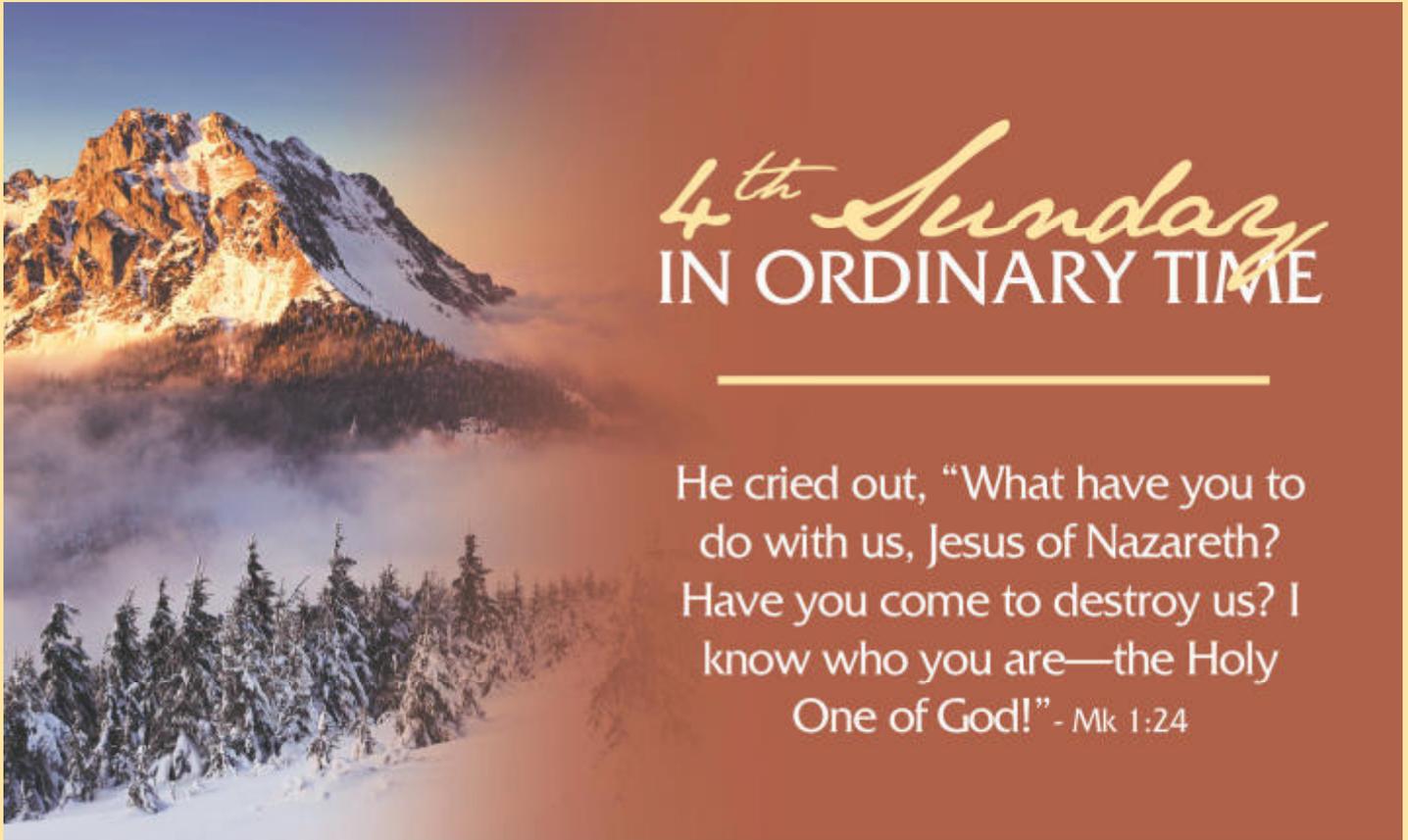


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4th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

He cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!" - Mk 1:24

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Reconciliation

Saturday:.....4:00 PM –4:40 PM

or by appointment

Mass Times

Saturday Vigil5:00 PM

Sunday:.....9:30 AM

Tuesday5:00 PM

Wednesday, Thursday.....8:00 AM

Friday.....5:00 PM

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Baptisms, Weddings & RCIA

Contact the parish office via email or call 525-1902 to arrange.

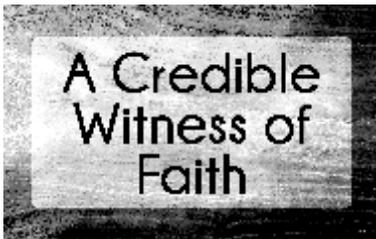
Weddings must be scheduled at least 6 mos. prior to date.

Parish News

Gospel Meditation January 31, 2021 / 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Most of us are quiet people who desire to live a good and holy life, promote the values and mission of the Gospel as best we can and desire to one day inherit the surprise of life eternal God promises to us. We are not trail blazers. We are simple people who want to do the simple things of life well. But there are others who left a more profound impact along the way of the paths they walked. Folks like Dorothy Day, Martin Luther King, Thomas Merton, Gandhi, St. Teresa of Calcutta, and many others left lasting impacts and legacies. Like Moses, they show us by word and deed who God is and what integrity and a purpose driven life look like. They show us how to be holy. We need Moses people like these to give us inspiration, hope and an example of holy living.

We do not need to do what they did or even mirror their relationship with God. Each one of us is God's special creation, with a purpose and soul known only to us. We need to learn how to open up and bring, without compromise, our soul-ness to life. We know when someone is authentic and centered because they always point to truth, even though they struggle and sin themselves, and they embody an unspoken timeless wisdom that just sounds and feels right. Jesus taught with this same type of authority and it astonished many who listened. We do not need to move mountains, advance a cause, write books or become notable. All we have to do is become credible witnesses of the faith we profess. Moses people can teach us how to do this.



St. Oscar Romero was an amazing man and a Moses figure for sure. He saw God in the burning bush and brought the flame of Gospel faith to the poorest of the poor, challenging the evils of the society in which he lived. He was tireless and persistent. He must have gotten very close to the problem because it cost him his life. He suspected it would. St. Romero said, "When we leave Mass, we ought to go out the way Moses descended Mt Sinai: with his face shining, with his heart brave and strong to face the world's difficulties." We can learn from this wisdom. If we allow the power of the Mass

to truly transform us, we will leave that holy encounter changed. Our face will shine, and we will have courage. We can then bring what we have received to life's challenges. That sounds doable, doesn't it? Because of the example of our simple holiness, people will be amazed.

Collection for Latin America

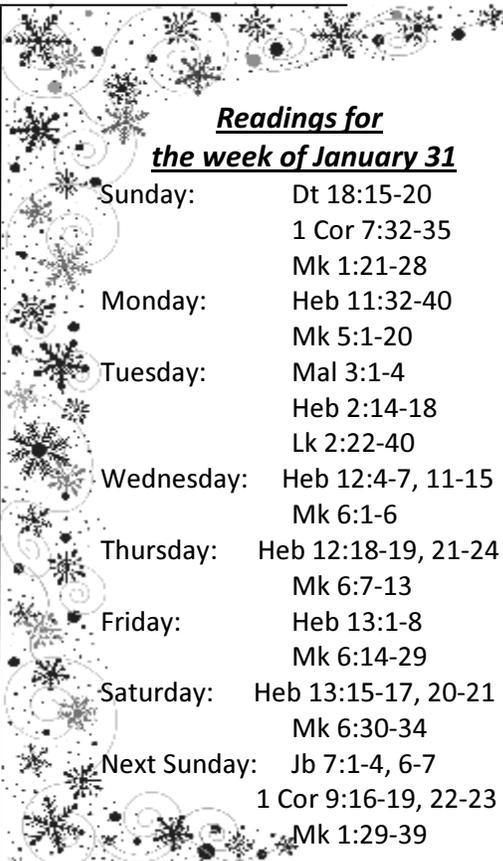
For over 50 years, Catholics in the United States have participated in the Collection for the Church in Latin America as a concrete expression of solidarity with our brothers and sisters in the region. This year the needs of the Church in Latin America are even greater in the wake of the COVID pandemic. Your contribution to the collection this weekend is a chance for you to support religious education, evangelization, and the formation of priests and religious sisters and brothers throughout the Americas.

Share the Faith

Support the Collection for the Church in Latin America

Part time Maintenance Person

St. Michael's is looking for a person to be responsible for the maintenance and overseeing the operation of the Church & Professional Building. Church— checking & replacing air filters and light maintenance. Pro bldg.-would be light maintenance along with vacuuming hall, cleaning of bathrooms, removal of garbage & recycling. Some shoveling involved. Flexible schedule, parishioner preferred. If interested or you have questions, please contact the parish office. Thank you!



<u>Readings for</u> <u>the week of January 31</u>	
Sunday:	Dt 18:15-20 1 Cor 7:32-35 Mk 1:21-28
Monday:	Heb 11:32-40 Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday:	Mal 3:1-4 Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2:22-40
Wednesday:	Heb 12:4-7, 11-15 Mk 6:1-6
Thursday:	Heb 12:18-19, 21-24 Mk 6:7-13
Friday:	Heb 13:1-8 Mk 6:14-29
Saturday:	Heb 13:15-17, 20-21 Mk 6:30-34
Next Sunday:	Jb 7:1-4, 6-7 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23 Mk 1:29-39

Proclaiming the Gospel in Word, Sacrament and Service



Parishioner Envelope Mailing Delay

You may have realized that you do not have the February / March envelope packet yet. We reached out to the company in NY and received this response: "The envelopes have been in the mail for a couple weeks and should be arriving soon! The US Postal service is just running on a severe delay. From the January mailing we heard from many of our Parishes because their sets were very delayed from the norm. Hopefully with the election over and Holiday mail done the Post Office will be able to catch up." So we ask you to please be patient and still contribute to the parish. You can give a loose check and still receive credit for your taxes next year. If you give with cash we ask you to please put it in an envelope with your name on the front. Thank you!

From the desk of Sonya Morris

In today's Gospel the people who heard Jesus teach and saw him heal were said to have been astonished and amazed by the authority of his teaching. So compelling were Jesus' words and actions that the news about him could not be contained; it spread quickly throughout all of Galilee. Two thousand years later, the news about Jesus continues to spread. We are called to participate in sharing the Good News of Jesus with others in our words and in our actions.

As followers of Jesus we are called to demonstrate God's power and authority by our words and deeds. As people of faith, we want others to observe consistency between our words and actions. People should see in our lives the power and authority of God at work. There is a saying that actions speak louder than words. Our actions along with our words should demonstrate our faith in God.

As a family gather together and try to name some amazing things, events, or people in your lives. Can you name any modern examples of people in whom you have seen the power and authority of God at work? How can these people be an example to you? Conclude by saying a prayer to the Holy Spirit that your family may experience wonder at the work of God in our world today and help you to be a modern example of someone who demonstrates their faith in God by their words and deeds.

Our next faith formation class will be held on Wednesday, February 3rd. Our K-5 families will meet at their home parishes from 6 PM – 7 PM. God Bless, Sonya Morris



Gabriel's Book Store

Due to covid people have been cleaning out their homes and donating many, many books. Come see our varied inventory of used and old books, music, audio books, DVDs and large variety of children's books and so much more! Most of our inventory is gently used. Hours of the store typically are:

Tuesday 2pm-5pm

Wednesday 12pm-4pm,

Thursday 10am-5pm

Friday 10am -2pm

Saturday 10am-5pm.



All our clerks for the store are volunteers so please remember to thank them next time you are in!

Sunday- ONLINE MASS at 9:30



OR IN PERSON

Due to covid we ask you to contact the parish office by Thursday's at 4:00 PM if you plan to attend either Saturday evening or Sunday morning Mass. Thank you!



**CELEBRATE CATHOLIC
SCHOOLS WEEK 2021**
January 31 - February 6
#CSW21

The last week of January, we observe National Catholic Schools Week.

As a parish, we recognize the value of Catholic education and support our families in educating our young people so they can reach their full potential. We acknowledge the vital role of the school faculty, staff and volunteers in this effort. We celebrate our students as they learn about their faith and the skills, they will need in the 21st century. Most of all they learn the importance of spreading the Gospel and being a disciple of Christ. The week's theme: Faith. Excellence. Service --focuses on the core of Catholic education. As a parish, we support Stella Maris through our prayers to develop our children into future model leaders and Christ-centered citizens.

Our Catholic schools are part of our future as a Church and a nation. May God bless them and all who contribute to the important work they do on behalf of the children of our parish and parishes across the diocese and across the country.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Catholic United Financial Raffle **to support SMA Jan. 15–Feb. 28**

Starting Jan. 15, students from **Stella Maris Academy** will be selling \$5 raffle tickets to win a 2021 Ford EcoSport (or \$20,000 in cash), or other great prizes totaling \$40,000 in value. Every penny of every ticket sold stays at Stella Maris Academy, thanks to the Raffle's sole sponsor Catholic United Financial! Drawing will be held on March 11. Please contact a Sentinel student, or your school office to purchase raffle tickets and support Stella Maris Academy!



Holy Rosary Campus [\(218\)-623-6253](tel:2186236253)

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Kindergarten Round Ups February 25

Take the first step to giving your child the gift of Catholic education! Join us for a 45 minute session to learn all about the Kindergarten experience at Stella Maris Academy! Due to COVID-19, our annual Kindergarten Round Ups will take place throughout the day on Feb. 25th with small groups or via Zoom. Go to www.stellamaris.academy/admissions to register for the Round Up. For questions, please contact Sarah Pennings, Admissions Director, at 218-623-6253 or sarah.pennings@stellamaris.academy.

Weekly Financial Update

Total Budget– Offertory.....\$293,500.

Envelope & Plate Weekly Goal.....\$5,644.

**this includes Holy Days*

Collection on January 24.....\$2,321.

Electronic Giving.....\$650.

Fiscal year offertory needed.....\$169,320.

Fiscal year offertory collected.....\$151,758.

Your continued generosity is greatly appreciated.

Maintenance Fund YTD.....\$9,232.

Please consider adding St. Michael's Parish to your will.

Thank you for your continued support!

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 30

5:00 PM Mass Parishioners

Sunday, January 31

9:30 AM Mass +William Hogan

Tuesday, February 2

5:00 PM Mass +Fr. Andrew Chalkey, OMI

Wednesday, February 3

8:00 AM Mass +Fr. Charles Heon, OMI

Thursday, February 4

8:00 AM Mass +Fr. Andy Houle, OMI

Friday, February 5

5:00 PM Mass +Fr. William McSweeney, OMI

Saturday, February 6

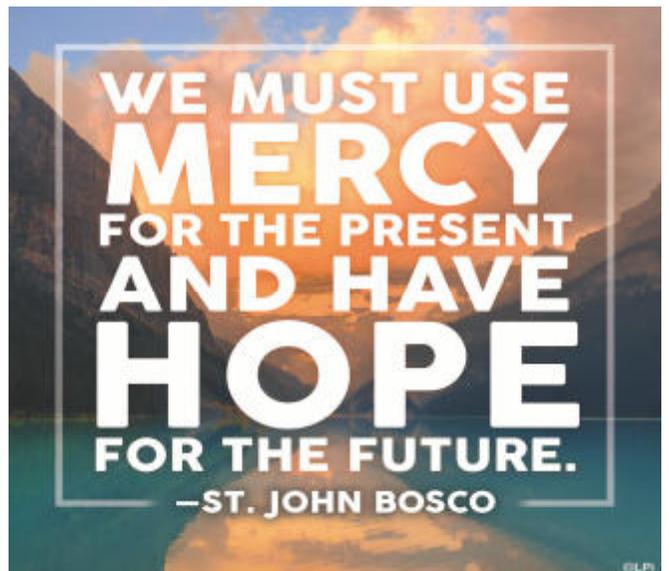
5:00 PM Mass Parishioners

Sunday, February 7

9:30 AM Mass +Dolores Feiro

There are openings for Mass Intentions

Please call the parish office if you'd like to schedule an intention. Mass stipend donations are \$10. Thank you!!



Calendar

Monday, Feb 8th-Friday, Feb. 12th

No weekday Mass. Fr. Andy on Priest Retreat

Please keep in your prayers

Former parishioner, Barbara Romano Hogg, who died on Friday, January 15th. May she and all the faithful departed rest in God's peace.

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