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Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am, 10:30 am & 5:00 pm

Daily Mass:

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Saturday Morning 8:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

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Sunday 9:30 am
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SUNDAY, JANUARY 16, 2022

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

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Baptisms & Marriages: Pre-baptismal instructions are required. Ten months of marriage preparations are also required.

Please contact Fr. Vitalis at 402-346-0900 to schedule an appointment.

Monday, January 17

SA 7:00 am † Mark Dawson
 OLL 8:00 am † Paul Thompson
 † Mike Harrahill

Tuesday, January 18

SA 7:00 am † Gordon Flott
 OLL 8:00 am † Betty Bauwens

Wednesday, January 19

SA 7:00 am † Mary Coufal (Sweeney)
 OLL 8:00 am † John Depa

Thursday, January 20

SA 7:00 am † Michael Stark
 OLL 8:00 am † Pat Cunningham
 † Rev. Paul Koch

Friday, January 21

SA 7:00 am † Mary Ellen Gilmore
 OLL 8:00 am † Margie Charboneau

Saturday, January 22

OLL 8:00 am † Lillian & Lois Olsufka
 OLL 5:00 pm † Betty Fricke
 SA 6:00 pm † St. Anthony

Sunday, January 23

OLL 8:00 am Nicholas Vega
 SA 9:30 am Our Parish Family
 OLL 10:30 am † Sylvia Cameron
 OLL 5:00 pm † Shirley Maun -Tuck

**WEEKEND: December 26, 2021
 & January 2, 2022**

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This is our "Sunday" stewardship contributions.



THEY HAVE NO WINE

Dear parishioners.

We are still basking in the splendor of Christmas joy. Therefore, it is appropriate to reecho the joyful expressions of the psalmist that calls us to proclaim the marvelous deeds of the Lord to all the nations. St. Paul reminds us that “God has called us through the Gospel to possess the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.” Now Jesus takes into his public life. The hidden years in Nazareth are over. It started with his baptism at the River Jordan in the hands of John the Baptist. He was introduced to us as the beloved son of God.

His first manifestation of his divine power happened at a marriage ceremony. At the request of Mary his mother, Jesus intervened and saved the wedding feast from being cut short. What a beautiful intervention. He saved the day by changing water to fine quality wine. He protected the wedding couple from embarrassment and shame. Had they run out of wine; the joyful atmosphere would have come to a sudden end. This first miracle tipped Jesus’ hands, for us to see what he brings for humanity.

It was Mary who alerted her son Jesus that the supply was running out. Till today, Mary continues to intercede for us. She rightly earns these titles; Mother of our perpetual help and Our Lady help of Christians. The lack of wine symbolizes something far more. Those who were at the wedding feast and the entire Israel lacked something else besides wine.

For many years, people have been waiting for God to manifest himself, but they have been disappointed in their hope. Prophet Isaiah expressed the long-awaited hopes of his people: “No more shall people call you “Forsaken, or your land “Desolate,” but you shall be called “My Delight, and your land “Espoused” For the LORD delights in you and makes your land his spouse. As a young man marries a virgin, your Builder shall marry you; and as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride so shall your God rejoice in you.”

As we journey with him, Jesus will lament over the spiritual misery of his people. He will pity them and compared them to sheep without a shepherd. How fortunate we are to hear Mary say to her son “They have no more wine.” Mary is attentive to our needs and even provide a solution. We as members of Christ church, must be attentive to the needs and sufferings and agonies of others. Mary showed us what to do by directing us to Jesus, as our hope and our Savior. She gives the church a model to emulate.

The Church learns from her how to intercede for the poor, the lost and the suffering. Mary says to the attendants “Do whatever he tells you?” she is telling us what she had lived. She was obedient to whatever God asked of her. She was faithful even when what was asked of her did not make sense. She did not disobey the Lord’s commandment. As a result, she too earned the title “My Delight” and “Espoused.”

The same applies to us if we are receptive to God’s word and assimilates it fully. Only then can we be called God’s Delight and Espoused. We have become a new wine. Faith in Jesus produces quality wine that never runs out. Yes, he turns ordinary water to become tasty wine. Jesus has come to transform us from our ordinary lives to life filled with glory and peace. The Apostles became believers having experienced his glory. They found in Jesus proof of God’s love for all men and for each individual.

What about you? Is your wine running out? Saint Paul speaks to us about the Spirit that Jesus gives. The coming of Jesus proves that God has turned his attention to us once again. The Spirit is given for our common good. Like the wine, it flows to nourish us and transform the world. You too can be the good wine that the world drinks. God’s love in us must be extended to others. It is not enough to say that we love God, it must be demonstrated through our good works. For those who feel tired, discouraged and spent, Jesus will replenish you.

Blessings to you,
Fr. Vitalis Anyanike.
Pastor

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP-RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

It Takes All Kinds

“If every flower wanted to be a rose,” wrote St. Therese of Lisieux, “spring would lose its loveliness.”

Who is God asking you to be today? There is an obvious answer that springs to mind right out of the gate. God wants me to be a good person (a good father, a good husband) today; today, God wants me to be a saint.

But this answer fails to get to the heart of the question. We are all striving today to serve the same Spirit, but we are given different gifts to do so. The one who has the gift of knowledge may fail if today he decides he wants to be a healer. The one who has the gift of “varieties of tongues” might falter in the expression of wisdom.

Think about the wedding at Cana and the players in the scene: the servers, the guests, the bride and groom. They all have a unique role to play, and though it is to the servers that Mary gives the instruction, “Do whatever he tells you,” her words apply to all.

Today, are we called to be the servers — do we wait on God’s instruction and carry it out, no matter how foolish or impossible it may seem to our human ears? Are we asked to be the disciples, to bear witness to a miracle and to give our testimony? Are we called to imitate the Blessed Mother herself and give encouragement to follow God’s word?

Let us examine our gifts and listen in the silence of our hearts to the direction of the Spirit. Then and only then, let us do whatever He tells us.— *Tracy Earl Wel-liver, MTS*
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Pray for our Military

Julius Aquino, Joe Becerra, Tom Byrne, Paul Cherek, Elizabeth Gill, Paris Fulbright, Adam Fulbright, Brian T. Griess, Michelle Morrison, Dennis Philips, Cody Prosllo, Jack Rasmussen, Jason Slowik, Nathan Leuck, Jamila Jahic, Justin Kush, and Jeremy Kemp.

THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MONDAY, JANUARY 17, 2022

TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022

7:25 am Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions, **STA**
8:45 am Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions, **OLLC**
9:00 am Prayer for Vocations & Priests, **OLL Chapel**

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 19, 2022

THURSDAY JANUARY 20, 2022

FRIDAY JANUARY 21, 2022

SATURDAY JANUARY 22, 2022

SUNDAY JANUARY 23, 2022



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Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick

Ron Brougham, Jackie Fox, Greg Staroscik, Paul Murphy, Marie Zemula, Bradley Wiese, Al Clinchard, Ida Peterson, Jerry Taucreti, Millie Wajda, Bev Pippin, Todd Tenczer, Richard Kostszewa, Sharon Littrell, Robert Kavan, Elize Schlueter, Collin Priebe, Scott Walker, Mary & Bruce Reemts, Patricia Kavaliauskas, Gary Slowik, Bettie Holmes, Zach Marshall, Ashley Barna, Tami Horzewski, Deacon Frank Hilt, and all those who are in the hospital at this time.

SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

As a young man marries a virgin,
your Builder shall marry you;
and as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride
so shall your God rejoice in you. (Is 62:5)

Psalm:

Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations. (Ps 96)

Second Reading:

But one and the same Spirit produces all of these,
distributing them individually to each person as he
wishes. (1 Cor 12:11)

Gospel:

Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in
Galilee

and so revealed his glory,
and his disciples began to believe in him. (Jn 2:11)

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Readings for the week of January 16, 2022

Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10
[3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-
17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27
-28/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps
144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-
10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and
11/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps
80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK of JANUARY 16,2022

Monday: Martin Luther King Day; St. Anthony, Abbot

Tuesday: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Wednesday:

Thursday: St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr; St. Sebastian,
Martyr

Friday: St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

Saturday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of
Unborn Children

Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Vincent,
Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope,
Virgin



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2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves. Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life.

Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love.

God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.

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MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY

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YOU'RE INVITED TO PRAY WITH US!
Mass for Vocations on January 17 at St. Joseph, Springfield



The Serra Club of West Omaha invites you to join us for a special Mass for Vocations at 5:30 PM on Monday, Jan. 17, at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 100 9th Street in Springfield, to pray

for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated religious life within the Archdiocese of Omaha. Mass will be celebrated by Rev. Frank Baumert, Chaplain of the Serra Club. Mass will be followed by a brief *Meeting & Mixer*.

Our speaker at the meeting will be Deacon Terry Ficene of St. Joseph. He will share his vocation story and his experience of serving as a deacon. Light refreshments and sweets will be provided.

If you are interested in helping to build the Church locally through vocations support, contact John Lingo, Serra VP, 402-290-4670 or John@JLingoLaw.com.

Our Lady of Lourdes-St. Adalbert
 Tabernacle candles are lit this week for:



Dan Morgan (living)

Be Part of the Prayer Line Ministry

The Prayer Line at OLL-St. Adalbert Parish has been active for many years. The ministry is interested in getting more people to help pray for the intentions or needs of our Parish Family. Contact Marti Rasmussen at m.raz.35@icloud.com or call her at 402-981-7276 if you are interested. Thank you for prayerfully considering.

Our Parish Meal Ministry

Are you or your family experiencing life changes – surgery, loss of a loved one, birth or adoption of a child, etc. and you would like assistance with meals? Sign up by calling the parish office, or call or text Rachel Kraft 402-490-9792. You will provide information such as preferred mealtime, dietary restrictions, # of adults/children eating, special delivery instructions, frequency of meals (every day or every other day, etc.), as well as start and stop dates of meals. The Ministry will gather the cooks and arrange everything via Meal Train.

Nebraska Walk for Life- Saturday, January 29th, 2022

OLL-STA Respect Life Committee members will be attending the Walk for Life this year! The rally starts at the Nebraska State Capitol at 10:00 am.

If you would like to carpool with us, please contact Marcy at 402-682-1413 by Monday, January 24th. Departure from Omaha will be at 8:15 am. Specific questions about the event, you may go to nebraskartl@gmail.com or call 402-438-4802. Thank you and we hope you will join us to stand up for life!



Adopt-a-Nun

The Friends-of-Nuns group is starting a program called

“Adopt-a-Nun,”

so you can become a friend of a nun and do what friends would do. As a friend, you can share personal experiences, spiritual needs and/or simply spend time visiting in person or via phone, which will lead to lasting friendships. The nuns are *Sister Pelly, Sister Rosa, Sister Theresiá and Sister Veronica* at the convent phone: 531-200-3867.

You can become a prayer partner, do new things together, share hobbies, share birthday and holidays, send a card or call your nun partner to talk.

Questions:

Elaine Heath at elaineheath777@gmail.com, or 531.222.7818.



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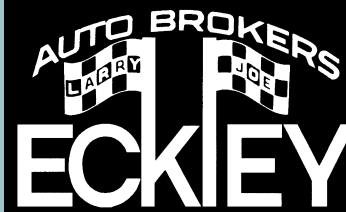
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