

The Parish Family of
MARY IMMACULATE
COMMUNITY THROUGH COMMUNION



SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 16, 2022

MASSES

Saturday Evening: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am

Daily Mass:

Monday - Friday 9:00am

Holy Days:

7:00pm (Vigil on the eve)

9:00 (on the day)

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:30 pm

(Large Church) or by
appointment with a priest

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Closed 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

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Food Pantry Hours:

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Friday, 10:00 am - 11:00 am



2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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

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Welcome to the Parish Family of Mary Immaculate!

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Do you have questions about the Catholic faith? Are you an unbaptized adult or an adult baptized in another tradition seeking to be a member of the Catholic Church? Call the Rectory Office and speak to Fran or email Fran directly at fran@miparish.net.

Sacrament Preparation Program (First Eucharist and Confirmation)

Are you a baptized Catholic adult or the parent of a young person who is a baptized Catholic and has not completed all their Sacraments? Our Sacrament Preparation Program will help prepare adults, teens, and young people to receive their Sacraments. Call the Rectory Office and speak to Fran or email Fran directly at fran@miparish.net.

PRAYER SHAWLS

Mary's Mantle Prayer Shawls are made available after all Masses the second weekend of every month.

Members of this ministry pray for those who receive them as they knit and crochet, and these shawls hold the prayers of all Mary Immaculate parishioners.

If you know someone who is in need of healing prayers and would like a Mary's Mantle, please contact the rectory.



Mass Offerings this Week

- Saturday, 5 pm *Francis Miller*
By Kathy & Dennis Desmond
Thomas Derby
By Ken & Kathy Hawkins
- Sunday, 9 am *Marie O'Toole Drescher*
By Linda Pickford
Christopher E. Dolan
By Ryan Quinlan
- 11 am *Bonifacio Pantonial*
By Cindy Schildgen
Albert W. Martin
By Bob & Ann Quinn
Clark Champrey
By the Parish Family
- Monday, 9 am *Elaine Cavaluzi*
By Duane Gonzalez
Bonifacio Pantonial
By Cindy Schildgen
- Tuesday, 9 am *Thomas Kinsley*
By Kinsley & Devine Families
Bonifacio Pantonial
By Cindy Schildgen
- Wednesday, 9am *Bonifacio Pantonial*
By Cindy Schildgen
Louis Bono
By the Parish Family
In Thanksgiving to St. Jude
- Thursday, 9 am *John DellaRocca*
By the Parish Family
Bonifacio Pantonial
By Cindy Schildgen
- Friday, 9 am *Nathaniel Joseph, living intention*
By Maria Joseph
Francis Sicoti
By the Parish Family

Prayers for the Sick

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| <i>Primo Carlos</i> | <i>Elizabeth Daconto</i> |
| <i>Anna & Evie Dowdell</i> | <i>John H. Bogan</i> |
| <i>Scarlett Ficco</i> | <i>Nancy Szabo</i> |
| <i>Gabrielle Waller</i> | <i>Oliver Burkhardt</i> |
| <i>Holly Ficco</i> | <i>Jennifer Lombardi</i> |
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| <i>James Wilkinson</i> | <i>Gina DiMartino</i> |
| <i>Robert Sherwood</i> | <i>Luhur Budiarjo</i> |
| <i>Therese Hopper</i> | <i>Peter McCombs</i> |

Please Pray for Our Deceased

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| <i>Jacqueline Dante</i> | <i>Francis Miller</i> |
| <i>Linda Tavano</i> | <i>Louisa Morrison</i> |
| <i>Dolly Kirschgessner</i> | <i>Anna DeLuca</i> |
| <i>June Iannuzzi</i> | <i>Anthony Quatrале</i> |
| <i>Paul Butler</i> | <i>Baldassare LoVoi</i> |
| <i>Thomas Derby</i> | <i>Rosalie Kalinowski</i> |

A LIFE REMEMBERED

Honor the memory of a loved one by making an offering towards the cost of altar flowers & candles, or the wine & hosts for one month.

We ask a donation of \$50 for the wine & hosts and \$100 for altar flowers & candles. These are frequently offered together.

You may now offer a donation in memory of a loved one towards the missals for one month.

Their name and yours will be listed in the bulletin for the month. A donation of \$150 for the missals. To remember someone in this very special way, please stop by or call the rectory office.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.*

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading:

As a young man marries a virgin, your Builder shall marry you; and as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride so shall your God rejoice in you. (Is 62:5)

Psalm:

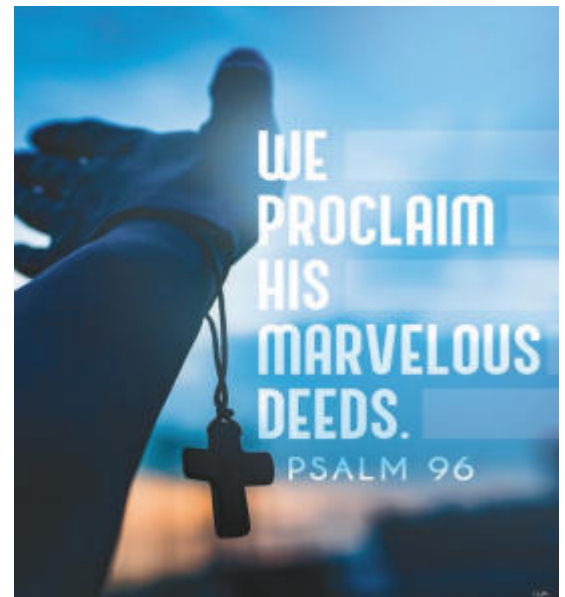
Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations. (Ps 96)

Second Reading:

But one and the same Spirit produces all of these, distributing them individually to each person as he wishes. (1 Cor 12:11)

Gospel:

Jesus did this as the beginning of his signs at Cana in Galilee and so revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him. (Jn 2:11)



Missals for January
 are offered in memory of
Charles Burton
 By Gloria Burton
 & Family

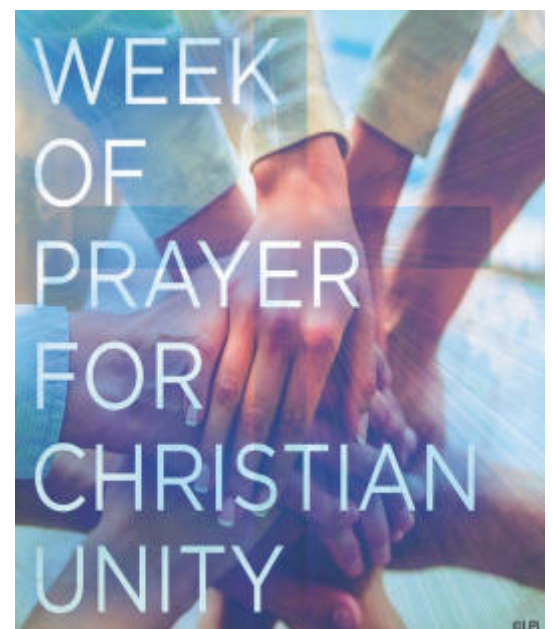
For the month of January,
 flowers, candles, wine and hosts
 are offered in memory of
Ruth Kalinowski
 By Cecelia Strickland

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 16, 2022

- Sunday:** Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11
- 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:** 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6
- Thursday:** 1 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

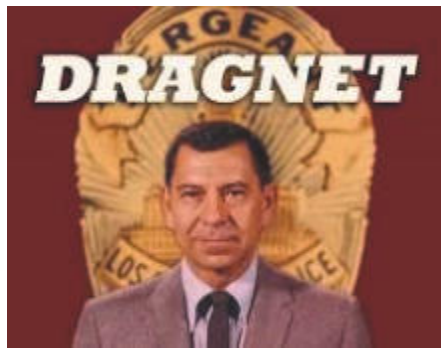
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK JANUARY 16, 2022

- Sunday:** The Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday:** Martin Luther King Day; St. Anthony, Abbot
- Tuesday:** Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
- Thursday:** St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr
- Friday:** St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr
- Saturday:** Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children





Fr. Bill Hanson



***“Just the facts,
Ma’am.”***

Sgt. Joe Friday

Yikes! it was 1951 when actor Jack Webb introduced the world to his character Sargent Joe Friday of the Los Angeles Police Department. And one of his often quoted lines when interviewing witnesses was to try and focus the person on what was important by asking solely for the facts.

“Fact” is an interesting word. It comes from the Latin word “facere” which means “to make.” Something that is “factum” in Latin is made...or made up. We like to think of facts as events whose significance is self evident and whose meaning is incontrovertible. Not so fast! Meaning is an action we impose as part of human intelligence.

Here’s a good example. Ever since my vocal chord surgery parishioners have been telling me that my voice is sounding better. This surprises me because it doesn’t seem that way to me. So who is right? Well I went for a follow-up with my surgeon Dr. Chitkara, and it turns out parishioners are right! He was delighted with the healing progress at the surgical site and thought that I was healing faster than he expected! Then he showed me the video he takes with his endoscope, comparing before surgery, soon after, and now. What a difference! He also records me reading a particular paragraph and I could not only see but hear the improvement. I was wrong, you were right!

It all starts with sense experience: what you hear and what I hear. Then we add in medical expertise and technical instrumentation. While looking at the same pictures, the Doc’s experience is wider than mine in judging progress. Reading between the lines of all of this, we come to an understanding. We make a judgement that our made-up understanding is matched by the recordings and the visuals. On that basis we decide our made-up understanding (fact) is true, and we act. So I said to the Doctor, “If you’re happy, I’m happy!”

This applies to all knowledge. Anything we think is a fact is indeed “made up.” It is made up of sense experience, reading between the lines to determine meaning, judging that meaning to be in synch with sense experience, and then acting on it. So guess what: Jack Webb never said, “Just the facts ma’am.” Satirist and comedian Stan Freberg did on an album lampooning the Dragnet show. Dan Akroyd continued the misquote in his Dragnet revival movie. So what everybody thinks is a fact actually isn’t! What about serious stuff? Climate change, election results, vaccine effectiveness, masking and social distancing. Are we going along with what “everybody says” or what our tribe or party says or church says? Or are we open to all interpretations and judge which correspond to sense experience and which don’t. All facts are made up but not all are true.

I’m glad I was wrong about my voice, and you were right. Thank you Dr, Chitkara for allowing science, measurement, and years of experience to inform and reassure me about the fact that is true about my voice!

QUESTION:

Can a person (the mother, father, or provider) ever be forgiven for an abortion?

**Answer:**

For people of faith, any conversation of human sinfulness should always lead us to reflect on God's loving mercy. Because God's mercy is greater than any sin, the Church is clear that even those involved in the sin of abortion can be reconciled with God and the Church. To help make this grace more available through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Pope Francis extended the permission to absolve someone of the sin of abortion to all priests in 2016

Even with the grace and blessings of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, the tragedy of abortion and the aftermath of abortion takes a toll on everyone involved. Ministries of outreach and support, such as Project Rachel, offer pastoral counseling, support groups, retreats, and other forms of care. As Christians, we are also called to help promote this healing and reconciliation in all its forms. To learn more, visit www.hopeafterabortion.com.

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**Come celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation
offered every Saturday
from 4:00 to 4:30 pm
in the Library of the Little Church.**

***"When Jesus saw their faith, he said,
'Friend, your sins are forgiven.'"***

COMMUNITY

THROUGH
Communion

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP

Recognize God in your Ordinary Moments

IT TAKES ALL KINDS

If every flower wanted to be a rose," wrote St. Therese of Lisieux, "spring would lose its loveliness."

Who is God asking you to be today? There is an obvious answer that springs to mind right out of the gate. God wants me to be a good person (a good father, a good husband) today; today, God wants me to be a saint.

But this answer fails to get to the heart of the question. We are all striving today to serve the same Spirit, but we are given different gifts to do so. The one who has the gift of knowledge may fail if today he decides he wants to be a healer. The one who has the gift of "varieties of tongues" might falter in the expression of wisdom.

Think about the wedding at Cana and the players in the scene: the servers, the guests, the bride and groom. They all have a unique role to play, and though it is to the servers that Mary gives the instruction, "Do whatever he tells you," her words apply to all.

Today, are we called to be the servers — do we wait on God's instruction and carry it out, no matter how foolish or impossible it may seem to our human ears? Are we asked to be the disciples, to bear witness to a miracle and to give our testimony? Are we called to imitate the Blessed Mother herself and give encouragement to follow God's word?

Let us examine our gifts and listen in the silence of our hearts to the direction of the Spirit. Then and only then, let us do whatever He tells us.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Relationships are hard to clarify. Determining whether people in our lives are simply acquaintances and associates or a deeper level of friend is a journey that takes time. Identifying and celebrating those people who really care about us is a lifelong adventure that involves both moments of intense elation and heart-ache.

Some relationships are more easily definable than others. Two people who are in love must decide whether the love they share has the freedom and depth necessary for lifelong commitments. Other relationships may look like friendship but may harbor grave dysfunction and toxicity. Discernment is needed on all fronts.

Our relationship with God also needs definition and discernment. God has taken creation as His spouse and human beings as His children. God delights in us and all that He has made. The wedding feast at Cana demonstrates God's investment in all of this, especially our happiness. Life is a time for celebration and great rejoicing!

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In the Gospel today at the wedding feast in Cana, Jesus reveals himself to his disciples and they began to believe in Him. Everyday, God also gives us signs of his love and so we also can respond in faith and trust.

Your gift to the society of St. Vincent de Paul becomes a sign of God's love to those who are suffering, and you give them reason to believe and to trust.

The pantry is in need of tuna, soup and canned green vegetables.

Your donations of non-perishable food can be left in the blue wagon in the foyer of the Large Church or in the wicker basket in the foyer of the Little Church.

Thank you for your generous support of the work of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

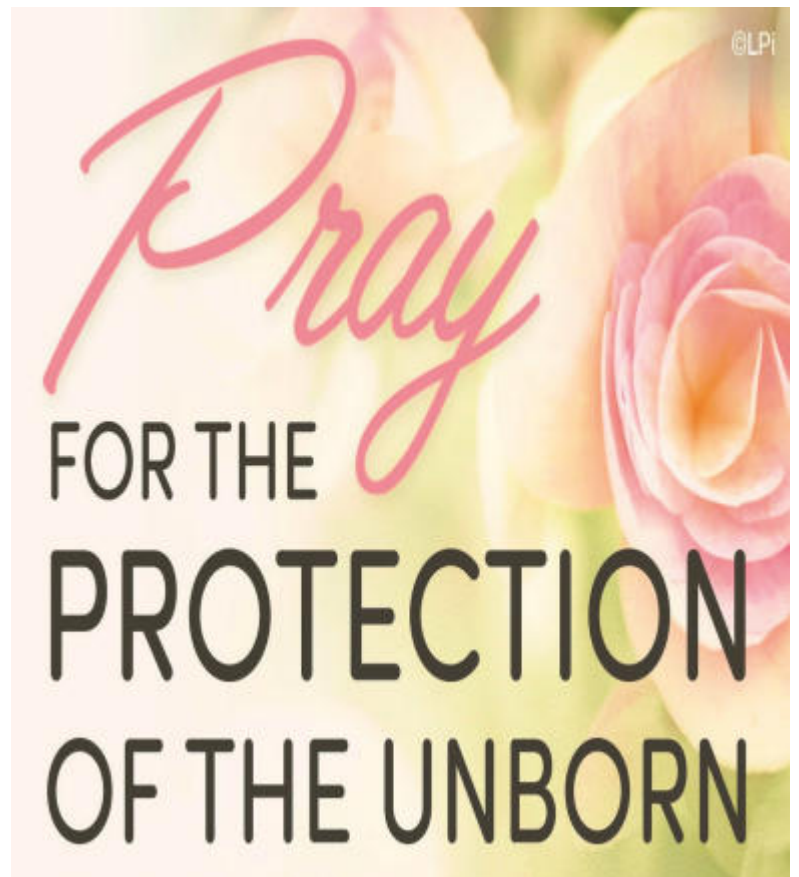


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Even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live for ever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect.

— Pope Francis —



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.

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The rectory office will be closed Monday the 17th in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.



Shop Wednesday, Friday Saturday
10 am to 2 pm



The American Red Cross has declared a **NATIONAL BLOOD CRISIS:** the worst blood shortage in over a decade!

Sign up after all Masses today to donate on Sunday, February 13th.

Your donation at this critical time may save lives

If you can donate, please sign up today.

If you can't donate, ask how you can help.



Join Us Monday—Friday
9 am In the Little Church



**Grade Level
Liturgies**

**Levels 3 & 4:
January 22 or 23**

**Levels 5 & 6:
January 29 or 30**

CLASSES THIS WEEK!

- Level 2:** Tuesday, 4:30—5:30 pm
- Levels 3:** Monday; no class; Holiday
Tuesday, 4:30—5:30 pm
- Level 4:** Wednesday, 4:30—5:30 pm
- Level 5:** Tuesday, 4:30—5:30 pm
- Level 6:** No Class; Holiday
- Level 7:** No Class; Holiday
- Level 8:** Tuesday, 7:00—8:15 pm



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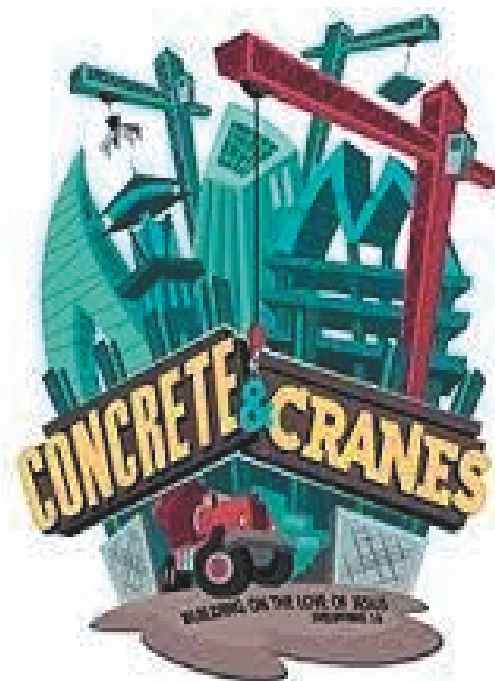
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 **PUZZLE**

 **GOSPEL**

Mary had great faith in God. She also knew that God could do anything. So when the wedding servers ran out of wine, she knew Jesus could help. She said, "Do whatever Jesus tells you to do." That's the smartest thing any of us can do.

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