Mary, Mother of Mankínd Church

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2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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



January 16, 2022

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:30 am Holy Days: see bulletin

Daily Mass

Monday-Thursday: 8:00 am (The Rosary is prayed prior to Daily Mass)

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00-3:30 pm

Parish Office Hours

M-T-W-Th. 9:00 am-1:00pm

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From Fr. Varghese's Desk



Last week, we looked at five of the top ten reasons people return to their Catholic Faith. Here are the other five:

Number 5: Because the Catholic Church has the fullness of truth and grace. The Catholic Church was not founded by a reformer, but by Jesus himself. There are thousands of Christian denominations, but only one Catholic Church whose teachings and morals are unchanging. Many find other Faiths good, but lacking. The Catholic Church offers the best answers to all life's questions.

Number 4: Because they want their children to have a faith foundation. Some people return because they recognize that raising children in a culture that promotes "doing your own thing" can lead to disaster. They want a solid foundation upon which their children can build their lives. The Church has that foundation!

Number 3: Because they want to be part of a faith community. Catholics come together at Mass, in the Sacraments, and in parish activities to pray, to celebrate joys, to mourn losses, to serve others, to provide support and to receive strength for daily life. A Catholic parish gives a sense of belonging and support—something all people long for.

Number 2: Because they want to help other people. While there are many opportunities to volunteer in the secular world, the Church reminds volunteers that they are instruments of God's love— and that God himself will bless them for their kindness. That "spiritual dimension" is missing in many secular charities and often leaves people unfulfilled.

Number 1: Because they hunger for the Eucharist. Most people come back to the Catholic Church because they feel an intense longing for the Eucharist. There is a mysterious fulfillment that occurs every time we receive Holy Communion. People remember that fulfillment and deeply desire it again.

Most people discover that coming back to the Church is a process that involves a little pain, a little laughter, some thinking, some prayer and a lot of letting go. Yet when they do, all who return feel a deep sense of peace that was missing in their lives. I pray that many people will find that peace through our evangelization efforts!

Have a Good Week and God Bless

Father Varghese



Saturday, January 15 4:00 p.m. Francisco F

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Sunday, January 16-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m.	Domenic DiMario
10:30 a.m.	Jean Lombardi (Anniversary)
	Josephine Ruggieri

Monday, January 17-Saint Anthony Abbot
8:00 a.m. Deborah Klus
Tuesday, January 18
8:00 a.m. Special Intention
Wednesday, January 19
8:00 a.m. Richard Houle (Birthday remembrance)
Thursday, January 20
8:00 a.m. Julia Lanni

Saturday, January 22

4:00 p.m.	Francisco Ferreira	
_	Alice Heroux (Birthday remembrance)	
Sunday, January 23-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time		
8:00 a.m.	John & Mary Gorman and Bella Dutil	
10:30 a.m.	Gerard E. McKenna	

Please remember Mary, Mother of Mankind Church in your will or estate.



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Helping Hand Fund

The Office will be closed on Monday, January 17th in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday!



ATTENTION PARISHIONERS AND ALL INTERESTED: PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND & JORDAN With **Fr. Varghese; October 19 - 29, 2022**. Highlights include Bethlehem, Nazareth, Basilica of the Annunciation, Cana, Mount of the Beatitudes, Sea of Galilee, Jerusalem, Mount of Olives, Via Dolorosa, Petra, Madaba, Church of the Holy Sepulcher and other special places of interest within the origins of the Judeo-Christian tradition. Daily Mass is also included at key religious sites. Please call the rectory

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Adults: When have you found the presence of Christ in an unexpected place?

Children: Where and in whom will you look for Jesus this week?



SUNDAY SMILE

Martin arrived at Sunday school late. Miss Walter, his teacher, knew that Martin was usu-

ally very punctual so she asked him if anything was wrong. Martin replied no, that he had been fishing but his dad told him that he needed to go to church. Miss Walter was very impressed and asked the lad if his dad had explained to him why it was more important to go to church than to go fishing? Martin replied, 'Yes he did. Dad said he didn't have enough bait for both of us.'

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If you prefer to contribute by check, you are welcome to mail your budget envelope to the Parish office 25,4th Street, N. Providence, RI 02911.

Welcome New Parishioner

We welcome our new parishioner: Raymond Beausejour to our Mary Mother of Mankind Parish Family!



FAITH FORMATION CLASSES No classes on January 16th Classes will be held on January 23rd and January 30th

A FRIENDLY GESTURE

If you have new folks moving in your neighborhood, why not welcome them by bringing an extra church bulletin from our Parish? They just might be looking for a church home.

2022 Religious Calendars

Religious Calendars were a gift to the parish by Robbins Funeral Home. We thank them for their generous sponsorship of the 2022 calendars. Remember to make each day holy during the 2022 calendar year.

IF YOU ARE A NEW PARISHIONER

We invite you to become an active part of our parish. After Mass, please introduce yourself to Father or call the rectory at 231-3542. If you were once a Lector, a Eucharistic Minister, have a son or daughter who was an Altar Server or were involved in other areas of service in your former parish, we invite you to resume your ministry here. If you've been a member of our parish for some time and would like to join in one of our ministries, please contact Fr. Varghese.

INTENTIONS FOR MASSES

Remembering our loved ones, living or dead, in our Mass intention is a noble practice. Mass cards are available for your use in the parish office to send to family or friends who are remembered.

NOT RECEIVING YOUR ENVELOPES?

Please contact the Parish Office at 231-3542 if you did not receive your offertory envelopes.

Income Tax Statements

We will not be mailing out donation statements for Income Tax purposes to all our parishioners. The cost of mailing hundreds of statements is no longer affordable for us. If you would like us to mail you your statement, please contact the office by phone (231-3542) or e-mail us at <u>mmmchurch@hotmail.com</u> We

The <u>second collection</u> this weekend is for the Catholic University. Thank You!!!



Grateful for God's Providence

As you may recall, our parish's goal is \$353,427.00. Per the latest update report, out of our more than 1100 registered families, 97families made one-time gifts or pledge that totaled \$192,000.00.

Please fill out your family's pledge card today and place it in the offering basket or hand it to our pastor! No down payment is necessary to make your pledge. Pledge cards are available throughout the Church

To submit a prayer request for our 'Prayer Chain' please contact Alexandra P. (300-2062) or Pauline N. (231-8012)





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