### Our Lady of Hope Parish

### January 16, 2022 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



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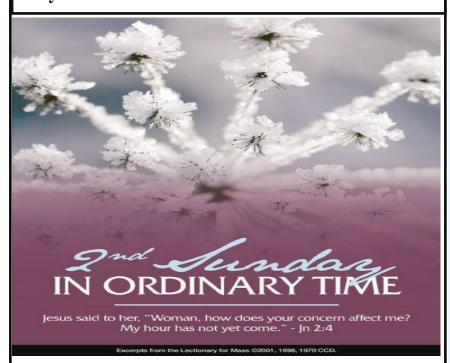
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Weekend Mass Times
Saturday Sunday Sunday
Hoyt Lakes 4:30 Biwabik 8:30 Aurora 10:30



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### Mass Intentions January 17–January 23

Monday, January 17 5:30 p.m. Aurora †Roger Van Cleave

By Cordy Sanvik

Tuesday January 18 9:00 a.m. Hoyt Lakes

† Ed Dorn

By The Neaghbor Family

Wednesday, January 19 9:00 a.m. Biwabik

**†John Briski†** 

By Caroline & Harold Ebnet

Saturday, January 22 4:30 p.m. Hoyt Lakes

†Skip Jarvi

By Caroline & Harold Ebnet

Biwabik

Sunday, January 23 8:30

**†**Kylene Antilla

By Debra & Butch Antilla

Sunday, January 23 10:30

Aurora

For The People

The next adoration will take place on Sunday, January 23 from 6-7 p.m. in Hoyt Lakes.

Mass Intentions. Please consider having a Mass said for anyone that you feel inspired to pray for. These Masses can be said for a deceased person or a living person. Let it lighten your heart to remember someone special.

### Our Lady of Hope Events This Week At A Glance

Religious Education on Wednesday at 5:30 in Aurora. Meal at 5:00.

Living Faith Daily Catholic Devotions have arrived and can be picked up at the Parish Office.

Prayer and Adoration on Sunday, January 16 from 6-7 p.m. in Biwabik.

### Ministry Schedule January22—January23

Saturday, January 22	5:30 p.m. Hoyt Lakes
EMHC:	Need Volunteer
Lector:	Lee Martinek
Ushers	Tom Erickson
	Ron Alholm
Saturday, January 23	8:30 a.m. Biwabik
EMHC	Mary Strukel
Lector	Carol Stanaway
Ushers	Bruce Behrens
	Need 1 Volunteer
Sunday, January 23	10:30 a.m. Aurora
EMCH	Jean Stark
Lector	Rose Antilla
Ushers	Patrick Layman
	Roger Pennel



We are starting **Wednesday Family Nights** with Father Kris and on occasion with guest speakers. This is an invitation for all students, families, grandparents, parishioners and friends to attend a fun filled evening. Each class will take place in Aurora from 5:30 –6:30 p.m. and is available to everyone. Meals 5:00-5:30

### January - Dedicated to the Holy Name

New - Pre-School Classes from 5:30—6:30
Mass: Penetential Rite, Gloria
Mass-Liturgy of the Word (Bible!)/Lectio
Divina (How to pray the Bible)
Mass-Liturgy of the Eucharist
Mass-Liturgy of the Eucharist/

dismissal

### Letter from Fr. Kris

This week, we return on the Liturgical calendar to Ordinary Time. When we English speakers hear the word ordinary, we probably think about our every-day activities and routines. We might think of our morning time in prayer, or our exercise or Physical/Occupational Therapy routine. We might think about the cooking, cleaning, clearing snow or mowing lawn. Maybe think of our jobs or volunteer activities as ordinary. And, we may wonder why there's a season in the Church devoted to all that boring stuff.

The answer is: none of that is actually boring! It's often well ordered and has a rhythm to it. And, in the Church world, we're given an objective, a point to which all things are properly ordered: Holiness! And this is what Ordinary Time is all about: having everything in our life ordered, or pointed toward, good holy living. It's all about pointing our whole lives toward Jesus!

In the Church world, Ordinary time is that time of the year that's ordered to good Christian living and transforms the 'ordinary' parts of our lives into sacred acts. Ordinary time calls us to seek God's presence even in the mundane, boring parts of our lives, and see them in the context of the life of Christ. Those parts that we think might be too insignificant for God are transformed when we become aware of His nearness to us. If we're aware of just how close God really is, our lives are transformed. We're moved to living each moment for Him!

When our lives are ordered toward God, we find that even the most mundane things in our life take on new meaning. Even our jobs and volunteer work take on a new look and a greater dignity. God's presence transforms everything if we let it.

Early on in my priesthood, I came across a gentleman who was working in the maintenance department at the local hospital. From what I could tell, the hospital either had bad plumbing or a lot of people with digestive issues, since he always seemed to have a plunger and a bag of tools with him. As I was talking to him one day, I asked what he had planned for the rest of the morning. He just smiled and said "Unclogging toilets for the Lord..." then he headed up the stairs while whistling an old hymn.

I think his simple statement, and his attitude in general, can be a good model for us. How often do we look at something like fixing a clogged toilet as below us, or as something to be avoided or handed off to someone else? How often to we miss God's presence even in the smelliest of situations. For this maintenance worker, his job was not merely a way of making money, but as a way to serve the Lord.

Every part of our day-to-day life can be for Jesus. One of the dismissals that can be used at the Mass: Go in peace, glorifying the Lord with your life isn't just a suggestion or nice words, but is a command. Whether we're a professional church-person or a laborer, God is present in each moment of our lives. So whatever we do each day should be done for the greater glory of God.



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