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Saturday, 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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Parish Office Hours:

M/T/W/TH 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Friday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Lord's Day Masses: All Are Welcome
 See website for current information.

ONLINE:

www.stbeagan.org

Bulletin & Calendar

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CONFESSIONS:

Call parish office for appointment

Welcome!

a Catholic Community Where ALL are Welcome.

To New Parishioners: If you do not have a church home, we would be honored to have you as part of our parish family. Registration Forms are available at the New Parishioner Welcome Kiosk in the Commons, and online or call our Office at (651) 683-9808 , and we will help you out.

Baptism: All parents are asked to attend a baptism preparation meeting prior to the baptism of their child. Please register online; if you have questions call the parish office at (651) 683-9808.

Next baptism preparation meeting is Monday, February 7, 2022 at 6:15 p.m.

Marriage: Registered parishioners should contact the Office at least eight months prior to requested date.

Anointing of the Sick: Available to anyone who is seriously ill or suffering from a prolonged illness. Call Parish Office at (651) 683-9808 .

Faithful Shepherd Catholic School and Tri-Parish Center: www.fscsmn.org or call 651-406-4747

Readings

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

Next Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/
1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Prayers for the Sick

Please hold these parishioners in your prayers:

Karen Little	Mary Cloutier	Judy Schmidt
Lisa LaFrance	Janet Higgins	

If you have someone you would like added to our confidential Prayer Line call Cathy at 651-344-3350.

Offerings

OUR OFFERINGS LAST WEEK: (1/4/21 - 1/10/22)

Online	12,212.00
In Person/mail	21,099.00
Simplified Giving (automatic transfers)	8,775.00
TOTAL	42,086.00

YEAR TO DATE: (12/31/21)

	Actual	Budget
Operating Revenue	\$742,449	\$ 721,253
Operating Expenses	635,480	649,773
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 106,969	71,480

Calendar

Monday, January 17:

Parish Office CLOSED
GS Troop 19026, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Tuesday, January 18:

JustFaith small group, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
AA meeting, 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Choir rehearsal, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Troop 451, 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Wednesday, January 19:

Elementary Faith Formation, 4:30 pm - 5:30 pm
Elementary Faith Formation, 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Middle School FF, 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Thursday, January 20:

Mass, 10:00 am - 11:00 am
Spirit of Justice Event, 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Prayer Shawl Ministry, 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
Liturgy Committee, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm
GS Troop 57292, 6:45 pm - 8:45 pm
Al-Anon meeting, 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Friday, January 21:

No Event Scheduled

Saturday, January 22:

5:00 pm MASS, Fr. Tim / Deacon Mickey preaches

Sunday, January 23:

SGS at 9am & 11am Masses
9:00 am Mass, Fr. Tim
RCIA 10:15 am - 11:30 am
11:00 am MASS, Fr. Mike
Confirmation Blue service/learning night
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Friendly Reminder



If you choose to continue wearing a face mask to church, please don't forget to bring your own face mask. Thank You!

Makeup Donations Needed

Our Year 1 Confirmation Candidates will be putting together care packages for women served by Breaking Free at our upcoming half-day retreat. Breaking Free works directly with victims of human trafficking to help them escape “the life” and build the skills they need to thrive. Many of you already answered the call to clean out your makeup drawers, donating unopened products. Now, we invite anyone who wishes to support this project to shop for the items we still need, including lipsticks and lip balms, mascaras, and small eyeshadow palettes. To sign up to donate specific items, use this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040449A8A92CA5FA7-makeup>, and then drop off your donation at the church by Sunday, February 6. Thank you!

Have you seen this woman?

RSVP: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040449A8A92CA5FA7-have>



Thursday, January 20, 2022

6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

There is a crisis of missing and murdered Indigenous women and girls in this country, including here in Minnesota. Native women and girls:

- 1% of MN population
- 8% of known murder victims;
- 20% of sex trafficking victims
- receive less public attention and often delayed police response when reported missing third leading cause of death is homicide

State Senator Mary Kunes will be here on Thursday, January 20, 2022, from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm, to share her knowledge and the work being done in Minnesota to address this crisis.

This event is free, but we ask that you sign up via <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040449A8A92CA5FA7-have> so that we can properly plan for space. There will be a free will offering for local organizations who support Indigenous Minnesotans.

To keep our presenter and guests safe, masks + proof of COVID vaccination(s) or a negative COVID test taken within 72 hours will be required.

Here are 2 videos to learn more about this subject in advance of this event:

- PBS News Hour: How prejudice affects official search from missing Indigenous women, other people of color
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VniwyAqemlo>
- Violence Against American Indian and Alaska Native Women and Men
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ESADNNHM4II>

Sponsored by the Spirit of Justice Ministry

In Sympathy

Our deepest sympathy goes to parishioner, David Lesch, and his family on the death of his mom, Beverly Margaret Lesch, who passed away on Monday, December 20, 2021 at the age of 89.

*Please remember Anna in your prayers.
May God grant eternal rest and give comfort to the family
at their time of loss. Amen*

Want to Talk?

JustFaith Small Groups:
Want to Talk?

Starting in mid-January, our parish will be offering numerous sessions of “Want to Talk?:

Communication Tools for Divided Times” from JustFaith.

This program, for groups of 8-14, will be based on small group discussions, readings and videos. It will guide you in deepening your relationships while staying true to your values, whether you find yourself in a disagreement with a family member, interrupting racism in the workplace, facilitating political tensions in a pandemic, or working for systemic change around any justice issue.

The program draws upon the wisdom of non-violent communication, civil dialogue and grassroots organizing.

This is open to all, whether in the parish or not, regardless of whether you’ve taken any JustFaith programs in the past or not. Your only cost for this program is the two books we will be discussing (\$45).

Currently Taking Registrations for These Two Options:

OPTION 1

Tuesdays, 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm, beginning January 18, 2022, at STB. Facilitated by Dez Sobiech. For everyone’s safety, participants must be vaccinated for Covid-19, and masks will be required. If Covid conditions improve and there is full consensus in the group, we may lift the mask requirement at some point. To register for the Tuesday afternoon session, please contact Dez at dezs@stbeagan.org or 651-683-9808, extension 109.

OPTION 2

Monday or Tuesday Evenings (TBD), beginning mid-January. Facilitated by Paul Mandell and Kadee Ruhland at the Ruhlands’ home, 6:30pm-8:30pm. If interested in this session, contact Paul Mandell at paul.mandell@comcast.net.

For general questions about this or other JustFaith programs, contact Dez Sobiech at dezs@stbeagan.org.

Everyday Stewardship

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 Welliver, MTS

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Stewardship Message

Trees bring places alive.

MCCL March for Life

On Saturday, January 22, join thousands of Minnesotans at the State Capitol in St. Paul at 12:00 pm for the MCCL March for Life.

The March commemorates the deaths of more than 62 million unborn babies since the U.S. Supreme Court’s 1973 Roe v. Wade decision.

Your presence will help show elected officials and the public the importance of protecting unborn children and supporting women. Come speak out for the voiceless!

For more information, visit www.mccl.org/march

FSCS Middle School Info Night

Current and prospective families are invited to join us Thursday, January 20th from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm at FSCS to learn about all that our Middle School has to offer our students and families.

Meet our middle school teachers, learn about our curriculum, our student life, and our community. Find out what makes Faithful Shepherd Middle School stand out!

For further information contact Hannah Smith at hsmith@fscsmn.org or 651-262-2898.

Gospel Meditation

Encourage deeper understanding of the scripture

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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Red Dresses at STB

If you've been to STB in the past week, you have seen the red dresses hanging near the front entrance.

The **REDress Campaign** honors Missing & Murdered Indigenous Women and brings awareness to the issue.

Inside the entrance, there is a poster with more information about the project.



Food Packing Event: **Your Help Is Needed!**

St. Thomas Becket Parish will be joining nine other churches and schools in packing meals for Feed My Starving Children at the South of the River Mobile Pack 2022 event. This year's packing location will be at Berean Baptist Church in Burnsville, 309 County Road 42, Burnsville. The goal of this project is to provide 1 million meals to hungry children around the world. It is also geared to build stronger connections and relationships within the South of the River Christian faith communities. The two available packing sessions are as follows:

- Tuesday, January 25th: 7:00 – 9:00 pm or,
- Thursday, January 27th: 7:00 – 9:00 pm

Our parish goal is to have 60 volunteers (30 per session) and to raise at least \$600 to help cover the cost of food being packed.

To sign up

for one or both evenings, follow this link to our SignUp Genius: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040449a8a92ca5fa7-stbpacking>

To donate toward this event, use this link:

<https://give.fmsc.org/give/369590/#!/donation/checkout>

For more information or to sign up via e-mail, please contact: Tom Joseph at tom.joseph6866@gmail.com

Kids corner

Read the Gospel & Color



Gospel

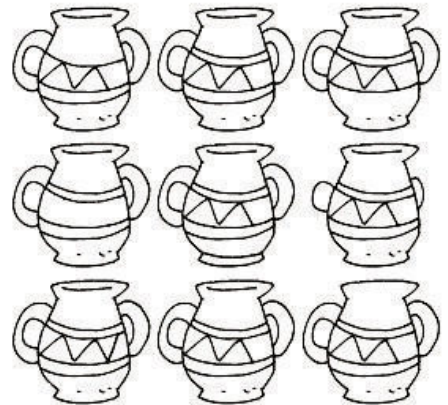
Mary had great faith in God. She also knew that God could do anything. So when the wedding servers ran out of wine, she knew Jesus could help. She said, "Do whatever Jesus tells you to do." That's the smartest thing any of us can do.

Prayer

Dear God, help me to do everything you say. I know you can do anything.

PUZZLE

Find the two identical jars.



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What does Jesus tell you to do in his word, the Bible? Find out by reading the Bible for 15 minutes a day with your family. You could start by reading Luke.



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