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## 4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

[He said to them], "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing." And all spoke highly of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They also asked, "Isn't this the son of Joseph?" - Lk 4:21-22

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Open 1 pm - 4 pm

2nd and 4th Mondays of the month

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Infants: contact the parish office before or soon after birth. Adults: inquire about the RCIA  
**Sacrament of Penance:** Saturdays 2:45-3:00 p.m. St. Mary's Church. You may also contact Fr. Ray  
**Sacrament of the Sick:** Contact Fr. Ray in advance of surgery or as soon as possible when serious illness occurs  
**Sacrament of Marriage:** Contact the parish office at least 6 months prior to the proposed wedding date to begin preparation.  
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## Mass Intentions for the Week

**MON: Jan. 31 - St. John Bosco**

9:00am SM: Norm Dibble by Don Critchlow

**TUE: Feb. 1 - Weekday in Ordinary Time**

9:00am SA: Marguerite Doucette by The Reome Family

**WED: Feb. 2 - The Presentation of the Lord**

9:00am SM: Laura Hilts by Brigitte Russell

**THURS: Feb. 3 - Weekday in Ordinary Time**

9:00am SA: George Poirier by Joe LaFave

**SAT: Feb. 5 - Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:00pm SA: William Delarm

by Mom, Dad, Char, Sandy & Kyle, Erica

**SUN: Feb 6 - Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

8:00am SA: For the People of our Parishes

11:00am SM: Patrick & Linda Curran

by Ernie & Dawn Barney

**This week's Sanctuary Candles:**

SA / SM - *For the Safety of our Troops*

**Readings for the week of Jan. 30, 2022**

Sun: Jer 1:4-5,17-19/Ps 71:1-2,3-4,5-6,15-17/  
1Cor 12:31-13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30

Mon: 2Sm 15:13-14,30;16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3,4-5,6-7/  
Mk 5:1-20

Tue: 2Sm 18:9-10,14b,24-25a,30-19:3/Ps 86:1-2,3-4,5-6/  
Mk 5:21-43

Wed: Mal 3:1-4/Ps24:7,8,9,10/Heb 2:14-18/  
Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Thur: 1Kgs 2:1-4,10-12/1Chr 29:10,11ab,11d-12a,12bcd/  
Mk 6:7-13

Fri: Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31,47 and 50,51/Mk 6:14-29

Sat: 1Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9,10,11,12,13,14/Mk 6:30-34

Next Sun: Is 6:1-2a,3-8/Ps 138:1-2,2-3,4-5,7-8/  
1Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8,11/Lk 5:1-11

### LIVE THE LITURGY

Prophets possess an intimate knowledge of God and act on their experience of God. Prophetic messages usually challenge the status quo and draw us up and out of ourselves, focusing us on the bigger picture. We often think of ourselves and our own needs first. When we listen to someone speak, we judge the merit of the message by its degree of usefulness. If the message or vision contains no personal benefit or profit but a call to stretch and grow, we can become indignant. Prophets are usually the ones whose message challenges us and calls us to see things differently and love more perfectly and deeply. God is love. When listening to St. Paul speak about love we witness the unfolding of this type of unconditional, other centered, self-sacrificial perfect God. It is an invitation to life, freedom, and happiness that can be offered to us only by God. Jesus, who is God and Love incarnate, calls us to this richer expression of love. Are we ready to listen and be challenged and stretched?

### THE LORD CALLS

"Before you were born, I consecrated you." If you think that you may be set apart by the Lord to serve Him as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, contact Fr. Christopher Carrara, Vocation Director, [ccarrara@rcdonv.org](mailto:ccarrara@rcdonv.org), ext. 1340 or Sister Mary Eamon Lyng the Diocesan Vocation Coordinator at (315)393-2920, ext. 1345 [elyng@rcdonv.org](mailto:elyng@rcdonv.org). See us also at [www.myvocation.net](http://www.myvocation.net).

### COLLECTION:

**St. Augustine - Jan. 22/23**

Envelopes: \$884.00; Plate: \$83.00; Fuel: \$10.00

Total: \$977.00

Respect Life: \$157.00

### ST. AUGUSTINE / ST. MARY PARISH OFFICE

Office Hours this week for both churches are:

Monday through Thursday 9am to 12 noon only.

Office #518-483-6674.



### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**Deacon Lee Trudeau**

**Director of Religious Formation**

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**Email: [lee@stmarysbrushton.org](mailto:lee@stmarysbrushton.org)**

**Grades K to 8: 9:15-10:45am**

**St. Mary's Parish Center, Brushton**

**Sunday, Feb. 6, 2022, Feb. 13, 2022**

### FIRST CORINTHIANS AND THE STEWARDSHIP OF SOCIAL MEDIA

"Love is patient, love is kind ..." As familiar as these words are, they never seem to stray into the territory of becoming trite or silly. At their core they communicate a truth about us and about our Creator that never fails to inspire.

But despite the fact that you've probably heard it at many weddings over time, First Corinthians isn't just for newlyweds. It wasn't written for married folks. It's for every single one of us, in every state of life and every social situation, in every country and culture and language across the globe.

Which means that First Corinthians is even for the online world. It's for Facebook and Twitter and Instagram and all the other platforms I'm forgetting (there seems to be a new one every day, doesn't there?).

A sense of division — whether rooted in politics, culture or anything else — is growing in our world, and it's never more obvious than when we observe interactions online. It is far easier, after all, to remember what love is when a human being of flesh and blood stands before us. When all we see is an avatar or a profile picture on a screen — especially accompanied by an opinion with which we vehemently disagree — even the most loving Christians can throw First Corinthians out the window.

As everyday stewards we know that we are charged to be not only gracious but grateful. We receive others but we also give thanks for what they bring to us — even if that's an opportunity to "strive eagerly for the greatest spiritual gifts."

So before the next time you post anything online, I suggest giving First Corinthians a read — and remember, love never fails. - *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS*

### From Father Ray...

I am on vacation and will be returning Tuesday afternoon, February 1st. During my absence Fr. Al Lamica will be celebrating all weekday and weekend Masses, as well as any funerals which may occur. Should an emergency arise, feel free to contact The Alice Hyde Hospital at 518-483-3000 and ask the receptionist to page the priest who is on call to give you a call back. Or if you are in need of Fr. Lamica's assistance, please contact him at 518-354-3812. You may also contact Pat White or Sheila LaRock at the church office Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon (518-483-6674).



**BRUSHTON VFD all you can eat breakfast** 8:00 am to 12:30 pm this Sunday January 30th. Pancakes, french toast, sausage, bacon, eggs, home fries, toast, coffee, milk, orange and apple juice Adults \$10.00 Children 6-12 \$6.00 5 and Under Free. Take outs available.

### ST. BLAISE - FEBRUARY 3

You may be familiar with the annual "blessing of throats" that many parishes in the United States use to commemorate the beloved bishop and martyr. St. Blaise lived in the fourth century in Turkey and Armenia. Due to religious persecution, he was forced to flee and hide in a cave in the back country in order to save his life.



History has it that one day a group of hunters stumbled upon where St. Blaise was living. They found the bishop kneeling in prayer, surrounded by wolves, lions and bears that he had tamed. The legend has it that as the hunters dragged Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command, the child was able to cough up the bone and thus lived.

We remember Saint Blaise on his feast day by taking two candles, crossing them against the throat, and saying the following prayer:

*Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

### WORLD YOUTH DAY, 2023:

#### Young Adults, are you interested?

World Youth Day is a worldwide encounter of Young Adults with the Holy Father that occurs approximately every three years. The next World Youth Day will be in Lisbon, Portugal from August 1-6, 2023. It is an amazing experience of the universality of the Church with thousands of young adults from around the world. If you are interested in attending World Youth Day in 2023 and will be 18 or older by the time of travel (late July 2023), contact Marika Donders at [mdonders@rcdony.org](mailto:mdonders@rcdony.org). Additional details will be released to interested parties as we get closer to the event.

### WORDS TO PONDER...

If you want to be heard...  
say it the way you would want to hear it!

### ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

**Creation Care Tip:** To improve the quality of indoor air during winter, try adding a few house plants to rooms in which you spend the majority of your time. Many types of house plants are well known for filtering an assortment of contaminants from the air, and also release oxygen and small amounts of water vapor which helps with a person's respiratory system.

### A PRESENTATION OF FORGIVEN:

#### A Continuation of the Eucharist Initiative

Explore the transforming power and the healing grace of the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation. Discover the merciful way that God calls us back to Himself when we have sinned.

When: Saturday, March 26

Time: 9:00 am - 3:30 pm

Where: Clayton, Watertown, Lowville, Norfolk, Ellenburg, Plattsburgh, and Saranac Lake  
All are welcome.

More details including how to register soon to come.  
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### SURVIVING DIVORCE:

#### Ministry to Separated and Divorced adults

The Family Life Office is offering the Surviving Divorce Program, beginning mid-February in Watertown, Gouverneur, Canton and Potsdam. This program helps participants find personal healing and hope by working through the emotional upheaval of separation and divorce. Meetings are once per week for 2-3 hours, depending on the size of the group. The dates are TBA based on the availability of the participants. The facilitator for each area will contact registrants to give information about the start date and times.

The cost is \$25. Register online at [www.rcdony.org/survivingdivorce](http://www.rcdony.org/survivingdivorce).

For more information contact Steve Tartaglia at 315-393-2920 or [startaglia@rcdony.org](mailto:startaglia@rcdony.org).

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT CORNER: Did you know? ... Did You Know...** VIRTUS released a new version of Protecting God's Children which is the safe environment training program required for all clergy, religious, employees, and volunteers in the Diocese of Ogdensburg. The updated version includes more emphasis on diversity and activities involving technology. There are new survivor stories from the perspective of a minor as well as from an adult survivor. For more information, or to register for VIRTUS training, contact the Diocesan Safe Environment Office at (315) 393-2920.

### DIGGING DEEPER INTO THE MYSTERY OF THE HOLY EUCHARIST:

**A Continuation of The Mystery of the Holy Eucharist**  
A day of reflection based on the fourth video of Presence, "Biblical Foundations."

Saturday, April 9

Wadhams Hall, Ogdensburg

10:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Presenters: Sister Bernadette Marie Collins, SSJ & Sister Mary Gregory Munger, SSJ. Lunch will be provided. Cost to attend is \$25 with the option to pay via PayPal or bill parish upon registration at [www.rcdony.org/diggingdeeper](http://www.rcdony.org/diggingdeeper)

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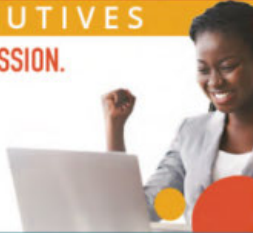
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