

January 23, 2022 <u>Third S</u>unday in Ordinary Time



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	
23 Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10 1 Cor 12:12-30 Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21	24 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10 Mk 3:22-30	25 Acts 22:3-16 Mk 16:15-18	26 2 Tm 1:1-8 Mk 4:1-20	
 8:00 am Mass DMCC Reynold Bastyr ↑ 10:00 am Mass (ASL interpreted) DMCC Nellie Schultz ↑ 12 Noon Mass (Spanish) DMCC Teodora Ortiz ↑ 5:00 pm Mass DMCC Parish 	 6:45 am High School Bible Study IC-TC 12:00 pm Bulletin announcements due to Bulletin Editor. Occasionally deadlines vary due to holiday schedules. 5:00 pm Reconciliation DMCC 5:30 pm Mass DMCC Patricia Dube Bullert ↑ 	 8:00 am Reconciliation DMCC 8:30 am Mass DMCC Gladys Stassen * 9:00 am DMCC Quilters IC -TC 2:00 pm FCTV Mass from previous weekend: Consoli- dated Communications channel 10, Charter channel 181 3:00 pm Cantor Practice IC 7:00 pm Son's of Thunder Men's Bible Study DMCC- Farmhouse 	8:30 am Mass IC Bill & Judy Lewis *10:30 am Mass IC Bob Vogelsberg *5:30 pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 1 MSB-Atrium5:30 pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 2 MSB-Atrium5:30 pm Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 2 MSB-Atrium6:00 pm Confirmation DMCS- CAF6:30 pm DMCC Choir Rehearsal DMCC7:15 pm High School Youth Group DMCS-Gym7:15 pm Made This Way IC-TC	
Locations Key				

DMCC—New Site (SFC—St. Faustina Commons; BDR—Bishop Dudley Activity Room; JP II—John Paul II Portico; NAR-Narthex); HOG—House of Gratitude; DMCS—Divine Mercy Catholic School; GYM—DMCS Gym; IC-Immaculate Conception; KC—KC Hall; MSB—Mother Samuel Building; TC—Tomlinson Center (youth room) MCF—Minnesota Correctional Facility PLM—Pleasant Manor



Message from Father Cory Rohlfing

This past Friday was marked by the church as the day of prayer for the legal protection for the unborn. May the USA protect those who have no voice and may Jesus have mercy on us.

Mark 3: 20-21: Jesus came with his disciples into the house. Again the crowd gathered, making it impossible for them even to eat. When his relatives heard of this they set out to seize him, for they said, "He is out of his mind."

These words give us a glimpse of what it was like to spend every day with Jesus. The disciples went everywhere that he went, and lived many moments with him doing ordinary things. At times they were in a field, at times they went with him to the synagogue or to the town square, and at times they invited him into their homes. Did their familiarity with Jesus lead them to take him for granted in little ways and not wonder at how hard he worked? Or perhaps seeing Jesus' humanity on a daily basis made it difficult for them to be awed by his divinity. Our familiarity with the Mass, especially if we go daily, and the routine of our devotional practices can sometimes numb us to the truth that Jesus is indeed God. May we strive always to appreciate the inti-

mate access he gives to us in prayer and the sacraments.

Several times in the Gospel, Jesus and the disciples were so inundated by the crowds and consumed with serving that they could not take care of their most basic needs, like eating. With Jesus, there seemed to be "a new normal," which was one of total self-giving. Of course, we are called to be prudent and balanced in our work, our ministry, and our family life. But perhaps this Gospel is calling us to evaluate where we can give more. May we imitate St. Ignatius of Loyola in his generous self-giving by praying: Take Lord, and receive all my liberty, my memory, my understanding, and my entire will, all that I have and possess. Thou hast given all to me. To Thee, O Lord, I return it. All is Thine, dispose of it wholly according to Thy will. Give me Thy love and thy grace, for this, is sufficient for me.

That Jesus had relatives who considered him out of his mind presents us with great irony. Far from crazy, Jesus is, in fact, wisdom incarnate. "In Wisdom is a spirit intelligent, holy, unique, manifold, subtle, agile, clear, unstained, certain, not baneful, loving the good, keen, unhampered, beneficent, kindly, firm, secure, tranquil, all-powerful, all-seeing, and pervading all spirits, though they be intelligent, pure, and very subtle". (Wisdom 7:22-23) Jesus is the one with the clearest understanding of his identity, and the most rational, intelligent, and balanced of any human person. Knowing Jesus as we do, in hindsight, we can see more clearly who he is, although he will always be a mystery. What confuses us oftentimes is why Jesus does what he does in our lives. In our struggles to understand the "whys" in our life, we recall the words of the prophet Isaiah: "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, my thoughts higher than your thoughts" (Isaiah 55: 9). Jesus is inviting us to overcome our human way of understanding and to see things through the lens of the Gospel.

God bless, Fr. Cory Rohlfing

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29 Mk 4:21-25 8:30 am Mass DMCC Effie Baken † 9:30 am Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Level 1 MSB-Atrium 7:00 pm Prayer Group DMCC 	 28 ² Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17 Mk 4:26-34 7:45 am St. Anne's Choir Practice DMCC-BDAR 8:00 am Reconciliation DMCC 8:30 am Mass DMCC Elaine Manthey † 	29 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17 Mk 4:35-41 8:00 am Reconciliation DMCC 8:30 am Mass DMCC Bob Vogelsberg ↑ 9:00 am Reconciliation DMCC 4:00 pm Mass DMCC Dick Jarvis ↑	30 Jer 1:4-5, 17-19 1 Cor 12:31-13:13 Lk 4:21-30 8:00 am Mass DMCC Parish 10:00 am Mass (ASL inter- preted) DMCC Jeannine Bongers † 12 Noon Mass (Spanish) DMCC Maria Refugio † and Maria Garcia † 2:00 pm Baptism DMCC
			5:00 pm Mass DMCC Bill & Judy Lewis ↑ 6:30 pm Choir #2 Practice DMCC

PreK-Grade 12 Education

BA Youth Basketball Night: Bethlehem Academy is hosting a youth basketball night Friday, January 28 at the boys home game. All are welcome to this free event! Sign up on BA's webpage at www.bacards.org.

Host Family Needed! We are seeking a host family for Yerim, a 7th grade Catholic girl from South Korea, who wishes to join us at Bethlehem Academy this school year. Stipends provided, tuition/fees/expenses paid by the family. Contact Kris Sauer (ksauer@bacards.org) or Haewon at KoAm (720-339-7710 and/or by email at administrator@koameduall.org) if interested.

Open House Events - February 13: Know a student who would benefit from the gift of Catholic education? Bethlehem Academy (Gr 6-12) and Divine Mercy Catholic School (PreK-Gr 5) will be hosting open house events on Sunday, February 13. Pre-register online for the Bethlehem Academy open house on our website at www.bacards.org. Watch this space for more information.

2022-2023 BA/DMCS New Student Applications Now Open

BA and DMCS are excited to welcome new student applications for the 2022-2023 school year! Apply online for spots in our PreK-Grade 12 classes at www.dmcs.cc or www.bacards.org.

BA/DMCS Tours and **BA** Student Shadow Information

Family tours are offered Monday-Friday from 9am-4:30pm at both Bethlehem Academy (Gr 6-12) and Divine Mercy Catholic School (PreK-Gr 5). Contact Ginger Van Hecke at DMCS (gvanhecke@dmcs.cc or Kris Sauer (ksauer@bacards.org) at BA to schedule a tour. Student shadow days now offered most weeks Tuesday-Friday at Bethlehem Academy for students entering Grades 6-12. Email Kris at ksauer@bacards.org to set up a shadow day.



Ministry of Mission and Outreach

Pastoral Care/Mission and Outreach

Wine: Catholic Women's Conference—Called by Name: Saturday, February 26. Women in the New Evangelization invites all women to the 7th annual WINE: Catholic Women's Conference at Holy Family Catholic Church in St. Louis Park on Saturday, February 26 with a fun Friday evening option on February 25. There will be praise & worship followed by inspirational talks, time for confession & adoration, and more. Cost \$100.00 for the Friday Social Gathering & Saturday Conference or \$55.00 for Saturday Conference only if you register by February 1. For more information and to register visit WINEconference.org.

Book of Prayer Intentions: There are books, both at the adoration chapel and the church, to enter prayer intentions to be remembered in prayer. You are welcome to do this at any time. Pastoral Care (Bernadette Tatge or Sister Kathleen) will be happy to add the names of your sick loved ones in these books for you. Because of HIPPA, we can only enter a name with the permission of the person asking for prayers or the permission of an immediate family member (call 507-331-7253 or email btatge@divinemercy.cc or srkathleen@divinemercy.cc).

COVID 19 Grief Support Group: February 15: 4-5:30 pm. This group, via Zoom, will be facilitated by Kelly Grosklags, LICSW, BCD, FAAGC. Brighter Days Family Grief Center is pleased to offer this free event. Join a safe, virtual setting for adults (18+) who have experienced the death of a loved one from COVID-19. The group will begin with Kelly speaking on unique grief and then using breakout rooms to meet others in a smaller setting. Please bring a candle to light at the end of the group! Space is limited, so please register early by emailing info@bdgc.us.

Parish Anointing Mass: Parish Anointing Mass is on Saturday, February 12 at the 8:30 a.m. Mass. We also recognize the World Day of Prayer for the sick, an observance begun by Pope John Paul II as a way for believers to offer prayers for those suffering from illnesses. All are welcome.

CCW

Dates to add to your calendar: CCW Meeting on February 7 at 6:15 pm and the Morning Reflections on Saturday, March 5.

At the start of each year CCW requests donations rather than "dues". There is an envelope in the parishioner's packets of envelopes. However, if you use automatic payment there is not a place on the pledge form for CCW. If you wish to do an annual donation, simply place the donation in an envelope marked "CCW donation". Indicate on checks "for CCW". Thank you to all who donate.

St. Vincent de Paul

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."

If you or a family you know needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Food Shelf so that together we can "listen to the voice of Jesus" to serve those who are suffering and poor.

Exodus 90 For Men

You might have seen the advertising information along the roadway and inside the Narthex and wondering what this is about. You can go online at Exodus90.com for details. Or, if you are interested in signing up you can contact our local resource contact, Richard Klatt at rklatt1957@gmail.com for information. All we need is your full name and email address. Thank you.

Respect Life

AND SO WE MARCH ON. For all these many years faithful people embracing the sanctity of life, have marched to Washington D.C. and all across the country, advocating for the rights of little, helpless, unborn children. January 20th is the National Prayer Vigil for Life, and the annual March for Life is on January 21st. The following day is a day of prayer for the legal protection of unborn children. It seems like an irony that we have had to pray and march for over 40 years for the protection of the lives of these little ones. How many millions more will have to die before we become a safe sanctuary for unborn children.



Pregnancy Options Life Care Center is always in need of donations; call the center for more information! Diapers are always needed! www.pregnancyoptionsfbo.org - (507-332-

Sons of Thunder

Tuesday Nights at 7:00 PM at DMCC Farmhouse

Men of the Church,

You are invited to join a men's group formed to help us grow in our walk with God, to answer His call, and to give us an opportunity for fraternity. We call ourselves Sons of Thunder. This was the name Jesus gave two of his disciples, James and John (Mark 3:17), when he appointed the Twelve. This group will meet weekly on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM.

What to expect: Opening Prayer, Reading of following Sunday's Mass Readings, Refreshments, & Fraternity.

Please plan on joining us for about an hour or so. After closing prayer, we will have refreshments and social time.

Prayer Shawl

We would like to welcome back our Prayer Shawl Knitters. We have a few changes to our group. We will now have the prayer shawls and baptismal blankets blessed on the First Tuesday of every month at the 8:30 am daily Mass. We will then have our meeting in the St. Faustina Commons from 9:00 am to 10:00 am. We would like to welcome everyone who is interested in making prayer shawls and baptismal blankets to join our meeting. We knit, get yarn, share information, and have fellowship. We provide the yarn for all those interested in making prayer shawls and baptismal blankets, and if you don't know how to knit or crochet we can teach you. You don't have to come to the meetings, but you can still knit for us. You will be providing a special gift to all those who receive prayer shawls and baptismal blankets. Our next meeting will be February 1st. If you have completed prayer shawls or baptismal blankets and cannot come to the daily Mass, you can drop them off at the church anytime. If you have any questions please contact Winnie Hughes at 507-339-9160 or Carol McHugo at 507-412-9714. If you know of anyone who could use a prayer shawl, please contact one of us or call the church office.

The Restful Waters Ultreyas will be held at DMCC during 2022. We will meet in the Faustina Commons the second Friday of each month starting at 7:00pm. Save the date – Friday, February 11th: Fr. Cory will be speaking. Please join us.

Lost and Found

Reminder: Please check the desk at the church for any items you may have left and are missing.

Sacraments

If you are in need of sacraments please check our website at www.divinemercy.cc.

Ministry of Communion

Adoration Chapel

Mother Samuel Building 104 Second Ave SW

Please stop in the chapel and offer up an hour to pray for the end to abortion and respect for life from conception to natural death.

Current available hours: Friday 6-7 a.m. Friday 2-3 p.m. (prayer partner needed) Saturday 1-2 p.m. Saturday 8-9 p.m.

Please contact Libby at 507-331-0860 if you can take an hour.





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Seven Sisters Apostolate-Praying for our Priests

"Oh God, who is the Beginning and the End, hear our prayers as we cry out to you to end the merciless shedding of innocent blood in our nation and throughout the world. Through death you have conquered death and through your life we experience eternal and everlasting life. Cause life to spring forth in the hearts of all people and bring forth a love and respect for life that will dominate our culture." *Priests for Life*

Ministry of Administration

Stewardship of Tithing: Financial Gifts

Envelope/Plate Contributions: January 16, 2022 \$

19,811.80

Your 2022 contribution envelopes are available in the narthex. Please pick them up, and we encourage you to use them throughout the year or sign-up for electronic e-giving at www.divinemercy.cc.

A friendly reminder for the *United for our Future Campaign*, please designate on your check or envelope that the money is going to "United for our Future" or new school building project. **Thank you!**

Community News

Neighbors Helping Neighbors: Rice County residents living independently and looking for help with snow removal or other home chores can look to this program for assistance. Call Anne Pleskono at Buckham West (507-332-7357) to learn about these services with a minimum cost and some cases may even be free.

Please join in welcoming Bishop-elect Joseph Williams: Pope Francis named Father Joseph Williams, a priest of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, as Auxiliary Bishop of Saint Paul and Minneapolis. The ordination of Joseph Williams to the Episcopacy will take place Tuesday, January 25, the Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul. The ordination will be livestreamed on the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis' Facebook page. Time to be announced. Learn more about Bishop-elect Williams, watch video interviews, and find details on the ordination at archspm.org/newbishop.

Lion's Club Annual (Pre-Pre) Super Bowl Breakfast on February 6 from 7:30 am to 12:30 pm at the American Legion. Served by the Emeralds Dance Team. Cost: \$9/adults and \$4/youth 12 and under. All you can eat. Take out is also available.



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