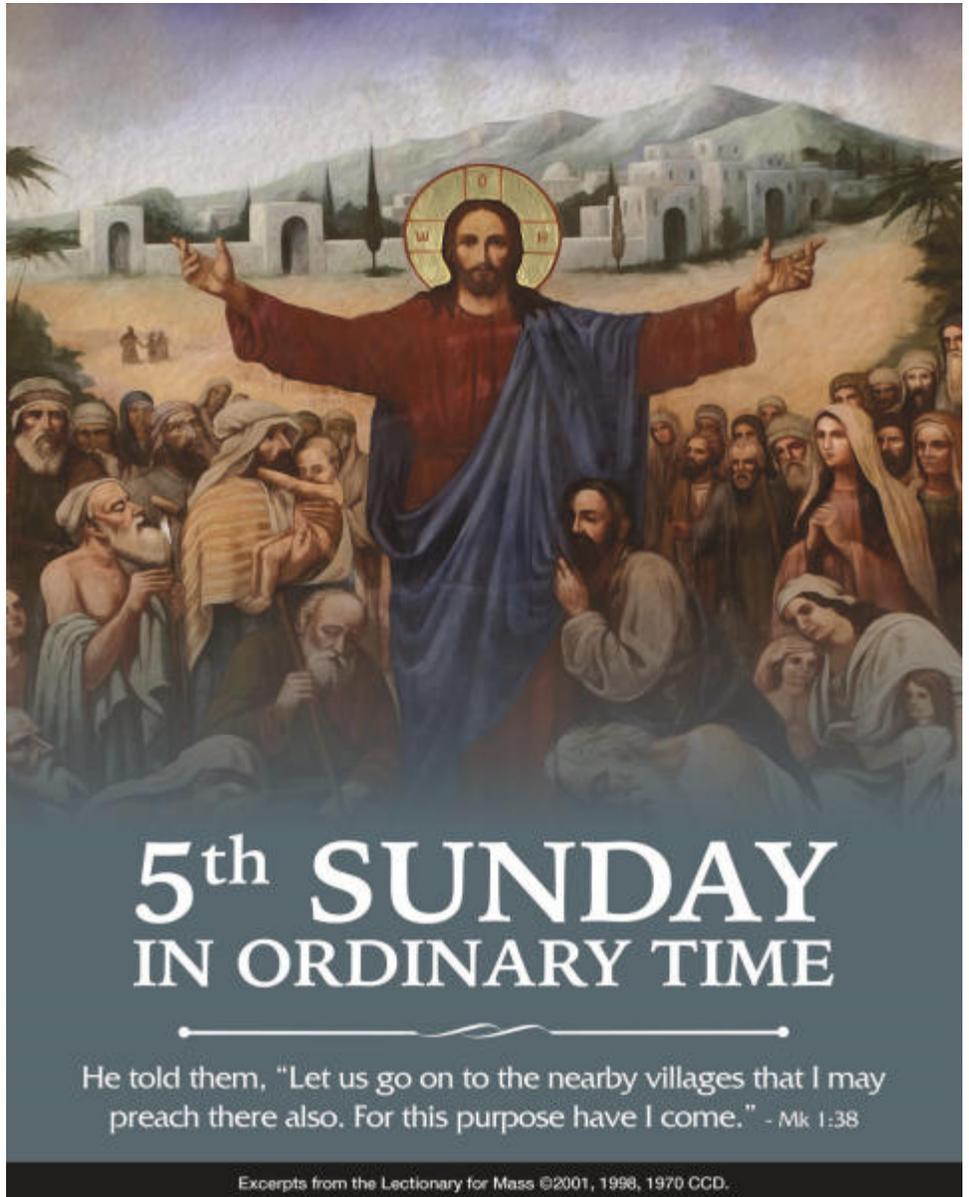
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BAPTISMS: A class for both parents is required before the baptism of a child. Call the parish office.

RECONCILIATION: Anytime by appointment

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

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

MASS Intentions

This Week

Saturday	2/6/2021	5:30pm	Parishioners of St. Mary by the Lake & St. Matthew Parishes
Sunday	2/7/2021	8:30am	Lawrence Cesarz

Next Week

Saturday	2/13/2021	5:30pm	Parishioners of St. Mary by the Lake & St. Matthew Parishes
Sunday	2/14/2021	8:30am	Walter Laudenbach

ATTENTION LECTORS AND USHERS!



A schedule to sign up for February and March 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.

Remember in Your Prayers



The Lord is my Shepherd, there is nothing I shall want...

The Parish community would like to express their sympathy to the family and friends of: James O'Loughlin, Fr. Pat's father, who passed away January 27th.

May the Lord welcome them into His kingdom and give strength and consolation to their families.

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 hwarnar@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.

WORSHIP & FAITH FORMATION

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES & SERVICES

On February 17th, we will offer the following opportunities for people to receive ashes:



10:30 am at St. Mary's:

Prayer service with distribution of ashes

12:00 at St. Matthew gathering space:

Prayer service with distribution of ashes

6:30 pm at St. Matthew:

Mass with distribution of ashes

CHILD AND YOUTH FAITH FORMATION CLASSES BACK IN SESSION

All Child and Youth Faith Formation Classes are back in session. Please contact Heather Warner if you have any questions.

CARD MINISTRY

If you know someone who is having or has had surgery or is in the hospital, please contact Mary Rice, 262-498 -0186. Feel free to leave a message if necessary.



THE GIFT OF SUNDAY LANTERN MISSION

Wednesday, March 3, 2021

7:00-8:30 pm

St. Veronica Parish,

353 E Norwich St

Mission Presenter:

Fr. Michael Maher, S.J.

St. Veronica Parish will be hosting one of 18 Lenten Missions taking place throughout the archdiocese on the evening of March 3, 2021. This Mission is based on *The Gift of Sunday*, a theological reflection issued by Archbishop Jerome Listekci. The evening will be held in the context of a prayer service and will highlight the importance of Sunday Mass in living out our faith on a daily basis. **Due to limited seating, people are asked to register in advance for the Lenten Missions at www.archmil.org/Lenten-Missions.** Contact Rosalita Villa at villar@archmil.org or 414-758-2217.

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Have you ever wondered what life would be like if you could see the future and know how things turn out? While it's intriguing to ponder what life would be like if we possessed this knowledge, actually knowing could easily rob us of the thrill, adventure, and soul-searching graces of our journey. Like Job, life does not always leave us on a happy note. Life experience can bring us face-to-face with our mortality and leave us with a profound sense of helplessness. We do not see the wholeness and fulfillment that will one day come and cannot grasp the certainty that a resolution to our plight will come our way. We need to learn how to reach for Jesus' hand and let him help us to our feet. Living a life of faith means realizing that we are not here to figure out life on our own. In order to drink deeply of what life presents us, we have to wrestle in the depths of our souls, agonize and search, possibly reach the lowest point of desperation, and cry out for the Divine healing we need to restore our faith, hope, and love. It is no wonder that those who are touched by God's healing power want to then serve others and show them the deeper waters that can be explored. Knowing too much can rob us of joyful surprises.

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

First Reading:

We hear how Job struggled to find meaning and hope in his life. How does your faith help you get through difficult times in your life?

Second Reading:

Paul speaks of his singular desire to preach the "gospel" (the Good News of Jesus Christ). When do you share the gospel message with others?

Gospel:

We learn that from the beginning of his public ministry Jesus was very purpose-driven: healing the sick and preaching the good news. How intentional is the practice of faith in your daily life?

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS The Audacity of Holiness

Do you know a holy person? I'm not talking about piety — that's important, too, in its own way. But right now, I'm speaking of holiness.

St. Therese of Lisieux called holiness "a disposition of the heart that makes us humble and little in the arms of God, aware of our weakness, and confident — in the most audacious way — in His Fatherly goodness."

The holy person sees a storm on the horizon of life, and rather than give themselves over to fear and despair (natural and understandable reactions), regards the gathering winds as an opportunity to rely more fully on God. The holy person takes a bad situation and sanctifies it with charity and understanding that defies our fallen human nature.

Peter's mother-in-law was still in the throes of a fever when Jesus grasped her hand. It wasn't until she took his hand and allowed him to help her up that "the fever left her and she waited on them." Before the fever could leave her, she had to commit to holiness — to put her trust in him in a most audacious way. She had to find it within herself to lift her weakened hand to grasp his — and as soon as she did, she was rewarded. Her bodily health restored, she gave thanks, and attended to his needs.

God's hand is always outstretched to us. Will we take it, even if the fever of sin and pride and worldly concerns rages in our souls? Will we muster the strength? Will we be audacious enough to have confidence in His Fatherly goodness?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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