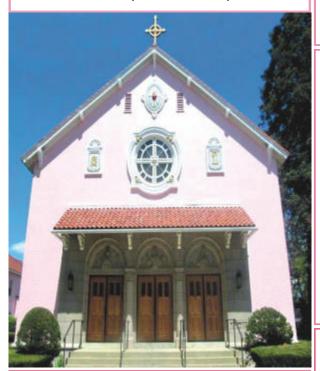
# January 16, 2022 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time



Sacred Heart Church "The Pink Church" 191 Elm Street, Pittsfield, MA 01201



## Welcome!

#### **OUR PASTORAL STAFF IS HERE TO SERVE YOU**

Parish Office — 56 Newell Street, Pittsfield, WA 01201
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#### Our Mission:

"Sacred Heart Parish is dedicated to responding faithfully to God's call as a Catholic Community and to serve Him and others through worship, fellowship, education and social justice."

## PARISH INFORMATION:

Parish Office Hours — Monday thru Thursday 9-1 Enter the Parish Center building via the Newell Street entrance. New parishioners should register at: www.thepinkchurch.com

#### LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 4:00 PM Sunday 8:30 A.M. and 10:30 AM

#### DAILY MASS

Monday through Thursday 9:00 AM Mass. Communion Service — Friday 9:00 AM

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 3:00 PM — 3:30 PM

#### **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Friday — After Mass (9:30 AM to 12 Noon) in the church

#### **BAPTISMS**

Contact the Rectory 443-6960 to assist in the planning for the Sacrament of Baptism in accordance with the Catholic Faith

#### **RCIA**

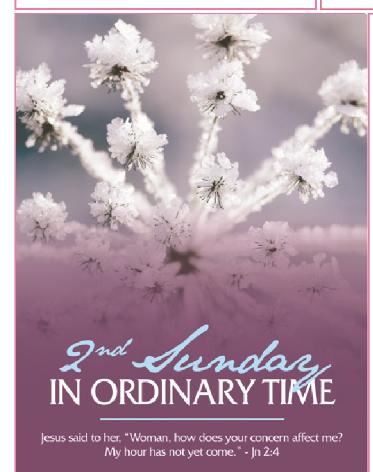
Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults Contact St. Joseph Rectory at 445-5789

#### **MARRIAGE PREPARATION**

Please notify the parish office one year in advance

#### PRAYER REQUEST LINE

Please call the Rectory at 443-6960



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Saturday, January 15th

4:00 PM+ **Marilyn Johnson** 

requested by: Family

Sunday, January 16th

**Chuck Ciccarelli** 8:30 AM+

(12th Anniversary)

requested by: Joanie DeMartino

10:30 AM+ Frank Polidoro (4th Anniversary)

Shirley Polidoro (1st Anniversary)

requested by: Loving Children

Monday, January 17th — Martin Luther King Holiday

9:00 AM+ Office Closed

No Mass

Tuesday, January 18th

9:00 AM+ Ana Ananyeza

requested by: Carla & Family

Wednesday, January 19th

9:00 AM+ Linda Hermanski

(8th Anniversary) requested by:

Jennifer & Matthew Vrabel

Thursday, January 20th

9:00 AM+ Mary Valenti

requested by: The DeBlieux Family

Friday, January 21st

9:00 AM+ **Parishioners of Sacred Heart** 

Saturday, January 22nd

4:00 PM+ Joseph Robinson

> (1st Anniversary) requested by: Sister

Sunday, January 23rd

8:30 AM+ **Robert DeWinkeleer** 

requested by: Family

The Clark Famly — George Sr. & Adele 10:30 AM+

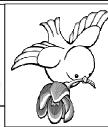
George Jr. & Sandra and

Fr. Francis Grogan

requested by: The Olsen family

#### **MASS BOOK OPENINGS**

To book a mass, please stop by the Parish office at 56 Newell Street, send an e-mail to: pinkchurch@aol.com or call the Parish office at (413)443-6960



## At Rest in the Arms of Jesus

Please remember in your prayers:

### Rev. James K. Joyce

May he rest in peace



#### WE HAVE SEEN HIS GLORY

The busy and rich holy days gave way to New Year's resolutions, as we returned to work, school, and ministry. Even the memories of our recent celebrations of Epiphany and the Baptism of the Lord are quickly fading. And yet, on this Second

Sunday of Ordinary Time, the gospel story of the wedding at Cana forms the third part of a sort of Epiphany trilogy and carries the themes of these two Christmastide feasts into the green days of Ordinary Time: manifestation and transformation.

These three Epiphany events — the visit of the Magi, the baptism of Jesus by John, and the miracle at Cana — are, as Pope Francis has described them, "the three signs that the liturgy brings in these days in order to speak to us about the manifestation of God: God makes himself known." As we know, the story of the Magi coming from the East reminds us that the child born in Bethlehem was born for all peoples, and the baptism of Jesus is the revelation that he is the Father's "beloved Son." So, then, what do we learn from the miracle at Cana? What truth is revealed in this Sunday's gospel?

Cana marked a beginning and in the transformation of the water into wine we discover that Jesus wasn't simply another prophet or holy man. He was God's "Beloved" and he holds the power to transform — to recreate and renew — the elements of earth and, more importantly, the hearts, minds, and souls of his followers.

In the coming weeks of Ordinary Time, we will hear the stories of how this transforming and saving work, begun in Cana, changed the lives of Jesus' disciples, as we're invited to reflect on how that transforming power continues to shape us today. -lpi

#### WINTER WEATHER ADVISORY

Please note that during the winter season, when Pittsfield Public Schools are canceled or delayed due to inclement weather, Sacred Heart parish offices are closed, and daily Mass and communion services are canceled.

#### HOPICECARE in the BERKSHIRES

HospiceCare in the Berkshires is pleased to offer support to anyone grieving the loss of a loved one. Various opportunities are available, including one-time workshops, eight week closed bereavement support groups, monthly drop in groups, and memory making craft experiences. For more information, please call our bereavement team at (413)443-2994



Sunday — Fr. Daniel Cyr

Monday — Marian Fathers & Brothers Tuesday — Fr. Jack Roach

Wednesday — Fr. Brian McGrath

Thursday— Fr. Dariusz Warduski Friday — Bishop William Byrne

Saturday — Fr. Gary Caster

#### NO TIME FOR A RETREAT?

You can turn an ordinary day, at work or at home, into a retreat with these easy ideas:

- Before you get up, offer God the entire day and everything you think, do, or say.
- As you take a shower, imagine that the water is God's love. Ask God to wash away worry, regrets, resentments or anything else that is troubling you.
- As you begin your day, ask God to help you recognize His presence in people you encounter, in things that happen, and in the beauty of the world around you.
- Take a moment to read a short Scripture passage. Then close your eyes and let the words penetrate your soul.
- During the afternoon, take a prayer walk.
- At lunchtime, pray for people who don't have enough to eat.
- Find a moment to visit a church or chapel. Embrace the silence and allow God's love to come over you.
- After dinner, read a spiritual book.
- Before you go to bed, reflect on the ways God touched your life this day.



#### CHOOSING TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER

Love one another. The greatest commandment, the simplest commandment — and if you've ever loved anyone, you know it's also the hardest. If you've ever forgiven

someone who's hurt you, nursed a dying parent, gotten up for an infant's night feeding or let your kid have the last piece of cake, you know that real love is a verb. It's something you do.

And it is almost always a choice.

Love one another. How often do we hear this? How often do we think about what it really means? How often do we take a moment to consider the action Jesus is asking us to take, and the choice he is asking us to make?

#### **REGISTRATION FOR WORLD YOUTH DAY NOW OPEN**

Registration for the 2023 Diocese of Springfield trip to World Youth Day has now opened. Our official pilgrimage to Fatima and Lisbon Portugal for World Youth Day will take place July 28 to August 8 2023 and is an incredible opportunity for youth and young adults (ages 18-35 in 2023) to encounter Christ with several million youth from around the world who share their faith. For more information, to watch the recording of the November 16 virtual info session, or to register, go to: <a href="https://www.youngandcatholic.org/get-involved/worldyouthday">https://www.youngandcatholic.org/get-involved/worldyouthday</a>



#### THE LIGHT OF THE MOON

Of course, the moon doesn't have any light of its own. All the moon

has is the ability to reflect the light that shines upon it. The same holds for us, doesn't it? Our stewardship is purely a reflection of the grace granted to us by another. "Upon you the LORD shines," writes Isaiah, "and over you appears his glory." Every good action we will ever take begins in the mind of God. The fact that we have the honor of carrying it out on His behalf is a beautiful gift. It is God that makes our ordinary lives extraordinary. Allow yourself to reflect goodness onto others.



"May the peace of Christ reign in your hearts" Col.315

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"Oh, if men loved You, all the churches would be continually filled with people prostrate on the ground adoring and thanking You and burning with love for You at seeing You with the eyes of faith hidden in the tabernacle. But no; men forgetful of You and of Your love, leave You, O my Lord, abandoned and alone. Inflame me with Your love so that from this day forth, I may live only to love and to please You." St. Alphonsus Liguori, The Holy Eucharist: Octave of Corpus Christi, Meditation I. For more information and videos check out <a href="https://www.yearoftheeucharist.net">www.yearoftheeucharist.net</a>

#### ST AGNES CHURCH ROSARY RALLY

St. Agnes Church will hold a Rosary Rally at noon in front of the Church, Jan 22, observing the Supreme Court decision in 1973, which allows for abortion for all nine months of pregnancy. Since most local people are unable to take the trip to Washington on that date, this is a chance to support unborn human life, and pray for a reversal of that decision. For this public witness, participants will, of course, dress very warmly. IF the weather is TOO inclement, the event will move inside the Church. Please join us to pray for Our Blessed Mother's intercession. Information at (413)822 8169

#### **ROSARY SODALITY MEETING**

The Sacred Heart Rosary Sodality will meet on Monday, January 24th at 4 p.m. in the Parish Center. We will address Valentine cards for our parish's homebound and nursing home residents. We will also formulate questions for a Q & A session with Fr. Steve in February

#### **CELEBRATE SPRING!**

St. Peter Women's Guild in Gt. Barrington, is sponsoring a 3 day Maine Coastal trip to Ogunquit, June 7-9, 2022. Included are two Nights at the lovely Meadowmere Resort in Ogunquit, two breakfast & two dinners, (Jonathan's Restaurant and a Lobster Clambake Dinner at Foster's) Ogunquit Playhouse, Portland Head Lighthouse stop, Portland Discovery Cruise, and much more.

The cost is \$495.00 double occupancy. For more information or a registration form, please call Bobbie Kozlowski at 413-528-4961 or Nancy Wilcox at 413-298-4603.





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