2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time January 16. 2022



Father John Meyer, Pastor

Weekly Meditation

Jesus . . . revealed his glory. (John 2:11)

Why was Mary so insistent that Jesus do something about the shortage of wine at the wedding at Cana? Perhaps she was a close friend of the bridegroom's family. If that was the case, of course she would have cared that they not be embarrassed about the wine running out.

In this very personal, familial setting, Jesus performs his first sign by turning water into the finest wine. But the miracle didn't just save face for the parents of the bridegroom. Jesus was revealing his glory. He was showing his disciples that he was no ordinary rabbi. He had come as the promised Messiah, to be the "new wine" that would save the world (Matthew 9:17; see Isaiah 25:6).

From the personal to the prophetic. From the specific circumstance to the universal truth. So often this is how Jesus works. Just look at some of the "signs" in John's Gospel. He takes five loaves and two fish and feeds five thousand, revealing how he intends to feed and nourish us for all time in the Eucharist (6:5-I4). Lazarus dies, but Jesus raises him, showing us that he came to defeat death once and for all (II:I-45).

Isn't this the case for all of us? We ask Jesus to come into a special situation, as Mary did at the wedding at Cana. And when we see him acting—whether that's through answering our prayer or reassuring us of his presence—he reveals something about himself. That he loves us. That he cares for us. That he has come to save us. That he will be with us always.

Is there some situation in your life that you want the Lord to enter into? As you pray, remember that he wants to do more than just resolve the immediate problem you are facing. He wants you to know who he is and why he came. He wants to reveal his glory to you.

"Jesus, open my eyes to your glory in my life!"

(The Word Among Us - January Edition)

January 22nd MCCL March for Life

On *Saturday, January 22nd,* join thousands of Minnesotans at the State Capitol in St. Paul at *12:00 noon* for the 49th Annual 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. Commemoration of these grievous rulings call public attention to:

- The enormuo9s toll of abortion on society—abortion harms women, children & families.
- More than 6 million unborn babies killed since 1973.
- The need for protection of unborn children and loving support of their mothers.

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 mccl.org/march. (In case of severe weather, check our website at mccl.org or call 612-825-6831)

See page #2 for local activities/information -Pray to Promote Life at St. Timothy's Parish, Maple Lake, Saturday, January 22nd @ I2 noon. Sunday, January 16th

8:30 a.m. † Diane Holte

10:30 a.m. Parishioners

Monday, January 17th

6:00 p.m. † Vince St. Aubin

Tuesday, January 18th 8:00 a.m. Parishioners

Wednesday, January 19th

8:00 a.m. † Peyton Grandstrand

Thursday, January 20th 8:00 a.m. Parishioners

Friday, January 21st

No Mass at St. Ignatius - Mass available at Saint Timothy's, Maple Lake, 8:00 a.m.

Saturday, January 22nd

5:00 p.m. † Leo Koshiol

Sunday, January 23rd

8:30 a.m. Parishioners 10:30 a.m. † Mel Niewind

Ministry Schedules

Saturday, January 22nd @ 5:00 pm

Celebrant: Fr. John Meyer

Altar Servers: James Meuwissen - Michael Millner Eucharistic Ministers: Jeff Burkhardt - Linda May

Greeter: Ann Waldschmidt Lector: Pat Meuwissen Sacristan: Pat Meuwissen

Ushers: Al Jude - Ron Mares - Roger Rauschendorfer

Tim Waldschmidt

Sunday, January 23rd @ 8:30 a.m.

Celebrant: Fr. John Meyer

Altar Servers: Sonja Millner - Nora Millner Eucharistic Ministers: Ric Fournier - Gael Zachman

Greeter: Alicia Millner Lector: Angie Manuel Sacristan: Diane Fournier

Ushers: Steve Logeais - Zachery Millner -Sam Millner - Doug Zachman

Sunday, January 23rd @ 10:30 a.m.

Celebrant: Fr. John Meyer

Altar Servers: Kassie Hansen - Lucy Schnabel Eucharistic Ministers: Roger & Karen Millner

Greeter: Shelly Naaktgeboren **Lector:** Mary Nowak

Sacristan: Renee Logeais

Ushers: Craig Arends - Chad Filek -John & Christine West

Community News

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CCW CORNER

CCW will join the Mardi Gras and have chance to earn money that goes toward their scholarship fund for a senior girl in 2022.

Tickets will be sold after masses. Each \$5 ticket earns you a chance to win one of four fabulous prizes - a quilt donated by Kathy Jude, a quilt runner donated by Kathy Schultz, or I of 2 raffle boxes of party supplies worth about \$100 each! There are many who are shut-in and want to be a supporting part of our faith community. If you are interested in purchasing a raffle ticket (or more), please contact Pam Petersen 320-2748074 to make arrangements. Then you too will have a chance to be a winner!

Help is needed to sell raffle tickets after masses. Easy to do, but slots are needed to be filled! Call Pam to volunteer: 320-274-8074.

<u>Up Date—Christ Child Luncheon Drive Thru</u> - Thank you to the many that helped to continue this annual event in 2021. For the 2nd year in a row, the weather held and we had "elves" that helped deliver 304 hot dish/bread meals and 190 desserts in a drive-thru fashion. We were able to send \$993.68 to three Pro-Life organizations in the name of the St. Ignatius CCW.

A learning opportunity for each of us:

The Archdiocese together with the Minnesota Catholic Conference announce a essential day of training "Equipped for Life: A Fresh Approach to Conversations About Abortion" featuring National Pro-Life speaker, Emily Albrecht from the Equal Rights Institute. Learn how to respond to the toughest pro-choice arguments with truth and love. This indispensable and life-changing day of training will equip you with:

- A large, successfully proven set of practical tools to use in future conversations.
- Practice conversations to be confidently prepared to engage any pro-choice advocate who defends abortion.

Car pool from church is definitely an option. Contact Kathy Schultz 320-236-7831 or see flyers on CCW bulletin board for more details. Saturday, February 5, 2022 at the University of St. Thomas - O'Shaughnessy Education Center Auditorium (OEC)

<u>Funeral Luncheons</u> - An opportunity is offered to us to reach out to parish families when they are saddened by the death of someone dear to them. The Christian community cannot remain indifferent in such situations. The parish family can assist and provide comfort with funeral luncheons. Obviously we cannot continue to provide this ministry without leadership in the kitchen—the alternative is simply not an option for our parish.

We are in need of ladies willing to take on leadership positions if we are to continue this ministry—we have lots of women willing to help, but we need someone in charge! Training is available. This is not difficult and very rewarding. We are looking to train 3 more leadership positions. Please consider giving it a try! <u>Call Kathy Jude 320-274-5522</u> or Mary Fobbe 320-274-8039 for further information.

"We, the pilgrims on the earth, must always keep our eyes and heart focused on the ultimate goal, the House of the Father, Heaven. We are one human family. We are our brothers' and sisters' keepers. Pope John Paul II insists, "We are all really responsible for all."

Pray to Promote Life - January 22nd @ 12 noon - St. Timothy, Maple Lake

On Saturday, January 2nd at 12 noon, the CCW of St. Timothy's Parish in Maple Lake will be publicly praying the Rosary outside the church and in the Adoration Chapel. EVERYONE is encouraged to join in prayer and as a witness promoting life. Bring your families, friends, and neighbors! A reception with speaker Patricia Washatka, Executive Director of Options for Women Cornerstone Clinic of St. Michael, MN., with light refreshments will follow at St. Timothy's School. Baby items will also be collected to benefit the Cornerstone clinic. Items can be placed in front of the St. Joseph altar in the church or dropped off at the Costume Shoppe, 116 Division St., W., Maple Lake.

Mask Recommendation from the Archdiocese

Due to the rising COVID cases and hospitalization numbers and in response to a recent request from the Archbishop, we will be asking people to strongly consider wearing masks once again at church. We are also looking at adding areas for distancing at Mass and other mitigation strategies in the days and weeks ahead. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Women's Wednesday Morning Bible Study

We are starting a new study on February 2nd titled: Fulfilled Part 1: Uncovering the Biblical Foundations of Catholicism. Call or text Dianne O'Keefe at 612-703-1329 or the Church Office 274-8828 ext. 21 if you are interested. Cost is \$29 for materials and online access. We have a social time after 8:00 a.m. Mass and begin our study at 9:00 a.m. We look forward to having you join us.

The most wonderful places in the world are:
In someone's thoughts,
In someone's prayers,
And in someone's heart.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - 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. ©LPi

Donations to replace the Church Air-Conditioner

Our nearly 50 year old A/C unit needs to be replaced at an estimated cost of $$90,\!000$ dollars. We need your financial assistance. We would like to have the new system installed and ready for next summer to avoid anymore outages causing discomfort and frustration.

Your donations continue to be gratefully accepted—via mail, at the office or at weekend masses—*please clearly mark your donations for the A/C unit.* Our thanks and blessings for your kind and generous support toward this unfortunate but necessary project.

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Free Store - Hwy. #55 & Cherry Ave. in "Midtown 55" Mall, across Cherry Ave. from the Cenex Gas Station, (clothing & small household items).

Annandale Area Food Shelf - 390 Annandale Blvd., (take Hwy. #55 east to Annandale Blvd.)

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Tuesday: 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. - Free Store

Wednesdays: 5:00 to 6:45 p.m. - Food Shelf Thursday: 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. - Free Store

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Volunteers are also needed to help with the Free Store, located in Buffalo - call 763-682-6820



Next Baptismal Class -Second Tuesday of February, the 8th, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m.

All baptisms at St. Ignatius require parents attend the class before the baptism can be arranged. The session in-

volves discussion on the purpose, history, symbolism, and the Rite of Baptism. Insights into Christian parenting are also briefly considered at this time. Please contact the rectory office if you plan to attend the class. The Sacrament of Baptism is held during a weekend mass, contact the parish office to register for the class or to make arrangements for the baptism. (320- 274-8828 ext. 21)

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Mon., Jan. 17th - Monday Eve Bible Study groups 6:30 pm Wed., Jan. 19th - Wednesday a.m. Bible Study 8:30 a.m. Sat., Jan. 22nd - Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children—refer to page #I and Page #2 for further information.

Readings for the week of January 16, 2022

Sunday: Is 62:I-5/Ps 96:I-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/

I Cor I2:4-II/Jn 2:I-II

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: I Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-

10/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: I 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/I Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:I-4; 4:14-21



When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you." - John 2: 3-5

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Mass - 5:00 p.m.

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Daily Mass

Monday @ 6:00 pm - Tues, Wed., Thurs. @ 8:00 am No Daily Mass on Friday.

Reconciliation

4:30 pm Saturday—one-half hour prior to Saturday Mass

Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament

Last Thursday of the month, 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Sacraments

Baptisms

Members should contact the parish at least two (2) months in advance of the baptism. Baptismal Classes are held the 2nd Tuesday of February, May, August, and November. Parents are required to attend this class before the baptism. Baptisms are scheduled through the parish office 274-8828 ext. 21

Weddings

Members should contact the pastor at least six(6) months in advance of the desired date.

Homebound Ministry

If you or someone you know would like one of our home visitors to stop by your residence for companionship, prayer, or have communion brought to you, please call the Parish office 274-8828 ext. 21 to make arrangements

Prayer Requests

To place prayer requests in the bulletin, please call the parish office - 274-8828 ext. 21

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